



NEW LENOX

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2020 Census

Every 10 years, there is one chance to get it right. The 2020 Census is more than a population count. It is an opportunity to shape the future of our community. By responding to the 2020 Census, it says I'm here, I count, and I matter! It is important that every Illinois resident be counted in the 2020 Census so our state population accurately reflects our needs. For every person not counted in Illinois, we lose \$1,400 a year for our state. At the local level, the Village of New Lenox receives approximately \$165 per resident, and these dollars are based solely on an official Census count.

To ensure a complete and accurate count, the Census Bureau counts people at their usual residence, which is the place where they live and sleep most of the time. Due to the unforeseen circumstances of COVID-19, most college students are residing back at home due to colleges and universities temporarily closing. Per the Census Bureau's residence criteria, students living away from home at school should be counted at school, even if they are temporarily elsewhere due to the COVID-19 pandemic. People who do not have a usual residence should be counted where they are on Census Day – April 1, 2020. There are special circumstances such as babies born on Census Day and U.S. Military Personnel. For a complete list and further information on special circumstances, please visit www.2020census.gov

By now, all households should have received an invitation in the mail from the U.S. Census Bureau requesting that you respond to the 2020 Census. The most important thing you can do is respond to the Census questionnaire when you receive it. You can respond to the Census online at www.my2020census.gov, by phone or by mail. Starting in May 2020, the Census Bureau will begin following up in person with homes that have not responded to the Census.

Please help New Lenox receive all of the funds it should by completing the 2020 Census now!



Village Officials

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Laura Zilinskas / Village Clerk
Annette Bowden / Trustee
David Butterfield / Trustee
Douglas Finnegan / Trustee
Jasen Howard / Trustee
Keith Madsen / Trustee
David Smith / Trustee
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Village Meeting Dates

Village Board Meetings: Second and fourth Monday of each month at 7pm
Council of the Whole Meetings: Third Monday of each month at 7pm
Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals: First and third Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

All meetings are held in the Village Council Chambers at the Village Hall.

Agendas for Village Board and Plan Commission meetings are posted at the Village Hall.

Village Board meetings air on New Lenox Channel 6 starting the day after the meeting.

New Lenox Village Hall

1 Veterans Parkway
New Lenox, IL 60451
815.462.6400
Hours: Mon. thru Fri. 8:30am-5:00pm

www.newlenox.net

SAVE THE DATE!

Branch Pick-Up

The Village of New Lenox Public Works Department will offer a Branch Pick-Up Program **April 7th through October 20th**. Depending on the weather, crews will be dispatched on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month**.

Please follow these helpful guidelines to ensure that this service will operate quickly and efficiently:

- Residents need to contact the Public Works Department by calling (815) 215-4800 to be placed on the list **each time** they need a pick-up.
- Materials that **will not** be picked up include but are not limited to: railroad ties, wood telephone poles, construction material, lumber, stones, roots or root balls, vines, dirt, nails and metal. These materials will damage our equipment and present unsafe conditions for Village crews and the general public.
- Branches must be placed in the parkway as crews will not encroach on private property to remove branches.
- Please **DO NOT** tie or bundle branches.
- Please place branches with thorns in a separate pile.
- Only branches 1 inch in diameter or larger will be picked up, as smaller materials do not go through the chipper properly. The Maximum diameter size is 12 inches.
- When placing the branches in the parkway, do not block the sidewalk, streetlight base, fire hydrants, or manholes.
- Place the cut ends of the branches towards the street.
- For longer branches that may block the sidewalk, we will require the cut ends of the branches be pointing to the left side of your property as you face your property from the curb. When the chipper pulls up to your home, the chipper opening will be facing the cut ends of the branches. This allows our crews to load the branches safely and efficiently.
- For any storms with wind gusts reaching 50mph and storms declared a disaster, the Village will be out patrolling the town for damage. We recommend that residents still call to schedule a branch pick-up where the above guidelines would apply to ensure we don't miss you.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a pick-up, please call the Public Works Department at (815) 215-4800.



Aerial Spraying for European Gypsy Moth

The Bureau of Environmental Programs has informed the Village, weather permitting, there will be an aerial application in Will County (including part of New Lenox) to eliminate the European Gypsy Moth (EGM) in late June. This species of moth is one of the most damaging forest and tree pests in the United States with a big appetite for oak trees, and has become permanently established in Illinois. Capable of feeding on 500 different kinds of plants, this pest threatens Illinois forests and suburban landscapes. After a few years (1-3) of having its leaves completely stripped off, a tree will die.

Aerial distribution of SPLAT-GM-Organic is simply an alternative delivery system for gypsy moth pheromones. Splat GM-Organic is a water, food grade vegetable oil and wax compound used to treat the EGM. It involves an aerial application of small, waxy droplets infused with the pheromone into the tree canopy. About 7 ounces of the product are used per acre. This product does not pose a risk to humans, animals, not-target organisms or the environment. The intended target is compassed between Gougar Road to Schoolhouse, Haven Avenue North to Bruce Road in Lockport, IL.

