

Optimist Newsletter Continued



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Memorial
Golf Scramble

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Our Guest Speaker – Gina Gist

Our featured speaker was **Gina Gist, Executive Director of Albion Fellows Bacon**, who shared insights about their impactful work supporting survivors of domestic and sexual abuse. Albion has been serving **11 counties in Southwestern Indiana for 45 years** and offers **shelter for up to 60 days**, providing **emotional support, advocacy, and essential supplies—all free of charge.**

A few highlights from Gina's talk:

- 🗨️ In February alone, they provided **721 nights of shelter** to those in need.
- 📖 They've launched **middle school programs** to educate young people about healthy, non-violent relationships.
- 👤💡 **"Take Back the Night"** is coming up on **April 26th, 6-9 PM in Downtown Evansville**—a powerful event to raise awareness and support survivors.

A huge **thank you to Gina** for her heartfelt presentation and for all the work Albion does in our community!

Next Up: Boom Squad!

Mark your calendars! Our next meeting on **March 26th** will feature **Verdelski Miller** with **Boom Squad**—get ready for some inspiration and energy!

See you all then, and remember: **Optimism is contagious—spread it around!**

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