



THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

**September 7,
2012**

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from the Office of the
City Manager*

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Special points of interest:

- **Community Events
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DEDICATION AND RIBBON CUTTING FOR NORTH RIVERSIDE PARK AND THE RENAMED KEN HENDRICKS MEMORIAL BRIDGE—TOMORROW!****

Although it has taken an extraordinary effort and a lot of extra work hours, both the North Riverside Park and the bridge are close enough to completion to celebrate the construction of these significant “milestone” improvements within the City. Some work remains to finish the bridge, and that will be completed later with the contractor working under traffic with periodic lane closures. The bridge will be open following the ceremonies, which will be held on **Saturday, September 8, 2012 beginning at 10:00 a.m.**, on the east side of the bridge.

The ceremonies will mark the completion of the north Riverside Park improvements. The American Legion will be in attendance to rededicate the WW1 Veterans Memorial Plaque that was relocated as a part of the north park improvements. A representative from Beloit 2020 and Friends of RiverFront will then speak on the final completion of the twenty-year Riverside Park renovation and construction project. Following the park dedication, Hendricks family members and dignitaries will be unveiling a special plaque installed on the bridge commemorating Ken Hendricks' extraordinary accomplishments and contributions to the City of Beloit. Following the dedication, the final ribbon cutting will be held to open the newly renamed Ken Hendricks Memorial Bridge.

This will be an extraordinary event in the City's history, marking the final completion of the 20-year Riverside Park improvement program and, of course, reopening of the newly constructed bridge renamed to honor Ken Hendricks. Following the dedication ceremonies, the contractor will actually open the bridge for resumption of normal use.

Parking for the ceremonies will be in Riverside Park, the Eclipse Center, and Wooten Park (pedestrians will be able to walk across the bridge for the ceremony). Limited parking for family members and dignitaries will be available on Henry Avenue, just east of the bridge near the north end of the park.

RIBBON CUTTING AND TOUR FOR COMPLETION OF THE PUBLIC HOUSING RENOVATION AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The last building to be completed as part of the City's two-year renovation of Public Housing Units is complete and tenants are occupying the space. This past week, we had an open house at the Parker Bluff Senior Housing building. A large number of residents and other interested persons walked through the facility. Once again, both

the interior and the exterior met the quality expectations, including energy efficiency, which has been a hallmark of this project from the start.

BUDGET PREPARATION UPDATE

Among a number of on-going activities this past week, the Budget Committee met and finalized work on the remaining operating funds. At this time, all of the funds in the City's 2013 proposed budget are in balance. Cuts made in 2012 carried over into the 2013 budget preparation process and made it possible for us to balance this proposed budget without resorting to any service or staff reductions. The Capital budget was sized to fit within the city's General Obligation Bond capacity so we will once again have a smaller but still significant infrastructure investment in 2013.

As completed, the proposed budget includes a small increase in the tax levy within the parameters of the State's levy limitation law; however, the tax rate will be slightly lower next year, which will have a positive impact on existing property owners. The City is reviewing its fees and charges, as we do every year; however, there are no increases in utility charges (if eligible, the City may apply for a small "cost of living" increase for the Water Utility later in 2013) included in the proposed budget at this time. The document represents one of the more "status quo" budgets that we have prepared in a number of years, keeping all services, programs and current staffing levels without any new taxes or major fee increases proposed.

Dates to note:

- **Monday, October 1, 2012**
7:00 p.m., City Hall Forum
The proposed budget will be presented to the City Council and the community at the regular City Council meeting.
- **Monday, October 8, 2012**
8:00 a.m., Beloit Public Library Community Room
Full day workshop with the City Council on the proposed budget. This workshop is open to the public
- **Monday, October 15, 2012**
7:00 p.m., City Hall Forum
Formal Public Hearing on the proposed budget in conjunction with the regular City Council meeting. Open to the public and residents are invited to speak.

The entire proposed budget document will be posted to the City's website with a link from the home page on **Wednesday, September 26, 2012 by 5:00 p.m.** The document is voluminous; however, interested residents will be able to review it on the website and/or download portions or all of the document at their discretion.

