



# The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Fall 2021

## Stoneybrook Park is Now Open

Thank you to the community members that came out in June to officially open the new and improved Stoneybrook Park to the community! The event included a ribbon cutting, tree planting and a special ribbon cutting for the children in attendance.

Last improved in 1997, Stoneybrook Park was redeveloped to add several new amenities with the help of a \$400,000 Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant secured by the Village from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Stop by soon (1200 Huntington Drive North) to enjoy the new basketball, bocce ball, volleyball and pickleball courts, as well as play a round of gaga ball and bags. While you are there, sit in the shade under the new picnic shelter after you take a stroll around the new multi-use trail or, at the very least, swing on the new playground set!

For more information, please visit [www.algonquin.org/recreation](http://www.algonquin.org/recreation).



*Stoneybrook Park, located at 1200 Huntington Drive North was redeveloped using \$400,000 in grant funding*

## Winter Parking Regulations

Beginning **October 31**, parking will be prohibited on all public streets in the Village between the hours of **2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.** The winter parking hours will be in effect until April 15, 2022.

In addition, it is unlawful to park on the street after any snowfall of 2 inches or greater unless the street has been cleared of snow. The snowfall parking ban is in place for your safety and will remain in effect until snow removal operations have been completed. Violators will be issued tickets.

Short-term parking may be allowed under special circumstances. Residents may request parking permission online at [www.algonquin.org/police](http://www.algonquin.org/police) or by contacting Police Department at 847-658-4531.

## Fall Cemetery Cleanup

Fall Cleanup occurs the last Monday of October each year. Please have all fall decorations removed prior to the last Monday of October (October 25, 2021). Winter decorations, such as blankets and wreaths, may be placed the Saturday before Thanksgiving (November 20, 2021).

For more information, visit [www.algonquin.org/cemetery](http://www.algonquin.org/cemetery) or contact the Ganek Municipal Center at 847-658-2700.

## Back to School Safety

The long summer break can cause some drivers to forget those driving habits that enhance the safety of children traveling to school. The Algonquin Police Department offers these tips to keep in mind throughout the school year:

- In school zones, speed limits are 20 m.p.h.
- Use of cell phones is prohibited in school zones.
- Stop for school buses that are loading/unloading children.
- Stop for school crossing guards and do not move until the crossing guard is completely out of the intersection.

The Algonquin Police Department provides crossing guards to help children cross streets at several locations. Please take a few minutes to review these safety tips with your children.

## Trick-or-Treat Hours

Halloween trick-or-treat hours in Algonquin are from **3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 31**. Remember to turn a porch light on if you are home and will be handing out treats. Have a safe, fun, and happy Halloween!

## Road Construction Update

Please see below for project information and be sure to visit us online at [www.algonquin.org/construction](http://www.algonquin.org/construction) for updates:



**Around and About Main Street:** An extension of the Old Town Algonquin project, Around and About Main Street will improve traffic flow and safety for road users of North Main Street. For more information about this project, please visit [oldtownalgonquin.org/around--about-main-street.html](http://oldtownalgonquin.org/around--about-main-street.html).

**Harnish Drive:** As of September, the Harnish Drive project is approximately 35 percent complete. As part of this project, the Village will repair and resurface roadways, as well as improve drainage, patch driveway/curbs and address ADA improvements such as striping of pedestrian crosswalks. For more information about this project, please visit [www.harnishdriveconstruction.org](http://www.harnishdriveconstruction.org).

**Longmeadow Parkway:** Kane County Division of Transportation continues work on Longmeadow Parkway. The entire corridor is currently planned to be open to traffic in early 2022. Four sections have been constructed and three of these sections are open to traffic. The bridge section over the Fox River is substantially complete, but is not open to traffic. Two final sections are under construction, and work continues on the tolling infrastructure. For more information, please visit [www.co.kane.il.us/dot](http://www.co.kane.il.us/dot).

**Randall Road:** As of September, all lanes of travel are now open and the project is substantially complete with the exception of some miscellaneous work and landscaping being completed during the next month.

## Old Town Trick-or-Treat and Movie

Join us October 22 in Old Town Algonquin dressed in your favorite costume starting at 5:00 p.m. for trick-or-treating and pumpkin painting. Following the event, we will be showing the new Addams Family movie in Towne Park. Additional event details are available online at [www.algonquin.org/recreation](http://www.algonquin.org/recreation).

## Algonquin Recreation Guide

The fall 2021 Recreation Guide has been sent to Algonquin households and is available online. Check out our variety of offerings including special events, fitness, athletics, dance and more! Learn more about these programs online at [www.algonquin.org/recreation](http://www.algonquin.org/recreation).

## Miracle on Main

Celebrate the holiday season with your family and neighbors at the Miracle on Main at The Plaza (2 S. Main St.) on Saturday, December 4, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Join Algonquin Recreation for the tree lighting ceremony, craft activities, visiting with Santa and friends, listening to holiday music, and more! For complete details visit us online at [www.algonquin.org/recreation](http://www.algonquin.org/recreation).



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For additional details about this construction project, please visit [www.randallroad.info](http://www.randallroad.info).

## Hydrant Flushing Schedule

As a regular maintenance practice, the Village of Algonquin Utilities Division flushes fire hydrants throughout the Village twice a year. This exercise not only ensures proper operation of each hydrant, but improves overall water quality by moving fresh water throughout the distribution system. **Flushing will take place between September 7 and October 29, weather permitting.** Please visit [www.algonquin.org/publicworks](http://www.algonquin.org/publicworks) for a detailed schedule.

## Fall Brush Collection

Groot will provide free collection of leaves and branches, on your scheduled collection day, **October 1 through December 10, 2021.** Branches must not exceed 2 inches in diameter and should be tied in bundles that are not more than 4 feet in length, 24 inches in diameter and 50 pounds in weight. Leaves must be placed in standard paper yard waste bags or reusable containers that are clearly marked with a red "X" on the outside. Place reusable containers or bags at the curb on your regular collection day. Leaves placed in loose piles will NOT be collected.

Grass clippings and other yard waste will still require a collection sticker. Any bags or cans that contain leaves mixed with other yard waste will also require a collection sticker. The stickers for garbage and yard waste are interchangeable.

Please contact Groot Customer Service at 800-244-1977 with questions regarding leaf and brush collection.