CITY OF BELOIT



THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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FIRST "BELOIT REPORT" OF 2012

Obviously, this is the first "Beloit Report" for 2012. We hope everyone had a very happy and enjoyable holiday season, and wish everyone a very productive new year.

CASINO PROJECT—PHASE II

This past week, the City Manager and City Attorney briefed Council on the contents of a potential Intergovernmental Agreement and discussed possible real estate acquisitions, all related to a new Beloit casino development. During the discussion, Councilors had numerous questions and offered several suggestions regarding the draft Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). At the conclusion of the session, however, Council authorized a Workshop/Town Hall meeting to hear a presentation from representatives of the Ho Chunk Nation regarding their proposal to revive the Beloit casino project. It is anticipated that the City Attorney and City Manager will also make a brief presentation regarding the contents of the draft Intergovernmental Agreement. This workshop will be held at the Beloit Public Library Community Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd., beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012. There will be limited opportunity for public questions and comments at this session, since most of the evening will be devoted to presentations regarding the proposed project and draft IGA.

Council has also asked that a formal <u>Public Hearing</u> be included on the Council's regular meeting agenda for Tuesday, January 17, 2012. The regular meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum at the Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI. Ample opportunity will be afforded at that time for all residents to speak who have questions, comments or concerns regarding a proposed Beloit casino project.

Following the public hearing, Council and City staff will evaluate comments and may need to complete additional research before a draft IGA will be finalized. At this time, there is no fixed schedule for when the document may appear on a Council agenda for formal consideration. The IGA must ultimately be approved by the City Council, the Rock County Board and the Ho Chunk Nation's Legislature to become effective.

If ultimately approved, the IGA would become a component of a new application to be filed by the Ho Chunk Nation to locate a Class III Land Based Gaming Facility

Special points of interest:

• City Meetings and Community Events (page 4) with supporting improvements on the same 32-acre site that was earlier owned by a private developer and the proposed location for an off-reservation gaming facility applied for by the Bad River Band and St. Croix Tribe of the Chippewa Nation. As noted previously, their application was denied in 2008 and the land was subsequently sold to the Ho Chunk Nation. The Nation's representatives will be in attendance at the Workshop/Town Hall meeting next week, January 10, to provide more details about the scope and scale of their proposed development.

It should also be noted that the Federal application for approval of a Native American Gaming Facility under provisions of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, is a lengthy process and there is no guarantee at this point that approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement will ultimately result in construction of a casino. In any event, it will take time to complete the application process so this is not a project that will be going to construction this year or in the near future.

Residents and interested parties are invited to attend the **Workshop/Town Hall meeting on January 10, as well as the Public Hearing on January 17**. The full Intergovernmental Agreement will be posted to the City's website at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10 and will be available thereafter for reading and review by interested parties.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Beloit School District Board of Education and the Beloit City Council have scheduled a joint meeting on Monday, January 9, 2012 to discuss the School District's new grade assignment program and the proposed facility improvements that are currently in planning. The joint meeting will be held at the Rotary River Center, 1160 Riverside Drive, Beloit, WI beginning at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited and welcome to attend.

WINTER GOLF COMES TO BELOIT

The Krueger Haskell Golf Course has opened in January for die-hard golfers who would like to try winter golfing as a new experience. Mild temperatures and the complete lack of snow have made it possible for the City to reopen the course and the plan is to have the course available for play any day when the indicated high temperature is 45 degrees or warmer. The <u>attached</u> press release will provide additional information about this unique mid-winter recreational opportunity, including the very attractive daily fees that will be charged for golfers who wish to take advantage of this opportunity.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The Department of Public Works reminds residents that curbside collection of Christmas trees will begin on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 3</u> and <u>run through Friday</u>, <u>January 13</u>. To participate, simply place your tree curbside before 7:00 a.m. on your regular trash/recycling collection day. For additional information, please see the <u>attached</u> press release.

2012 WARD AND POLLING LOCATION DATA AVAILABLE ON CITY'S WEBSITE

Please note the <u>attached</u> press release from the office of the City Clerk regarding ward and polling location information for the 2012 elections. As noted in the Clerk's release, wards have changed for many residents, so please take time to review this data to ensure that you have the correct information and appear at the appropriate polling station during each of the 2012 elections.

PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE NORTH END OF RIVERSIDE PARK

Planned improvements, including an entry treatment and a park identification sign, are nearing design completion. The improvements follow concept drawings originally prepared by Schreiber Anderson and Associates and will be reviewed with the Parks Commission next week. The project will likely appear on Council's agenda in early February for referral to the Plan Commission for review and recommendation prior to Council's final determination with regard to the scope and scale of the project. The City's plan is to complete these improvements on the north end of the park prior to the completion of the Henry Avenue Bridge.

BELOIT INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL APPROACHES

With the beginning of each new year, we are again approaching the dates for the Beloit International Film Festival, scheduled for February 16-19, 2012. For more information regarding the festival, including volunteer opportunities, please consult the festival's website at http://beloitfilmfest.org/

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. OBSERVANCE

Although City offices will be open on Monday, January 16, 2012 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day), the regularly scheduled second City Council meeting in January will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The Blue Line Club, which supports skating operations at the Edwards Ice Arena, is sponsoring a Business After Hours event for members of the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce, as well as non-members. The event is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **January 11**, **2012 from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.** at the Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Road. The cost is \$5 for GBCC members and \$10 for non-members.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR JANUARY 9–13, 2012

| Monday, January 9 | 4:30 p.m. | Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conf. Room (K. Leavy and J. Van De Bogart) |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|
| Monday, January 9 | 6:30 p.m. | Joint City Council/School Board meeting, Rotary River Center |
| Tuesday, January 10 | Cancelled | Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee (D. Luebke) |
| Tuesday, January 10 | Cancelled | Board of Appeals |
| Tuesday, January 10 | 6:30 p.m. | City Council Workshop, Beloit Public Library Meeting Room (All Councilors) |
| Wednesday, January 11 | 6:30 p.m. | Parks, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Commission, DPW Operations Center, 2351 Springbrook Ct. (S. De Forest) |

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

This is just a sample of events coming up in Beloit. A more complete listing is available on the Visit Beloit website: www.visitbeloit.com

Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click [here] for more information.

Monday, Jan. 16 8:00 a.m. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast. Please contact Minister

Kenda Roman for more information: kroman@sdb.k12.wi.us

Wed., January 18 7:00 p.m. Beloit College's 8th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration

and Lecture featuring Ann Bausum, author of the forthcoming book

Marching to the Mountaintop. Pearsons Hall, Moore Lounge on the College

campus. Free event, open to the public.

Thursday, Jan. 19 5:15 p.m. Beloit Snappers 8th Annual Hot Stove Banquet at the Country Club of

Beloit. \$40 per person; tickets must be purchased in advance. For more

information, please click here.

Friday, January 27 1:00-3:00 p.m. BINGO at Grinnell Hall, 631 Bluff Street. Free event, all ages welcome.

Friday, January 27 7:00 p.m. Chills, Spills and Thrills ice skating event at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101

Cranston Road.

Sat., January 28 Winterfest 4's Volleyball Tournament, sponsored by the City of Beloit

Leisure Services Office. Please see attached registration form for more

information.

Sunday, Jan. 29 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides at Big Hill Park. FREE event as part of the

scheduled Winterfest activities. More event information to come!



Beloit City Council 100 State Street Beloit, WI 53511

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The City of Beloit City Council will hold a Workshop/Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Boulevard, Beloit WI 53511, to present and explain the contents of a proposed Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Beloit and the Ho-Chunk Nation for a possible casino development.