CITY CENTER COMMITTEE FOCUSES ON MARKETING FOR DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The City Center Committee met this past Thursday and focused much of the meeting on marketing activities in support of Downtown Business Development. We had representatives in attendance from Beloit College's marketing group who have been conducting customer surveys within the City and the region, examining demographic patterns and shopping trends to better assist potential retailers and restaurateurs in making site selection decisions regarding Beloit's City Center locations.

ROCK RIVER CORRIDOR SIGN DEDICATION AT JOHN ROSE KAYAK AND CANOE LAUNCH

Next Wednesday evening, **September 12, 2012 beginning at 5:30 p.m.**, the Rock River Corridor Coalition will dedicate new sample signage that will be used up and down the river to facilitate its use by paddle craft. The ideal location for such a dedication ceremony of course, is the John Rose Kayak and Canoe Launch located right here in downtown Beloit. Once again, the group will assemble for the event at approximately 5:30 p.m. and the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

INMAN PARKWAY EXTENSION

We have prepared a letter, along with attachments related to the Inman Parkway Extension project and its importance to the City of Beloit, as well as residents living in the nearby Townships. A copy of the correspondence (minus the map) is [attached](#) to this edition of the Beloit Report for your information and use. The Rock County Highway Committee will be meeting next Wednesday morning to consider a recommendation to the full County Board. City officials will be in attendance at that meeting, as well as the County Board meeting on which this item will be presented for decision, currently scheduled for Thursday, September 27.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Beloit welcomes another new corporate citizen. We were very pleased this week to see the announcement from "Comply 365" a new software company that has leased 4,000 sq. ft. of space within the Iron Works campus. This is a newer, high technology company with a high growth business plan. Once again, welcome Comply 365 to the beautiful City of Beloit.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 10–14, 2012

Monday, Sept. 10	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee , City Manager's Conf. Room (C. Haynes and M. Spreitzer)
Tuesday, Sept. 11	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee , Forum (K. Leavy)
Tuesday, Sept. 11	7:00 p.m.	Board of Appeals , Forum
Wed., Sept. 12	4:30 p.m.	Special Community Development Authority , Forum (K. Leavy and D. Luebke)
Wed., Sept. 12	6:30 p.m.	Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Comm. , DPW Operations Center (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.

Saturdays throughout the summer offer an opportunity to attend the **Farmers Market**, at the intersection of State and Grand, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sept. 7–9 **Heritage Days**. Please see [attached](#) for more information.

Friday, Sept. 7 7:00 p.m. **Music and More**. Harry Moore Pavilion at Riverside Park. Free concert, food available for purchase. "The Crown Vics" present 1950's Rock and Roll.

Saturday, Sept. 8 10:00 a.m. **Dedication Ceremonies** at the Henry Avenue Bridge. Please see [attached](#) invitation for further details.



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September 6, 2012

Mr. J. Russell Podzilni, Chair
Rock County Board of Supervisors
51 South Main St.
Beloit, WI 53511

RE: INMAN PARKWAY EXTENSION

Dear Russ:

As you know, planning for the Inman Parkway Extension has focused on designing a lettered county road, which would link County Road S (Shopiere) and County Road G (Prairie Avenue) north of the City. The project was originally intended to create this rural connector for the purpose of diverting much heavy truck traffic off city streets that pass through existing residential neighborhoods. As a side benefit, access to Beloit Memorial Hospital, the North Prairie Avenue commercial district and the Town of Beloit's Business Park would all be improved if the linkage were built as originally designed.

At the time planning for the project began, the County Materials complex had not yet been built, nor had the interstate highway reconstruction project been approved. Both of these recent developments will result in a substantial increase in heavy truck traffic in this area. Further, the Inman Parkway extension would provide much needed access for local traffic within the Greater Beloit Area during the Interstate 43 interchange reconstruction, which is anticipated to be a two-year process. These two projects alone underscore the significance of building the Inman Parkway linkage, and explain why the State Department of Transportation has recently elevated the priority for moving this project to construction.

