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Go to www.waukeshabank.com/friendlys-club-survey to take the survey, which should only take a few minutes to complete.

We hope to make our Friendly's Club fun and a valuable source of information for our members. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

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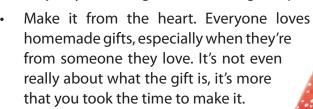


# SAVE MONEY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON WITH HOMEMADE GIFTS!

Christmas will be here before you know it, and instead of spending your money buying gifts for your family and friends, why not make them yourself? Here are some tips and tricks to making your own gifts, and some ideas too!

### **TIPS & TRICKS**

- Think of the person you're making the gift for. What do they like? What's their favorite color or favorite food? Thinking about things like this can help you figure out what to make.
- Plan ahead. Start thinking about what you want to make now so you have enough time to make it. If you wait too long, you could be rushed or be forced to make something else.
- Find the right thing. If you really like to make things, you have a ton of options. But, if you're not the most crafty person, pick something easy so you don't get flustered or give up.



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# FUN THINGS TO DO THIS FALL!

Celebrate the season with these fun activities for you and the whole family!

- Pick your own apples or pumpkin
- Go on a hay ride
- Find your way through a corn maze
- Go for a ride to see the different colored leaves

## DID YOU KNOW?

- The first carved pumpkin originated in Ireland.
- Carved pumpkins are called jack-olanterns, which comes from an old Irish folk tale called "Stingy Jack." In the tale, people would carve pumpkins to keep Jack away, and also to light the way for good spirits.

#### **DIY GIFT IDEAS**

Looking for the perfect "Do-It-Yourself" gift? Checkout these great ideas!

#### **Food Items:**

- Christmas cookies
- Candied almonds (see the recipe on the right!)
- Chocolate covered pretzels
- Candy cane hot chocolate stir sticks

### **Crafts:**

- Picture frame with your picture, or a picture of you and your family
- Salt dough tree ornaments
- Hand-painted apron or tote bag
- Decorative bowl made from plastic beads or paper mache
- Yarn and pipe cleaner coasters
- Hand shaped ring dish
- Hand-painted pillar candle
- Decorated golf balls

Many of these can be found at www.happyhooligans.ca/40-useful-gifts-kids-can-make.

## **PUMPKIN CARVING TIPS & TRICKS**

Halloween is almost here! Aside from trick-or-treating, one of everyone's favorite things to do to celebrate is carving pumpkins. So get creative, grab a pumpkin and get carving using these great tips and tricks:

- Find a pumpkin that has a good shape for your design. Look for solid clean surfaces, or if there are a few dents or blemishes, make sure they're in areas you're going to cut out anyway.
- Cut a circle around the stem, and add a "V" shape on the backside so you can line up the top easier. Also, cut the top at a 45 degree angle so it has something to rest on. Then scrape out all of the seeds and guts.
- Draw your design onto the pumpkin in pencil, or print it out in paper and then punch holes over the lines of the paper using a pin and connect the dots with the pencil.
- Then start carving, starting with the smaller shapes first. Or, you can also shave the skin and flesh of the pumpkin away so light shines through but not completely.
- Last, wash your pumpkin with a bleach and water mixture to keep it lasting longer.

**CANDIED ALMONDS** 

Celebrate the season with these candied almonds! Enjoy them yourself, or give them to someone as a Christmas gift.

16 oz raw almonds 3/4 cup granulated sugar

1 egg white 1 tsp sea salt

1 TBSP vanilla extract 2 tsp ground cinnamon

- Preheat oven to 250 degrees F. Grease a large baking sheet. (Do NOT use parchment paper or foil.)
- In a small bowl, combine sugar, sea salt, and cinnamon, then set aside.



- Add almonds to wet mixture and stir until evenly coated.
- Sprinkle the dry ingredients over the almonds and stir until evenly distributed.
- Spread the almonds evenly, in a single layer, on the prepared baking sheet.
- Bake at 250 degrees F for 1 hour, stirring every 15 minutes.
- After 1 hour, give them a final stir and let them cool on the baking sheet or enjoy them warm! Store in an airtight container at room temperature or in the freezer!

Visit www.joyfoodsunshine.com/candied-almonds for more information.



### **MORE PUMPKIN FUN!**

Pumpkins don't have to be just for making scary or silly faces during Halloween! You can also use your pumpkin in a lot of different ways.

**ROAST THE SEEDS AND EAT THEM** 

**MAKE PUMPKIN SOUP** 

FEED YOUR OLD JACK-O-LANTERN TO THE WILDLIFE AROUND YOUR HOUSE

PAINT UNCARVED PUMPKINS FOR THANKSGIVING DECORATIONS

**MAKE PUMPKIN BREAD** 

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Check out this YouTube video for more tips: www.youtube.com/watch?v=QhNsbPJcAFw