



# “Come Home to Alma for the Holidays Celebration” The “What’s Happening” schedule for



## December 8, 2017 5:30pm – 8:30pm

**Please visit the following merchants tonight and see what they have in store for you!**  
**(Flyer printed by the Alma Downtown Development Authority & Alma Action Association)**  
**Specials are good for Friday Night December 8<sup>th</sup> only, unless specified otherwise.**

### ALMA ACTION ASSOCIATION/GRATIOT AREA CHAMBER EVENTS

- Parade Downtown: Parade starts at 5:45pm at Gratiot Avenue and ends at Park Avenue.
- Visit Santa at the Gratiot Area Chamber of Commerce Building, 110 W Superior Street from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Visit Santa’s Reindeer Sponsored by BRICKK Fitness Lounge, Terry Cycle, & Alma Action: on Superior Street between State Street and Woodworth Ave. from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Pony Rides Sponsored by Bravehearts Pub & Alma Action: located on Woodworth Ave. south of Superior Street. 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Caroling Sleigh Rides: 6:00pm to 8:00pm-Tickets (25 cents) pick-up and drop-off location on the corner of Gratiot and Superior Street. Next to Alma Sewing Center 301 E Superior.
- Free Christmas Light Rides – Take a free bus ride around town on an Alma Dial a Ride Bus 6:00pm to 8:00pm. The pickup and drop off is the south side of State Street next to Fringe 101 - 101 W Superior.
- Christmas Tree Decorating Contest: Come downtown and see the decorated trees and vote on your favorite. The Voting Center is located on Superior Street. Look for the Information Booth 5:30pm to 7:30pm.
- Christmas Tree Lighting: 8:00 pm between the Gratiot Chamber office and Alma True Value Hardware (Tree donated by Twin City Landscaping). 110 W Superior
- Christmas Cash Giveaway Drawing: Immediately following the Christmas Tree lighting. 110 W Superior
- Jingle Bell 10 K 5K Run/Walk Registration & Early Packet Pickup inside the Alma True Value Hardware from 5:30-7:30pm. 102 W Superior

Restroom Facilities Available: Port-A-Johns on Woodworth Avenue and State Street.

### PERFORMANCES/EVENTS

- Academy of Performing Arts Dancers performing with the Alma First Church of God Choir at the Academy of Performing Arts at 7:00pm – 7:40pm. 319 N State.
- Quartet con Spirito and Friends live music at ABC from 4:30pm – 6:30pm 325 N State.
- Gratiot String Association live music at ABC from 4:30pm – 6:30pm 325 N State.
- Quartet con Spirito live music at ABC Music 6:30pm to 7:30pm. 325 N State.
- Brandon Bendele & Karly Grant perform at Alma True Value Hardware from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. 102 W Superior.
- Flutique: to perform from 6pm – 6:45pm at Alma True Value Hardware 102 W Superior.
- Gratiot County Players “Merry Christmas George Bailey” The Strand Theater 7:30pm. 217 E Superior.
- Baked Potato Dinner: at His Place starting at 5:00pm also serving Hot Dog Kids Meal and Homemade Pie. 200 W Superior.
- “The Nutcracker Sweet” at 6:45 pm DuHadway Dance Dimensions performs their adaption of Act II of the Nutcracker at His Place 200 W Superior.
- Leslie C. Love, Ph.D. will be holding a kids/teen musical event at 107 W. Superior upstairs in the historic Pollasky building. Christmas Karaoke from 6pm-8pm, then Best of Alma Teen Talent after the cash drawing, featuring Liam Maslovich, School of Rock, and Abigail Zerbe. Come listen and enjoy some hot spiced cider! Upstairs 107 W Superior Street.

### STORE SPECIALS AND ACTIVITIES

- ABC Music: Gifts for the music lover in your family. 325 N State.
- Academy of Performing Arts Dancers: perform at 7:00pm – 7:40pm, with the Alma First Church of God Choir, Academy of Performing Arts. 319 N State.
- Alma Brewing Company: Stop for beer #8 of the 22 Beers of Christmas. 208 E Superior.
- Alma College Bookstore: Open until 7:00pm for your Alma Scot needs. 328 W Superior.
- Alma Sewing Center: Kids make an Ornament to take home & Girl Scouts selling goodies. 301 E Superior.
- Alma True Value Hardware: On the sidewalk out front, Alma Masonic Lodge 244 & Order of Eastern Star 43 handing out Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Cookies, and Board Games. 102 W Superior.
- AshLin Portraits: Free Homemade Cookies, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Hot Cider – Free drawing for an 11x14 portrait. 130 W Superior.
- Braveheart’s Pub: Stop in for the Bells Brewery Tap Handle Take Over. Treats out front. 218 E Superior.
- Cardboard Addition: Sales, great stocking stuffer and great gift ideas, and stop in and say hello. 116 E Superior.
- Carolyn’s Cakes and Candy Shop: Kids decorate Christmas cookies 5:00pm – 7:00pm. 125 E Superior.

