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JULY 25-28, 2024

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SATURDAY 11AM

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DAYS



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THURSDAY

Johnny Russler and The Beach Bum Band 7:00pm FRIDAY

Rok Brigade 6:00pm

7th Heaven 8:30pm



Focal Point 4:30pm

Hairbangers Ball 6:00pm

> **ARRA** 8:30pm



Pino Farina Band 4:30pm

Jimmy Nick & Don't Tell Mama 7:00pm



2024 FOUNDERS' DAYS

FREE PARKING AND SHUTTLES

Marked Street Parking Shuttle from JCPenney Outlots

SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Thursday, July 20 – NO SHUTTLES Friday, July 21 – 6pm-11pm Saturday, July 22 – 4pm-11pm Sunday, July 23 – 2:30pm-10pm





THURSDAY

Last wristband sold at 9pm Last beverage served at 9:30pm

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Last wristband sold at 10pm Last beverage served at 10:30pm

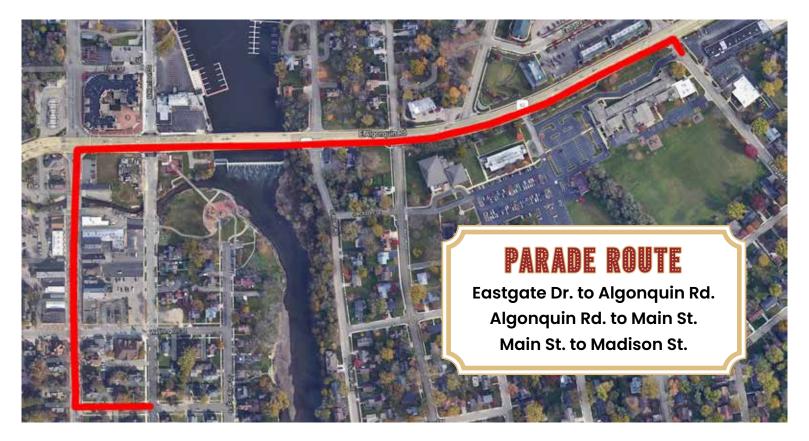
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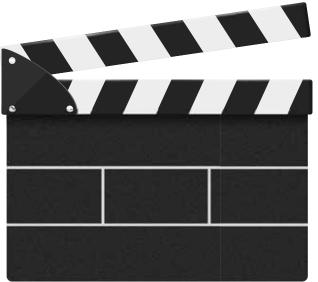
Last wristband sold at 8:30pm Last beverage served at 9pm

2024 FOUNDER'S DAYS PARADE

FOUNDERS' GOES TO THE MOVIES

On Saturday, July 27th at 11:00 a.m., Founders' Days are hosting their 64th annual parade with our Founders' Goes to the Movies PARADE as part of the Founders' Days celebration. The goal of the parade is to show off the best of the best and celebrate how the Algonquin and surrounding communities are shaped by those who are a part of it.





2024 GRAND MARSHAL

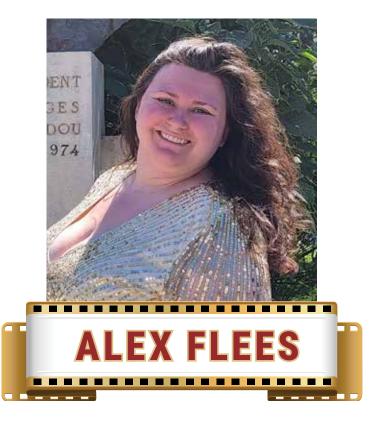


We are honoring the newly established Downtown Algonquin Association in advocating and promoting the businesses of the historic downtown district of Algonquin. Together we can shape a vibrant downtown district that benefits businesses, residents, and visitors alike!

Meet the Downtown Algonquin Association board of directors: Greg Geigel (President – owner of Bold and Whiskey and Wine), Julie Callahan (Vice President – owner of Makity Make), Bob Novak (Treasurer – owner of Riverbottom Ice Cream), Christie Gabriel (Secretary – All in Algonquin and agent of Keller Williams), Tony Colatorti (Trustee – owner of Cucina Bella and Bella's Wood Fire Pizza), Bill Hellyer (Trustee – lawyer and property owner), Patrick Knapp (Trustee – Village of Algonquin), Peggy Blanchard (Trustee – Village of Algonquin). Joining a downtown business association opens the door to a powerful network of opportunities, support, and collaboration. It empowers your business to thrive within a dynamic community while amplifying your impact, visibility, and success.