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: January 5, 2011 Rebecca S. Houseman City Clerk http://www.ci.beloit.wi.us

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NOTICE OF MEETING

JOINT MEETING OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Date: Monday, January 9, 2012

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Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: ROTARY CENTER

1160 Riverside Drive Beloit, WI 53511

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
 - Kevin Leavy, City Council President
 - Shannon Scharmer, Board of Education President
- 2. Overview of Grade Assignment Plan
- 3. Presentation on each of the Proposed Facility Changes
- 4. Joint City/District Collaborations
- 5. Adjournment

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: January 4, 2012 Rebecca S. Houseman City Clerk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information contact: Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks & Leisure Services (608) 364-2919

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Krueger Haskell Golf Course to Open in January for Enthusiastic Golfers

January 5, 2012 – Beloit, WI: The City of Beloit's Parks and Leisure Services Division announces that Krueger Haskell Golf Course will open in January for our "Die Hard" golfing enthusiasts. Due to the moderate weather conditions, Parks and Leisure Services will open restricted play on any day with a forecasted high temperature of 45 degrees or warmer, with the following conditions:

- The weather forecast must indicate a high of 45 degrees or warmer.
- The course will open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 2012 Pass Holders will be required to pay the \$5.00 daily fee.
- Non-Pass Holders will be required to pay a \$10.00 daily fee.
- All Players must check-in and pay their fee at the Bump and Run concession counter.
- Bump and Run will be open with limited concession services.
- Play is restricted to walkers only; no golf carts will be permitted.
- Play will only be allowed on the front nine holes, (1-9).
- In the best interest of operating the Golf Course, the City of Beloit reserves the right to close the course as deemed warranted without prior notice.

Golfers are encouraged to call the Krueger Haskell Golf Course at (608) 362-6503 to verify that the course will be opened for play. Golf passes may be purchased at the Leisure Services Office located at 1003 Pleasant Street, Beloit, WI 53511 (NE corner of White Avenue & Pleasant Street/Riverside Drive).

Additional information regarding the purchasing of a 2012 Golf Pass may be obtained by calling the Leisure Services Office at (608) 364-2890.



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For more information contact: Jan Pinnow, Solid Waste Supervisor (608) 364-2929 Ext.7009

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Christmas Tree Collection Schedule

January 3, 2012 – The City of Beloit's Public Works Department reminds residents that curbside collection of Christmas trees will begin on Tuesday, January 3, and run through Friday, January 13. To participate, simply place your tree curbside before 7:00 a.m. on your regular trash/recycling day.

Trees must be free of stands, bags, lights, garland, tinsel and ornaments.

Christmas trees are also accepted at the Recycling Drop-Off Center located at 2351 Springbrook Court on Saturdays between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. beginning Saturday, January 14.

For more information, call the City of Beloit Public Works Operations Division at (608) 364-2929.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, contact: Rebecca S. Houseman, City Clerk (608) 364-6680

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2012 Ward and Polling Location Data Available on City's Website

December 13, 2011 – Beloit, WI: Due to redistricting based on 2010 U.S. Census data, <u>wards</u> and polling locations in the City of Beloit have changed. The ward numbers <u>and</u> boundaries have changed, so it is likely that the majority of Beloit residents will vote in a new ward beginning in 2012. Several polling locations have also changed.

The City of Beloit Clerk's office will send postcards to <u>every registered voter</u> in early February outlining each voter's new ward and polling location information. If residents wish to know ward information prior to receiving this postcard, it is now available on the City's website: <u>www.ci.beloit.wi.us</u>.

Instructions for Access:

Click on *Property Information & Maps*, then *Maps*. On the Maps page, click on the *Aerial Photography & Maps* external link then click the *I Agree* button. Use the scale and icons on the top left corner of the screen to zoom, search, and/or identify your residence. Once you have found your residence, click on the *identify* tool in the *toolbox*, and click on your residence. Your Voting Ward will be the last line of information under the *Site Information* segment in the *Results* box. The attached document, which is also available on the Clerk's office portion of the City's website, shows the polling location for each ward.

2012 Election Dates: **

Spring Primary – February 21, 2012 Spring Election – April 3, 2012 Partisan Primary – August 14, 2012 General Election – November 6, 2012

Please remember that Wisconsin election laws have changed, and all voters must now bring an acceptable form of **identification to the polls in order to vote. Please see the *Voter/Election Information* section of the City's website for more information.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the City of Beloit City Clerk's office at (608) 364-6680 or by email at housemanr@ci.beloit.wi.us.



