

# June 7 & 8, 2024 Aledo, IL

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## **Free Fest Admission!**

#### Welcome to Aledo, **Rhubarb** Capital of **Illinois!**

Welcome to Aledo's 32nd Annual Rhubarb Festival! Featuring homemade Rhubarb pies for sale, sample many delicious rhubarb desserts at the Tasting Tent, great music, crafts, antiques, food vendors, free rhubarb seeds from Aledo Main Street. Main events run Friday & Saturday from 9am-4pm. We hope you enjoy your visit to Aledo and all Rhubarb Fest has to offer!

#### Avoid Rhubarb **Regret!**

We don't want you to leave The Fest disappointed. If you're coming to The Fest to buy a Rhubarb Pie, please plan to come in the morning for the best Pies selection! sell quickly!



For your convenience there is an ATM available in Aledo's Central Park by the east end of the Pavilion.



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Mark your calendar for **Rhubarb Fest 2025** June 6th & 7th

## **FRIDAY EVENTS**

#### What to Eat Rhubarb & Otherwise!

9am-4pm-Rhubarb bake sales in Central Park. 10am-1pm (or till samples run out)-Sample all things Rhubarb at the blue & white striped "Tasting Tent" in Central Park.

**11am-1:30pm**–Indoor luncheon and Rhubarb Pie at the United Methodist Church-301 N. College Ave. 11am-2pm-First Baptist Church will serve Rhubarb Pie by the slice under the Central Park Pavilion.

#### Entertainment **On the Band Shell Stage!** Sponsored by Looser Flake Foundation

11am-1:00 pm—Levi Craft & Friends 1pm-3:00pm– The Clintstones 3:30pm-5:30pm— The Cowtippers

#### What To Do!

9am-4pm-Visit the Rhubarb Fest Souvenir shop in Central Park. Behind the Bandshell. Souvenir proceeds helps keep the Fest FREE!

9am—4pm-Central Park Market-Crafts/Antiques & Flea Market in the Central Park parking lot & surrounding streets.

8:45am-4pm-Guided Historic Trolley Tours depart from west side of the Central Park Parking lot! Sponsored by your local Country Financial Representatives & Genesis Medical Center Aledo. 8am-3pm-Visit the MC Senior Center-137 W.

Main St. for a used book and puzzle sale!

9am-4pm-Aledo Rhubarb Fest History Exhibit-125 S. College Ave. (Across the street from Trolley stop.) Sponsored by Windborn Group.

10am—3pm- Stop by the Aledo Main Street booth in Central Park and pick up your share of 12,000 Rhubarb Seeds and a goody bag!

10am-2pm-Kids Fun Zone sponsored by First Baptist Aledo!- Stop by the grassy area behind the Central Park Bandshell for some kid sized fun!

10am-5pm-Visit the Essley Noble Museum-1406-SE 2nd Ave., Aledo

#### **Other Important Fest Details**

- Provided seating is very limited, bring your own lawn chair or blanket to enjoy the music!
- Handicap Parking available at the 100 block of South College Ave.
- Golf Cart Shuttles Sponsored by Aledo Main Street from 9am-4pm will transport our guests around Fest area & back to your car.
- ATM is located in Central Park at the east end of the pavilion.
- First Aid Tent beside the Rhubarb Souvenir booth behind the Band Shell.
- Please NO dogs allowed at Rhubarb Fest with the exception of service animals.
- Like Us on Facebook-Aledo Rhubarb Fest!
- Aledo Rhubarb Fest is Presented by the Aledo Rhubarb Fest Board & Volunteer Committee.

## SATURDAY EVENTS

#### What to Eat Rhubarb & Otherwise!

6am-10am-Aledo Volunteer Firemen Pancake Breakfast with Rhubarb toppings at the Aledo Fire Station -211 SE 3rd St. Cost by donation.

9am-4pm-Rhubarb bake sales in Central Park.

10am—1pm(or till samples run out)-Sample all things Rhubarb at the blue & white striped "Tasting Tent" in Central Park.

11am-1:30pm- Indoor luncheon and Rhubarb Pie at the United Methodist Church-301 N. College Ave. 11am-2pm-Masonic Lodge Fish & Chicken Fry at the Aledo Fire Station 211 SE 3rd St., Aledo.

#### Entertainment **On the Band Shell Stage**

## Sponsored by Looser Flake Foundation 9-10am-Lil' Rhubarb Royalty Pageant

10am-12:00 - Mercer County Jazz Band

12:00-Mercer Market's Rhubarb Pie Eating Contest held in front of the Central Park Bandshell Stage.

12:00-2pm– The Whoozdads

2-2:30pm-Rhubarb Pie Auction/ Rhubarb Cook Off & Big Leaf Awards Presented.

2:30-4:30 pm—The Tailfins Band

#### What To Do!

8am-5K Run & Walk, 9am-Little Sprouts Run, 9:15am-1 Mile Fun Run takes off from the Mercer Co. YMCA - 401 SW 2nd Ave.

8am-Noon-Visit the MC Senior Center-137 W. Main St. for a used book and puzzle sale!

8:45am-4pm-Trolley Tours depart from west side of Central Park Parking lot! Sponsored by your local Country Financial Representatives & Genesis Medical Center Aledo-See the sites of Aledo by taking a historic tour of our town.

9am-11am-Rhubarb Cook Off Entries being accepted at the Aledo Train Depot-204 SE 2nd Ave.

9am-4pm-Shuttle Bus available Saturday only at the east end of town. Why walk for blocks when you can just drive to First Baptist Church-800 NE 6th Ave. Aledo and park and a school bus will pick you up and drop you off at Central Park. Watch for signs! 9am-4pm-Huge craft show! SATURDAY ONLY! Crafts in the Courtyard offers over 80 quality exhibitors on the lawn of the Mercer County Courthouse-100-SE 3rd St.

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10am-2pm-Kids Fun Zone sponsored by First Baptist Aledo!-Stop by the grassy area behind the Central Park Bandshell for some kid sized fun!

10am-1pm-Snazzy Lemonade's Big Leaf Contest-Have a big Rhubarb leaf? Bring it to the Kids Zone behind the Band Shell between 10am-1pm. Look for tent & Big Leaf Contest Sign.

10am—4pm– Stop by the Aledo Main Street booth in Central Park and pick up your share of 12,000 Rhubarb Seeds and a goody bag.

10am-5pm-Step back in time with a visit to the Essley Noble Museum-1406-SE 2nd Ave., Aledo.