THE BLUE LETTER



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December 3, 2021

Honorable Mayor Herbst & Esteemed City Councilmembers:

Our Monday Study Session will begin at 5:00 pm at the Justice Center in the Community Room. The Division of Police will present a MILO demonstration for Council. You will have the opportunity to participate in the simulation if you would like. There is no pressure – but I recently did it during the staff meeting and it was very useful. After the demonstration, we will reconvene in the Municipal Building Council Chambers to complete the Study Session. The regular Council meeting will begin at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers.

Being the Brand: This week, Mr. Larry Taylor of Beau Townsend called Chief Althouse to compliment Officer Kayleigh Marshall for pushing a broken-down car out of the road in the pouring rain. The recording is attached. This is what I mean when I say we aspire to be a top-tier suburb through top-tier services.

Leaf Collection! Tuesday,
December 7 will be the last
scheduled leaf collection. Weather
permitting, our Public Works team
will continue to collect leaves —
bonus round around town - through
Friday, December 10.

Tree Lighting: The tree lighting ceremony will be at 6 pm at the VRC on Sunday, December 5! The Holiday Market will run from 4:00 – 7:30 pm.



Chamber Jingle Mingle: The Chamber Jingle Mingle is Tuesday, December 7 at Scene 75 from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. The City has two tables and you are registered to attend with a guest. A buffet dinner will begin at 6:15 pm and the festivities will continue until 8:00 pm.

Employee Appreciation: December 20th is City Council Employee Appreciation Day. City Council will be delivering gifts with department heads on the afternoon of December 20th. More information to come.

Community Connection Newsletter: The newsletter was mailed this week and is enclosed.

At the Rec Program Guide: The new January – April 2022 program guide is enclosed.

Study Session

Monday, December 6, 2021 Items

- 1. Action Item: Ohio Department of Liquor Control Speedway has submitted an application for a transfer of corporate stock ownership at 830 East National Road and 229 East National Road The Vandalia Division of Police received notification from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control of a liquor permit transfer request for two Speedway locations in Vandalia located at 229 E. National Road and 830 W. National Road. Chief Althouse has no objections to this permit transfer and recommends to City Council that there be no hearing by the Ohio Department of Liquor Control objecting to this request.
- 2. Emergency Ordinance 21-32 Moratorium Extension West of the Airport Access Road On August 23, 2021, upon the proposal of staff, City Council enacted a 120-day moratorium on zoning approvals for the properties west of Airport Access Road. The purpose of this moratorium was to provide the City time to consider future uses for this area based on the outcomes of the 2020 Vision Vandalia Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map; and to maintain orderly development in the area. The moratorium will expire December 20, 2021; therefore, staff is requesting a 30 day extension of the moratorium with a new expiration date of January 21, 2022.

Monday, December 20, 2021 Items

- 1. Action Item: Board and Commission Reappointments Local Board of Tax Review / Mr. Peter Breidenbach & Mr. Frank Keish Mr. Peter Breidenbach & Mr. Frank Keish are requesting reappointment to the Local Board of Tax Review. Their terms expire December 31, 2021. There are no vacancies on this board.
- 2. **Resolution:** Audit & Compilation of Annual Report Agreement The Auditor of State determined that they will not conduct the audits for the City of Vandalia for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024 (4 annual audits). As provided by Section 117.11 of the Ohio Revised Code, Independent Public Accountant (IPA) assistance during this auditing period is required. Therefore, a Request for Proposal (RFP) relating to these services was emailed by the Auditor of State's Office to several firms. Five firms submitted proposals, and after completion of a thorough evaluation by the

Auditor of State's Office, an audit contract was awarded to Plattenburg and Associates, Inc. A memorandum of agreement between the Auditor of State, Plattenburg and Associates and the City of Vandalia was drafted, and is required to be executed and submitted back to the Auditor of State's Office. In addition to audit services, Plattenburg and Associates, Inc. will also provide compilation services to prepare and file the annual report (fka CAFR). The Resolution approves the memorandum of agreement and authorizes a contract with Plattenburg and Associates, Inc. for such auditing and compilation services.

- 3. **Resolution:** Replat Single Family homes on Mistic Lane / 3 lots The Applicant, Stoneridge Condo Association, has submitted an application requesting approval of a re-plat of lots 10, 11, and 12 of Cassel Hills Section 3. The re-plat is being requested for the addition of .1116 acres to lot 12, .1144 acres to lot 11, and .0269 acres to lot 10 for a total of .2529 acres being added to Cassel Hills Section 3 from Cassel Hills Section 4. The Planning Commission voted 4-0 to recommend approval of the request to re-plat.
- 4. **Resolution:** Replat Cassel Hills 66o-668 Cassel Hills Court The Applicant, Stoneridge Condo Association, has submitted an application requesting approval of a re-plat of 1.13o acres of lot 28, specifically Phase 3 of the Stoneridge Condominium Plat which currently contains a 4-unit condo building. The condo association is seeking to sell an unused portion of lot 28 (Cassel Hills Section 4) totaling 0.2529 acres in three separate pieces to 3 single-family residences (lots 10, 11, and 12 of Cassel Hills Section 3) on Mistic Lane which directly border lot 28. The Planning Commission Voted 4-o to recommend approval of the request to re-plat.
- 5. Ordinance: PUD Amendment Cassel Hills 668 Cassel Hills Ct The Applicant, Stoneridge Condo Association, has submitted an application requesting approval of a PUD Major Amendment to the Cassel Hills Planned Unit Development. The Condo Association is seeking to sell an unused portion of Lot 28 (Cassel Hills Section 4) to 3 single-family residences (lots 10, 11, and 12 of Cassel Hills Section 3) on Mistic Lane which directly border lot 28. In their letter of justification, Stoneridge Condominiums addresses the desire to alter the 50' setback and indicated that they would like to extinguish the entire 50' setback. The plat map submitted as part of the application shows that the walking easement is also be extinguished. The application also includes letters from each of the 3 property owners in favor of the PUD Major Amendment and expresses their desire to purchase the property. The Planning Commission voted 4-o to recommend approval of the requested PUD Major Amendment with one condition, that a 45' setback is applied instead of the full extinguishment of the setback requirement.
- 6. Ordinance: Amending Vandalia Code Section 452.03(a)(14) Dealing with Parking The Vandalia Division of Police in conjunction with City of Vandalia Prosecutor David Caldwell are recommending a City Code Amendment to 452.03(a)(14) to increase driver safety related to the enforcement of

commercial vehicle traffic and parking violations along interstate ramps. The code currently reads, "No person shall stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or to comply with the provisions of this title, or while obeying the directions of a police officer or a traffic-control device, in any of the following places: at any place where signs prohibit stopping." The Prosecutor is recommending the code be amended as such, "...any place where signs prohibit stopping and/or parking."

Discussion

- Sports Complex Outbuilding Maintenance Project under \$25,000 Parks and Recreation Director Clark is recommending Council enter into an agreement with Star Painting Company of Dayton to spruce up the outbuildings (3 restroom buildings and 2 concession buildings) at the Vandalia Sports Complex. The agreement will include various repairs and painting to the wood structure, doors and metal support structures at all five buildings. This budgeted project will not exceed \$16,952.69.
- 2. **6o-Day Calendar -** The calendar is included in your packets for your review.

Monday, December 20, 2021 Council Meeting Action Item

1. Action Item: Ohio Department of Liquor Control - Speedway has submitted an application for a transfer of corporate stock ownership at 830 East National Road and 229 East National Road - The Vandalia Division of Police received notification from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control of a liquor permit transfer request for two Speedway locations in Vandalia located at 229 E. National Road and 830 W. National Road. Chief Althouse has no objections to this permit transfer and recommends to City Council that there be no hearing by the Ohio Department of Liquor Control objecting to this request.