Questions as to will this product be noticeable in the treatment area? The Illinois Department of Agriculture says NO. So few of the flakes or SPLAT droplets are applied per acre that they will be hard to find. Pheromone flakes and SPLAT droplets will not damage the finish of your car or vinyl siding, and are non-toxic to humans and animals. The application will only affect gypsy moths; caterpillars and other moths and butterflies will not be harmed.

Questions or concerns can be directed to the Bureau of Environmental Programs DeKalb Field Office; (815) 347-0401 or email the Program Manager, Nancy.Johnson@illinois.gov.



RPZ Survey

In the spring, every resident will be receiving a survey from BSI asking if they have an RPZ and what its purpose is. It is very important that all members of the community respond to this survey. We are mandated by the EPA to do this survey every three years. This allows us to keep an active database of cross-connections to our village water supply.

RPZ's are used to prevent water from sprinkler systems and fire suppression systems from back-flowing into the public water supply. These are typically located outside.

If you have any questions regarding this survey call the Water Department at (815) 215-4800 or BSI at (800) 414-4990.



A typical RPZ for a sprinkler system



Route 30 Water Main Replacement

Beginning near the end of March, the Village of New Lenox will be replacing the water main on Route 30 from Nelson Road to Church Street. Len Cox and Sons was the winning bidder and will be performing this work. The majority of this main is currently 8" and has had numerous repairs done to it throughout the years. The contractor will be upsizing to a 12" main on the south side of Route 30, with most of the main being placed in the parkway area and out of the driving lanes. Every effort will be made to minimize the impact on local businesses and the community while this project is taking place. Substantial completion of this project is expected to be November of 2020.

In addition, as part of the Route 30 / I-80 project, the Village will also be replacing the main on Route 30 from Nelson Road to Providence Catholic High School.

If you have any questions regarding these projects, feel free to call the Water Department at (815) 215-4800.

FREE Mental Health First Aid Class

The Village of New Lenox and its Safe Community Coalition, in partnership with Sertoma Centre, Inc., is offering a FREE Mental Health First Aid Class on Wednesday, May 20, 2020. The class will be held in the Community Room at the New Lenox Village Hall from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Class size is limited to 40 and lunch will be provided for those in attendance. To register for this FREE Class, please follow this Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/free-mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-class-tickets-89992280333>



Mental Health First Aid teaches how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. This class is ideal for behavioral health professionals, social workers, counselors, first responders and anyone who wants to learn about the warning signs of major depression and suicidal behavior. Attendees will also learn about the history of MHFA in the United States, risk factors and warning signs for non-suicidal self-injury, warning signs of substance abuse dependence and the MHFA action plan for individuals addicted to substances. A number of additional topics will also be discussed during this FREE 8-hour MHFA class.

For additional information, contact Daniel Martin, Safe Community Coordinator, Village of New Lenox, (815) 462-6493 or dmartin@newlenox.net. For additional questions and information regarding CEUs, contact Gia Washington at Sertoma Centre, Inc. (708) 748-1951 or gWASHINGTON@sertomacentre.org.

Summer Events in the Village Commons

The New Lenox Village Commons will again be filled with events and entertainment this summer. Highlighting the summer calendar is the "Triple Play Concert Series," now in its twelfth year. This year's lineup features Dennis DeYoung and the music of Styx on June 13th, ZZ Top on July 3rd, and Billy Idol on August 8th. Information on ticket sales can be found at www.newlenox.net/tripleplay.



Fans of classic cars will be happy to know that "Cruise the Commons" is returning this year, taking place on the third Tuesday of the month from May through September.

Beginning in June, the Village of New Lenox's annual series of "Summer Movie Nights" will return to the Village Commons, continuing a family-favorite summer tradition. Every Wednesday throughout the summer, grab your blankets and lawn chairs and join us for a free evening of fun under the stars and in front of the big screen. This year's lineup will feature new hits that will delight your child

along with some classic favorites. Movie Nights will run from June 3 through August 12, and be sure to make note of special activities that take place prior to select movies. The full lineup can be viewed at www.newlenox.net/events.



"Fridays After Five" will return on select Friday evenings throughout the summer. These events feature an assortment of food trucks offering mouth-watering dishes that can be enjoyed while taking in the live music from the Performing Arts Pavilion.

"Live on the Lawn" will return again this year, bringing performances from local organizations and showing off the talented members from the New Lenox and Lincoln-Way areas.

Fun for children will start with "Play Day in the Commons" in June, a day filled with fun for the youngest members of your family. Join us for bounce houses, character visits, stage entertainment, and more.

"Chalk Walk" will return in 2020 after its debut last year, and this event offers the opportunity to create sidewalk chalk art throughout the Commons – artists of any age and skill level can reserve their own square and create a masterpiece!

There's something for everyone in the Village Commons this summer! Find the full schedule of events and additional details by visiting www.newlenox.net/events.

Bring on Spring 2020 is coming in May

The New Lenox Chamber of Commerce and the Village are working with local retailers to prepare for the 2020 "Bring on Spring" promotion. Local businesses have been asked to participate in "Bring on Spring" to offer 20% off, buy one/get something free, or special offers beginning May 1st through May 10th, 2020. Residents are encouraged to consider shopping local during these promotion dates once the brochures of participating businesses are published in *The New Lenox Patriot* the last week of April and also posted on the Chamber's and Village's websites.



