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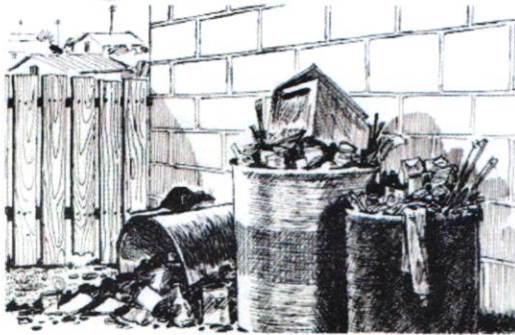
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From the office of Mayor John D Ryan

I hope most things are going well for all of the Alsip residents & businesses. Fortunately, the snow is melting, but this will also expose everyone to what's under the snow, as both garbage and pet waste need to be picked up ASAP.

Please take advantage of this better temperature and help keep the community looking great and please pick up all dog waste, etc, as this will reduce the possibility of attracting rats and other critters.



SANITATION

Rodent control begins with **sanitation**. While rodents find warmth and shelter inside structures, *food* is their first reason for living in and around structures

The best all-around trap for both mice and rats is the trusty snap trap. Correct use of snap traps begins with proper placement. Along walls (rodents tend to run along walls), snap traps should be placed perpendicular to the wall, with the trigger end against the wall. They can also be placed in tandem (back-to-back), parallel to the wall so that rodents traveling in either direction will encounter the triggers.

Although un-baited snap traps catch rodents, they work best when baited with food attractive to rodents. Bait with crunchy peanut butter, nuts, meats (e.g., bacon, hot dogs, sardines), fruit or sweets. For mice, cotton balls and dental floss are also attractive as nesting materials. Dental floss is also advantageous for tying baits onto snap trap triggers to keep rodents from stealing the bait.

For rats, use rat-size snap traps.