Resolutions

- Resolution 21-R-72 VDC Donation in the amount of \$10,000 This resolution would authorize a
 donation of \$10,000 to the Vandalia Development Corporation. This donation will bring the total
 donations in 2021 to \$60,000, or 60% of the budgeted amount.
- 2. Resolution 21-R-73 Aquatic Staffing Services At Cassel Hills Pool And The Vandalia Recreation Center In February 2020 the City of Vandalia entered into an agreement with SwimSafe Pool Management for aquatic staffing services at Cassel Hills Pool and the Vandalia Recreation Center Aquatics Center. The original agreement included an option for up to two additional one-year extensions. City staff recently met with SwimSafe representatives to discuss the parameters of an extension, including changes to the standard terms and conditions. During these discussions the City shared multiple concerns and issues in reference to the operation of Cassel Hills Pool. Both parties agreed to additional language being included in any proposed extension to the contract and settled

on a 4% increase to the cost of aquatic staffing services for 2022. Mr. Clark provided a proposed 2022 cost comparison below. As you are reviewing the potential cost savings it is notable to consider that there are cost savings related to privatizing aquatics staffing such as reduced staff time in Human Resources, Finance/Payroll, and Parks & Recreation Administration of which are not included the chart below; however, Parks & Recreation Administration would continue to oversee the contract administration.

- 3. Resolution 21-R-74 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Consultant Recommendation The Parks and Recreation Department issued a statement of qualifications September 24, 2021 to identify a qualified consulting firm to provide professional services that include the development of a comprehensive and sustainable Parks and Recreation Master Plan that will guide the department for future development, management and operations of the City's parks systems. The consultant will coordinate public input, focus groups with community stakeholders, other engagement strategies, and provide a statistically valid survey and corresponding report of community opinions and needs as part of the project. The plan will explore best practices in the field, identify new trends and opportunities, engage relevant stakeholders, and make direct recommendations to ensure an appropriate balance of community programs, facilities and amenities now and into the future. Furthermore, the 2022 Capital Improvement Plan includes a Parks and Recreation Master Plan Project at a cost of \$100,000. There were five firms that submitted RFQs: Brandstetter Carrol, Inc. of Lexington, Kentucky, Designing Local of Columbus, Ohio, GreenPlay, LLC of Louisville, Colorado, The Kelly Group of Charlotte, North Carolina, and PROS Consulting, Inc of Brownsburg, Indiana. Brandstetter Carroll and PROS Consulting Inc. were invited to participate in the interview and presentation with the selection committee which consisted of Parks and Recreation Director Steve Clark, City Planner Zak Karto, Recreation Superintendent Jeff Kreill, and I. The interview and presentations portion of the selection process was held on November 3 and November 8 at the Municipal Building. After careful consideration, I am recommending the City enter into a Master Plan Development Agreement at a cost not to exceed \$100,000 with PROS Consulting, Inc.
- 4. **Resolution 21-R-75 Compensation Plan and Compensation Policy** This is the plan I presented to Council during the November 15 City Council meeting. The compensation study was conducted, with Clemans Nelson, in order to establish a sustainable comprehensive plan that is externally competitive and internally equitable. This plan will repeal and replace several sections in the current personnel manual. I am recommending Council approve the 2022 General Services Pay Plan.

Ordinance - First Reading

1. Ordinance 21-33 Zoning Code Amendment – Industrial / Innovation - Vandalia City Council authorized Staff to initiate an application for a zoning map and text amendment. The proposed zoning code amendment is for the purpose of creating a new Industrial Innovation (I/I) zoning district which includes its purpose, proposed location, uses, development standards, and

applicability to other existing regulations. The proposed zoning code and map amendment is running concurrently with PC21-17, which is the proposed rezoning of approximately 470 acres of land to the proposed Industrial Innovation (I/I) District to better align with the Future Land Use Map. At its meeting on November 9, 2021, the Planning Commission voted 4-0-1 to recommend approval with one condition.

2. Ordinance21-34: Rezoning West of Airport Access Road – The City-initiated proposal is to rezone all 470 acres to the newly proposed Industrial Innovation (I/I) zoning district from Highway Business (HB), Office/Industrial Park (O/IP), and Agriculture (A). The City's recently adopted Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map (FLUM) provides a FLUM designation of "Industrial/Innovation" for all properties west of Airport Access Road. The current zoning designations of HB, A, and O/IP for these properties do not align with the 2020 FLUM designation of "Industrial/Innovation". This request is an effort to match the zoning and existing conditions with Vandalia's long-term goals to drive economic growth, resiliency, and livability for all residents and future residents of Vandalia. At its meeting on November 9, 2021, the Planning Commission voted 4-0-1 to recommend approval.

Ordinance – Emergency

- 1. **Ordinance 21-31: 2022 Appropriations** This ordinance authorizes appropriations for FY 2022. Council conducted several fall budget review workshops.
- 2. Ordinance 21-32 Moratorium Extension On August 23, 2021, upon the proposal of staff, City Council enacted a 120-day moratorium on zoning approvals for the properties west of Airport Access Road. The purpose of this moratorium was to provide the City time to consider future uses for this area based on the outcomes of the 2020 Vision Vandalia Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map; and to maintain orderly development in the area. The moratorium will expire December 20, 2021; therefore, staff is requesting an extension of the moratorium with a new expiration date of January 21, 2022.

The **December 6** Study Session and City Council Meeting will be a hybrid (in-person & remote) meeting in Council Chambers. The meeting is open to Council, staff, and the public to attend in-person; however, no comments, electronic or oral, will be allowed by people that are participating electronically through Zoom. Anyone wishing to be heard on a topic will need to appear personally at the meeting. **The study session will begin at 5:00 pm followed by the City Council Meeting at 7:00 pm.**

Please contact me directly with comments and questions.

Very Respectfully,

Dan Wendt City Manager Board and Commission Members All City Employees



United in Service to our Community:

Butler Township, City of Vandalia, Vandalia-Butler City Schools

Winter 2021

Mark Your Calendar Join Us for Christmas Tree Lighting

The Vandalia community will kick off the Christmas season on Sunday. December 5, with the lighting of the City's official Christmas tree at the Vandalia Recreation Center, 1111 Stonequarry Rd.

The event will offer music, hot chocolate and a visit from a very special guest from up north. Christmas shoppers will have plenty of choices with 30 different vendors selling everything from books and baked goods to soaps and essential oils at the Holiday Market, in the gym from 4 - 7:30 p.m.

At 6 p.m., the event moves outdoors with music by the Butler High School Chamber Choir and Santa's arrival. It culminates with Mayor Richard Herbst's pulling of the lever to illuminate the beautifully decorated 20-foot spruce.





Celebrate the Magic!

2022 marks 20 years of the renovated Performing Arts Theater at Butler High School, and the community is invited to celebrate the occasion!

Mark your calendar for 2 p.m., Sunday, February 27, 2022, as the Vandalia-Butler Foundation and Arts Revitalization Team are planning a family-friendly event with headliner John Michael Hinton, a nationally recognized magician. Live entertainment by local talent and musical theater alumni, as well as refreshments, silent and live auctions and raffles will round out the event.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www. vandaliabutlerfoundation.org.







Board Seeks Compensation from Amazon



The Vandalia Butler City School District's Board of Education is calling upon the City of Union and Amazon to compensate the district for the 15-year, 100% tax exemption that Amazon's new facility in Union will receive.

Without the exemption, the district would receive approximately \$1.8 million per year from the increased value of new structures at the facility. With the exemption, the district will receive only about \$80,000 in new annual revenue.

