

Albion Expecting Many Visitors

Organizers of the Professional and Amateur World Disc Golf Championships say that we can expect up to 3, 600 visitors from all over the world over the next ten days with numerous matches and practices to be played in Albion.

Already, the course is very busy with many people here just for the fun, but also some serious players learning about our course which is one of the best in the whole country.

The other night as we filled the brochure rack on the back of the Welcome sign at #1 tee, a couple from Vermont who are playing in the Championships “teed” off for their second round. They were delighted with the beauty and difficulty of our course.

Another group of young men from Hillsdale waiting for the hole to clear commented on all of the wonderful improvements which had been made last week. We were so glad they noticed since we really scurried around to get the course ready.

Spry Signs& Graphics built and installed a sign with the course map on the front and a brochure/poster rack on the back. They also made the stencils with hole numbers and footages that the **City of Albion** painted on the tee pads. In about



Erik Achenbach (**Albion College**) and Lee Schultheiss (**Artisson, LLC**) presented a program at **Rotary** about the World Championship Disc Golf Tournament which will take place in Kalamazoo and Calhoun Counties next week. Around 1,000 people from around the world are expected to play Albion’s new course in Victory and Rieger Parks. The City of Albion, Albion College and the Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce have been working hard to ready the course which is considered one of the most beautiful and most challenging courses in the country. Play begins each day at 8 a.m. If you are interested in volunteering, call the Chamber.

Photo courtesy of Miriam Daly

five minutes time, **Glen Culp** made an arrow stencil which the **City** managed to get painted on the tees before leaving work on Friday afternoon.

Within 48 hours, **Art Craft Press** had printed score cards for our particular course, designed by Lee Schultheiss, **Artisson, LLC**. Literally overnight, Lee also created a website www.albiondiscgolf.com

And “greenskeeper” L.D.Maynard was mowing again to make sure the course was in tip-top shape.

Many of the golfers will eat and buy products in our community! Please give them a great Albion welcome! You will find a welcome sign enclosed to show our hospitality.

Swingin' at the Shell

The second concert in this year's Swingin' at the Shell series sponsored by **Caster Concepts** will feature The Fabulous Oldies But Goodies Band. This band is a six piece authentic 50's and 60's show band based in Lansing, MI. They have appeared with such national acts as The Platters; Dennis Yost and the Classics IV; Yesterday-A Beatles Tribute Band; John Muller Show- A Buddy Holly, Big Bopper, Ritchie Valens Tribute Show; Bill Haley's Comets with Al Rappa, Chuck Berry, Danny And The Juniors, and most recently with The Marcels! If you are looking for a band to transport you back to the early days of Rock and Roll look no further and join us for the concert this Sunday, August 10 at the Victory Park bandshell at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, August 17, at 7 p.m. The beach party band., Pete and the Parrot Heads. Fin's to the left, Fins to the right, Do The Limbo, sing along, dance all night Featuring Pete Hall on guitars,bass, harmonica and vocals, Steve Pinkney on guitars, mandolin, slide guitar, and vocals, and Dave Ludington on drums will have you movin', groovin', and having a great time throughout the entire performance! Imported in a time warp out of the past, they've had many adventures performing across Canada, the U.S., and as far away as London, England, and Japan. Along the way they've made music with legendary performers like "Chuck Berry", "Bill Haley's Comets", "Jerry Lee Lewis", "Danny & The Juniors", "Bobby Lewis", "Buddy Guy", "Bob Segar", "Alto Reed", "Mitch Ryder", "Alice Cooper", even "Iggy Pop". From rock-n-roll venues to The Grand Old Opry radio show



The Fabulous Oldies But Goodies Band will be next up at Swingin' at the Shell this coming Sunday, August 10, at 7 p.m. You won't want to miss them! Swingin' at the Shell is presented by

Think Music. Think Albion.

"Nashville Star Spotlight", Pete & The Parrot Heads please them all. .



Pete and the Parrot Heads

And last, but certainly not least, back by popular demand will be Bill Haley's Comets on Sunday, August 24 at 7 p.m. The first to rock and still rolling. Since 1952 Bill Haley's Comets have sold over 200 million and are in The Guinness Book of World Records. The band has appeared in seven motion pictures, TV shows, including "Rock Around The Clock", "The Girl Can't Help It", "Let The Good Times Roll" and "Happy Days". Today many of the Comets are still performing. The Original Bill Haley's Comets features Joey Kay on drums and Al Rappa, the original walking bass player, has more than 50 years of touring.

