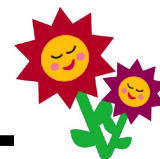


THE NITTY GRITTY



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Events

- Lions Club—2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 pm at Christ UMC
- 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, 9:30 am; Christ UMC



May 9

Village Council News

Portage will NOT be holding a large trash pickup this year due to you guessed it, COVID issues.

Getting a pool for the first time? You NEED a permit. The permit purchase only needs to happen once. They don't expire.

First Saturday each month, put tree and bush trimmings LESS THAN 2 INCHES in diameter from your yard at the curb so they get removed free. NO GRASS CLIPPINGS, VINES, TRASH, etc...

If your grass looks like it needs cutting, it does. Did you realize - your neighbor and the streets DO NOT WANT grass clippings blown WHEREVER AND EVERYWHERE. In the streets it ends up costing you money on your water bill. DO NOT BLOW GRASS CLIPPINGS WHEREVER YOU WANT! Grass clippings in the street are also a hazard for bicycles and motorcycles, making the streets slippery.

Carl Crawford

Portage Lions Club

The Vidalia onions will be arriving May 15, so if you ordered a bag, look for them to be delivered soon after that. Delivery was delayed this year due to the weather in Georgia.

The Lions Club is planning on holding the Fourth of July Parade this year at this time. If you would to participate in the parade or the car show, please email portagelions@dacor.net. Look for more information in the June Nitty Gritty.

The Mothering Job

By Marian Kehrley

I watched my Mom fill out an application.
 I looked at the line that asks about past professions.
 I thought to myself, that space is too small.
 To write down what she's been to cover it all.
 She was a maid when I didn't wipe my feet.
 She was a designer when my clothes didn't match.
 She was a tailor when my pants needed a patch.
 She was a teacher when I asked a question.
 She was a priest when I had a confession.
 She was a psychiatrist when I came home crying.
 She was a preacher when I got caught lying.
 She was a singer when she said the water's too deep.
 There are many more, yet the best one to me.
 She was a best friend and mine forever she'll be.

24/7 Recycling

Plastic #1-7
 Flattened Cardboard
 Paper
 Aluminum/Steel
 Cans
 Glass
 No plastic bags
*Located Behind the
 Village Hall*

Agape Food Pantry

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



Saturdays of the month from 9:30 am to 11 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.

Central Joint Fire District

The Central Joint Fire District will be holding their annual **Firehouse Memorial Run for M.S.** on Saturday, May 29. Tickets are \$20 and includes an event t-shirt (while supplies last). Registration at 10:00 am. The event is open to all make and models of bikes. It is a 100 mile ride starting at the fire station on Mermill Road. There will be food, drinks, and door prizes. This is to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society. For more information, contact Ron Bechstein at 419-686-4545 or via their website www.cjfd.org.



The CJFD wants to remind everyone that there is Burn Ban on open burning during the months of March, April, May, October, and November between the hours 6:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Wood County Museum

- The History of Wood County—told by way of the life of Charles Evers. Learn about Wood County as told through the experience of newspaperman Charles Evers. This program covers the setting of the Evers family in Wood County to the period Charles Evers was Sheriff. This program may be booked for your group by contacting Education Coordinator Mike McMaster.
- Watch the virtual program about Charles Evers and other Wood County pioneers at the Wood County Committee on Aging Video Library. www.wccoa.net/video-library
- Living History Along the Portage Demonstration Day—May 22, 9 am– 5 pm. Costumed interpreters portray life during the exploration of the Northwest Territory and the Ohio Country, especially along and near the Portage River. Outdoor demonstrations are free and open to the public.
- Power of Yesteryear—June 6 10 am– 3 pm. Public demonstrations and display of antique tractors and farm equipment.

Brain Game

Can you turn these complex phrases into the more commonly know saying?

1. The rotating circle with the high-pitched sound receives the lubricant?
2. Every beneficial entity has to reach a conclusion.
3. One image has the value of 10 times 100 spoken units of language.
4. The passage of minutes equals bills and coins.
5. Red body fluid is more viscous than H2O.

1. The squeaky wheel gets the grease. 2. All good things must come to an end. 3. A picture is worth a thousand words. 4. Time is money. 5. Blood is thicker than water.