"The district supports regional economic development and wants its municipal partners to be successful," said Board President Holly Herbst. "At the same time, we believe we have an obligation to advocate for the needs of our students. teachers and taxpayers."

Ohio law allows this exemption without a requirement of school district consent or compensation, due to the grandfathering-in of certain Community Reinvestment Areas (CRAs) formed before 1994.

"The Board understands that neither the City of Union nor Amazon is required to compensate the school district,"

said Herbst. "But the Board also feels obligated to advocate for more than the legal bare minimum."

"We have asked the City of Union to compensate the school district, since our district is educating the children and the future workforce," said Board Member Rodney Washburn. "We hope for an arrangement that works for Amazon, the City of Union and Vandalia-Butler City Schools. We look forward to Amazon being a community member that contributes to the economic and academic excellence of our region."

School District Celebrates 100 Years

This year's celebration of Vandalia-Butler City Schools' 100th anniversary kicked off with the creation of the Hall of Achievement.

The HOA was formed to recognize alumni and district retirees for their career and community service

accomplishments. The inaugural class includes Art Van Atta (posthumously), Harold Wherry (posthumously), Jennifer Jordan-Lock and James Swearingen. Banners in their honor hang in the Butler High School atrium.

The Alumni Association accepts nominations annually from March 1-May 1.



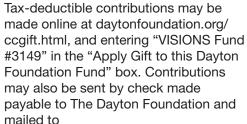
Donors Enable Educational Experiences



Generous donors to the Vandalia-Butler Foundation's VISIONS grant program are making it possible for teachers to provide innovative projects that expand learning opportunities.

This year has seen a record high \$28.641 awarded, with each district school receiving a share.

Demmitt Elementary teacher Tina Nevels was awarded a VISIONS grant to purchase a book vending machine. Students are rewarded for positive behavior with special coins that allow them to select a new book from the machine.



VISIONS Fund #3149 c/o The Dayton Founation 1401 S. Main St., Suite 100 Dayton, OH 45409



1941 Alumna Named First 'Golden Aviator'

To celebrate its 100th anniversary, Vandalia-Butler City Schools reached back in time and located Mrs. Pauline Howard-Mitchell, a 98-year-young alumna of the class of 1941.

School officials honored her with the first-ever Golden Aviator Achievement Award.

"I never dreamed I would live this long, but I thank God every day," she said.

She admits she wasn't fond of school until fifth grade, when her teacher, Miss Scherer, inspired her love for learning.

Asked about her secret to a long life, she said, "Just keep breathing.









The City of Vandalia will receive a combined \$1.57 million in American Rescue Act funding in 2021 and 2022. Vandalia City Council is leveraging those funds to assist with the economic fallout from the pandemic and to improve the quality of life in Vandalia.



COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant - \$200,000

New playgrounds at Helke Park, Robinette Park and the **Sports Complex - \$675,000**





Vandalia-Butler Food Pantry Emergency Fund - \$30,000

Air Purification System @ Senior Center - \$20,000





Youth Recreation Scholarships - \$20,000

Cassel Hills Golf Course Restroom facility - \$75,000

Art Park Restroom facility - \$75,000







Public Safety Bonus - \$70,500

Personal Protective Equipment for Fire and Police - \$5,000





Touchless Sinks, Toilets, Fountains in City buildings - \$31,000

Solar Cell Charging Stations @ City Parks - \$12,000





Ultraviolet Disinfectant Lights for Division of Fire-\$1.975



Coming Soon: New Businesses

New businesses are slated to open soon in the Vandalia Butler community:

- In Butler Township, the former Tim Horton's on Miller Lane is being transformed into a Popeve's Caiun-themed chicken restaurant, which is expected to open in January 2022.
- Also in the township, a new Holiday Inn Express & Suites on York Center Drive recently opened, and Woodspring Suites is constructing a new hotel on vacant land at the north end of Miller Lane.
- Culver's, known for ButterBurgers, frozen custard and cheese curds, is under construction on Benchwood Road in Vandalia, at the former Ruby Tuesday's site.

Vandalia Offers Small-Business Relief Grants

The City of Vandalia is offering a Small Business Relief Grant Program to assist local businesses that lost revenue or incurred unplanned costs substantially due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The maximum grant ranges from \$5,000 to \$10,000, based on the number of employees.

"Our target businesses are those most affected by COVID-19, including bars, restaurants, retail, childcare centers, hair salons, pet groomers and entertainment venues," said Assistant City Manager Amber Holloway.

For eligibility information and other program details, please visit the City's website at vandaliaohio.org or contact Amber Holloway at (937) 425-2250.









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New Energy for Business District

Butler Township's recent study of the Benchwood Road-Miller Lane business district aims to refresh the area by improving the infrastructure, enhancing "walkability," incorporating Benchwood Station branding and improving overall aesthetics.

The study has led the Township to apply for state funding to assist in funding the first phase of the Benchwood Station project. If the funding is approved, detailed design will begin in 2022 and construction in 2023.

Fortunately, township residents do not pay for maintenance and improvements, since the district is self-funded through a Hotel Revenue Tax and various programs allowed by state law.

Look for These Upgrades

Here are some of the exciting improvements planned for Benchwood Station:

- Interchange improvements
- Entryway signage
- Landscaped medians
- Continuous turn lane northbound on Miller Lane at Benchwood Road
- Roundabout at Miller Lane and Maxton Road
- Enhanced lighting and street trees
- Curb, gutter and sidewalk upgrades





What's in a Name?

Noting the importance of the business district to Butler Township's image, officials have been working on strategies to bring new energy to the area.

Putting first things first, they started with a name change from the original "York Commons." The district's new name is "Benchwood Station," acknowledging the location near the Interstate 70-75 interchange, its access to Benchwood Road and its destination-oriented character.

Benchwood Station is where visitors **stop** while traveling; locals **dine** at their favorite restaurants or share a cup of coffee; and business people and families **stay** while in the Dayton area.



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PROGRAM GUIDE January - April 2022

VPRD provides quality and diverse programs.

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general information

Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.



This symbol indicates a **drop-in program**; you do not need to register prior to the program and the program does not have a minimum participation count.

Save Time and Register Online

Have a username and password... sign up at https://webtrac.vandaliaohio.org.

Don't have a username and password?...let us issue you one! Send your name, address, phone number and the name, birthdate, gender and grade (if applicable) of those you want to register in your household to **vrcinfo@vandaliaohio.org**.

Winter Weather Policy

Rainout Line: (937) 552-2200

Facebook: www.facebook.com/VandaliaRec

During inclement weather the Recreation Center and its programs/classes will maintain normal operating hours unless directed otherwise by management and as long as instructors and staff are available. If a decision is made to cancel programs/classes or to close the facility, we will post it on the Rec Center's Facebook page and on the Rainout Line ASAP. Although we strive to give early notice of cancellations, various circumstances could affect our ability to notify the public in a timely manner. We only update our Weather Hotline when cancellations have been made.

Vandalia Recreation Center Hours of Operation

October 1st - May 31st:

Monday - Friday: 6:00 am - 10:00 pm Saturday: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Sunday: 12:00 noon - 6:00 pm

June 1st - September 30th:

Monday - Friday: 6:00 am - 9:00 pm Saturday: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Sunday: 12:00 noon - 6:00 pm

Visit <u>www.vandaliareccenter.com</u> for operating schedules of the individual areas.

Vandalia Recreation Center Closings & Holiday Hours

Saturday, January 1, 2022 - VRC CLOSED Sunday, April 17, 2022 - VRC CLOSED

Refund Policy

View our refund policy at vandaliaohio.org/recreation/reccenter/rec-center-rules-and-regulations.