Member Happenings

The Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce encourages all members to do business with each other. The companies and individuals listed below have recently made an important investment in their business by joining or renewing their membership in the Chamber. We hope that you will consider doing business with them.

10 years

Albion Motors Ford-Mercury Ossur

60 years

Citizens Lumbertown Morning Star Shopping Guide

85 Years

Citizens Bank

Other Renewals

Albion Auto Body
Albion Industries
Albion Insurance Agency
Albion Machine & Tool
Century 21—David Brigham
Comerica Bank
Georgia Pacific Corrugated
Kids 'N' Stuff
Michigan Automotive Compressor Inc. (MACI)
Rental Property Owner's Association of Albion
Sam's Club
Spry Sign and Graphics
Westunn Communities

Guardian just completed a 17 week on site Weight Watchers Session. The group has lost 482 pounds to date. They will be continuing on with another session which is open to all **Guardian** employees, As part of the company's health ;incentives, management has offered to totally reimburse employees the cost of the program upon completion.

Connections Lawn service is a part of **Summit Pointe** and employs and supervises Albion residents that have a challenge finding steady work. They have worked hard developing a reputation of excellence in the Albion and Marshall areas. Services include all landscape needs. They also have certification in pesticides and fertilizer application.

Last month no one from The Anderson's to got caught reading the Greater Albion Business News, so this month the first person from The Anderson's to get caught reading the newsletter and to call the Chamber will receive \$30 in *AlbionMoney*.

Don't forget to send us your Member Happenings!

Tendercare Albion will hold an employee and family picnic at Victory Park on August 15th from 12:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m. in appreciation of all of their great work!

Curves will be having an open house August 25 and 26th from 1—3 p.m. offering 66% off. In August **Curves** will still be offering Camp Curves for girls 12-18 years old who can work out free with their parent obtaining a membership. Join in August and receive the rest of the summer on us. Daily games and prizes awarded during the month of August. Come join us and remember NO MAKE UP, NO MIRRORS, NO MEN!!

Albion Machine & Tool has announced the appointment of Troy Mills to Plant Manager. Troy was previously in the Jackson area.

St. James' Episcopal Church, 119 West Erie, Albion MI 49224 (517-629-8710) is relieved that the pre-reconstruction investigation has finally stopped finding previously unrealized damages from the May 10, 2007, sanctuary fire. This series of discoveries has delayed the reconstruction process. Finally, however, **Gordon Martin Builder** has been able to begin the demolition needed to make our reconstruction possible. Faithful St. James' Episcopal Church members' pried hand-made square-headed nails out of the interior of the burned sanctuary last year, and as a Restoration Fund project have placed them in handsome clear plaques (labeled "St. James' Fire 2007) which are suitable for desk or wall display. A plaque with one nail is \$50.00 (\$40.00 tax-deductible contribution). A plaque with tree nails is \$100.00 (\$85.00 tax-deductible contribution). These plaques are available through placing an order with St. James' Episcopal Church (517-629-8710 or rleach@albion.edu) or at the Restoration Fund table at 311 Irwin Avenue (St. James' Rectory) during the Irwin Avenue Yard Sale on Saturday, August 9, 2008 from 9 AM – 3 PM.

Please pass along The Greater Albion Business News to your colleagues and friends and encourage them to participate in Chamber events such as the golf outing and Eggs & Issues!

Sue's Corner

Like many of you, I was totally disgusted by the *Battle Creek Enquirer's* story about the closing of Goodwill. Once again, Albion was depicted as a dying community with no businesses, a high crime rate and no jobs. *Poor Albion.....Poor Albion?????*

I would venture to say that most people who talk that way have never set foot in our community.. Otherwise how could they say only negative things about a community which boasts 17 parks, one of the best liberal arts colleges in the nation, .one of the only remaining brick streets in the State, and a beautiful new riverwalk trail? How could they ignore the fact that each year, including this summer, that individuals and businesses in this community contribute more than \$10,000 to one of the area's best Independence Day fireworks displays; that even in these tough times, we have not been forced to cancel the Festival of the Forks which has raised more than \$84,000 in sponsorships in the last two years to put on one of the finest Festivals in Michigan which is free to the public;and more than \$15,000 private dollars to fund Swingin' at the Shell; that bands of national renown beg to play at our wonderful band shell; that we have one of the finest disc golf courses in the country; and and also one of the finest equestrian centers in the Midwest? How could they ignore our interactive childrens' museum "Kids 'N' Stuff, or hidden treasures such as the Whitehouse Nature Center, the Ismon House and several unique shops?

