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Spring is almost here! Time to emerge from hibernation, set our clocks forward an hour and get outside. The days will be longer than the nights starting on the 20th. **Why do we call Spring "Spring?"** Before Spring was called Spring, it was called Lent in Old English. Starting in the 14th century, that time of year was called "springing time"—a reference to plants springing from the ground. In the 15th century this got shortened to "spring-time," and then further shortened in the 16th century to just "Spring." Spring is seen as a time of growth, renewal, of new life (both plant and animal) being born. The term is also used more generally as a metaphor for the start of better times. The best is yet to come.

MARCH 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						
Be prepared for an early Easter on Sunday, April 1. The next time Easter will be earlier than this will be the year 2024. Look for more information about events in March on the online calendar at GeneralGuide.net . We will also link to all other area calendars so you can make plans and invite your friends to visit.						
March is National Women's History Month 4	Blues @ the Bohm 3rd Year Anniversary 5	Marshall HS, MS Band Concert @ MHS 7pm 6	Marshall Farm Mkt @ Oaklawn Weds 9-2 River Jazz @ Relli's 7	Marshall: "What's Brewing?" 8	Albion College Spring Break begins Trivia @ Stirling Books 7-9pm Fridays 9	Albion Farmers Mkt @ Food Hub Marshall - Girls Day Out and Theatre MHS Little Mermaid 10
Albion College students return from Spring Break 11	There was no full moon in February. Next year with two blue moons is 2037. 12	Marshall HS, MS Choir Concert @ MHS 7pm 13	Marshall Farm Mkt @ Oaklawn Weds 9-2 14	March 15 - history quote: "Beware the Ides of March." - Shakespeare 15	Eggs & Issues Albion College Music 16	Albion Farmers Mkt @ Food Hub Bohm - Classic Matinees 10am Saturdays Oaklawn - Benefit Auction @ FireKeepers St. Patrick's Day 17
2nd full moon in one month is called a blue moon. Both Jan. & Mar. 2018 had blue moons. 18	19	First day of Spring 20	Marshall Farm Mkt @ Oaklawn Weds 9-2 River Jazz @ Relli's 21	Kids 'N' Stuff Free Day Movie "Equal Means Equal" @ Bobbitt 22	Marshall Girls Night Out Trivia @ Stirling Books 7-9p Fridays 23	Albion Farmers Mkt @ Food Hub 10-11 112 E Erie Jazz @ Relli's 24
Palm Sunday Albion College Music 25	26	27	Marshall Farm Mkt @ Oaklawn Weds 9-2 28	29	Good Friday NO SCHOOL MPS Spring Break 30	Albion Farmers Mkt @ Food Hub 31

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A stately bur oak tree, *Quercus macrocarpa*, welcomes visitors who happen to exit highway I-94 at exit 124, coming into Albion from the East. This tree was here for over 100 years, and was standing to welcome visitors along the old Michigan Avenue long before the highway was built. With each season come changes, and some of the new things are very welcome.

Mid-Michigan and the connected communities along the I-94 corridor are great destinations for a road trip. Think of a theme for your Spring road trip along the highway, to see things in various communities, all in one day! Ideas for trips include visiting historical markers, art galleries, antique shopping, the public parks, statues, roadside attractions, and trails! North Country Trail, Iron Belle Trail, the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail, hiking, biking, geocaching, genealogy tours, Purple Gang tours, live theatre, live music, ethnic foods and artisan beer tourism. Check out more info about these themes, plus a word from our sponsors, at GeneralGuide.net



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