Did You Know?

The Vandalia Recreation Center is a certified facility for: Silver Sneakers®, Forever Fit®, Prime®, Silver&Fit®, Active&Fit®, OPTUM®, PeerFit®, GlobalFit®



On March 1, 2022 Residents of Vandalia can purchase a 15'x20' garden plot at Jeffers Park, 407 Halcyon Dr.

22 plots with a water source are available on a first come, first serve basis. Contact the Parks Department at 937-415-2353 or mweber@ vandaliaohio.org for more information.



www.vandaliareccenter.com



general information

Celebrate your Birthday at the VRC!

The Vandalia Recreation
Center offers three
birthday party
packages to make
your child's day special!
Each party includes one
and a half hours in the
party room and two hours in
the VRC feature of your choice.

Pricing, and additional information can be found at <a href="vandaliaohio.org/"vanda

Have your next Group Outing at the VRC!

Did you know that The Vandalia
Recreation Center hosts groups of all
sizes? We have special rates for groups
over 10 during regular operating hours.
We also offer after-hour rentals for larger
groups who want to utilize the center by
themselves. In addition, we have two
rooms available for meetings; business or
informal gatherings. Additional
information can be found at
vandaliaohio.org/recreation/
reccenter/group-rates-rentals.
Contact Jennifer at jwebb@vandaliaohio.
org or 937-415-2335 with additional
questions.

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1111 Stonequarry Road, Dayton, OH 45414

Parks Division - 937-415-2353

Senior Center - 937-898-1232

21 Tionda Drive South, Vandalia, OH 45377

Cassel Hills Pool (Seasonal) - 937-898-2123 1061 Taylorsview Drive, Vandalia, OH 45377

Cassel Hills Golf Course - 937-898-1300 201 Clubhouse Way, Vandalia, OH 45377

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Vandalia Rec Center Memberships

The Vandalia Recreation Center has a variety of membership options to accommodate your fitness goal or recreational needs. From the youngest to the oldest, we have healthy fun for everyone! A resident (residing in City of Vandalia) family can obtain a membership for only \$42.50 a month! Children 4 years of age and younger do not require membership. Our nonresident dual membership allows two adults (residing in same household) to belong to the VRC for \$48.50 per month. In addition, our membership rates are discounted to those employed in Vandalia city limits. A business adult membership is priced at \$32.50 per month. Please note that our monthly rates are available only as an automated checking or savings account payment.

Members enjoy use of our Gymnasium, Fitness Floor, Track and Aquatics Center. Our Climbing Wall, Drop-In Fitness classes, and child care services are offered to our members at discounted rates.

The VRC now offers three month trial memberships and they are available for purchase throughout the year. Our punch cards are perfect for visitors and guests, offering ten or twenty daily visits for a discounted rate. Find out how affordable membership to the VRC can be by visiting our website: www.vandaliareccenter.com.



athletics

Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.

For more information please contact John Myers at jmyers@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 415-2333.

Umpires Wanted

Looking to become an umpire? The VPRD is always looking for youth and adult league umpires! Contact Dave Posma at dposma@ vandaliaohio.org for youth leagues (must be 14 years old).

Youth Athletics

2022 Boys Baseball and Girls Softball Registration

Is your child ready to play ball? Be sure to sign them up early to reserve their spot in this year's VPRD baseball/softball league.

Registration Information: Save \$10 by registering on-line at www.vandaliareccenter.com. Utilize coupon code BASEBALL at checkout.

Fees: \$70 Resident; \$90 Non-Resident

IMPORTANT: Teams are drawn in mid-March and practice will begin in late March. Practices are held during weekdays, evenings and on Saturdays. Participants will be notified of team placement by the child's specific coach. The first games are scheduled for late April and the last games are scheduled for July. Games are scheduled on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings and on Saturdays.

T-Ball (Coed)

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Baseball

Activity #	League	Ages by 06/01/22
180110-02	G - Ball	7 - 8
180110-03	F - Minor	9 - 10 (Travel required)
180110-04	F - Major	11 - 12 (Travel required)
180110-05	E - Teener	13 - 15 (Travel required)
180110-06	E - Senior	16 - 18 (Travel required)

Softball

Activity # 180220-02	League G - Ball	Ages by 01/01/22 7 - 8 (Travel required)
180220-03	B - Minor	9 - 10 (Travel required)
180220-04	B - Major	11 - 12 (Travel required)
180220-05	A - Minor	13 - 14 (Travel required)





Start Smart Baseball-Softball

This program is designed to teach boys and girls the basic fundamentals of baseball/softball: throwing, catching and hitting. Each week participants will practice skills and learn the rules of the game. All children 3 to 5 years of age may register for this program at the same time as the Vandalia Baseball/Softball Program.

Ages: 3 - 5 years old

Fees: \$25 Resident; \$30 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Sports Complex North Fields

SPECIAL NOTE: Balls and gloves are not required for this program,

but if you have one please bring it.

Activity#	Day	Date	Time
180002-00	WED	04/27 - 05/25	6:15 - 7:15 pm

Volunteer Youth Sports Coaches

On behalf of the entire VPRD, I would like to thank our Volunteer Youth Soccer & Flag Football Coaches from the 2021 fall youth sports season. All of the time and effort these coaches put in to teaching our athletes the fundamentals of the game and the rules of good sportsmanship are what make our program great!









Adult Athletics

Adult League Free Agent List

Are you interested in participating in an adult league with VPRD, but don't have a team? Contact John at 415-2333 or jmyers@ vandaliaohio.org to be placed on the Free Agent list. This list will be available to any teams signing up looking for players or if there are enough people interested, we will create a team.

Please provide name, primary phone number, email address and the league of interest.

Men's Summer Softball Leagues

The league runs for 8-weeks with a tournament at the end of the regular season. League registration will run through Friday, April 15. Money is due at the time of registration.

Ages: 18 & older/2022 High School Graduate

Fees: \$380 per team Location: Helke Park

Activity#	Day	Date	Time
185300-01	MON	May - July	6:00 - 10:00 pm

Coed Summer Softball

This league will run for 8-weeks with a single elimination tournament at the end of the season. All games will be played at Helke Park. Registration will be held through Friday, April 15. Money is due at the time of registration.

Ages: 18 & older/2022 High School Graduate

Fees: \$380 per team Location: Helke Park

Activity#	Day	Date	Time
185300-02	FRI	Mav - July	6:00 - 10:00 pm



Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.



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Come on in and toss a few bean bags around with us! No partner is needed.

Ages: 18 & up

Fee: FREE VRC Member; \$3 Drop-In; Senior Strength Punch Card

accepted

Location: VRC Fitness Studio **Class Size:** 30 maximum

Day Date Time MON/WED 01/03 - 4/27 1:00 - 3:00 pm







aquatics

Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.

For the safety of everyone, please do not attend class if you (or your child) are experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who is known to have tested positive.

For more information visit https://vrc.coursestorm.com or contact Heather Shooner at heather@@swimsafepool.com or 513-755-7075.

Swim Instruction

VPRD swim lessons utilize a unique program developed by SwimSafe Pool Management. Using industry best practices, years of experience with well-known national and international lesson programs, and the unique nature of swim lessons, SwimSafe's program is primarily focused on safety and can be explained using the acronym S.A.F.E.

- S Safety First. Age and skill-appropriate safety activities and skills are incorporated into every lesson.
- A Adaptability. Our lessons are designed to be adaptable to the specific needs of the swimmer and the pool environment.
- F Fun. Swim lessons should be fun! That's why we incorporate songs, games, and activities in our program to make it a fun learning environment.
- E Easy to remember, learn, and succeed. There's no need to complicate things. We've designed our program to be a simple and straightforward approach to teach and to



SPECIAL NOTE:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in the interest of keeping all swimmers and employees as safe as possible, levels 0-3 swim lessons require a parent, guardian, or responsible adult in the water with each child registered (one child per adult). All adult/child pairs will be spaced at least 6-feet apart in the water and the instructor will teach from the pool deck.

