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VINE GROVE KENTUCKY

Important Phone Numbers

**Police and Fire
Emergency**
9-1-1

**Water/Sewer
After Hours
Emergency**
(270) 351-4477

**Police
Non-Emergency**
(270) 877-2252

Fire Department
(270) 877-5202

**Code
Enforcement**
(270) 877-8026
(270) 272-2003

City Hall
(270) 877-2422

Planning/Zoning
(270) 877-2422

**Building
Inspections**
(270) 272-2800

**Water & Sewer
Billing/Public
Works**
(270) 877-2713

**Mayor
Pam Ogden**
(270) 877-2422

City Council Members

Donna Betson

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Garry McCoy

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**Donna
Spangenberg**

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VINE GROVE TO HOST 22ND ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

The City of Vine Grove is once again proud to host the 22nd annual Hardin County Veterans Day Celebration, Saturday, November 9, 2019.

The celebration begins at 10 a.m. with a parade honoring our military on Main Street. Public parking will be available at Vine Grove City Hall, and limited parking downtown. The parade is best viewed between St. Brigid Church on Main Street, and Optimist Park.

A short ceremony honoring our veterans will follow the parade at 11 a.m. in Optimist Park, with a light lunch served following the ceremony. Join us as we honor our veterans past and present.



HONORS PAID TO REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER

On September 15, 2019, the Captain Jacob Van Meter Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) and the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter, National Society Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) held a joint grave marking service in honor of Revolutionary War soldier James Slate, who is buried in the Vine Grove Cemetery.



James Slate was born in Virginia in 1757. He served in the 2nd Virginia Regiment from the spring of 1776 to the summer of 1783 when he was discharged from service in Richmond, Virginia. Corporal Slate fought in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, and Stony Point. At the 1789 capture of Charleston, South Carolina, Slate was taken prisoner by the British along with 2,500 other Continentals, many who would not survive their imprisonment. Slate was imprisoned until the general exchange of prisoners took place at Charleston. He was present at the capture of Cornwallis.

James Slate received a pension in 1818 in Hardin County, Kentucky as he was "crippled in one of his arms and unable to work". James Slate died in Hardin County, KY March 16, 1836 leaving no wife or children.

The James Slate memorial stone was purchased in memory of Lara French Welp by her parents Larry and Betty Sue French and Captain Jacob Van Meter Chapter, KSDAR members.

The City of Vine Grove thanks the NSDAR and the NSSAR for their dedication to showing honor to the Revolutionary War heroes who are buried in our local cemetery.



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CITY OF VINE GROVE LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

The City of Vine Grove, in partnership with Heartland Communications Consultants, Inc. has created a new website! The home page features a photograph of downtown Vine Grove, and if you scroll down, there is access to online bill pay, forms, an event calendar, and other information.

Along the top of the home page, are links to news and events, City departments, parks and facilities and contact information.

We would like to let citizens know that while we are still going to need to make a few adjustments, the new site is essentially up and running. We invite citizens to browse our new site, and get to know more about your community.

The address for our website is: www.vinegrove.org....we hope you enjoy it!

NOVEMBER 13 IS WORLD KINDNESS DAY

Everybody knows that Thanksgiving takes place on the last Thursday in November, and it's a day for giving thanks.

However, not everyone knows that November 13 is World Kindness Day. This is a day for showing kindness to a friend, a loved one, a neighbor, or even a stranger!

In a world where there is so much anger, let's all take a moment to find someone with which to share a little kindness!

TRY WHITE CHEDDAR BAKED CORN THIS THANKSGIVING

Ingredients:

4 Tbsp. butter
6 ears sweet corn, Kernels removed
3 sprigs thyme, leaves removed
1/4 C grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 C freshly chopped chives (plus more for garnish)
3/4 (8oz.) block cream cheese, cut into cubes, softened
1 small onion, chopped
2 Tbsp. all purpose flour
2 1/2 C Shredded white Cheddar, divided
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 1/2 Cup Milk (preferably whole)

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt butter. Add onion and cook until soft, about 5 minutes. Stir in corn, garlic, chives, and thyme and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute, then add flour. Stir constantly for 30 seconds, then pour in milk.

