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Fall Events to Catch in Westphalia

Westphalia, MICH – The Westphalia Historical Society welcomes local history enthusiasts this Sunday, September 18 for their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cemetery Walk. Participants will be guided around St. Mary Cemetery in Westphalia to five grave sites where actors will portray past notable citizens. This year, the historical society is honoring John R. Lehman, Esther Pung, Joseph and William Bohr (his son, nicknamed Tinner), Professor Franz Loeher, and Martin Rademacher, a WWII B-24 tail gunner. Join them at 2:00 PM. Stay for light refreshments and community spirit. This event has drawn over 200 visitors in the past, and we plan to welcome even more this year.

Another exciting event coming up is Oktoberfest, on October 1. The historical society, along with the Knights of Columbus, are sponsoring a social tent from 4 PM to 11 PM on Main Street in Westphalia. Participants will be greeted with drink, food, and music provided by a lip sync battle, dj and the Leftovers. A raffle is another fun activity to look forward to. Commemorative mugs can be purchased at the tent or ahead of time at local bars, Simon's Flower Shop, the Little Flower Market, and the museum. Although the tent is open until 11 PM, entrants under 21 are only allowed until 8 PM. Please join us for the fun! Last year we had cold and rainy weather, but heaters and over 800 people made the tent toasty warm.

The historical museum at 120 Main Street is open to the public the first Sunday of every month from 1 PM to 4 PM and the third Wednesday from 5 PM to 8 PM from early spring to early fall. This year's exhibit is dedicated to local servicemen. Books, t-shirts, Christmas ornament, coasters, and other small items are available for purchase.

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