For the safety of everyone, please do not attend class if you (or your child) are experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who is known to have tested positive.

Registration

To register for swim lessons,

visit https://vrc.coursestorm.com.

Questions can be directed to heather@swimsafepool.com or (513) 755-7075.

Private Swim Lessons

Our private swim lessons are for people of all ages and levels. If you prefer a 1-on-1 lesson, our instructors can help you achieve your swimming goals. When registering for private lessons, please be sure to provide as much information on your swimming experience so your instructor can prepare for your lesson.

Private lessons will be offered in a 4-pack each month scheduled at the same time each week. January and March private lessons will only be three weeks long. All lessons will be completed within the time frame with no option for make-ups.

Ages: 5 & older Class Size: 1

Class length: 30 minutes

Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$100 (January & March \$75); Non-Member/Non-Resident \$115 (January & March \$90)

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

Time	Jan*	Feb	Mar*	Apr
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^{*}The January and March sessions are three weeks long. The February and April are four weeks long.









Group Swim Lessons

Teen Learn to Swim Program

Whether you're working on the skills to pass your beginner swim test for Boy Scouts, or you want to be more comfortable and confident in the water, this class is for you. Join other teens twice a week as we work on basic swimming skills including unassisted floating and glides, breath control, treading water, beginner freestyle, water safety, and more. The eventual goal is for students to be able to jump into deep water, surface, and swim 50 yards using a variety of techniques.

Ages: 13 - 18 years

Class Size: 3 minimum/8 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes

Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$92
Non-Member/Non-Resident \$112
Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

 Day
 Time
 Winter 1
 Winter 2*

 TUE & THU
 7:25 - 7:55 pm
 1/11 - 2/24
 3/8 - 4/28

 *No classes 3/27 - 4/3 due to spring break.

Adult Learn to Swim Program

If you are an adult and are uncomfortable in the water, have no previous swim lesson experience, or just want to improve your technique, then this class is for you. Students will learn basic swimming strokes and key water safety skills. The class will be led by an instructor who will guide students through a series of progressive activities. Students will move through the activities at an individual pace while building confidence and comfortability in the water.

Ages: 18 years & older

Class Size: 3 minimum/8 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes
Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$92
Non-Member/Non-Resident \$112
Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

 Day
 Time
 Winter 1
 Winter 2*

 TUE & THU
 7:25 - 7:55 pm
 1/11 - 2/24
 3/8 - 4/28

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Adult Social Swim

Space is dedicated every Tuesday and Thursday for a social swim hour from 8:30-9:30 am. This is a great opportunity to connect and exercise with other adults. All levels are welcome and no registration is required.



Frogs & Tadpoles

Join us for this exploration of water safety. This class is designed for young children (1-3 years old) who are most at-risk for accidental drowning. Together, parents and children will learn key safety tips and skills while playing games and singing songs.

Please note: any child not potty-trained must wear a swim diaper.

Age: 12-36 months (no exceptions)
Class Size: 3 minimum/10 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes

Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$46 Non-Member/Non-Resident \$56

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

Day	Time	Winter 1	Winter 2*
TUE	5:05 - 5:35 pm	1/11 - 2/22	3/8 - 4/26
SAT	9:00 - 9:30 am	1/15 - 2/28	3/12 - 4/30
	or 9:35 - 10:05 am		

^{*}No classes 3/27 - 4/3 due to spring break.

Level 1: Flounder & Parent

In this class, children will become acclimated to the water through activities, games, and play. Water submersion, independent movement through the water, floating on front and back with support, recovery from a floating position, nose/mouth bubbles, introduction to bobs, and age-appropriate water safety are just a few of the skills that will be covered in this class.

Please note: any child not potty-trained must wear a swim diaper.

Age: 3 by the first day of class (no exceptions)

Class Size: 3 minimum/6 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes
Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$46
Non-Member/Non-Resident \$56

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

Day	Time	Winter 1	Winter 2*		
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TUE	5:05 - 5:35 pm	1/11 - 2/22	3/8 - 4/26		
THU	5:05 - 5:35 pm	1/13 - 2/24	3/10 - 4/28		
SAT	9:00 - 9:30 am	1/15 - 2/28	3/12 - 4/30		
or 9:35 - 10:05 am					
*No classes 3/27 - 4/3 due to spring break.					









Level 2: Jellyfish & Parent

Children will expand on the skills learned in the Flounder class and learn to be in the water unassisted in both front and back positions while also learning to propel themselves through the water using either arms or legs. Skills include floating, gliding, streamline body position, recovery, bobs, submersion, propulsive kicking, introduction to propulsive arms, sit dives, and safety skills.

Prerequisite: successful completion of all Flounder skills

Class Size: 3 minimum/6 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes

Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$46 Non-Member/Non-Resident \$56

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

	Day	Time	Winter 1	Winter 2*	
	TUE	5:40 - 6:10 pm	1/11 - 2/22	3/8 - 4/26	
	THU	5:05 - 5:35 pm	1/13 - 2/24	3/10 - 4/28	
	SAT	9:00 - 9:30 am	, ,	3/12 - 4/30	
	or				
*No classes 3/27 - 4/3 due to spring break					

Level 3: Octopus & Parent

In this class, children will learn fundamental freestyle and backstroke skills with emphasis placed on the coordination and timing of the strokes as well as the development of a strong flutter kick. Skills include novice freestyle, novice backstroke, elementary backstroke, side glide, treading, kneeling dive, and safety skills. Prerequisite: successful completion of all Jellyfish skills

Class Size: 3 minimum/6 maximum

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com



Day	Time	Winter 1	Winter 2*
TUE	5:40 - 6:10 pm	1/11 - 2/22	3/8 - 4/26
THU	5:05 - 5:35 pm	1/13 - 2/24	3/10 - 4/28
SAT	9:00 - 9:30 am or 9:35 - 10:05 am	, ,	3/12 - 4/30
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Level 4: Clownfish

Children will work to improve their freestyle and backstroke in this class while learning all 4 competitive strokes. Emphasis will be placed on developing strokes that are swim meet legal. Skills include strong freestyle and backstroke, strong kicks (flutter, butterfly, breaststroke), novice breaststroke and butterfly, tread for 1 minute, standing dives, surface dives, flip turns.

Prerequisite: successful completion of all Octopus skills

Class Size: 3 minimum/6 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$46 Non-Member/Non-Resident \$56

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com



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Level 5: Seahorse

Children will refine all 4 competitive strokes while gradually increasing strength and endurance in each stroke. The goal is to swim each of the four competitive strokes legally for the specified distance. Skills include 50-meter freestyle, 50-meter backstroke, 25-meter butterfly, 25-meter breaststroke, 100-meter continuous swim, tread/swim/tread, eggbeater kick, and flip turns.

Prerequisite: successful completion of all Clownfish skills o

Class Size: 3 minimum/6 maximum

Class length: 30 minutes

Fee: VRC Member/Resident \$46 Non-Member/Non-Resident \$56

Registration: https://vrc.coursestorm.com

Day	Time	Winter 1	Winter 2*
THU**	5:40 - 6:10 pm	1/13 - 2/24	3/10 - 4/28
SAT	10:10 - 10:40 am	1/15 - 2/28	3/12 - 4/30

*No classes 3/27 - 4/3 due to spring break

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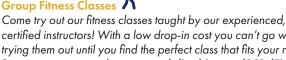
Registering in Advance

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For more information please contact Sarah Lavy at slavy@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 415-2337. Visit our web page for our Group Fitness Schedule: vandaliaohio.org/301/Fitness.com



Group Fitness Classes Λ



certified instructors! With a low drop-in cost you can't go wrong trying them out until you find the perfect class that fits your needs. Be sure to visit our website at vandaliaohio.org/301/Fitness for our Group Fitness Schedule to view the variety of classes we offer! Keep an eye out for the "Class Spotlight" special we offer throughout the year for opportunities to try out new classes FREE!

