

## **JULY EVENTS**

**The Alden Thursday Night Stroll** continues every Thursday evening from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and each week will feature a different entertainer. Shops and restaurants stay open late for visitor's enjoyment. For more information contact Tom Baker at [231-331-4700](tel:231-331-4700).

**Each Wednesday** in July the Helena Township Library will hold its Toddler Time Story Hour from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. for area preschoolers. It will be held each Wednesday throughout the summer. Toddler Time is free and includes snacks, crafts and stories. The Library is located at 8751 Helena Road, Alden and can be reached at [231-331-4318](tel:231-331-4318).

**On Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>** the South Torch Area Association will hold their annual **BBQ Chicken Dinner** to benefit the South Torch Lake 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks. Held from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. on the lawn of the Alden Bar and Grille downtown Alden. An easy walk from the harbor boat slips. For more information contact Pete Stephenson at [231-620-0788](tel:231-620-0788).

**On Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>** the South Torch Lake **Fireworks** will be held at dark. The firework display over Torch Lake is held at the South end of the lake at Torch River. The best view from land is on Crystal Beach Road or South West Torch Lake Drive. Get a terrific view from the lake by boat. Contact John Peal @ [231-322-2395](tel:231-322-2395) for more information.

**On Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>** the **Juniper Garden Club** will hold their annual Garden Walk from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Register at the Alden Depot Park. For more information contact Lynn Durling at [231-322-2559](tel:231-322-2559).

**On Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Helena Township Library will hold Photography with local artist and photographer, **Lisa Lirones**. You will learn to master that new digital camera, learn how to manipulate your camera and get to know important settings to get the most out of your picture taking. Bring your camera. Held from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Helena Township Library, 8751 Helena Road, Alden, MI [231-331-4318](tel:231-331-4318).

**On Friday and Saturday, July 15-16** Alden United Methodist Church holds a **Homemade Cherry Pie Sale** - \$10.00 each, pre-orders recommended. Pre-order forms are available at Alden Methodist Church, Alden Depot Museum and the Helena Township Community Center or call the Church at 331-4132. Pick up pies at the Alden Methodist Church: July 16 - 3:00 - 7:00 and on July 17 - 11:00 - 1:00. For more information contact Diane Nemeth at [231-331-6365](tel:231-331-6365).

**On Friday, July 22 Alden's Annual Wine & Beer Tasting, "Hops & Berries"** will be held on the shores of Torch Lake from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Local vineyards & breweries offer tasting at the Alden Depot Park on the South end of town accompanied by live Jazz and a silent auction. Sponsored by the Downtown Alden Business Association. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Contact Coleen Richmond at [231-331-4711](tel:231-331-4711)

**On Saturday, July 23** The Downtown Alden Business Association will host the annual **Encore Winds Concert in the Park**. This is an event you won't want to miss. The concert begins at 7:30 P.M. and is free to the public. Enjoy a variety of old favorites including marches and big band music. The concert is held rain or shine. For more information call Coleen Richmond at [231-331-4711](tel:231-331-4711)

**On Saturday, July 23**, the Alden **Men's Club** will hold a special monthly meeting at the Alden United Methodist Church at 8:00 AM. Contact Larry Fields at [231-322-2787](tel:231-322-2787) for more information.

**ALDEN DAYS EVENTS: July 29 – July 31**

**Fri. from 6:00 – 7:30 A Cake Walk** held at the Alden Bar and Grille sponsored Alden Volunteers contact Jack Findlay @ [231-331-6424](tel:231-331-6424). 9149 Helena Road, Alden.

**Sat. from 9:00 a.m. the United Methodist Women hold a Bake Sale** at the Alden United Methodist Church. For more information contact Sharon Lessard at [231-533-9297](tel:231-533-9297). 9015 Helena Road, Alden.

**Sat. from 6:00 am – 2:00 pm the Alden Men's Club hold a Rummage Sale** at the Alden United Methodist Church for more information contact Larry Mitchel at [231-322-6216](tel:231-322-6216). 9015 Helena Road, Alden.

**Sat. at 7:30 a.m. Registration for the Alden Run** will take place in the open space on the North end of town by Nifty Things & Paradise Properties. For more information contact Steve Kershner, @ [231-377-7319](tel:231-377-7319).

**The Alden Run begins at 9:00.** Instructions will be handed out at registration.

**Sat. from 10:00 – Noon A Kids Carnival** will be held at the Tennis Court Park. This event is sponsored by the Alden Volunteers. Contact Patti Findlay @ [231-331-6254](tel:231-331-6254) for more information.

**Sat. from noon – 6:00 p.m. The South Torch Lake Fire Department hosts the Famous Beef Roast Lunch** held in Downtown Alden. For more information contact Jesse Lane @ [231-409-6876](tel:231-409-6876).

**Sat. at 1:00 p.m. the Parade** will be held downtown. This event is sponsored by The Alden Volunteers. For more information contact Bill Bockstahler at [231-331-2024](tel:231-331-2024) or Richard Milock at [231-377-6005](tel:231-377-6005)

**Sat., The Helena Township Pot Luck and Music** will be held at the depot park from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. 10670 Coy Street, Alden. **AND Craft Show at the same time at the Tennis Court Park on the North end of Alden.** For more information contact Penny Wagner at [231-331-4643](tel:231-331-4643) or Linda Hogerhyde at [231-533-4526](tel:231-533-4526).

**Sat., July 30 and Sunday, July 31, The Torch Area Artisans Guild will sponsor a Quilt Show** at the Depot Park from 10:00 – 4:00 on Saturday and 1:00 – 4:00 on Sunday. For more information contact Carol Hoadley at [231-350-0650](tel:231-350-0650). 10670 Coy Street, Alden.