



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Spring 2024

Business Award Program Winners

The Village of Algonquin is proud to present the winners of the 2023 Algonquin Business Awards. The program aims to recognize outstanding contributions and achievements of local businesses during the past year. Winners for this year's program include:

- Rehabilitation/Improvement Award:** Garden on Main, 409 S Main St
- Entrepreneur of the Year Award:** Pickle Haus/Hubbard Street Group, 1621 S Randall Rd
- Enduring Business Award:** Cucina Bella, 220 S Main St
- Budding Business Award:** Antigua Mexican Grill, 2160 Lake Cook Rd
- Project of the Year Award:** The Enclave, 1700 block of S Randall Rd

"We are excited to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions of local businesses," said Village President Debby Sosine. "These awards are a testament to the hard work and dedication of business owners in our community, and we are proud to support and celebrate their successes."



Village officials with Pickle Haus and Hubbard Street Group at the business awards ceremony in January 2024

For more information about the Algonquin Business Awards Program, please visit www.aplusalgonquin.com.

Algonquin Community Survey

In September 2023, the Algonquin Community Survey was sent to 1,750 randomly selected households in the community. **Overall, the top quality of life measures in the Village rated positively by residents include Algonquin as a place to live (94.3%), your neighborhood as a place to live (92.5%), and Algonquin as a place to raise children (89.8%).** The overall response rate for the survey was 12.3%. 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/survey.

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 1, at the Public Works Facility (110 Mitchard Way, Algonquin) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (or until the trucks are full, whichever comes first).**

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 vehicle is limited to eight (8) standard size banker boxes each. More information is available online at www.algonquin.org.

Pool Opens June 1

The Lions Armstrong Memorial Pool (599 Longwood Drive) will open for the season on June 1. Keep an eye on www.algonquin.org/pool for more information about annual passes, swim lessons, and more!

Touch-a-Truck Event

Come be a part of our annual Touch-a-Truck Event on May 4, located at the Public Works Facility, 110 Mitchard Way, Algonquin. The event begins at 10:00 a.m., featuring a sensory-friendly hour without horns, lights, or sirens for a more comfortable experience. Then, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., you'll have the opportunity to explore and climb aboard a diverse array of vehicles, ranging from construction machinery and emergency vehicles from the local police and fire departments to tow trucks, garbage trucks, and many more!

Lunchapalooza

In collaboration with the Algonquin Area Public Library, we're excited to launch our Summer Lunchapalooza Kids Music Series, starting on June 12 with Scribble Monster at Stoneybrook Park (1200 Huntington Drive North). Enjoy complimentary monthly entertainment between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Check out our summer brochure for the complete lineup and schedule.

Planning a Home Project?

With spring right around the corner, you may be starting to plan that next home improvement project. This year, speed up the permitting process and take advantage of the services that are offered online:

1. Apply and pay for your permit.
2. Schedule your in-person inspection or perform a self-inspection for certain types of projects.
3. Get answers by e-mailing permits@algonquin.org or start an online chat session.

To get started, please visit www.algonquin.org/permits. We look forward to working with you!

Spring Hydrant Flushing

As a regular maintenance practice, the Village of Algonquin flushes fire hydrants throughout the Village twice a year. **Spring hydrant flushing is performed in six different zones and will begin on April 1, concluding May 24.** 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.



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 details are available at www.algonquin.org/groot.

Schedule	
April 20:	East
April 27:	West

Construction Info

The Village of Algonquin is gearing up for a busy construction season with several key projects aimed at improving infrastructure and community spaces. These include road improvements in Willoughby Farms Subdivision, reconstruction of Towne Park and Presidential Park, and road work in Old Town. Residents are encouraged to stay informed on projects by visiting www.algonquin.org/construction.

Free Leaf & Brush Collection

From April 11 to April 26, Groot is offering a free collection service for leaves and branches that are tied in bundles no more than 4 feet long and 2 feet in diameter. You must use standard paper yardwaste bags or reusable containers clearly marked with a red "X" and place them at the curb on your regular collection day.

Note that leaves placed in loose piles will not be collected. Keep in mind that grass clippings and other yardwaste will still require a collection sticker, and any bags or cans that contain leaves mixed with other yardwaste will also need a collection sticker. You can contact Groot at 800-244-1977 if you have any questions about leaf and brush collection.

Reducing Stormwater Pollution

Storm drains convey rainwater directly into our ponds, creeks and rivers without passing through any treatment facilities. The following are some tips to help prevent stormwater pollution and protect our natural resources in Algonquin:

1. Never dump anything down a storm drain. Always recycle used oil, antifreeze and other fluids. Fix oil leaks in your vehicles.
2. Wash your car at a commercial car wash rather than in the street or in your driveway.
3. Cut down on fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides. If you use these chemicals, follow the label directions and use them sparingly. Don't fertilize before a rainstorm.
4. Compost or mulch lawn clippings. Do not blow/rake leaves or clippings into the street.
5. Pick up after your pets and keep animals out of streams. Scoop up your pets waste and properly dispose of it.

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

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