Personal Training at the Vandalia Rec Center

Whether you are just getting started on a workout program or ready to take your workouts to the next level, we have nationally certified VRC Preferred trainers that can help you reach your fitness goals. If you are interested in getting a personal trainer, please submit the VRC Preferred trainer request form located online at vandaliaohio.org/301/Fitness.

MELT Method Self-Care Techniques

Would you like to reduce inflammation, ease chronic neck and low back strain, improve alignment and learn how to



keep your whole body working better? MELT is easy to learn, backed by cutting-edge research, and offers immediate results that you will see and feel the first time you MELT. Changes in posture, flexibility, energy, mood, and performance occur within only a few sessions. Best of all, your body feels great long after you MELT!

Christina Clark will introduce you to the MELT Method self-care techniques that you can use daily to make your whole body feel better and function more efficiently. MELT workshops are available via Zoom, private sessions, in home group workshops, private and small group sessions at the Vandalia Recreation

Please check out my website for more details, to register for a session and to contact me for more information. www.wholebodywellness.biz

HighFitness: Valentine's Special

Join HighFitness Instructor, Jillian for this special event and bring your loved ones for a fun Valentines themed class! To add to the fun wear your pink/red/ white colors and be entered to win a raffle for all who participate in the fun!



Ages: 15 & older

Fee: \$5; Included in Group Fitness class passes

Special Info: Bring a friend/loved ones and wear Valentine's

Day colors to be entered in a raffle!

Location: VRC Gymnasium

Date Day THU 02/10 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Senior Volleyball



Stay active and have fun in this non-competitive program! No experience required.

Ages: 55 & older

Fee: Free for VRC Members / \$3 Drop-In / Senior Fitness Punch

Cards also accepted Location: VRC Gymnasium

Day Time

TUE/THU 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Senior Pickleball



Come join the fun and get a good cardio work out while playing indoors on our three Pickleball courts!

Ages: 55 & older

Fee: Free for VRC Members / \$3 Drop-In / Senior Fitness Punch

Cards also accepted Location: VRC Gymnasium

Day

MON/WED/FRI 11:30 am - 2:00 pm TUE/THU 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Does the cold weather have you moving your exercise indoors?

Don't forget we have a 1/16-mile indoor track plus all the equipment you need to have a great workout inside!











pre-school

Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.

For more information on Preschool programs please contact: Aaron Messenger at amessenger@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 415-2334.

Zoom Around the Room

Enjoy a morning full of fun and play with your child! A variety of play equipment will be set up in the gymnasium for children and their guardian to run, climb, jump and recreate. An adult must accompany each child or family of children. No instruction, just open play! Registration not required.

Ages: 1 - 5 years old Fee: \$4 per child/per day Location: VRC Gymnasium Side A

Day Date Time 10:00 - 11:00 am FRI 1/7 - 4/29



New Year's Time Capsules

We will learn what time capsules are and each participant will create their own time capsule for 2022! Please bring an item from home that you would like to store in the time capsule. Participants can take their time capsule home to store or let the VRC store it for them.

Ages: 3 - 6 years old

Fee: \$10 Resident/VRC Member; \$12 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Thursday, December 30.

Activity # Day Time 5:00 - 6:00 pm 110018-00 MON 1/3



Wildlife Encounter

Bring your little explorer out and learn about Ohio wildlife and the diverse habitats Ohio has to offer! This presentation will have special appearances from Wildlife Ambassadors, which includes a live mammal, bird and reptile! There will be hands-on props like furs, skulls, skins and skeletons to interact with as well.

Ages: 3 - 10 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room

Instructor: Brukner Nature Center Representative

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program

by Wednesday, January 19.

Activity # Day Date Time 10:00 - 11:00 am 110023-00 SAT 1/22

My Little Valentine

During this class, your child will make a Valentine's Day themed craft, will make special valentines for those they love in their life and will make a tasty Valentine treat!

Ages: 3 - 6 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Wednesday, February 9.

Activity # Day Date Time 110019-00 FRI 2/11 5:00 - 6:15 pm







pre-school



Read Across America Day

Today you are you, that is truer than true, there is no one alive who is you-er than you! Come out and celebrate Read Across America Day with us and make crafts and treats based off classic childhood books!

Ages: 3 - 7 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident
Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room
Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must
accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being
present

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Monday, February 28.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
110024-00	WED	3/2	5:00 - 6:15 pm

Super Shamrocks Celebration

Come check out this class at the end of the rainbow! During this class, your child will make St. Patrick's Day themed crafts and make "magically delicious" treats to take home!

Ages: 3 - 6 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being present.

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Friday, March 11.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time	
110020-00	TUE	3/15	5:00 - 6:15 pm	

Earth Day Nature Party

Your child will decorate a pot and plant a flower seed, make a DIY bird feeder and make a nature themed treat to eat or take home!

Ages: 3 - 6 years old

Fee: \$15 Resident / VRC Member; \$18 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being present.

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Monday, April 11.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
110030-00	WED	4/13	5:00 - 6:15 pm

Tiny Tikes Easter Egg Hunt

Hop on out to this early Easter program! Your child will make Easter crafts and will participate in a mini Easter Egg Hunt outside the Vandalia Recreation Center!

Ages: 2 - 6 years old

Fee: \$15 Resident / VRC Member;

\$20 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center

Special Events Room

Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for

being present. Program will be held rain or shine.

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Wednesday, March 30.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
110021-00	SAT	4/2	10:00 am

Lil Roasters S'mores Class

Enjoy an evening around the campfire! We will start off with making a campfire craft and then learn how to make different kinds of s'mores afterwards.

Ages: 3 - 6 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident Location: Vandalia Sports Complex – Grassy Area near Sand

Volleyball Courts

Note: Walk-Ins will not be allowed. Parent/guardian must accompany child during the class and will not pay extra for being present.

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Tuesday, April 26.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
110031-00	FRI	4/29	5:30 - 6:30 pm





Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.

For more information on the Youth programs please contact: Aaron Messenger at amessenger@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 415-2334.

Winter Wonderland Snowman & Snowflake Ornament by Cozy Melts

In this festive winter class your child will have the experience of working with both acrylics and glazes. The snowflake ornament will be painted and taken home the day of the event, while the snowman figure will be fired and available to be picked up at the

Vandalia Recreation Center the following week. If you are signing up a younger child, we recommend that you assist them with their painting. These items are sure to add some bright smiles to your home. Registration is required, and space is limited. The class cost is \$20 per painter. All materials needed will be provided.

Ages: 5 - 12 years old Fee: \$20 per painter

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Wednesday, December 29. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
120030-00	WED	1/5	5:00 - 6:30 pm

Spreading the Love, Community Letters

'Tis the season to spread love and joy! During this program, we will make encouraging letters and Valentines cards and on a later date, these letters will be delivered to different people and groups in our Vandalia community. All arts and crafts supplies will be supplied for this program.

Ages: 5 - 17 years old

Fee: FREE

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Note: Snacks and drinks will be provided during the program. You can stop in any time during the 3-hour program period and leave when you are done making letters.

