



WELCOME SPRING!



Nunda Residents,

As this is my final newsletter with Nunda Township, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude and best wishes to everyone. It has been an honor to work in the supervisor's office for nine years and then serve as Nunda Township Supervisor for the past five and a half years. I wish Nunda Township continued success and encourage residents to stay engaged and get involved.

- Leda Drain

Road Program

2024 was such a successful year for the Road District and we are excited to continue this success in 2025. We will be performing ditch improvements, replacing culverts, and paving roads starting when the weather breaks this Spring all the way through the Fall.

With the light winter weather, we will start route clean up soon, and get a head start on our road program work. Remember if you see Julie locate flags in your yards, please do not remove them. These flags locate underground utilities, and we have two weeks to start our project from the date of the flag installation, so you will be seeing the Nunda crew shortly after you see the flags.

When you see our crew working in the right-of-ways, please slow down and watch carefully for workers, machines, and uneven pavement. Also, please remember that

asphalt primer is used to bond the new asphalt to the road surface, we recommend driving slow through the primer to keep the primer off your vehicle.

If you are interested in paving your driveway, please give us a call to inspect your culvert well in advance of your scheduled paving to allow for culvert inspection and or replacement if needed. You can access our right of way permit by calling, stopping in the office or through our [website](#).

Please don't burn anything in the right-of-way (the road and roadside including ditches). Please don't rake or blow leaves into the ditches as this will impede the water flow. Also, call the Road District to remove any dead animals.

Recycling Information

Nunda Township Road District is proud to continue the recycling program. We continue to take in plastic, paper, cardboard, scrape metal, electronics, fluorescent bulbs, car batteries, (tires must show ID), textiles and clean motor oil. Some items we do not except are TV;s, computer monitors, paint, any construction items or trash. Please check our website for more information www.nundaroaddistrict.com. Please remember to break down boxes to create more room and save money! Thank you for your continued interest in recycling.



Landscape waste pick up for unincorporated Nunda residents with MDC service begins 4/1/25

NO COMMERCIAL DUMPING IS ALLOWED ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY



Annual Easter Egg Hunt

WHEN: Saturday April 12th at 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Supervisor's Office 3510 Bay Road

Please note we will leave 30 minutes for pictures with the Easter Bunny. Following will be the age group of 1-5 followed by 6 and up. To accommodate families with both age groups the older group will not start until the younger group is finished so, please plan accordingly.

Don't forget your baskets and cameras!



Water Testing Back at County!

McHenry County Department of Health has announced that they have re-opened water testing pick up at the Township!

Water bottles are available at the Township between the hours of 7-3:30

Monday -Friday. The Health Department will then pick up water samples from the Township on Wednesdays by Noon.

Any questions about the program contact the Township at 815-459-4011 or McHenry County Health Department at 815-334-4510

Nunda Touch A Truck

Join us again for another fun filled annual touch a truck here at Nunda Township Road District. Save the date Saturday July 26th 2025. It's Free!!!! The sand pile and culvert slide will be here like always. If you would like a tour of your facility or any equipment don't hesitate to ask.



Early voting continues at Nunda Township Through

3/28/25 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, 3/29 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, 3/31 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Election Day you will need to vote at your polling location. Visit [McHenry, County IL Elections](#) for your ballot and polling location

Volunteers always welcome at Nunda Garden!

Nunda Garden Welcomes Volunteers

Spring planting begins in late April at Nunda Pantry Garden. Located behind the Nunda Township Supervisor Office at 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, the all-volunteer garden provides fresh produce to community members experiencing food insecurity. During the 2024 growing season, we donated more than 4,400 pounds of food that was distributed through various local organizations.

Volunteers are needed for greenhouse management, planting, weeding, harvesting, or delivering produce, but we also welcome people who want to work on specific projects such as fence maintenance, irrigation repairs, mowing, or composting. No experience is necessary – we provide hands-on instruction as you learn about food production. Workdays are scheduled beginning by 9:00 am Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Come as often as you want! The garden also relies on donations of money and materials, other ways to help. Join us on workdays beginning when weather permits in May. Or find us on Facebook at Nunda Community Garden.

Lee Jennings, former Nunda Township Supervisor, established Nunda Garden 10 years ago. He saw the empty field behind his office and reached out to a variety of community organizations such as Northern Illinois Food Pantry, McHenry County Health Department, and McHenry County Master Gardeners of the University of Illinois Extension to develop it into a community garden.

Jennings and volunteers turned an old farm field into the first six 4-foot by 50-foot planting beds. In that initial year, they donated 1,000 pounds of produce.



Since then, volunteers including community members and Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts increased the planting area to 15 beds, put in irrigation lines, added 8 raised beds, built a greenhouse, erected a deer fence, developed a compost station for demonstrations and making soil amendments, and added signs.

We also maintain a perennial flower bed for pollinators as well as a newly established native garden. Our Food For The Soul program raises cutting flowers.

