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# VINE GROVE

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## VINE GROVE FARMER'S MARKET



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The Farmer's Market will begin in April. We would like to encourage all local farmer's to participate. It will take place on Tuesday and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the front parking lot of City Hall.

### City Council Members:

Donna Betson    Lonnie Dennis  
Selena Hudson    Kristofor King  
Kathy Sisco    Donna Spangenberg

On Fridays only, local artisans are invited to also set-up. You must purchase a City of Vine Grove business license, and the spots in the front parking lot of city hall are first come, first serve. If it becomes too large, it may be moved to Optimist Park.

### BEAUTIFY VINE GROVE

April is "Clean-up Month" in Vine Grove. The city encourages citizens to clean up their yards, and spruce up their homes. Here are some easy ways to boost your home's curb appeal: 1.) Add some fresh greenery and flowers, 2.) Mow your lawn regularly, and clear it of any debris, weeds, and leaves, 3.) Enhance your front door with a bold color that pops, 4.) Paint, or replace your mailbox, 5.) Power wash the winter dirt and grime off of your home, 6.) Add some simple front porch décor, 7.) Upgrade your house numbers, 8.) Fix any small repairs. These are all simple do-it-yourself projects.



Please remember Border's Disposal will be happy to pick up some items, but there are guidelines: 1.) Customer's accounts must be in good standing to receive pick-up services, 2.) Tree limbs and shrub trimmings must be bound together in four-foot sections, 3.) Grass clippings and leaves must be bagged. If you live in the City limits of Vine Grove, it is mandatory to have trash pick-up through Border's Disposal. For large items, please call Border's Disposal, 270-360-1700, for specific instructions.

### VINE GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

The City of Vine Grove would like to give a huge **THANK YOU** to Vine Grove Methodist Church for their kind donation of 40 padded chairs for the future council chambers! These chairs will be for the citizens to use during council meetings.

Vine Grove Methodist Church also hosts the Open Door Community Kitchen. This agency provides 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, Vine Grove, KY 40175.

For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Dan Paddock at (270) 945-4997.

### SPLASH PAD FOR VINE GROVE

Rachel Ritchie, of Rachel's Fun For Everyone Project, continues to fundraise in order to build a splash pad for the children of Vine Grove! The splash pad will be located in Optimist Park next to the all inclusive "Rachel's Fun For Everyone" playground. She set a goal of \$100,000 for the splash pad, and is nearing 75% completion.

On April 8-10th she will host a virtual auction through her Facebook page @rachelshunforeveryoneproject, where she will auction off a number of items donated by local individuals and businesses. All proceeds from the auction go towards the splash pad. She is in need of large items, tickets, gift cards, etc.,

To make a monetary donation, or to donate any items you can reach out to her Facebook page, or call 502-378-8324.

## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Vine Grove Nutrition is a nutrition bar located at 100 Vineland Centre Drive, Vine Grove. They sell Herbalife protein meal replacement shakes and energy boosting teas.

Teresa Krex first found her passion for selling Herbalife when she visited Vine Grove Nutrition to find a healthier way of living. Teresa lost 65lbs by drinking meal replacement shakes and she became her own walking testament. She is the full-time owner and operator of Vine Grove Nutrition since November 3, 2021.

If you are a new customer, the first thing she will ask is, "What is your favorite flavor of ice cream?". She loves to create different flavored drinks for her customers and will always serve you with a smile.

Teresa hosts a free Yoga class on Saturday mornings at 8 a.m. with instructor Maria Joelle-Morris. Follow the Vine Grove Nutrition Facebook page for daily updates on hours of operation, and drink specials.



## MAIN STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT

The Main Street drainage project has been an ongoing project discussed in the Vine Grove City Council meetings for over a year. The drainage system that conveys storm water underneath the roadway in several areas of the "downtown Vine Grove area" is in desperate need of repair. The city has coordinated with Kentucky Department of Transportation, and the railroad to gain permits for construction.

Starting in April, pending delivery of materials, Dirt Works will begin construction on the drainage system. It will affect traffic, and there will be an inevitable road closure. All traffic will be rerouted accordingly. This work must be completed in order to keep our citizens, and downtown businesses safe. The city asks that everyone please be patient while this construction project is underway. It is ultimately improving our City's infrastructure.



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Lamar Jones is a much beloved man and police officer who is highly dedicated to his job and the people of the Hardin County area. Having spent 30+ years as a police officer, he had more than earned his retirement. Instead of enjoying his time off, he picked up his badge, left retirement behind, and is serving as Detective of the Vine Grove Police Department since June 2019.

Lamar is happily married to his wife Barbara, and has three wonderful children. He is a devoted member of Severns Valley Baptist Church. He always has a smile and a kind word no matter when or where you see him, and he is always willing to lend a helping hand.

Lamar is currently experiencing health issues. He will need surgery and time to heal. Lamar has selflessly served the citizens of Vine Grove and now he needs all of our prayers, and positive thoughts. Join us in wishing Lamar the best!