



# General Guide to Albion, Michigan



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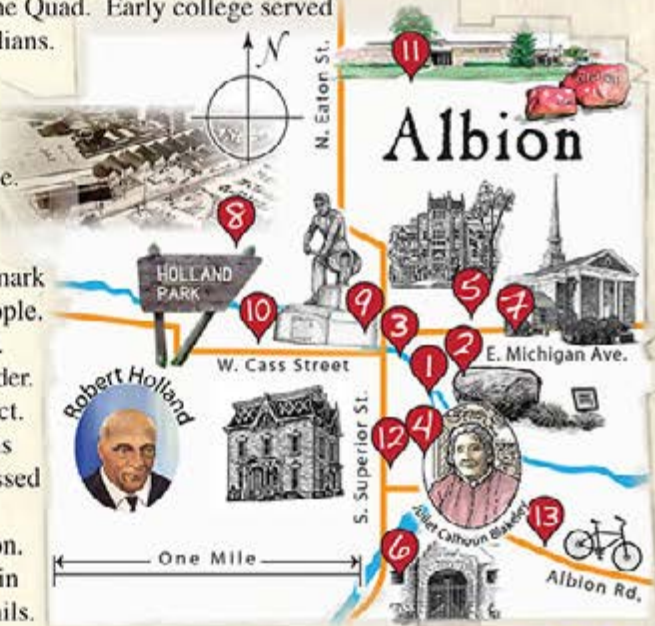


Blizzard of 1929 Albion Michigan

General Guide XV shows Albion History - where we came from & some future info too. Albion's 3 Tuskegee Airmen are honored for Black History Month. Farmers' Almanac reminds us that 2016 is a leap year with the planet "Mars dangling below the moon" on Leap Day, Feb. 29. Our daylight grows from 9 hours on New Years Day to 11 hours by Leap Day.

A history map of Albion, Michigan. Go online to see clickable map and more details of places below.

- 1) Forks of the Kalamazoo River, first Potawatomi Indians, then in 1835, Tenny Peabody settles.
- 2) College moves from Spring Arbor where foundation had begun, to Albion. See boulder from founding place near Hannah St. and also "the Rock" on the Quad. Early college served the educational needs of women, children & Indians.
- 3) 100-year flood happens twice, it's overdue.
- 4) Mother's Day connections with temperance and Underground Railroad. Juliet Blakeley.
- 5) Washington Gardner School on Michigan Ave. was first a high school, then K-8 school.
- 6) Cemetery shows history in tombstones.
- 7) Goodrich Chapel opened 1958. Visible landmark of Albion College campus, seats over 1,400 people.
- 8) Albion Malleable Iron Company (now gone).
- 9) Cultural shift toward arts and trails - the Molder.
- 10) Holland Park Transformation, current project.
- 11) Albion Community School weighing options for future: Annexation with Marshall option passed by Albion School Board. Public Vote in May.
- 12) Gardner House Museum, 12th Night location.
- 13) Albion Rd - toward college founding place in Spring Arbor, historical marker & more bike trails.



## JANUARY 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
The public school dates listed refer to Albion Community School. We also will post links to Marshall, Homer, and other school calendars online.						
3	Public Schools resume	5	12th Nite Gardner House	6	Happy New Year!	Gardner House Open 2
10	College students return	11	12	13	14	16
18	MLK Holiday	19	20	21	Public Schools half day	Kids N Stuff Free Day
31	Blues @ the Bohm	26	27	28	29	30



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## Black History Month

Peace activist, Diane Nash, keynote speaker for MLK Convocation & Community Celebration at Bohm Theatre on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 p.m.



Tuskegee Airmen portraits by Jerome Washington.

Albion was home to three Tuskegee Airmen who served our country during WWII. From left to right:

- Grover Crumsby, survived being shot down;
- Finis Holt, served as a radio technician;
- Richard Weatherford, formed the group *Citizens to Beautify Albion* that plants flowers along Albion's streets and hosts fundraiser *Men Who Cook*.

### Frequently Called Albion Numbers -Area code (517)

AlbionAutoMart.com - 629-2611  
 Albion College - Albion.edu - 629-1000  
 Albion Community Foundation - AlbionFoundation.org  
 AlbionDesign.com - Art & Marketing - 629-3840  
 Albion Heritage - AlbionHeritage.com - 629-3550  
 Albion Library - Albionlibrary.org - 629-3993  
 AlbionEnews.com - Sign up now for daily news  
 Albion Schools k-8 - AlbionSchools.net - 629-9166  
 American Legion - ALpost55albionmi.org  
 Anagama Kiln by Ken Shenstone kenshenstone.com  
 Art Craft Press - ArtCraftPressAlbion.com - 629-8213  
 BigbyCoffee.com - 217 E. Michigan Ave - 629-9800  
 Bohm Theatre - BohmTheatre.org - 517-343-2116  
 BooksAndMoreOfAlbion.com - 629-7560  
 Cascarelli's - www.CascarellisAlbion.com - 629-3675  
 Charlie's - CharliesTavernAlbion.com - 629-9582  
 City Hall - CityofAlbionmi.gov - 629-5535  
 College Chevy - CollegeChevy.com - 629-2151  
 DickersonMusicCo.com - 629-8570  
 DoorsUnlimitedMichigan.com - Garage doors  
 EastEndStudioAndGallery.com - Michigan artists

Family Fare - Groceries, deli and more - 629-6313  
 FirstMerit Bank - FirstMerit.com - 629-9406  
 Five Points Vet Hospital - 5pointsvet.com - 629-5549  
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 GreaterAlbionChamber.org - Visitors bureau - 629-5533  
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 Lopez Taco House - LopezTacoHouse.com - 629-2800  
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 UniversityLanesAlbion.com - Bowling - 517-343-2005

<b>FEBRUARY 2016</b>						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Groundhog Day -- 7	MLK event @ Bohm	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	Ash Wednesday 10	11	Public Schools closed til Tues 12	13
Valentine's Day 14	Presidents Day Blues @ Bohm 15	16	17	18	19	20
Men Who Cook 21	Full Moon 22	23	24	Kids N Stuff Free Day 25	26	Walk for Warmth 26
28	LEAP Day! 29	Possible 2/12-13 weekend theatre performance at Washington Gardner School directed by Albion's own Von Washington who attended West Ward school.				