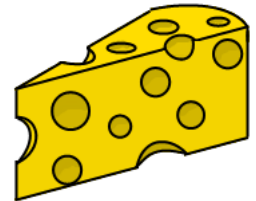


# THE NITTY GRITTY



## Amish Cheese Sale

The Portage Lions annual Amish cheese sale has started and runs through October 22. Cheese will be coming from Yoder's in Shipsewana this year. The cheese varieties available are: colby jack, baby Swiss, smoked cheddar, mild cheddar, pepper jack, smoked Gouda, mozzarella, horseradish, green onion, and roasted garlic. All varieties are sold in 1 lb blocks for \$6. Watch for a Lions Club member to place your order. Cheese will be delivered around November 17.



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**Events**

- Oct 31 - Halloween
- Lions Club—2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 pm at Christ UMC
- Sunday Worship, Christ UMC, 9:30 am; Sunday School, 10:30 am
- Council meetings, 1st & 3rd Mondays, Village Hall, 7 pm
- Food Pantry, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10 am; Christ UMC



## Wood County Historical Museum

The Wood County Historical Museum has several Folklore Events scheduled for October, something for everyone!

**Oct 16**—Scarecrow Making Workshop. This is free program Straw, string, and support pole provided—you bring the clothes, decorations, and support pole for the arms. You can take your scarecrow home or enter it in the Scarecrow Contest. 5-7:30 pm. Registration required



**Oct 18**—Pumpkin Carving Workshop and Contest, 6:30-8 pm. This is a free event for the family. Enjoy cider and snacks while carving your pumpkins. You take it home or leave it on display. Registration required.



**Oct 20**—Folklore & Funfest, 4-9 pm. This is the 28th year for this event. It is a kid friendly with horse-drawn wage rides, Boo-Ville activities, apple cider press, a spooky trail, s'mores and more

**Oct 26**—CARNIVAL! This is a self-guided adult event with trick-or-treat story stops around the former Wood County Infirmary with the vibe of a 1920's carnival. Cost is \$15, please dress appropriately for the weather and bring a flashlight. Reservations are appreciated, but walk-ins are welcome. Call 419-352-0967 to reserve your spot.



# Happy Halloween

## Oct 31



### Ladies Night Out

Wood County Hospital is holding the 2nd Annual Ladies Night Out on Oct 18 from 5-7 pm, in the surgery waiting area.

Attendees will learn ways to decrease stress and improve health. There will be giveaways, tables to visit, short informative presentations, music, massages, appetizers, and wine. Mammogram appointments will be available between 5:30 pm –6:45 pm, physician order required, call 419-354-8743 to schedule.

Participants will receive a gift bag and will be entered to win a \$100 spa gift card.

This is a free event, but registration is required, call 419-354-8986.

### Food Pantry

The Portage Food Pantry is open the second and fourth

Saturdays of the month for one hour. If

you need food come, and get what you need. We have a whole new set up and a lot more variety of food items. Visit us at 301 West Main Street, located within Christ UMC. If you are interested in helping, bring donations during pantry hours.



### PROJECT CONNECT

Project Connect is a one-day, one-stop event with free goods and services for Wood County individuals, families, elders, and veterans in need. The event will be held on Wednesday, October 17, from 9 am to 3 pm at St Mark's Lutheran Church, 315 S College Dr, Bowling Green. Some of the services that will be available are:

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| Hot Meals          | Vision Screenings      |
| Haircuts           | Health Screenings      |
| Birth Certificates | Dental Care            |
| Care Packs         | Mental Health Services |
| Hygiene Kits       | Housing Information    |
| Winter Coats       | Holiday Help           |
| Clothing           | Employment Assistance  |
| Groceries          | And much more!         |

### STEAK SUPPER

Sunday, Nov 4, starting at noon, will be the next steak supper at Christ United Methodist Church. Meal includes baked steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, dinner roll, homemade dessert and beverage. Cost is \$9.00 for adults, \$4.50 for children. The meal is prepared by the United Methodist Women and is a major fundraiser.



Answers to last month's word puzzles:

1. Rail crossing
2. Bad Influence

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