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| Ward(s) | Polling Location Name | Address |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1-2-3 | Converse School | 1602 Townline Avenue |
| 4-5-6 | Gaston School | 610 McKinley Avenue |
| 7-8-9 | Hackett School | 533 West Grand Avenue |
| 10-11-12 | Beloit Historical Society | 845 Hackett Street |
| 13-14-15-22 | Beloit Public Library | 605 Eclipse Boulevard |
| 16 | First Congregational Church | 801 Bushnell Street |
| 17-18 | Todd School | 1621 Oakwood Avenue |
| 19-20-21 | McLenegan School | 2639 Sunshine Lane |
| 23-24 | Central Christian Church | 2460 Milwaukee Road |

The Polls are Open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

| Wards | Rock County Supervisory District |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 23 & 24 | 6 |
| 1 & 12 | 11 |
| 9, 10 & 11 | 12 |
| 8, 13, 14 & 15 | 13 |
| 19, 20, 21 & 22 | 14 |
| 16, 17 & 18 | 15 |
| 5, 6 & 7 | 16 |
| 2, 3, & 4 | 17 |

Wisconsin Assembly and Senate Districts:

Assembly District 45 and Senate District 15: Wards 1-19 Assembly District 31 and Senate District 11: Wards 20-24

Beloit City Clerk 608-364-6680



CITY OF BELOIT APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE NOTICE AND AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

Monday, January 9, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

City Manager's Conference Room

4th Floor, City Hall

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- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Minutes Regular meeting December 12, 2011
- 3. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Appointment Review Committee

1 resident (Threinen) - term to expire December 31, 2014

Board of Ethics

- 1 resident (Murry) term to expire December 31, 2014
- 1 resident (Peterson) term to expire December 31, 2014
- 1 resident (Stephens) term to expire December 31, 2014
- 1 former City Councilor term to expire December 31, 2013

Business Improvement District (Downtown Beloit Association)

Christine Schlichting (Property Owner) – term to expire December 31, 2014 Jason F. Braun (Owner Occupant) – term to expire December 31, 2014 Peter Fronk (Non Owner Occupant) – term to expire December 31, 2014 Deanna Ohman (Owner occupant) – term to expire December 31, 2014

Community Development Authority

1 resident (Nee) - term to expire December 31, 2015

Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

1 resident (Marzette) - term to expire October 31, 2014

1 resident (Ware) – term to expire October 31, 2012

1 resident (Johnson) – term to expire October 31, 2013

Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission

1 resident (Roy) - term to expire June 30, 2014

Municipal Golf Committee

1 Youth (Sennett) – term to expire December 31, 2012

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

1 resident (Kokity) - term to expire September 30, 2012

1 youth (Patel) – term to expire September 30, 2012

Plan Commission

1 resident (Sanders) – term to expire April 30, 2012

Traffic Review Committee

1 resident (Fryar) – term to expire September 30, 2013

- 4. Member Participation
- 5. Citizen Participation
- Adjournment

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NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE

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Beloit City Hall - The Forum 100 State Street, Beloit, WI January 10, 2012 4:00 p.m.

The Tuesday, January 10, 2012 meeting of the Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee has been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14, 2012.

January 5, 2011

Rebecca Houseman Beloit City Clerk

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PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012 6:30PM

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DPW OPERATIONS CENTER 2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: November 9, 2011
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) SPECIAL PRESENTATION: 2012 Dog Park Conceptual Design Plan

Presented by Design Perspectives

- 5.) Director's Report
 - a.) Correspondence
 - b.) Parks Report
 - c.) Horticulture Report
 - d.) Grinnell Hall Senior Center Report
 - e.) Special Projects
 - f.) Leisure Services/Recreation Report
- 6.) Old Business
- 7.) New Business Action Report Item
 - a.) Review and discussion regarding Dog Park Conceptual Design proposal
 - b.) Review and discussion regarding Conceptual Renovation Plan for Riverside Park North Gateway
- 8.) Committee Members Comments
- 9.) Adjournment

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- * Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or Matilda Purifoy @ 608/364-2929 prior to the meeting.
- ** Please note that, upon reasonable notice, at least 24 hours in advance, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services.
- *** For additional information or to request this service, please contact the Parks & Leisure Services Division located at 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 or by calling 608/364-2929.