Registration Deadline: You do not need to preregister for this program. If you are going to attend this program, please email Aaron Messenger at: amessenger@vandaliaohio.org

Day	Date	Time
THŪ	1/27	5:00 - 8:00pm





Kids Home Alone

Are you ready to educate your child on the responsibilities of being home alone? Your child will learn these lifelong safety skills which include but are not limited to first aid, reasons to call 911, fire escape plans, microwave safety, internet safety and how-to problem solve out-of-the-ordinary situations. At the end of the session your child will feel more comfortable staying home alone. A pizza lunch will be provided.

Ages: 9 years old & older

Fee: \$20 Resident / VRC Member; \$25 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Senior Center

Instructor: Vandalia Fire Department & Vandalia Police

Department

Registration Deadline: You must be signed up for this class by Wednesday, January 12. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
120012-00	SAT	1/15	9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Kids Night Out

Kids, come on out and have a blast at Kids Night Out! You will enjoy all the activities the Vandalia Recreation Center has to offer, like swimming, climbing the rock wall and additional games and crafts. Remember to bring a bathing suit and towel and closed toed shoes for the climbing wall.

Ages: 6 - 12 years old

Fee: \$15 Resident/VRC Member; \$18 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center

Note: A snack and drink will be provided for your child. Registration Deadline: Preregistration is not required but it is recommended to secure your spot for this program. Walk-Ins are permitted, but only until we reach our maximum number of participants.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
120000-01	FRI	2/4	6:00 - 9:45 pm
120000-02	FRI	3/4	6:00 - 9:45 pm









Underwater Easter Egg Hunt

All egg hunters welcome! Come on out and search for eggs and turn in eggs for candy and prizes! You will be able to stay and enjoy open swim after hunts are complete. Participants must be able to swim and/or must be accompanied by an adult.

Ages: 3 - 8 years old

Fee: \$12 Resident / VRC Member; \$15 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Pool

Note: The egg hunt will start promptly at 10:00 am. We ask that all participants are in the pool area and ready to participate by 9:50 am. Please bring your own basket to this event. Adults in the 3-4 age group need to accompany their child in the water during the hunt.

Registration Deadline: Preregistration is not required but is recommended to secure your spot. This program fills up fast.

Activity#	Day	Date	Time	Age
190026-01	SAT	4/9	10:00 am	3-4 years old
190026-02	SAT	4/9	10:00 am	5-6 years old
190026-03	SAT	4/9	10:00 am	7-8 years old

Earth Day Terrariums

Come out and celebrate Earth Day with us! Kids will learn the characteristics of a terrarium and will make their own terrarium!

Ages: 5 - 12 years old

Fee: \$15 Resident / VRC Member;

\$18 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center

Special Events Room

Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program

by Friday, April 15. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
120022-00	TUE	4/19	5:00 - 6:15 pm

Discovering Geocaching with Stemily Studios

What is a geocache? How do you make one? These questions and more will be answered in this exciting introductory class. About Stemily Studios: We introduce children to the exciting world of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math). Focusing

on creative thinking and problem solving, we equip children with the tools and confidence to face any challenge.

Ages: 7 - 12 years old Fee: \$10 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Monday, January 10. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
125000-00	TUE	1/11	5:30 - 6:30 pm

Light Up Valentines with Stemily Studios

Using LEDs and paper circuits, participants will create a variety of light up valentines to share with friends and family.

About Stemily Studios: We introduce children to the exciting world of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math). Focusing on creative thinking and problem solving, we equip children with the tools and confidence to face any challenge.

Ages: 8 - 14 years old Fee: \$12 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Monday, February 7. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
125001-00	TUE	2/8	5:30 - 7:00 pm

It's Slime Time with Stemily Studios

Learn the science behind the slime as you create 3 different types of addictively playful polymer! About Stemily Studios: We introduce children to the exciting world of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math). Focusing on creative thinking and problem solving, we equip children with the tools and confidence to face any challenge.

Ages: 7 - 12 years old **Fee:** \$12 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Monday, March 7. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
125002-00	TUE	3/8	5:30 - 6:30 pm









Junk to Gems with Stemily Studios

Celebrate Earth Day by learning about recycling! This class recycles odd and forgotten items and turns them into something extraordinary!

About Stemily Studios: We introduce children to the exciting world of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math). Focusing on creative thinking and problem solving, we equip children with the tools and confidence to face any challenge.

Ages: 7 - 12 years old Fee: \$10 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Wednesday, April 20. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
125003-00	THŪ	4/21	5:30 - 7:00 pm

Rose for Mom

Tell us in 200 words or less why your Mom is the greatest Mom in the world! There will be three general winners in each division shown below. All winners will be contacted by Monday, April 25. The Vandalia Parks and Recreation Department will host a small gathering for the winners and their mothers at the Vandalia Recreation Center on Tuesday, May 3 at 6:30pm. Refreshments will be provided.

Division 1 = First Grade

Division 2 = Second Grade

Division 3 = Third Grade

Division 4 = Fourth Grade

Division 5 = Fifth Grade

Rules

- Essay must be 200 words or less and must be submitted in child's handwriting.
- There will only be one winner per family.
- Entry blanks and essays must be submitted to the Vandalia Recreation Center's Front Desk no later than Friday, April 15.
- Only one essay per child.
- All entrants must be a resident of Vandalia or Butler Township.



Registering in Advance

All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.



Spring CampREC

Are you looking for a fun-packed week filled with swimming, rock wall climbing, games and fun in the sun? The VRC is offering a Spring CampREC program that will be filled with non-stop fun for your child to participate in!

Ages: 6 - 12 years old

Weekly Fee:

Weekly

First Child - \$130 Resident/VRC Member; \$146 Non-Resident Second Child: \$115 Resident/VRC Member; \$131 Non-Resident Third+ Children: \$110 Resident/VRC Member; \$126 Non-Resident

Daily Fee: \$32 Resident/VRC Member; \$38 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center

Note: All monies are due when you register. Please make sure you bring your swimsuit and towel each day and wear closed toed shoes to climb the rock wall.

Registration Deadline: Preregistration is not required but it is recommended to secure your spot for camp.

Activity # 120050-A	Day MON - FRI	Date 3/28 – 4/1	Time 7:00 am - 6:00 pm
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THU

FRI

7:00 am - 6:00 pm

7:00 am - 6:00 pm



teen & adult

Registering in Advance

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For more information please contact: Aaron Messenger at amessenger@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 415-2334.

How to Build a Successful Financial Life for Teens

Join Kevin Larger from Thrivent Financial as we provide the tools for a lifetime of financial success.

In this free seminar, attendees will learn about:

- Why even small investing at a young age is a game-changer!

- The Time Value of Money
- The investment options you will have available
- Money and investing decisions in your everyday life

At the end of the program, we will raffle off two gift cards for Chipotle!

Ages: 13 - 19 years old

Fee: FREE

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room; Light

refreshments will be available.

Instructor: Kevin Larger; Thrivent Financial Associate

Registration Deadline: To register for this program, please email Aaron Messenger at: amessenger@vandaliaohio.org. We ask that you are registered for this program by Tuesday, March 22.

Day	Date	Time
THU	3/24	5:00 - 6:30 pm

Teen Small Business Market

Are you a young business owner who would like to get your name out there? During the City-Wide Garage Sale weekend, teens will have the opportunity to set up and sell their products in the Vandalia Recreation Center Gymnasium!

Ages: 13 - 19 years old Fee: Vendor spots cost \$10

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Gymnasium

Note: Vendor spots will be 10'x6'. To receive an application, email Aaron at amessenger@vandaliaohio.org or pick up an application from the Vandalia Recreation Center Front Desk.

Registration Deadline: You must have your application turned in for your vendor spot by Friday, May 6.