Volunteers hold occasional plant sales to supplement donations received to maintain the garden. On Saturday, May 3 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am (or until sold out), we will sell cannas for \$5 each at the garden. Cannas are typically 3-to-8-foot flowering plants grown from rhizomes. The ones we are selling have orange blossoms.

We look forward to new faces who want to volunteer!

To learn more about Nunda Garden, email Judy Baker at judybaker5@hotmail.com, or join us on work days beginning when weather permits in May.





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Brush Fire Highlights Importance of Safe Outdoor Burning Practices

In the early morning hours of March 4, the Nunda Rural Fire Protection District responded to a fast-moving brush fire near the 2000 block of Davis Avenue. The call came in just before 1:30 a.m., with multiple 911 callers reporting flames shooting up to 20 feet into the air, spreading quickly across a large open field and approaching nearby homes.

Crews arrived within minutes to find several acres of prairie land burning. The fire was spreading rapidly to the north, following the path of the high-voltage power lines. As the flames moved into denser vegetation and cattails, the situation intensified, prompting us to request a second alarm through the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). That brought in additional firefighters, water tankers, and off-road equipment from 13 departments across the region.

Thanks to the teamwork and coordination of all responding agencies, the fire was successfully contained to a 150-by-3,000-foot area between Wright Road and Colby Drive. Firefighters had the blaze under control by 2:45 a.m. We're thankful to report there were no injuries and no damage to any structures.

While the exact cause of the fire is still under investigation, preliminary findings suggest it may have originated from unattended burn piles near Wright Road and Hilline Avenue. With that in mind, we'd like to remind residents to take extra

precautions when conducting any outdoor burning this season. Fires should never be left unattended, a water source should always be kept nearby, and burning on windy days should be avoided entirely. Even a small pile can quickly get out of control under the right conditions.

We are grateful for the assistance from our neighboring departments and for the continued support from our community. For burning regulations, safety tips, and department updates, please contact the Nunda Rural Fire Protection District or follow us on social media.



Spring Safety Reminders from Your Fire District:

- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms – and replace batteries if needed.
- Clean up yard debris safely – and always check local burn guidelines before lighting a pile.
- Have your grill inspected – before the first cookout of the season.
- Practice safe driving – especially around emergency scenes and construction zones.

A green rectangular advertisement with white and yellow text. The background features a green felt surface with several playing cards scattered around the bottom edge. The text reads:

WANTED! Seniors to Play Cards

Play Pinochle at Nunda on Monday and Thursday from Noon - 3:00pm




For more information call the Supervisor's Office 815-459-4011

SUMMARY OF OPEN BURNING REGULATIONS IN MCHENRY COUNTY


McHenry County Public Health Ordinance—Summary of Open Burning Regulations


Spring 2022



Burning that is Prohibited at all Times

-  Burning of manure, garbage, litter or any materials other than landscape waste and/or brush on any property in McHenry County.
-  Burning of landscape waste within 100' of a habitable structure (i.e. residence, school, etc.).
-  Burning of landscape waste within 50' of a non-habitable structure (i.e. detached garage, shed, barn, etc.).

RESTRICTIONS— The Public Health Ordinance allows for open burning of landscape waste if the burn area, at a minimum, can meet all of the following restrictions.


 Burn area must be located greater than 100 ft. to a habitable structure and greater than 50 ft. from a non-habitable structure.

 Only during the months of: April, May, October, November on weekend days (Saturdays & Sundays) and only between dawn and dusk.

 When winds are less than 10 mph. 

A fire extinguisher, garden hose or water source must be available at the burn site.

Must be supervised by an individual at least 18 years of age. 

 Only landscape waste that was generated from the property where the burn area is located. No burning on public or private roads, alleys, sidewalks or easements.

McHenry County

Public Health

Ordinance applies to all areas of McHenry County. If you live in a city with more stringent restrictions, the more restrictive rules apply.

For the Complete

Ordinance

Visit our Web Page at www.mcdh.info

This is a brief summary of the regulation and is not intended to represent the entire ordinance.

500 FT. Exemptions

Burning of on-site generated landscape waste is permitted during any month, on any day and time when the burn area is located greater than 500' from a habitable structure and when all other applicable regulation can be met. (wind speed, supervised, extinguisher, etc.)

Special Circumstances



Recreational Camp fires are allowed but must not exceed 3'x3'x3' and exclude leaves, grass and shrubbery clippings.



Ceremonial fires (bonfires) larger than 3'x3'x3'; require an approved permit from MCDH and must exclude leaves, grass, and shrubbery clippings;



Habitat reclamation or Firefighter Training; requires a permit from Illinois EPA—Bureau of Air.



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Service always available at Nunda Township:

- Senior/Disabled Reduced and free RTA Fare
- Rent the Hall or Picnic Area - \$25 for Nunda Residents Only
- Voter Registration
- Notary Public - Free
- Table/Chair rental - \$2 per table \$1 per chair not to exceed \$50.00
- Water Testing bottles available for pick up (testing is through McHenry County Health Department). *Samples can now be dropped off at the Township on Wednesdays by noon.*

Contact Us

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