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For more information contact: Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks & Leisure Services (608) 364-2929.

Dog Park Design Plan to be Unveiled

January 4, 2012 – Beloit, WI: The City of Beloit's Parks and Leisure Services Division invites the general public to attend the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Department of Public Works Operations Building located at 2351 Springbrook Court in Beloit.

At this meeting, Design Perspectives will present their conceptual design plan for developing a dog park in the City of Beloit. This proposed facility will provide a place for dog owners to allow their dogs to run free and off-leash in an enclosed area designed specifically for pets. The Parks & Recreation Commission identified the need for a Dog Park through citizen requests and this development was included in the recently developed Parks & Open Space Plan. The Commission designated the development of this new facility as one of their top priorities in the implementation of the 2012 Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Beloit Parks. The Commission invites interested pet owners to attend this meeting and provide feedback regarding the design of this facility.





Contact: Justin Waters (608) 362-2272 jwaters@snappersbaseball.com December 15, 2011



Snappers 8th Annual Hot Stove Banquet Set for January 19 Former Snapper & Current Minnesota Twin Ben Revere to Highlight Event

BELOIT, Wis. - On January 19, newly named Twins General Manager Terry Ryan and current Senior Director of Minor League Operations Jim Rantz will join former Snapper and current Twin Ben Revere along with Major League Baseball umpire Marty Foster in speaking at the Beloit Snappers 8th Annual Hot Stove Banquet. The event is scheduled for 5:15pm at the County Club of Beloit.

Ben Revere will be highlighting the event as he makes his first return trip to Beloit since playing as a Snapper back in 2008. The 2007 1st round draft pick from Atlanta Georgia, racked up the accolades during that season as he hit an astonishing .379 with 17 doubles, 10 triples, one home run, knocked in 43 RBI and stole a team-high 44 bases. He only struck out 31 times in over 350 at-bats. That season, he earned a Midwest League Mid-Season All-Star selection, Midwest League Post-Season All-Star and was named Midwest League Most Valuable Player. Baseball America named him to their Class-A All-Star team. After leaving Beloit, Ben flew through the Twins minor league system, spending one season with each level before making his Major League debut on September 7, 2010.

In his first full season with the Twins, Ben made an impact as he was named American League Rookie of the Month in June of that year. He hit .294 that month with four doubles, a triple, 9 RBI and 7 stolen bases. He finished the season with a .267 average, nine doubles, five triples, 30 RBI and 34 stolen bases. Revere not only made an impact with the bat, but in the field as well. In a game on August 22nd against the Orioles, Vladimir Gurerro hit a ball to deep center field, looking like a for-sure extra-base hit, Ben ran straight to the wall and made a leaping, over the shoulder, Willy Mayes-type catch to end the inning. The play hit highlight reels all across the country and is nominated for a "GIBBY" award, which is given out by Major League Baseball.

A Janesville, WI native, Twins General Manager Terry Ryan will make his 8th appearance at the Snappers Hot Stove Banquet. Ryan re-takes the reigns as General Manager after stepping down as GM after 12 seasons back in 2007. Ryan served as the Senior Advisor to the General Manager for the past four seasons. Ryan began his professional baseball career with the Twins in 1972 after he was drafted in the 35th round out of Parker High School in Janesville. He pitched in the Twins' minor league system over a four-year span, totaling a 14-3 record. An arm injury cut Terry's career short, resulting in his enrollment at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1975. Ryan graduated in 1979 with a degree in Physical Education. After six seasons as a New York Mets Scout, Ryan was hired by the Minnesota Twins as the teams' Director of Scouting. He then spent time as Vice President and Director of Player Personnel before being named General Manger in 1994.

