



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Spring 2015

Algonquin Announces 2015 Business Award Winners

The Village of Algonquin recognized four local businesses as winners of the 2015 Business Awards. In its 16th year, the awards program recognizes the efforts local businesses make to support the community. The following are this year's winners:

Rehabilitation Award: The Congregational Church of Algonquin

109 Washington Street

Business Improvement Award: Shining Stars Early Learning Center

100 Countryside Drive

Community Economic Impact Award: Goodwill Industries

1430 East Algonquin Road

Community Economic Impact Award: Gander Mountain

1400 South Randall Road

For more information on the Business Award program and this year's recipients, please visit www.algonquin.org/business.



Gander Mountain was recognized with the Community Economic Impact Award

Algonquin Community Survey

In September 2014, the Algonquin Community Survey was sent to 1,500 randomly selected households in the community. Overall, the top quality of life measures in the Village rated Excellent or Good by residents include Algonquin as a place to live (94.2%), your neighborhood as a place to live (92.4%), Algonquin as a place to raise children (90.9%), and shopping opportunities (88.2%).

The Algonquin Community Survey helps the Village evaluate and prioritize public services provided to the community. To view the entire report of survey results, please visit us online at www.algonquin.org/VillageManager.

Document Shredding Event

Groot, along with the Village of Algonquin, will offer a free shredding event for residents of the Village of Algonquin. This event will be held Saturday, June 13, 2015, at the Public Works Facility (110 Meyer Drive, Algonquin) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Participants must verify they are a resident of the Village of Algonquin. Material accepted includes standard office paper and file folders. All material shall be free of binders and binder clips or any other materials that could compromise the integrity of the equipment. Each participating resident is limited to eight (8) standard size banker boxes each. More information is available online at www.algonquin.org.

Season Pool Passes

Beat the heat this summer with an early bird pool pass at the Algonquin pool and splashpad, located at 599 Longwood Drive in Algonquin! **Both individual and family passes will go on sale April 20.**

The pool features a 1-meter spring diving board, interactive splashpad area, lap pool, concession stand, lounge chairs, and new deck shade structures. The Algonquin pool also offers programs for all ages, including the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim Program and expanded offerings of Aqua Zumba and lap swim! For complete pool and swim program information, please visit us online at www.algonquin.org/pool.

Vote April 7!

Polls are open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the General Consolidated Election on Tuesday, April 7.

Ships Set Sail

In celebration of the 10th anniversary of Algonquin's public art program, outdoor sculpture displays will be exhibited downtown this summer. The theme is sailboats, and there will be a kick-off event downtown on the evening of Thursday, May 21, including an open house reception at Historic Village Hall from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, please visit the event website at www.algonquin.org/ships.

Algonquin PD on Facebook

Look for the Algonquin Police Department on Facebook. You will want to "Like" our page to find out information about Child Safety Seat Checks and other community events in which we will be participating. We will also be sharing information with the public regarding personal safety and any concerns we are aware of occurring in our area. Find our page at www.facebook.com/AlgonquinPolice.



Art on the Fox

Father's Day Weekend - June 20-21 - Riverfront Park
www.artonthefox.com

Spring Hydrant Flushing

As a regular maintenance practice, the Village of Algonquin flushes all fire hydrants throughout the Village twice a year. **Spring hydrant flushing is performed in six different zones and will begin on April 13, concluding May 29.** Residents are encouraged to avoid using water while hydrant flushing is taking place as temporary losses of water pressure and water discoloration may be possible. A detailed schedule is online at www.algonquin.org/PublicWorks.



Groot Spring Cleanup

In April, the Village, along with Groot, will sponsor a Village-wide cleanup program for single-family residences and townhomes that currently receive residential refuse and recycling services. This program is to encourage residents to reduce fire hazards in their homes and to "spruce up" their neighborhoods. **STICKERS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THIS SPECIAL PICKUP.** Typical items to be discarded include toys, clothes, couches, beds, dressers, and patio furniture.

Items that will **not** be collected include automobile parts, landscape waste, white goods, electronics, and construction materials. More information and a schedule are available at www.algonquin.org.

Schedule

April 4: East
April 11: West

Summer Recreation Guide

The Algonquin Recreation summer guide will be sent to households in April. Plan your summer with various special events, athletics, fitness, dance, swimming lessons, and other recreational programming.

More information, including online registration, is available at www.algonquin.org/recreation.

Free Leaf & Brush Collection

Groot will provide **free collection of leaves and branches (tied in bundles which are not more than 4 feet in length and 2 feet in diameter) April 1 - April 14.** Leaves must be placed in standard paper yardwaste bags or reusable containers that are clearly marked with a red "X." Place the bags or cans at the curb on your regular collection day. Leaves placed in loose piles will NOT be collected.

Grass clippings and other yardwaste will still require a collection sticker. Any bags or cans that contain leaves mixed with other yardwaste will also require a collection sticker. The stickers for garbage and yardwaste are interchangeable. Please contact Groot at 800-244-1977 with questions regarding leaf and brush collection.

Stormwater Awareness

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly to surface water. Here are some tips that will help keep our waterbodies clean:

1. Never dump, blow, or put anything into a storm drain/ditch.
2. Always clean up after your pet.
3. Put litter in the trash. Reduce, reuse, recycle.
4. Use pesticides/fertilizers very sparingly.
5. Install native plants; they are drought, disease, and pest-resistant.
6. Keep yardwaste out of the street, storm drain and ditch.
7. Prevent soil from washing away.
8. Properly dispose of hazardous household chemicals (i.e., paint).
9. Repair vehicle leaks immediately and recycle used vehicle fluids.
10. Wash cars on the grass or at a commercial car wash.

For more information, please visit www.algonquin.org/PublicWorks.



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