Visit www.downtownalgonquin.com to learn more about the association and upcoming events in downtown Algonquin .

2024 FOUNDERS' VIP



Alex Neuhalfen (now married as Alex Flees) is a local filmmaker whose work was shown at the 2024 Cannes Film Festival.

Born and raised in the Algonquin community, Mrs. Flees now resides in Wisconsin, regularly participating in 48 Hour Film Projects and working as an Assistant Manager at Marcus Theaters. She works on both ends of the film industry, in film production and distribution. Since 2022 she has made 7 short films as part of Pico Blvd Entertainment. Their recent project, Reasonable Doubt, was screened at the 2024 Cannes Film Festival. This rare opportunity allowed Flees to travel to France and connect with other filmmakers from around the world. Even before filmmaking, Flees had a passion for her local community. As a child she participated in the Little Miss Founders Day Pageant, walked in the Founders Day Parade for multiple organizations, and wrote as Editor-in-Chief for her high school newspaper until her graduation from H.D. Jacobs High School in 2016. She has fond memories of walking to Angel Town Park for Founder's Day Festivals. All of these are experiences she has drawn from in her filmmaking journey. Although Alex loves to work on these short films, she is excited to take on bigger projects. She hopes to portray the talent of filmmakers in the midwest and jumpstart a film industry here.

"There is so much beauty and talent right here in our own backyard, I want to be able to share it with the world."~ Alex Flees



2024 FOUNDERS' HONOREE



My husband Mike and I moved our family to Algonquin in 1987. We raised our 3 children here, sending them to Lakewood Elementary, Algonquin Middle School, HD Jacobs High School and Dundee Crown High School. The 17 years my kids were in school, I volunteered at numerous levels in each school building including the PTO's, each School Improvement Teams Facilitator, District level committees, accountant for the CORE PAC during referendums and elections, and the D300 Foundation (which I am still a board member).

I was on the board for the school's PTO at Lakewood and ran many fundraisers. In addition, I co-chaired the Yearbook Committee for many years and created wonderful yearbooks of memories. I am past-President from Algonquin Middle School and chaired many fundraiser events. As I had children at both HD Jacobs and DCHS, I only was involved in the school improvement teams and not the boosters.

As the kids grew, I was a scout leader for my son's cub scout pack, in addition to running the summer camp volunteer program for the pack and chair of the popcorn sales. The scouts and I walked each year in the Founders Day Parade, by daughter walked the parade as a cheerleader and we spent many happy days at all the Founders events since 1987.

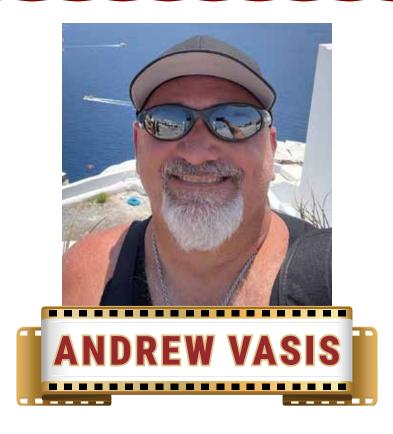
As an accountant, I worked mostly part time at many small businesses over the years, including my husband's machine shop.

I started volunteering at the Village with my commission on the EDC, then applied for and received a position on the P&Z Commission. I was elected to the Village Board in 2007 as a trustee. In 2020 I was appointed Acting Village President and won election in 2021 as Village President.

I am excited to now work with founders in another capacity than volunteering at the beer tent and other areas. Being able to support and work with the Foundation Board is such a rewarding experience.



2024 FOUNDERS' FAVORITE



My name is Andrew Vasis and I was born in Chicago Illinois. I grew up in Streamwood until the age of 16, then moved to Barrington with my parents until I was 26. I bought my first house in Lake in the Hills with now my wife Tricia until 2003 when we moved to the other side of Lake in the Hills in 2004. My neighbor asked to help her with the Founders' Day Parade where my job was to keep people on the side of the road and the kids from getting in front of any parade vehicles. The first year or two, I walked it and that was brutal going up and down 62, so then I decided to buy a golf cart and is known by everyone since I have been helping out setting up the parade for 20 years now. I have had a blast doing it! I became good friends with the Kirk family and they are such awesome people and have watched Aaron grow up in 2008 and 2010. I was blessed with 2 boys Paul now 16 and Alex now 14. When they were little they were always on that golf cart with me running up and down 62 or setting up the lineup. I am very blessed to be a part of founders for so long and the memories that it has given me and now I am being chosen to be in the parade and honored to be the parade favorite.

