

Naturally Connected

Support the Albion Historical Society Annual Gardener House Museum Golf Tournament!



The Albion Historical Society is looking for your support as they host their annual Gardner House Museum Golf Tournament at Whiffletree Hill Golf Course in Concord on July 20 at 9AM. Help the non-profit preserve history with the upkeep of the iconic Gardner House Museum. Current president, Celeste Connamacher commented that their hope is to digitize their archive records, replace an AC unit, and add two new exhibits in the next few years. Connamacher emphasized that the Historical Society, "in addition to operating the Gardner House Museum, cares for thousands of artifacts, provides speaker series, and educates the public about Albion's local history."

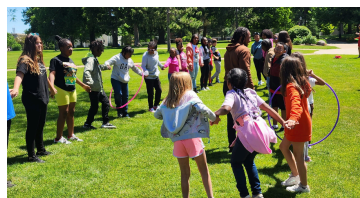
This event is \$60 per person (\$240 per team) and is a four-person scramble. The cost includes 18 holes of golf, door prizes, prizes for first and second place, 50/50 split, hot dogs at the turn, a delicious lunch, and more! Individual players are welcome and will be matched to a team. The society also has sponsorship opportunities available and will gladly accept donations of prizes.

To sign up or be a sponsor, call Andy Zblewski at (517) 629-9974 or Celeste Connamacher at (517) 629-3276. The deadline to sign up to play is July 17, 2024.

Creating Opportunities with Difference Makers

Difference Makers offers afterschool and summer programming to students in 3rd through 12th grade with a mission to impact students' educational successes by "empowering future leaders with the tools necessary to become engaged members of our community". The organization is rooted in the 3Rs, respect, responsibility, and resilience. Program Director, Nora Jackson explained that the goal of the program is to "meet the children where they are" and help them grow.

During the summer, children have the opportunity to learn and expand in the three main fields; character, math, and reading, each taught by a different leader. Keena Williams, a teacher focusing on relationship building, implements trust play and hands on learning through activities such as marshmallow towers and blind obstacle courses. Difference Makers offer students experiences outside of a classroom with trips to zoos, baseball games, and more.



Difference Makers is in their sixth year of programming with support from the community and Albion College. The program is currently held on Albion College's campus, exposing students to a potential path post high school. Difference Makers Summer Program runs through August 2nd, Monday through Thursday 9AM – 2:30PM at Olin Hall on Albion College's campus. Registration is required. Contact Mrs. Jackson at d.m.2019differencemakers@gmail.com to learn more.

Congratulations Albion Community Foundation Grantees!



Play Right Sports Academy



MI Crossroads Council - BSA

The Albion Community Foundation has completed two of their three 2024 grant rounds, impacting a number of community organizations. Over the two rounds, the Foundation has awarded over \$70,000!

Among the grantees are the Southwest Michigan Food Bank, Charitable Union, Albion Health Care Alliance, MI Crossroads Council - BSA, Play Right Sports Academy, Friends of the Bohm Theatre, Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum, INNOVATE Albion, and the City of Albion. Projects range from new museum exhibits, after school programs, expansion of the Albion River Trails, and Back to School events.

The Albion Community Foundation is dedicated to building community focused capital that serves community needs. They focus on three central tenets: community improvement, cultural heritage, and youth development. This is done through grantmaking to non-profit organizations. To learn more about the Foundation visit albionfoundation.org. The final grant round deadline of 2024 is September 15th at 4PM.

Community Member HIGHLIGHT



Greg Gant

For the past 14 years, Greg Gant has planned and organized the annual Father & Son Picnic in June.

A lot of hard work and dedication goes into this community event.

Thank you Greg for all your hardwork!

Do you have a community member nominee? Send it over to ambassador@albionfoundation.org



Stay Involved!



