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# THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### BUDGET UPDATE

Work continued this week on the 2012 proposed budget review process. The City Council and staff held a workshop on Monday, October 17 to discuss all non-General Fund Budgets. Due to time constraints, there were a few agenda items that were not addressed. Therefore, another workshop has been scheduled on Monday, October 24 to discuss the proposed 2012 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets.

**October 24, 3:00 p.m.**—[City Council Workshop](#), Rotary River Center, 1160 Riverside Drive

**October 24, 6:30 p.m.** - [Town Hall Meeting](#), Rotary River Center

**October 25, 6:30 p.m.** - [Town Hall Meeting](#), Grinnell Hall Senior Center, 631 Bluff Street

### HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATING TIMES

Please note the [attached](#) press release from the Chief of Police and the City Manager's Office announcing the official Trick or Treating times for this Halloween will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The press release also contains a number of helpful hints to ensure that you and your children have a safe and enjoyable Halloween this year.

### CITY MANAGER ATTENDING LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The League of Wisconsin Municipalities held its annual conference in Milwaukee this week. The Board of Directors met on Wednesday morning; the conference began at noon and ran through Friday morning. In addition to attending the Board meeting, the City Manager chaired the Rules Committee again this year, and moderated one of the educational sessions on Thursday. He will return to the City on Friday afternoon.

## CITY MEETING CALENDAR OCTOBER 24–28 , 2011

Monday, October 24	Cancelled	<a href="#">Traffic Review Committee</a> , (E. Newnham)
Monday, October 24	3:00 p.m.	<a href="#">City Council Workshop</a> , Rotary River Center (All Councilors)
Monday, October 24	Cancelled	<a href="#">Police and Fire Commission</a>
Monday, October 24	6:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Town Hall Meeting</a> , Rotary River Center (All Councilors)
Tuesday, October 25	6:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Board of Appeals</a> , Forum
Tuesday, October 25	6:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Town Hall Meeting</a> , Grinnell Hall Senior Center (All Councilors)
Wednesday, Oct. 26	7:30 a.m.	Visit Beloit Board of Directors (K. Leavy)
Wednesday, Oct. 26	4:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Community Development Authority</a> , Forum (D. Luebke and J. Van De Bogart)
Thursday, Oct. 27	8:00 a.m.	BID/DBA meeting (J. Van De Bogart)

## 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](http://www.visitbeloit.com)*

		Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click <a href="#">here</a> for more information.
Saturday's through Oct. 29		<b>Downtown Beloit Farmer's Market</b> , 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. State and Grand. Over 100 vendors participating.
October 24-December 1		<b>Beloit Public Library Sponsors 8th Annual Mitten Tree</b> . For more information please see <a href="#">attached</a> or contact Librarian Vicki Hahn at 608-364-2905.
Friday, October 28	7:00-10:00 pm	<b>Halloween Skate</b> at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Avenue, Beloit. Free skate rental to those in costume! Regular admission fees apply. Please see <a href="#">attached</a> for more information.
Saturday, Oct. 29	9:30 a.m.	<b>Downtown Beloit Halloween Parade</b> . Meet at Horace White Park at 9:45 a.m. to line up for the parade down Grand Avenue.
Saturday, Oct. 29	10:00-4:00 pm	<b>2011 Symphony of Homes</b> house walk, sponsored by the Friends of the Beloit Janesville Symphony. Please see <a href="#">attached</a> for more information.
Monday, Oct. 31	5:00—7:00 p.m.	<b>Trick-or-Treat</b> hours in the City of Beloit
Saturday, Nov. 12	6:00 p.m.	<b>NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet</b> , South Beloit Inn. Tickets are \$60 for adults (which includes membership in the NAACP, and \$30 for children. Please call 362-1103 for more information or to purchase tickets.



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Beloit City Council will hold a workshop on Monday, October 24, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the Rotary River Center located at 1160 Riverside Drive, Beloit, WI 53511, to discuss the proposed **2012 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets**.

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The Beloit City Council will then hold a townhall-style meeting on Monday, October 24, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rotary River Center to discuss the proposed **2012 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets**. The public is encouraged to attend and participate in these budget discussions.

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: October 19, 2011  
Rebecca S. Houseman  
City Clerk  
<http://www.ci.beloit.wi.us>

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Beloit City Council will hold a townhall-style meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Dining Room at Grinnell Hall Senior Center located at 631 Bluff Street, Beloit, WI 53511, to discuss the proposed **2012 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets**. The public is encouraged to attend and participate in these budget discussions.