Thank you,

Andrew Vasis



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TASTE OF FOUNDERS' VENDORS



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2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



THURSDAY – JULY 25

3:00pm	Cardboard Boat Regatta Registration (Riverfront Park)
4:00pm	Cardboard Boat Regatta Building Begins (Riverfront Park)
5:00pm	Founders' Gates Open (Downtown Jefferson Street)
6:00pm	Cardboard Boat Race Begins (Riverfront Park)
5:00pm-9:30pm	Founders' Brewfest Opens (Downtown Jefferson Street)
5:00pm-9:00pm	Designated Driver Program
5:00pm-9:00pm	Car Show (Downtown Jefferson Street)
6:30pm	Opening Ceremonies (Jefferson Street Stage)
07:00pm	Johnny Russler And The Beach Bum Band (Jefferson Street Stage)
09:00pm	Last Brewfest Ticket Sold (Last Call)
09:30pm	Founders' Brewfest Closes
10:00pm	Founders' Gates Close

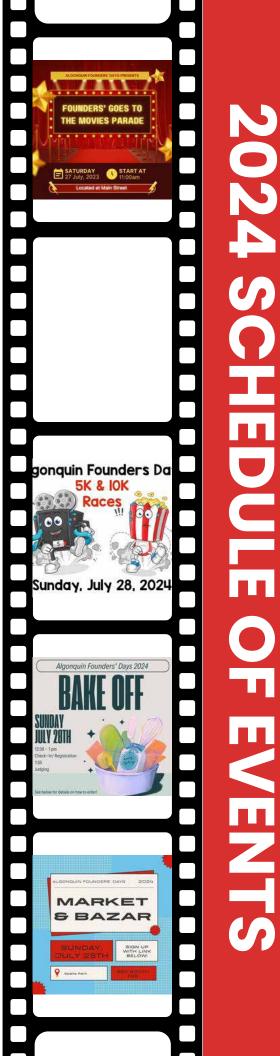
FRIDAY – JULY 26		
5:00pm	Founders' Gates Open	
5:00pm-10:30pm	Social Garden Opens (Spella Park)	
5:00pm-11:00pm	Taste Of Founders' (Spella Park)	
5:00pm-9:00pm	Designated Driver Program	
5:00pm-11:00pm	Founders' Bounce House	
6:00pm	Bags Tournament	
06:00pm	Rok Brigade (Def Leppard Tribute Band)	
08:30pm	7th Heaven	
10:00pm	Social Garden Last Call	
10:30pm	Social Garden Closes	
11:00pm	Founders' Gates Closes	

SATURDAY – JULY 27

11:00am	Founders' Goes To The Movies Parade (Main Street)
	Kids Craft provided by AAPLD and Home Depot
3:00pm	Founders' Gates Open (Spella Park)
3:00pm-10:30pm	Social Garden Opens (Spella Park)
3:00pm-11:00pm	Taste Of Founders'
3:00pm-11:00pm	Founders' Bounce House
3:00pm-10:00pm	Designated Driver Program
3:30pm	Parade Winners Announced
4:00pm	Bags Tournament Begins
4:30pm	Focal Point Rock Cover Band
6:00pm	Hair Bangers Ball 80s Hairband Rock Covers
8:30pm	Arra
8:00pm	Social Garden Last Call
10:30pm	Social Garden Closes
11:00pm	Founders' Gates Close

SUNDAY – JULY 28

7:00am	Founders' Run Check-In (Algonquin Middle School)
8:00am	Founders' Run – 1 Mile
8:30am	Founders' Run – 10k, 5k
8:40am	Founders' 5k Walk
11:00am	Founders' Gates Open (Spella Park)
11:30am	Music & Movement Storytime Provided By Aapld
11:00am-4:00pm	Vendor Market & Bazaar
11:00am-9:00pm	Taste Of Founders'
12:30pm	Founders' Bake Off Competition
12:30pm	Social Garden Opens
1:30pm	Music & Movement Storytime Provided By Aapld
4:30pm	Pino Farina Band
7:00pm	Jimmy Nick & Don't Tell Mama
8:30pm	Social Garden Last Call
9:00pm	Social Garden Closes
9:15pm	Founders' Fireworks Extravaganza Sponsored By The Village Of Algonquin
10:00pm	Founders' Gates Close





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FOUNDERS' RUN/WALK



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