



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Spring 2025

Business Award Program Winners

The Village of Algonquin is proud to present the winners of the 2024 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:** America's Antique Mall, 2451 S Randall Rd
- Architectual Design Award:** Atomic Car Wash, 2241 E Algonquin Rd
- Community Economic Impact Award:** CarMax, 2401 N Huntington Dr
- Community Service Award:** Downtown Algonquin Association
- Project of the Year Award:** Red Mountain Group, Algonquin Commons

"It is an honor to celebrate the achievements of our local businesses," said Village President Debby Sosine. "Recognizing their hard work is important because it demonstrates the value these businesses add to our community and highlights their role in making Algonquin a great place to live and work."

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



Village President Debby Sosine pictured with the Red Mountain Group at the business awards ceremony in January 2025

Algonquin Community Survey

In September 2024, 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 (93.8%), your neighborhood as a place to live (91.9%), and Algonquin as a place to raise children (91.6%). The overall response rate for the survey was 15.0%. 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, May 31, 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 May 31

The Lions Armstrong Memorial Pool (599 Longwood Drive) will open for the season on May 31. Keep an eye on www.algonquin.org/pool for more information about annual passes, swim lessons, and more!

Police Officers Honored with Life-Saving Awards

At a February Village Board meeting, Sergeant Andrew Doles, Officer Daniel Dennis, and Officer Adrian Vergara received Life Saving Awards for their heroic actions on January 13.

Responding to a distress call, the officers found an individual unresponsive and without a pulse. They immediately took action, performing CPR, preparing and deploying the AED, and administering Narcan to assist in the emergency. Their swift, coordinated efforts helped stabilize the individual until the Carpentersville Fire Department took over, ultimately aiding in the person's revival.



Their quick thinking and skill made the difference. Join us in thanking these true heroes!

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:

- Apply and pay for your permit.
- Schedule your in-person inspection or perform a self-inspection for certain types of projects.
- 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 March 31 and conclude on May 23.** 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 26: East
May 3: West

Construction Info

The Village of Algonquin is gearing up for a busy construction season with several key projects aimed at enhancing local infrastructure and community spaces. Planned improvements include road upgrades on Eastgate Drive and in the Brittany Hills and Willoughby Farms subdivisions, along with enhancements to Tunbridge Park. Stay informed by visiting www.algonquin.org/construction for the latest updates.

Free Leaf & Brush Collection

From April 10 to April 25, 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.

Green Infrastructure and Water Quality

Algonquin maintains over 750 acres of open space across town, including areas along creeks, ponds, and the Fox River. For over 20 years, the Village has restored these lands by removing invasive species and reintroducing native plants. These efforts boost local ecosystems and improve water quality. Key benefits include:

- Reduction of nutrients and pollutants in stormwater runoff
- Increased infiltration to our shallow aquifers
- Reduced erosion along streambanks, leading to clearer water
- Enhanced flood control by reconnecting streams to their floodplains

Residents can help protect our waterways by:

- Properly disposing of hazardous materials
- Avoiding the use of harmful lawn chemicals
- Ensuring no dumping or disturbance occurs in protected natural areas

Together, we can safeguard our local water systems for future generations. For more details, visit www.algonquin.org/publicworks.

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