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# BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



Norm Jacobs  
Chief of Police  
100 State Street  
Beloit, WI 53511

Business: (608) 364-6801  
Administration: (608) 364-6807  
Facsimile: (608) 364-6608

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## PRESS RELEASE

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Date: September 30, 2011  
For Additional Information Contact: Office of the Chief: 608-364-6807

**BELOIT, WISCONSIN** – Chief Norm Jacobs and City Manager Larry Arft announced today that Halloween will be observed on Monday, October 31, 2011. The official hours for Trick or Treating in the City of Beloit will be from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M.

The following precautions are recommended:

- Wear light colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflectors.
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant.
- Make sure children can see well through face masks or head coverings.
- Accompany your children and go only to homes with outside lights on.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes where you know the residents.
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy and treats.
- Watch for traffic.
- Examine candy before allowing children to eat it.

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## NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

**To:** All Traffic Review Committee Members and Other Interested Parties

**From:** Jason Dupuis, Transportation / Project Engineer

**Date:** October 14, 2011

**RE:** Meeting Cancellation

The Traffic Review Committee meeting which was scheduled for Monday, October 24, 2011 has been cancelled. At this time, there are not enough agenda items for a meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on November 28, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. This is the Monday after the Thanksgiving holiday. Please inform me as soon as possible if you will not be able to attend the November meeting, so that we may make schedule changes as necessary. Thank you.

Please feel free to contact me at 364-6735 if you have any questions.

Jason Dupuis, P.E.  
Transportation Engineer  
City of Beloit



**Police and Fire Commission  
Meeting CANCELLATION Notice  
Monday, October 24, 2011 5:00 PM  
City Hall Forum  
Beloit WI 53511**

The Police & Fire Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, October 24, 2011 has been cancelled.

Charles Losinske, President  
Beloit Police & Fire Commission

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## BELOIT BOARD OF APPEALS SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Tuesday, October 25, 2011

**7:00 PM**

The Forum  
Beloit City Hall  
100 State Street

1. Roll Call
2. Election of Officers.
  - a. Nomination and election of Chair
  - b. Nomination and election of Vice-Chair
  - c. Nomination and election of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair
3. Minutes of the November 9, 2010 and February 28, 2011 Meetings
4. Mary Elliott - 1608 Crescent Drive

BOA-2011-03 Appeal of the Principal Planner's decision that the property located at 1608 Crescent Drive, which is located in an R-1B, Single-Family Residential District, has lost its nonconforming status and may no longer be used as a two-family dwelling (duplex) in accordance with Section 9.2 of the City of Beloit Zoning Ordinance.
5. Mary Elliott - 1608 Crescent Drive

BOA-2011-03 Use Variance to Section 4-202 of the City of Beloit Zoning Ordinance to allow a two-family dwelling (duplex) in an R-1B, Single-Family Residential District, for the property located at 1608 Crescent Drive.
6. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify the Planning Office at (608) 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Notice Mailed: October 14, 2011

Approved: Drew Pennington, Principal Planner

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA  
Community Development Authority  
October 26, 2011 at 4:30 pm  
The Forum, Beloit City Hall  
100 State Street**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 28, 2011
3. Citizen Participation
4. Housing Authority
  - a. Presentation of September Activity Report (Pollard)
  - b. Presentation of September Financial Report (Pollard)
  - c. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2011-41 Accepting the FY2011 CFP Grant (Pollard)
  - d. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2011-34 Approving the Beloit Housing Authority 2012 Annual Public Housing Authority Plan and the Five Year Plan (Pollard)
  - e. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2011-42, Authorization to Write-Off Beloit Housing Authority Public Housing Tenants Accounts Receivable 2011 Third Quarter Vacated Residents (Pollard)
5. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify Delphine Cobb in the Housing Authority Office at 364-8740 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Notice Mailed: October 21, 2011

Approved: Julie Christensen  
Executive Director

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## Beloit Public Library Sponsors 8th Annual Mitten Tree

Beginning on October 24, Beloit Public Library will be accepting donations of new homemade or purchased children's mittens, scarves, or hats donated by people in the community. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year the library has sponsored a "Mitten Tree." The library collects the items and then they are distributed to local families in need through several agencies, including Even Start, Head Start, Domestic Violence Shelter, WIC, and the Beloit Public Schools nurses. Donations are accepted until December 1.

Over the years, the library has collected and distributed between 218 and 428 items each year. "We appreciate all the generous donations to our Mitten Tree in the past," said librarian and Mitten Tree coordinator Vicki Hahn. "This year, there are many more families who can't afford some of the basics, including warm winter mittens, hats or scarves! We hope to see our Mitten Tree bending over with donations this year!"

