## Albion Cultural Exchange Committee Meeting Minutes, Calendar, and Information

# 11/19/20 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chris Carino, Kathy Frey, Doug Henning, Tony De Marco,

Minutes: No meeting minutes to review

### **ACE Building**

### • ACE Entrance ADA Remediation:

- Abutters:
  - Chris met with Santander bank management staff to discuss the easement along the back of the bank leading to the rear of the ACE building and ACE's plans for rear entrance remediation. It was a successful meeting; no significant issues or concerns were raised. The bank staff highlighted that the bank does not own building.
  - Chris to pursue abutter conversions with various town parties
- There was discussion on rear entrance proposed materials, including entrance styles, rear entrance vestibule window options, lighting types and locations, interior and exterior door style and types. Input and questions for the architect were provided.

### • ACE Building Sign:

- Following the successful meeting with the Design Review Board, the next step is a 11/23
  presentation to the town council on the sign proposal along with an overall ACE status update
  to the council. The following step will be to meet with the Zoning Board of Appeals; targeted
  for January.
- The ACE committee reviewed the town council status update presentation and provided feedback and thanks for the effort to create the presentation.

#### Bathrooms

- An issue had been reported to the DPW on an apparent sewer back up into both 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathrooms.
- The tile work remediation is outstanding and a future effort.

### **Programming / Events**

- Nothing is in the 2020 event queue due to the Impact of COVID 19.
- An event request submittal form was reviewed and approved by the ACE committee:
  - O Chris Carino is requesting a multi month art show 'New Beginnings' to run from January thru April. The show will feature art from local artists and will follow the latest town/state protocol for gatherings. The Savings Bank is providing funding for PPE equipment. Details on when the show will be open and publicity are in progress.

#### **ACE Committee Member Updates**

 Several local town members, AnnMarie Gallivan and Tracy Shea, have expressed interest in joining the ACE committee

## 2020 ACE Events Calendar:

Note: April thru year end events cancelled due to COVID 19

Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur Event	Event	Coordinators and ACE Points of Contact	Event Concept Confirmed?
Feb 26 - 29	LVCIIC	Arts & edibles	Ann Marie Gallivan	Confirmed
April 28		Room to Write event		<del>Tentative</del>
April 23-25		Art Blooms on Albion		Confirmed
May?		Acapella – WHS Choral	Chris	To be Confirmed
May		Wakefield Cultural Council Reception	Red Carpet Event/ Joy	To be Confirmed
May		Wakefield High School AP Art Show	Red Carpet Event / Joy	To be Confirmed
June	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Wakefield High School JV Art Night	Joy	To be Confirmed
Oct	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Nimble Thimblers Quilt Show	Kathy	To be Confirmed
Dec	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	ACW Art Show in tandem with Wakefield	<del>Kathy</del>	To be Confirmed
		Holiday Stroll		
<del>Dec</del>		<del>Acapella</del>	Chris	To be Confirmed
TBD		Fall / Winter ACW Art Show (multiple days)	<del>Kathy</del>	To be Confirmed

# **2021 ACE Events Calendar:**

Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur Event	Event	Coordinators and ACE Points of Contact	Event Concept Confirmed?
Jan - April		Art Show: New Beginnings	Chris Carino	Confirmed

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# Additional Albion Cultural Exchange Committee Info

### **ACE Committee Open Items:**

- Promotion and communications
- Figure out the phone logistics now that ACE has a phone number.
- Joy is going to work on ACE info/flyer to be included in future Wakefield 101 materials.
- Membership levels
- Building Usage Guidelines (see below)
- Continue to refine the Building Usage Request form
- ACE mission statement
- Permanent ACE signage
- Bank account

#### Subcommittees:

- Press Releases subcommittee (John and Chris)
- **Email program** (Doug Henning)

## Link to Wakefield related arts and cultural groups and businesses:

https://docs.google.com/a/wpsk12.org/spreadsheets/d/188dn-DQs5vZMk06dfNTXF3lQR9A kPCbSylsVewuO20/edit?usp=sharing

Google calendar for ACE events and activities. To use this public calendar, you will need to subscribe to use it. albionculturalexchnge@gmail.com

**ACE Building Wifi password:** Wakefield the W is capitalized)

### **ACE Building Usage Rules/Guidelines**

- Capacity: Seated: 50 / Standing: 125 / Classroom style with Tables: Less than 50
- Available Facilities and Equipment
- Main Gallery space including 1<sup>st</sup> floor office and food serving area
- 60 chairs / Six 6' tables
- Refrigerator and Freezer
- Trash Barrels and Recycle Barrels
- Carry in and Carry Out policy for trash and recycles
- Event coordinators are responsible for clean up after event
- Event coordinators responsible for all promotion and advertising
- ACE Committee will feature event on the ACE Website
- If the event is a fundraiser activity, then a 5% fee is due to the Albion Cultural Exchange building
- Need to include damage liability statement