- **Chasing Fireflies Children & Womens Boutique:** Stop in this new store and enjoy 15% off all merchandise, open until 8pm. 327 N State.
- **Cobbler Shop Shoe & Pedorthics:** Buy 3 pairs of Smart Wool Socks and get 1 pair free. Receive a free gift with purchase of Vera Bradley, while supplies last. 115 E Superior.
- **Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel Hoppough, Alma Abstract & Title & Mercantile Bank:** Warming station, cookies, popcorn, coffee and hot chocolate, free hot dogs, while they last. 202 E Superior.
- **Dollar General:** Great Christmas gifts for under the tree or over the fireplace. 419 Pine Ave.
- **Faith First Church:** Kids decorate their own cupcake. Free Youth Ornament Painting sponsored by Alma Community Art Center, 5:30p - 8:00pm. 120 W Superior.
- **Gathering Inkspiration Stamp Studio:** Kid's make a Holiday Gift Tag and take it with them 5:30pm-8pm! 209 E Superior.
- **Helman's Market:** Open until 5:30pm. 122 E Superior.
- **Instant Cash Advance & A-1 Cell Phone Repair:** Stop in and get warm with Free Hot Coffee, Hot Chocolate, & Cookies. 131 W Superior.
- **Katie Tobias State Farm:** Providing sleigh bells, reindeer food, and snacks while supplies last. 127 E Superior.
- **Ken's Culligan:** Open until 4:30 pm. Great in store specials, come visit us at 307 E Superior.
- **Le Zebra Zalon:** For every \$20 spent receive \$5, and 20% off retail items. 121 E Superior.
- **Mancino's Pizza & Grinders:** Enter the Kids Coloring Contest for a chance to win one of three bicycles! Free smores by the fire pit. 211 W Superior.
- **Michael Richard Floral Boutique:** Free popcorn on the sidewalk & in store specials. 123 E. Superior
- **Open Last Dance:** Upscale Resale Shop, stop in and see if there is a hidden gem! 313 N State.
- **Pennzoil:** Open until 6:00pm get your car ready for the winter weather. 307 W Superior.
- **Pizza 1 One:** Relax for the weekend. Let Pizza One make dinner for you! 128 E Superior.
- **Plaid Door:** Consignment shop with a verity of items for sale, Bags of Homemade cookies while supplies last. 220 E Superior.
- **Starbucks Coffee:** Open until 7pm stop in for a hot beverage on a cold night. 328 W Superior
- **Terry's Cycle & Sports:** Up to 50% off select clothes, shoes, & helmets & up to 40% off select bikes, while supplies last. 317 N State.
- **Terry's Tex Mex:** Open 6am to 3pm. 204 E Superior
- **Rodgers Natural Health Food Store:** Open Friday's until 4pm other days until 5:30pm. 119 W Superior.
- **Tom Billig Flowers & Gifts:** Stop in during the celebration for great gift ideas for the stocking or under the tree! 109 W Superior.
- **Treasures:** Resale, Consignment, Antiques. Sale prices throughout the store. Open until 7:00pm. 111 W Superior.
- **Unique Boutiques:** Candy and Glow sticks inside, outside the Central Michigan Assoc. of Relators will be serving hot chocolate. Explore the variety of shops with great gift ideas for everyone on your list. Open until 8:30pm. 124 W Superior.

## **EATERIES/PUBS**

- Alma Brewing Company 208 E Superior Street
- Bravehearts Pub 218 E Superior Street
- The Pine Knot Bar 308 N State Street
- Pizza Sams. 104 E Superior Street
- Mancino's Pizza & Grinders 211 W Superior Street

- The China Buffet 413 Wright Avenue
- El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant 330 E Center Street
- Pizza 1 One 128 E Superior Street
- The Great Wall Chinese Restaurant 103 W Superior
- Starbucks Coffee 328 W Superior
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