Drop off your donations at the Adult Reference Desk during regular library hours between October 24 and December 1. For more information, call Librarian Vicki Hahn 608-364-2905

Beloit Public Library is located at 605 Eclipse Blvd., Beloit. The phone is 608-364-2905. The website address is: <[www.beloitlibrary.info](http://www.beloitlibrary.info)>. You can follow the library on Facebook. The hours are: Monday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; closed on Sunday.

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Martha W. Gammons, Public Relations Coordinator  
Arrowhead Library System  
Phone: 608-758-6695 Fax: 608-758-6689  
Email: [gammons.martha@als.lib.wi.us](mailto:gammons.martha@als.lib.wi.us) Web: <http://als.lib.wi.us>

"One can make a day of any size, and regulate the rising and the setting of his own sun and the brightness of its shining." - John Muir

# HALLOWEEN SKATE

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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 7:00 - 10:00 P.M

We'll be waiting to greet all scary monsters with games, candy, costume contests and music.

Free skate rental to those in costume. Regular admission fees apply.

<u>ADMISSION</u>			<u>SEASON PASS</u>					
<u>w/ REC Card</u>		<u>w/o REC Card</u>	<u>w/ REC Card</u>		<u>w/o REC Card</u>			
YOUTH	\$ 4.50	YOUTH	\$ 5.00	YOUTH	\$ 32.00	YOUTH	\$ 37.00	
ADULT	\$ 5.00	ADULT	\$ 6.00	ADULT	\$ 37.00	ADULT	\$43.00	
FAMILY OF 4	\$ 12.00	FAMILY OF 4	\$ 17.00	FAMILY OF 4	\$ 80.00	FAMILY OF 4	\$90.00	
<b><u>FREE SKATE RENTAL FOR THOSE IN COSTUME.</u></b>								
SKATE RENTAL: \$4.00						REC CARDS: \$6.00 SINGLE/\$20 FAMILY OF 4		



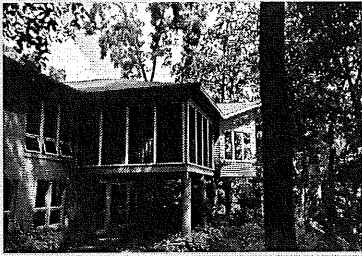
Edwards Ice Arena  
2101 Cranston Ave. Beloit, WI 53511  
City of Beloit Leisure Services  
1003 Pleasant St. Beloit, WI 53511  
608.364.2890



# 2011 SYMPHONY of HOMES

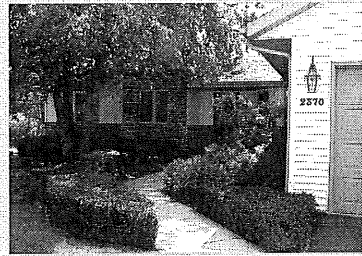
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Saturday, **October 29** from 10 AM- 4 PM in Beloit



Ken & Judy Kaplan  
2415 S. Lookout Drive

Friends of the  
Beloit Janesville  
Symphony proudly  
present our  
2011 House Walk

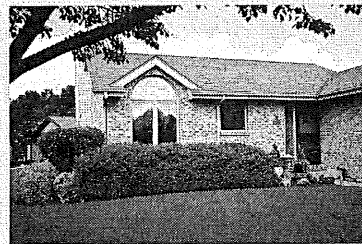


Loren & Diane Sass  
2370 Cobblestone Lane



Stephanie Klett  
2437 Fieldstone

TICKETS  
**\$15**  
IN ADVANCE

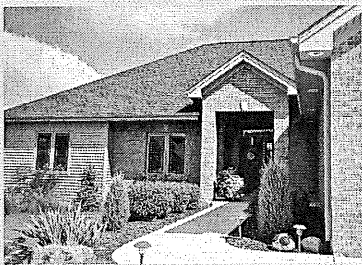


Al & Phyllis Wendorf  
2060 Granite Ct.

**\$20**

AT HOMES ON DAY  
OF HOUSE WALK

Proceeds  
benefit  
the Beloit  
Janesville  
Symphony  
Orchestra



Jim & Jeannie Rippl  
2735 Fawn Ct.

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THESE LOCATIONS

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Box Office at 408 S Main, Janesville

Visit Beloit  
500 Public Ave, Beloit

Edward Jones Financials  
Main Street Square  
5308 Williams Drive, Roscoe

TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE FROM FRIENDS OF BJS MEMBERS

Please visit our website at [beloitjanesvillesymphony.com](http://beloitjanesvillesymphony.com) for more information.

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SYMPHONY