Day	Date	Time
SAT	5/21	11:00 am - 2:00 pm



Valentines Plate Class by Cozy Melts

Check out this perfect date night! Come with a friend or the love of your life. You will start with a plain white plate and I will walk you through layering glazes to achieve the finished plate pictured. This plate would make a great display or can be used functionally as a dinner plate in your household. This plate is not intended for the microwave or dishwasher but will add some love to all of your meals! Once you finish your plate at the event I will need to keep it for one week to fire it. You can pick your plate up the following week at the Vandalia Recreation Center. Registration is required, and space is limited. All materials needed will be provided.

Ages: 20 and older Fee: \$25 per painter

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Saturday, January 29. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity # 190053-00	,	 Time 9:30 - 11:00am

Word Art Canvas Painting by The Purple Paintbrush

A relaxed, fun approach to getting creative with word art. Patrons will be given tips and techniques for creating a background for their word or phrase of choice on an 11x14 or 12x12 canvas (stencils and carbon paper will be provided, but patrons are welcome to create their own!) From here the background will be dried, and patrons can begin stenciling their word onto their canvas and continue painting into the foreground. Projects will be ready to take home at the end of class. All materials are included.

Ages: 18 and Up Fee: \$28 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Saturday, February 12. Walk-ins will not be accepted. mmended to secure your spot for this event.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
190051-00	SAT	2/19	9:30 - 11:30 am







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Slate Painting by The Purple Paintbrush

For this class patrons will be able to come up with their own designs and carbon trace them onto their slate to paint: much like a canvas, slate is a great material that holds onto acrylic paint really well! Instructor will provide helpful and fun painting tips. Each piece of slate has its own unique textures and patterns



that can play into the design you choose to paint. After the slate is painted and dried, patrons will be able to apply a clear coat to protect against weathering. In addition, depending on the direction each patron chooses to display their slate painting, the instructor will provide rope or garden stakes to affix to the slate.

Ages: 18 and Up Fee: \$33 per person

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered for this program by Saturday, February 26. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
190052-00	SAT	3/5	9:30 - 11:30 am

Gare Beer Stein Mug by Cozy Melts

This event is sure to impress! Come join us to paint your own beer stein! Then show it off to all of your friends when you celebrate Saint Patty's Day! Come with friends or meet some at the event! You will start with a plain white beer stein and add whatever designs to it to make it custom to your liking. After the event I will keep your stein for a week to fire it in my kiln. Your steins can be picked up the following week at the Vandalia Recreation Center. Your cup is not intended for the dishwasher or microwave but surely will set you into party mode! Registration is required, and space is limited. All materials needed will be provided.

Ages: 21 and older Fee: \$25 per painter

Location: Vandalia Recreation Center Special Events Room Registration Deadline: You must be registered by this program by Thursday, March 3. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time	
190054-00	THU	3/10	5:30 -	7:30 pm



Adult Easter Egg Hunt

Time for the adults to relive their childhood egg hunt! Eggs will contain candy, raffle tickets and gift cards and after the egg hunt is over, everyone will meet back in the VRC Gymnasium to count eggs and begin the raffle. Participants will meet in the VRC Gymnasium no later than 7:40pm to check in. The egg hunt will start promptly at 8:00pm. Please bring a flashlight to this event.

Ages: 18 and Up

Fee: \$10 Resident / VRC Member; \$12 Non-Resident

Location: Vandalia Sports Complex

Registration Deadline: The maximum number of adults for this program is 125. Once 125 spots have been filled, registration will be closed. Preregistration is recommended to secure your spot for this event.

Activity #	Day	Date	Time
190050-00	FRI	4/8	8:00 pm



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Homeschool Takeover

Attention homeschool parents and students! Come to this Vandalia Recreation Center event to obtain your recreational needs. Enjoy a day filled with swimming, climbing the rock wall, walking the track, gymnasium play, Ricky's Tiny Tikes and Luther's Jungle! All ages welcomed! Walk-In event so you do not need to preregister.

Fee: \$15 per family (up to 5 people), \$2 per person after 5. Location: Vandalia Recreation Center

Day	Date	Time
FRI	1/21	11:30 am - 2:00 pm
FRI	3/18	11:30 am - 2:00 pm





VRC Reading Month Book Swap

To Celebrate National Reading Month, we want to give you a chance to change up your book collection! From March 1 through March 25, you can bring your books in to the Vandalia Recreation Center and turn them in for tickets. Each book turned in will get you one ticket. Then on March 26, you will be able to trade in your tickets for a new book to read!

Notes: All ages welcomed. Books must be in good condition and can be taken to the Vandalia Recreation Center's Front Desk. No adult books or magazines. You will fill out a book swap registration form when you drop off your books at the Front Desk. You can bring books on the day of the swap date as well. **Location:** Vandalia Recreation Center Gymnasium

Day	Date	Time
SAT	3/26	11:00 am - 12:00 pm



Community Easter Egg Hunt

Come on out and bring your own basket and join us for an egg hunt with the City of Vandalia! FREE community event; no registration needed. The egg hunt will start promptly at 11:00 am so please make sure you arrive beforehand.

Ages: 2 - 10 years old

Location: Vandalia Sports Complex Soccer Concession Stand Note: There will be different age group areas at the event so all kids will not be in the same area at once.

Day	Date	Time
SAT	4/16	11:00 am







senior center

Senior Center

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Senior Center Coordinator

Toni Williams twilliams@vandaliaohio.org

Membership Information

Are you 55 years of age or better? Join the Vandalia Senior Center and you will have opportunities to meet new friends, stay active and healthy, find valuable services and learn through educational opportunities. Seniors are welcome at the center three times before joining. Membership dues are \$15 per year for single Vandalia residents, \$20 for non-resident single membership, \$25 for Vandalia resident married couples and \$35 for nonresident married couples.

Go to www.vandaliaohio.org/341/senior-center to see this month's newsletter and list of activities and opportunities.

The Vandalia Senior Center currently has Lunch & Learns, bingos, penny auctions, movies, craft classes, exercise, a birthday celebration each month, support groups, a book club, and more. There are jigsaw puzzles and books to loan out. The Floral Group has flower arrangements for sale. The Super Sewers group always has lap quilts and baby guilts on the walls for sale as well as many kitchen items in the display case.





Sinclair College Classes

Sinclair is hoping to resume classes at locations outside the main campus in 2022.

Card & Game Groups

Monday:

12:30 pm Canasta and other games

in card/library room

Tuesday:

9:45 am Bridge in card room

1:00 pm Double Deck Pinochle in card room 1:40 pm Hand & Foot on side of dining room

Wednesday:

12:15 pm Bridge on side of dining room

1:00 pm Up and Down the River in dining room

(need 50 pennies)

1:00 pm Euchre in card/library room

Thursday:

12:00 pm Duplicate Bridge on side of dining room

Pinochle in card/library room 1:00 pm

1:00 pm Rummikub

Friday:

9:30 am Mah Jong in dining room

1:00 pm Poker in card room

Transportation

VanTran is available to residents of Vandalia and Butler Township, age 60 years and older on Monday through Friday 8:00 am -4:00 pm. Destinations may include, but are not limited to, grocery, bank, post office, pharmacy, hair salon, medical appointment, church, Vandalia Senior Center and Vandalia Recreation Center. Riders are required to board the vehicle unassisted. Vehicle is not wheelchair accessible at this time. The one-time registration fee is \$20.00. Rider's tickets available in \$10 or \$20 increments. Senior Center membership is not required. Cost per one-way trip is \$1.00, \$2.00 or \$3.00 depending on location area of drop-off/ pick up. For more information, please contact the Senior Center at 937-898-1232.