Jim Rantz will be making his 4th appearance at a Snappers Hot Stove Banquet. Rantz has been involved with the Twins organization since it began back in 1961. He pitched for the Wilson Tobs, a Class-B affiliate to the Twins in the Carolina League after signing his first professional contract in Washington the year before. He spent a total of five seasons in the minors as a player and as a manger before taking his first front office position in 1966 as an assistant in the

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teams' public relations department. After four seasons he moved to the minor league and scouting department before he took his position as Director of Minor League Operations in 1986. Serving as the Senior Director of Minor League Operations, Rantz will enter his 51st season in the Twins organization. In 2007, he was selected as the 17th member of the Twins Hall of Fame.

Going into his 14th season as a Major League Baseball Umpire, Marty foster first began his began when he was in High School while he umpired little league baseball games. With that interest in mind, Foster attended Joe Brinkman's Umpires School in Cocoa, Florida where he finished at the top of his class. After graduation, he started his trek to the Major Leagues. Much like it is for a player, umpires are promoted through the minor league system based on performance. He spent one year in Rookie League, two season in the Midwest League (the league in which the Snappers play), had a stint in the Double-A Southern League before three seasons in the Triple-A International League.

In 1996, 12 years into umpiring throughout the minors, Foster made the jump to the big leagues. His first game was a game between the Detroit Tigers and New York Yankees at old Detroit Stadium. From there, Marty has completed 13 seasons, starting his 14th in the spring as a big league umpire. Foster has worked MLB's playoffs three out of the last five years. His resume includes working the Boston Red Sox vs. Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim American League Divisional Series in 2008, the Chicago Cubs vs. New York Mets Opening Series in Tokyo, japan and the 2002 MLB All-Star game at Miller Park in Milwaukee. He was the home plate umpire when Tom Glavine won his 300th career game at Wrigley Field against the Cubs in August of 2007

Tickets for the event are \$40.00 per person, which includes a buffet-style dinner, a general admission ticket good for any Sunday-Thursday Snappers 2012 home game, the program for the evening as well as an entry in to a drawing for one of three Snappers prize packs. If you purchase a table of eight (8), the price is \$300. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling the Snappers offices at 608-362-2272 or by stopping by Pohlman Field at 2301 Skyline Drive in Beloit. Tickets for both the dinner/program are non-refundable.

The Country Club of Beloit is located at 2327 Riverside Dr., Beloit, WI. Doors will open at 5:15pm for the silent auction and social hour. Dinner will begin at 6:15pm with the program to follow.

The Beloit Snappers are a member of the Midwest League and a Class-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins. Opening day at Pohlman Field is April 5, 2011 at 6:30pm when the Snappers face the Peoria Chiefs, a class "A" affiliate of the Chicago Cubs. For ticket information, contact the Snappers office at 608-362-2272 or visit the website at www.snappersbaseball.com.

WINTERFEST 4'S VOLLEYBALI TOURNAMENT



2 Division Offered!

Competitive Division

\$100 Team Registration Round Robin 3 game guarantee **CASH Payouts!** Champion T-Shirts 1st Place Trophy



Based on 8 teams: 1st Place \$400 2nd Place \$200

Fun Division \$50 Team Entry Round Robin Champion T-Shirts All games will be played Saturday, January 28, 2012 At Beloit Memorial High School / Field House 1225 4th Street Beloit, WI 53511

All games are coed and must have one of the following 4 combinations of players:

2 guys, 2 girls 2 guys, I girl I guy, 2 girls I guy, 3 girls

For more information, call the Leisure Services Office (608) 364-2890

TEAM ENTRY FEE

A/B Level- \$100.00

C/D/E Level- \$50.00

Mandatory Captain's Meeting 9:45 am

Start Time 10:00 am

Entries Due NO LATER THAN

5:00 pm Wednesday, January 25, 2012

Mail in registration or visit office:

Leisure Services Office

1003 Pleasant Street Beloit, WI 53511

Women's net * All games officiated * Guys cannot leave floor inside 10 foot line Must follow a serving rotation * No rule on guy/girl hits * Round Robin Play Please see tournament rules on back side of this flyer!

Please detach the bottom portion of this form and return with payment. Team Name: Team Manager Name: Team Manager Address: Team Manager Phone Number(s): Team Manager Email Address: Circle ONE: Competitive Division - Include \$100 Entry Fun Division - Include \$50 Entry