Or our Sister City relationship which thrives on private money only, or the 100 some Women in

Philanthropy who come together each quarter and contribute \$100 apiece to area non-profits?

We have experience growth in our manufacturing industries and other sectors, though not dramatic, and we can say assuredly that there are jobs available for those with the proper skills and motivation.

Sure, we face our challenges and struggles today, but then which area communities don't. Albion undoubtedly suffered more setbacks in the past, but in times like these our community always pulls together and comes out on top. Rather than lamenting the poor state of Albion, I would suggest that some of our nearby and newly-struggling communities might benefit from our vast experience.

Tentative Festival Schedule

Friday, September 19

5- 9 p.m.—Reunion Cruise –In
5-9 p.m.—Legend the Band,
Center Stage
Christian Rock Show, Victory
Park bandshell
Pet Show
Book Sale
Invitational Art Show
AVSO Run
Salem Spaghetti Dinner
St. James Lobster Bash

Saturday, September 20

10 a.m.—parade
11 a,m, - 6:30 p.m. Center Stage
11-12.45-
1:30-3 p.m. Paul Chatman &
5-6:30 p.m.—Michel Auatro

Albion College Stage– S. Superior Street
11 a.m.—The British Eighth
1:30-3 p.m.—Andrew Bishop and Mainstem
3:30—5 p.m.—Paul Keller's Tribute to Albion's own Eddie Russ

Spanish Heritage Stage— Albion Paint Spot

12—2:15—Latino Quatro
2:20—2:40 and 3:50—4:10—
Ballet Fantasia
4:15—5:15—Orquesta Sencacional
5:45– 7:45—Los Bandits

Green Space—Kid's Corner

Noon and 2 p.m. –Richard Paul Ventriloquist
1 p.m.—Drummitry
All day—hands-on activities

Headliner Concert– Victory Park Bandshell

8 p.m.—Marcus Belgrave, Victory Park bandshell

Other

All day, food, arts and crafts, Superior Street and Stoffer Plaza

Street Painting with Lee Jones - Homestead Savings Bank

Book Sale, Invitational Art Show—Library

Traveling entertainers/Buskers

3 on 3 Basketball; Disc Golf Tournaments

Lobster Bash

Boy Scout Canoe Races

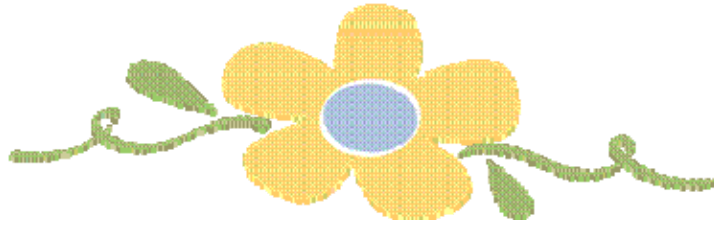
All Class Reunion Dinner-Tennant Hall

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WELCOME GOLFERS



**ALBION COLLEGE, THE CITY OF ALBION,
THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,
THE GREATERALBION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**



Events for August 2008

Week of August 4 - 10:

7th - EDC Board Meeting - 7:30 pm

9th - Irwin Avenue Yard Sale - 9 am - 4 pm

10th - "Swingin at the Shell: - "Fabulous Oldies but Goodies" - 7 pm- Victory Park band shell

Week of August 11 - 17:

13th - DDA Board of Directors meeting - 7:30 am

11th - 15th - World Championship Disc Golf Tournament at Victory Park

17th - "Swingin at the Shell:" - "Pete and the Parrot Heads" - 7 pm at Victory Park band shell

Week of August 18 - 24:

19th - Chamber Golf Outing @ Duck Lake Country Club

21st - Forks Senior Center Potluck dinner - call 629-3842

23rd - Back to School Celebration - 12 noon-3 pm - Victory Park

24th - "Swingin at the Shell" - "Bill Haley's Comets"

(back by popular demand) - 7pm - Victory Park band shell

Week of August 25 - 31:

26th - Chamber Board of Directors Meeting - 11:45 am at EDC conference room

26th - Albion Downtown Brickstreet Association meeting - 6: 30 pm @ EDC conference room