### Additional Albion Cultural Exchange Committee Info, Continued

## Suggestion List for 1st Thursday or other ACE Events:

- Quilters Exhibit by Quilters Common of Wakefield
- Donald Wong: Qi Gong •
- Friends of Lake Quannapowitt Art Show
- Health and Wellness Event
- Comedy Night
- Celtic Knot Drawing (Joy)
- Arts Night with multiple events of music and visual artist demo's
- Restaurant Week Energy\Concept
- Music in the Street with Music Studios LB and Onset
- Honk Festival? Musicians in the Street

### **Pool of Promotional and Activity Ideas:**

- Painting the crosswalk in front of the building (corner of Albion & Main)....maybe have people pose in it at events and takes pictures to start a new tradition..like the famous Beatles Photo....Abbey Way?
- Switchbox Art Project or other name depending on public art locations identified inside of the immediate area which could be the overlay Arts District
- Public Art displays......sculptures and other "installation options"
- Lake Art Walk concept
- Painting of light poles on Albion Street
- T Shirt fundraiser

# 2019 ACE Events Calendar:

Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	Event	Coordinators and
	Event		ACE Points of Contact
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Arts & Edibles	Ann Marie Gallivan
May 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Acapella – WHS Choral	Chris
May 8		Wakefield Cultural Council Reception	Red Carpet Event/ Joy
May 9		Wakefield High School AP Art Show	Red Carpet Event / Joy
June 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Wakefield High School JV Art Night	Joy
July	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	No event due to town 4 <sup>th</sup> of July festivities	
Oct	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	ACW Art Show (multiple days) – Music for Kathy	
		Your Eyes	
Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Andy Levine Art Show	
Dec 19		Acapella	Chris

# 2018 ACE Events Calendar:

2018	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	Event	Coordinators and
Month	Event		ACE Points of Contact
January	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	No event scheduled	
Feb 1		Card Making Class	Doug and Mrs Henning
Feb 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Word Art Signs	John
March 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Arts & Edibles	Ann Marie Gallivan, Joy
April 5-7	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Art Blooms on Albion	Ann Marie Gallivan, Joy
May 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Spring Acapella	Chris
May5		Mini-Metal Book Making Class	Doug
May 16		Wakefield Cultural Council Reception	Joy
May 17		Wakefield High School AP Art Show	Joy
June 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Wakefield High School JV Art Night	Joy
Nov 18		Wakefield Garden Club Member Event	Chris
Dec 1 -2		ACW Art Exhibit	Kathy
Dec 21		Holiday Acapella	Chris

# 2017 ACE Event Calendar: First Thursdays and Other Events

2017	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	Event	Coordinators
Month	Event		
January		No event scheduled	
February		No event scheduled	
March 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Film Screening: Food Fight	
April 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Art Blooms on Albion	
April 20		Play 15: Music Mini-lessons	School vacation week
May 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	No event (conflict with town mtg)	
May 17		Wakefield Cultural Council Reception	
May 18		Wakefield High School AP Art Show	
May 19 /20		Shaw Art Show	
May 25		ACW Art Demo Night	ACE Point of Contact: kathy
June 1	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Wakefield High School JV Art Night	ACE Point of Contact: Joy
July	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	No event scheduled	
August	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Moana 'Sleep In' for Kids	LauraMarie Small
			ACE Point of Contact: Tasha
Aug 23		Sweet Bay Arranging Class	Tasha is the ACE POC
September	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	One Degree Public Art Project	Ann Marie Gallivan is the POC
Sept 9		Bread Store – Baking Event	Chris is the POC
			The Bread shop is selling tickets
Sept 18		Writers Gathering	Proposed by Colleen Getty
			Doug is the POC
Sept 23		Sweet Bay decorating class	
Oct 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Movie: 'Food Fight'	Chris is the POC
Nov 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	Class: Holiday Card and Tag Class	ACE Point of Contact: kathy
Nov 9		Garden Club workshop	Chris is the POC
Dec 1 - 3		ACW Art Exhibit	Coordinate with Holiday Stroll
			ACE Point of Contact: Kathy
Dec 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs	FOLQ art show	Joy is POC
Dec 22		Acapella	Chris is POC

## **Initial Focus Areas for 2017**

- Near term: Form and Rules for ACE Building Usage
- Near term: Wakefield 101 Info sheet for the ACE
- Near Term: 1<sup>st</sup> floor painting and clean up and 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathroom and sink
- Near term: Exterior signage for the building
- Mid-term: Usage plan.
- Once near term is completed, put energy into having events in the building and increasing awareness and usage of the Cultural Exchange