Bring mixture to a simmer, then stir in cream cheese, 2 cups white cheddar, and parmesan. Top corn with remaining 1/2 cup white cheddar. Transfer skillet to oven and bake until corn is bubbly and cheese is melty, about 20 minutes.

Garnish with more chives and parmesan before serving. Serve as either a dip, or a side dish. Serves 6.
For this and other great recipes, go to: <https://www.delish.com>

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL WAS A HIT

This year's Bluegrass Festival was a great success, with larger than ever crowds! Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder made their first appearance at the festival, much to the delight of all who attended! Rhonda Vincent and the Rage returned for two great performances on Saturday, September 28th.

Sam Jackson was there to MC the event, and a number of crowd favorites returned. JBM Sound was also on hand to ensure each band sounded great!

The City of Vine Grove welcomes this annual event, and encourages citizens to participate. For more information about the Bluegrass Festival, go to: <https://vinegrovebluegrass.com>

SAFE ROOM AVAILABLE TO ALL CITIZENS

Citizens who do not have access to a basement or any other protection during severe weather are encouraged to take advantage of the safe room, which is located at the Vine Grove Fire Department, at 513 Highland Avenue.

The Safe Room was constructed to accommodate approximately 500 people, on a short-term basis. It is not intended to be a long-term shelter, but it will give refuge during extreme weather events.

Citizens need not wait for someone to be on the scene to open the doors, as the doors may be unlocked remotely by Fire Chief Steve New. The moment he receives notification that severe weather is on the way, he can unlock the door remotely, thereby allowing citizens immediate access to safety.

CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING AND ZONING MEET MONTHLY

City Council meets on the first Monday, of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the new Council Chambers, located in the former meeting room #1.

The Vine Grove Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the third Monday of every month at 6 p.m., also in the Council Chambers.

Exceptions for both bodies occur whenever a federal holiday falls on the regular meeting date. In that event, the meeting is held on the following Monday. All meetings are open to the public and citizens are encouraged to attend.

OPEN DOOR SERVES MEALS

The Open Door Community Kitchen is a help agency providing free hot meals to anyone who might need them, sponsored by volunteers and area churches. The meals are served every Saturday from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at 306 High Street in Vine Grove just 2 blocks from City Hall.

For more information, please contact Dan Paddack at (270) 945-4997.

YESTERDAY'S YOUTH SENIOR GROUP MEETS MONTHLY

The Vine Grove Senior group, commonly referred to as Yesterday's Youth will meet from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at the Vine Grove City Hall Community Center. The group will play cards and other games and share lunch. For more information, or if you would be willing to assist, please contact Miss Yvonne High at (270) 352-3186.

FOOD PANTRY SERVES COMMUNITY

The Heartland Christian Center, located 124 Ditto Lane in Vine Grove will host a food pantry on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. The pantry will be open from 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. The food pantry is an agent for Feeding America.



On Monday, October 8, 2019 Gray Tomblyn II from the Kentucky Department of Transportation visited the City of Vine Grove to announce that Governor Bevin has awarded the City with \$166,600 in discretionary funds. The funding is to be used for paving and repairs of the following streets in Vine Grove:

- Periwinkle Drive - \$ 49,100
- Locust Street - \$16,700
- Fiddlers Ridge - \$15,100
- Crutcher Street (near the Cash Saver Grocery Store) - \$7,900
- Twin Lakes Drive (West of Cole Ridge Dr.) - \$25,700
- Piedmont Drive East - \$21,600
- South Rushmore Drive - \$30,500

Citizens are advised that there will be a required bid process, that must take place before work can begin. In addition, with winter coming, it is likely that none of the projects will begin before spring.

We thank Governor Bevin and the Kentucky Transportation Department for this generous assistance, and we look forward to beginning these projects