

THE NITTY GRITTY



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Events

- Lions Club—2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 pm at Christ UMC (currently on summer break)
- Sunday Worship, Christ UMC, 9:00 am; Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Council meetings, 1st & 3rd Mondays, Village Hall, 7 pm
- Food Pantry, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10 am; Christ UMC



Halloween

Trick or Treating in the Village will be on Halloween Night, Sat, Oct 31 from 6 to 8 pm. It is anticipated that there will be a Wood County Sheriff Deputy on duty at the main corners. Participants are required to practice social distancing and use caution while handling treats.

Central Joint Fire District will be holding their Annual Halloween Party on Wednesday, Oct 28, starting at 6 pm at the firehall.



AMISH CHEESE SALE

It's that time of the year—time for the Amish Cheese Sale! The Portage Lions Club is currently taking orders through October 24. The cheese is sold in one pound packages. Cost is \$7.00 per pound. Available varieties are: colby jack, pepper jack, mild cheddar, smoked cheddar, smoked Gouda, baby Swiss, mozzarella, roasted garlic, green onion, and horseradish. Cheese comes from Yoder's in Shipshewana.

Delivery will be around November 21. To order, contact a club member or email portagelions@dacor.net.



Portage Lions Club

The Portage Lions Club lost a long standing member Lion Rose Richardson on September 30. Lion Rose will be very much missed. She was known for her upbeat and cheerful outlook. Lion Rose joined the Lions in 2001 and served as treasurer for many years. She was currently the president at the time of her death. Lion Rose participated in many service activities, and was in charge of organizing the Fourth of July Parade every year. A celebration of life will be held in the spring. Please keep Rose's family in your prayers for their loss.



24/7 Recycling

- Plastic #1-7
- Flattened Cardboard
- Paper
- Aluminum/Steel Cans
- Glass
- No plastic bags

Agape Food Pantry

The Agape Food Pantry (formerly the Portage Food Pantry) is open the second and fourth



Saturdays of the month for one hour, starting at 10 am. If you need food come, and get what you need. If you are interested in seeing our changes, come and visit us. We have a whole new set up and a lot more variety of food items as well as some non-food items (like shampoo, soap, etc). Visit us at 301 West Main Street, located within Christ UMC. If you are interested in helping, bring donations during pantry hours.

The Nitty Gritty is sponsored by the Portage Lions Club. Send comments and suggestions to portagelions@dacor.net.

BLOOD DRIVE

The blood drive held at Christ UMC on Wednesday, September 16 was very successful, with one of the most donations in the last couple years.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated.

The next Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, November 24, so mark your calendars!



VOTING INFORMATION

November 3 is the next general election. For Portage residents wishing to vote in person, the polling location is located at Christ UMC, 301 W Main St. Voting can be done between 6:30 am to 7:30 pm.

Early voting may be done at the Wood County Courthouse:

- Oct 6—Oct 16 between 8 am and 5 pm
- Oct 19—Oct 23 between 8 am and 6 pm
- Oct 24—between 8 am and 4 pm
- Oct 25—between 1 pm and 5 pm
- Oct 26—Oct 30 between 8 am and 7 pm
- Oct 31—between 8 am and 4 pm
- Nov 1—between 1 pm and 5 pm
- Nov 2—between 8 am and 2 pm



Besides the candidates for the political positions, there are county issues on the ballot. Please express your opinion and vote.

Halloween Jokes

Which fruit is a vampire’s favorite? Neck-tarine!

Why didn’t the zombie go to school? He felt rotten!

What dog breed would Dracula love to have as a pet? Blood hound!

What to Italian ghosts have for dinner? Spook-hetti!