July

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<p>7PM City Council Meeting <i>City Hall</i></p> <p>7PM Blues at the Bohm with Tony Thompson & Friends <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p>	<p>6PM Video Games <i>ADL*</i></p>	<p>11AM - 12PM Firework Science Summer Program <i>KNS*</i></p> <p>12PM - Dark Roasted Pork BBQ <i>American Legion Post 55</i></p> <p>4PM - 7PM Albion Farmer's Market <i>Stoffer Plaza</i></p> <p>9:30PM Albion's Annual Fireworks <i>Barnes Park</i></p>	<p><i>Fourth of July</i></p>	<p>11AM - 12PM Leather Keychain Summer Program <i>KNS*</i></p>	<p>9AM Member Mornings: Firework Art <i>KNS*</i></p> <p>11AM & 1PM Ice Cream Laboratory Summer Program <i>KNS*</i></p> <p>11AM Kids Free Film: "Spider-Man Across the Spider-verse" <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p>	
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<p>1PM DNA Extraction Lab Summer Program <i>KNS*</i></p>	<p>5:30PM - 6:30PM Albion in Motion Exercise Classes <i>Holland Park</i></p>	<p>3PM - 5PM Drive Thru Food Distribution <i>Wesley Hall - Albion College</i></p>	<p>4PM - 7PM Albion Farmer's Market <i>Stoffer Plaza</i></p>	<p>5:30PM - 7PM Bracelet Making with Gwen Tabb <i>PA*</i></p>	<p>1PM - 3PM Food Pantry Distribution <i>Wesley Hall - Albion College</i></p>	<p>11AM Kids Free Film: "Trolls Band Together" <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p>
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	<p>5:30PM - 6:30PM Albion in Motion Exercise Classes <i>Holland Park</i></p> <p>7PM City Council Meeting <i>City Hall</i></p>	<p>3PM - 5PM Drive Thru Food Distribution <i>Wesley Hall - Albion College</i></p>	<p>12PM Diabetes 101 (AHCA*) <i>Bread of Life Ministries</i> RSVP by July 3rd</p> <p>4PM - 7PM Albion Farmer's Market <i>Stoffer Plaza</i></p> <p>Tie Dye at the Farmer's Market with Pure Albion</p>		<p>1PM - 3PM Food Pantry Distribution <i>Wesley Hall - Albion College</i></p>	<p>9AM Gardner House Golf Outing (Albion Historical Society) <i>Whiffletree Hill Golf Course</i></p> <p>11AM Kids Free Film: "Monster Trucks" <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p>
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<p>6PM Who Dat? Blues Band -Swingin' at the Shell <i>Victory Park</i></p>	<p>5:30PM - 6:30PM Albion in Motion Exercise Classes <i>Holland Park</i></p>	<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p> <p>3PM - 5PM Drive Thru Food Distribution <i>Wesley Hall - Albion College</i></p> <p>6PM Graphic Novel Book Club <i>ADL*</i></p>	<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p> <p>4PM - 7PM Albion Farmer's Market <i>Stoffer Plaza</i></p> <p>Kids Activities at the Farmer's Market with YAC</p>	<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p> <p>4PM - 8PM Walk-In Sports Physical Clinic <i>Oaklawn Express Care</i></p>	<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p>	<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p> <p>11AM Kids Free Film: "The Bad Guys" <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p> <p>12PM Ukulele Class - Beginner <i>Dickerson Music</i></p> <p>1:30PM Ukulele Class - Advanced at <i>Dickerson Music</i></p>
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<p>Summer Sale <i>PA*</i></p> <p>6PM Old Days - Chicago Tribute Band - Swingin' at the Shell <i>Victory Park</i></p>	<p>5:30PM - 6:30PM Albion in Motion Exercise Classes <i>Holland Park</i></p>		<p>4PM - 7PM Albion Farmer's Market <i>Stoffer Plaza</i></p>	<p><i>August</i></p> <p>1st: 4PM - 8PM Walk-In Sports Physical Clinic at <i>Oaklawn Express Care (Albion)</i></p> <p>3rd: 7:30AM Pedal & Whine Albion Malleable Bike Tour 11AM Kids Free Film: "Megamind" at the <i>Bohm Theatre</i> 12PM - 6PM Larry Williams Splash Pad Party in <i>McIntosh Park</i></p> <p>6th: 6PM Video Games at <i>ADL*</i></p> <p>10th: 9AM - 3PM 33rd Albion Irwin Avenue Yard Sales 11AM Kids Free Film: "Minions: The Rise of Gru" at the <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p> <p>17th: 9AM - 10AM Member Morning: Banana DNA at <i>KNS*</i> 11AM Kids Free Film: "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem" at the <i>Bohm Theatre</i></p> <p>21st: Wound/Skin Care w/AHCA* at <i>Bread of Life Ministries</i> RSVP by August 7</p> <p>24th: 1PM Walk the Beat Street Festival <i>Downtown Albion</i></p> <p>27th: 6PM Graphic Novel Book Club at <i>ADL*</i></p>		

Key*
ADL - Albion District Library
AHCA - Albion Health Care Alliance
KNS - Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum
PA - Pure Albion

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