Open Now



Alcohol Drug Evaluation & Professional Treatment d/b/a A.D.E.P.T. Unit 2, 305 Vine St. (across the street from the U.S. Post Office) <http://adeptservicesnewlenox.com/>. A.D.E.P.T. is an alcohol/drug outpatient treatment facility and offers DUI services.

Andrews & Co., Realty 120 E. Maple (across the street from Starbuck's on the south side of Route 30). <https://www.andrewsandcorealty.com/about/> This realty office assists with the buying and/or selling of homes, businesses, land, or commercial spaces.

The Body Architects, LLC 304 W. Maple St. Body Architects is a personal training facility. <https://www.vagaro.com/thebodyarchitectsllc1>

Hope Reformed Baptist Church 123 W. Wood St. (northwest corner of Wood & North Cedar Road). This church replaced Mission Dei Church which was previously housed in this location. <https://hopereformedbaptistchurch.com/?fbclid=IwAR1CMvcxVuCqTqaiB3C9YjTXNuFfi5oPAZIIvQloltFOFQcgn7-YgJOZIP8>.

Farmers Insurance d/b/a Ed Miller Agency Unit 1A, 305 Vine St. (across the street from the U.S. Post Office). Insurance broker offering auto, home, life, disability, commercial and Medicare supplemental coverage. <https://agents.farmers.com/il/new-lenox/edwin-miller>.

Future Diagnostics Group & Women's Center for Breast Health ("FDG") at 672 Cedar Crossings Drive is a tenant in Spectrum Eye Institute's building. FDG is an outpatient medical imaging center providing MRIs, CT scans, PET Scans, x-rays and ultrasounds. <https://futurediagnosticgroup.com/>

JulesMadison, Inc. at 1227 N. Cedar Rd. (the former Rollie's Car Care location). The facility is now the offices of a telecommunication/utility contractor. Phone # is 815-384-1227.

Onward Title of Illinois 329 W. Maple (in a strip mall across the street from the United Methodist Church on Route 30) conducts real estate closings and prospective real estate business. <https://www.facebook.com/Onward-Title-Of-Illinois-108546343944952/>

Premium Garage Door Repair 227 W. Maple (east of the Speedway across the street from the vacant TJ's Building). <https://www.premiumgarageil.com/garage-door-repair-new-lenox-il/>. This location is an office from which repair work is scheduled for residences.

Resource Employment Solutions LLC at 1316 N. Cedar (tenant space on the north end of the strip mall with Little Joe's and former office of Lincoln-Way Development LLC) is a job placement agency. <https://www.resourceemployment.com/>. Phone # 815-717-6012.

Coming Soon

Crash Champions 1429 E. Lincoln Highway (east of the Coldwell Banker Plaza on Route 30). <https://crashchampions.com/auto-body-shop-new-lenox/> Provides collision repair. Tentative Opening Date: July 1, 2020.

Forever Family Dental of New Lenox 202 Vancina Lane (north of Five Guys Restaurant on Route 30). Tentative Opening Date: April 2020

Fresenius Kidney Care 662 Cedar Crossing Drive (Cedar Crossings Drive is east of Silver Cross Hospital). Tentative Opening Date: mid-May 2020

Joey's of New Lenox Red Hots 217 E. Maple (in same plaza as Starbucks that is east of CVS on Route 30). <https://www.joeyredhots.com/>. Sit down restaurant which will also offer catering services. Tentative Opening Date: early April 2020

Orange Theory Fitness 2081 E. Laraway Rd. (in plaza with Jewel Foods on Laraway). <https://newlenoxmanhattan.orangetheoryfitness.com/> Tentative Opening: late April or early May 2020

O'Reilly's Auto Parts 1105 E. Lincoln Hwy. (on the northeast corner of Pleasant St. and Route 30). <https://www.oreillyauto.com/> Tentative Opening: May, 2020.

Silver Cross Hospital's Urgent Care 1851 Silver Cross Blvd. <https://www.silvercross.org/care-treatment/urgent-care/>. Tentative Opening: March, 30, 2020.



Relocated Business

- **Nexthome Select Realty** recently moved from 1938 E. Lincoln Hwy. to 313 W. Maple St. <http://davefaxel.com/> **Open Now**

Cabin Fever

The New Lenox Police Department's 12th Annual Cabin Fever event was held on February 22, 2020, from 10:00am to 1:00pm at Martino Junior High School, 731 E. Joliet Highway.

Our Cabin Fever event was a free day of fun for kids of all ages. Participants were asked to bring a non-perishable food items to benefit the local food pantries. Pizza, face painting, a bouncy house, and games were provided at the event. At 11:30am, a reptile show was performed by Traveling World of Reptiles. Thank you to the New Lenox Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), ESDA, New Lenox Library, Target, AMC New Lenox 14, and Feil Water Treatment. A special thank you to Aurelio's Pizza and the Chicago Dough Company for the pizza donations!

We collected a total of 1,028 non-perishable food items from donations. Thank you everyone!

