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2020



CITY OF

VINE GROVE

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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) 877-2422

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

Kristofor King

Garry McCoy

Kathy Sisco

**Donna
Spangenberg**

Robert Woosley

**DICKENS OF A CHRISTMAS
FESTIVITIES CANCELED**

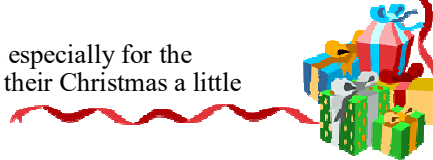
For many years, the City of Vine Grove has hosted a chili supper and charity auction to benefit the Christmas for the Kids program.

Sadly, this year, the COVID pandemic has forced the City to cancel the event, along with the annual Dickens of a Christmas celebration, which normally occurs on the following evening.

Plans remain in place to take underprivileged children shopping for clothing and toys. This year, we have forty-five (45) children in need. Each year, proceeds from the auction are used to take children shopping to purchase much needed items such as coats, shoes, and clothing. Each child is allowed to purchase a toy, or small gifts for family members. In the past few years, we've also been able to allow a small stipend to be given to each family to be used for a holiday meal.

Our hope was to raise at least \$10,000 during the auction. Therefore, since the auction isn't possible, we are asking for help from our citizens, in the form of cash donations. No amount is too small. Donations may be made in person at City Hall, or you may mail a check. Please make your check payable to The City of Vine Grove, 300 West Main Street, Vine Grove, KY 40175.

This has been a hard year for all of us, especially for the underprivileged. Please help us make their Christmas a little brighter.



CITIZENS ASKED TO CONTROL THEIR PETS

Once again, officials of the City of Vine Grove are asking citizens to be aware of local leash laws. Dogs are known to be quite territorial, and even the most mild mannered dog can become aggressive when someone infringes upon their territory.

Pedestrians often have no defense when dealing with an animal that feels threatened. Citizens are asked to be mindful of their pets, and to maintain control of them at all times.

Cats running at large can also become a nuisance, from climbing on or into vehicles, or using a vegetable garden as a litter box.

Please take note of the following ordinance:

90.02 ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE

- (A) No person who is the owner of any animal shall permit it to run at large in any public road, highway, street, lane, or alley, or upon unenclosed land, or permit it to go on any private yard, lot, or enclosure without the consent of the owner of the yard, lot or enclosure.
- (B) The owner of an animal who permits it to run at large in violation of this section is liable for all damages caused by the animal upon the premises of another.

Animals running at large are also at risk of being hit by a car, and getting lost or stolen. Animals that are not neutered or spayed may add to over population.

Please also be a good neighbor, and be mindful of dogs barking excessively. People who live near you may be day sleepers, (or some dogs may bark at night). Other people may feel stress at the sound of a dog barking. Whatever the reason, not everyone is able to ignore the sound of dogs barking.

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Vine Grove, KY 40175
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**ASSISTANCE OFFERED TO
MILITARY VETERANS**

Assistance is being offered to military veterans, preferably first responders, and administrative personnel living in the City of Vine Grove. Irvin Lyons Jr. has announced that he is willing to assist you in preparing your claims for the military benefits you may have earned. He will work with only those veterans who have never filed a claim for benefits.

Mr. Lyons will come to you if you can't meet him at Vine Grove City Hall. Once the pandemic is over, he will be at City Hall on the second Monday of the month. Please bring a copy of your DD Form 214.

**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. – 6:00 p.m. at 306 High Street in Vine Grove just 2 blocks from City Hall.

During the Coronavirus pandemic, meals will be prepared as "to go" and delivered curb side. Workers will appreciate your patience as they work to deliver meals to you.



**FOOD PANTRY SERVES
COMMUNITY**

The Heartland Christian Center, located 124 Ditto Lane in Vine Grove will be open on the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The food pantry is an agent for Feeding America.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST CASSEROLE

Ingredients

4 Tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more for greasing the dish and serving
1 teaspoon baking soda
Salt
7 large eggs
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
Blueberries for serving

1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
6 Tablespoons sugar
1 3/4 cups buttermilk
2 cups half and half
Maple Syrup for serving



Directions

1. Butter an 8-inch square baking dish; set aside. Put 3 Tablespoons of the butter in a microwave-safe small bowl or liquid measure; microwave for 30 seconds to 1 minute to melt the butter.
2. Whisk together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, 3 Tablespoons of the sugar and 1/2 teaspoon salt in a large bowl. In a separate small bowl, whisk together the buttermilk, 2 of the eggs and the melted butter. Add the wet ingredients to the dry ingredients, and stir until just combined.
3. Heat a large nonstick skillet or griddle over medium heat. Melt a little of the remaining butter in the pan. For each pancake, spoon 1/4 cup of batter into the skillet and cook until the bottom is golden brown and small bubbles appear on the top, 2 to 3 minutes. Flip and cook until golden brown on the other side, about 2 minutes. If the pancakes brown too quickly, reduce the heat to medium-low. Transfer the pancakes to a plate as finished. Repeat until all the batter is used, adding more butter to the pan as necessary. (You should have at least 12 pancakes.)
4. Whisk together the half-and-half, vanilla, the remaining 5 eggs and 3 tablespoons sugar, and 1/4 teaspoon salt in a large bowl.
5. Shingle the pancakes in the prepared baking dish. Pour the egg mixture evenly over the pancakes. Cover the dish with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 8 hours up to overnight to allow the pancakes to soak in the custard.
6. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Remove the plastic wrap and bake the casserole until it feels firm, yet springy to the touch in the center, and the custard is set, 50 to 60 minutes. Let cool 15 minutes before serving. Serve warm with maple syrup, blueberries and pats of butter.

Yield: 6 - 8 servings For more recipes, go to the Food Network at: <https://www.foodnetwork.com/holidays-and-parties/packages/>

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.

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.

Warmest Holiday Greetings

From

Mayor Ogden,

City Council,

And the staff of

The City of Vine Grove