While the matter has received numerous approvals from the County Board, recent opposition to the project primarily orchestrated by the Town of Turtle Board has created questions and resulted in a more thorough evaluation of other options and alternatives to the original proposed alignment. After evaluating all of these alternatives, the Beloit City Council adopted the attached resolution at their regular meeting on August 20, 2012, unanimously supporting the original concept to extend Inman Parkway. This resolution was adopted because the proposed alignment is, by far, the superior alternative for this project for the following reasons:

1. The purpose for building this link is to create better and more direct access to the Interstate highway for residents and businesses in this area of Beloit, along with the Towns of Beloit and Turtle. Town of Turtle residents living along Murphy Woods Road have been particularly vocal about their opposition to traffic using that small rural street as a cut through between Prairie Avenue and Shopiere Road. The construction of Inman Parkway as originally proposed would do much to relieve that traffic as residents, businesses and truck drivers use the new and more conveniently aligned Inman Parkway extension. As previously noted, heavy truck traffic would use this route, thereby diverting much of this traffic off of Prairie Avenue and Cranston Road, which pass through existing City residential neighborhoods.
2. An alternative suggested to build a linkage running north to Philhower Road would provide minimal relief for the heavy traffic and would likely result in the construction of a "road to nowhere." In addition, almost as much land would be required for right-of-way, including the possibility of taking residences in order to facilitate construction along this much more expensive route.
3. The "no build" option, which continues to utilize Beloit City streets for heavy truck traffic is also an unacceptable choice. The unusually long and large loads that will be generated by County Materials plus all of the construction related traffic required to support the Interstate reconstruction, should not be passing through City residential neighborhoods. Further, the ability to use the new linkage as a local traffic alternate during the I-43 Interchange construction would be lost.

Much of the Town of Turtle's opposition to this project centers around their fear that the City of Beloit is supporting construction of the road as a subterfuge to annex more Township property. This argument persists despite the existence of a Boundary Agreement between the City of Beloit and the Town of Turtle, which precludes annexation in this area of the Town. This Boundary Agreement is in effect for at least another nine years into the future. The attached Figure 3, taken directly from the Boundary Agreement, illustrates in color the boundary adjustment area for the City of Beloit. The entire area north of the City's current limits and east of the Prairie Avenue Business District is outside the Boundary Adjustment Area and the City has **NO** legal ability to annex any properties in that vicinity without the direct concurrence of the Town of Turtle governing board. Further, the design plans for this road call for a rural cross section with no water or sewer utilities installed as part of the project. Design engineers affirmed at a recent public meeting that access to the roadway will be limited, minimizing curb cuts and the availability of this road to be used for development purposes.

As noted previously and reiterated in this correspondence, there is a need to build this roadway at this particular time. Earlier decisions by the County Board to support this project were correct. Despite opposition, which often accompanies any anticipated infrastructure improvement, a final vote in the affirmative to proceed would be the best decision for improving access and safety for the motoring public while protecting the interest of residents in the City of Beloit as well as the adjacent Township areas.

J. Russell Podzilni, Chair
September 6, 2012
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As always, if you have questions or if the City can be of any assistance with regard to this matter, do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,



Larry N. Arft
City Manager

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C: Rock County Board of Supervisors
 Craig Knutson, County Administrator
 Ben Coopman, Jr., County Director of Public Works
 C. Haynes, City Council President
 Beloit City Councilors
 Roger Anclam, Town of Turtle Board Chair
 Rob Pavlik, Town of Beloit Board Chair
 Brian Wilson, Town of Beloit Administrator
 Greg Britton, President, Beloit Health Systems
 Mike Flesch, Beloit City Engineer
 Kent Woller, Site Manager, County Materials Corp.
 Bob Kennedy, Rock Road Companies, Inc.

FILE# 8558

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CITY OF БЕЛОIT
CITY CLERK

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF
INMAN PARKWAY EXTENSION ALTERNATIVE
FOR THE CTH G CONNECTOR**

WHEREAS, this project will connect CTH G to CTH S and provides improved interstate access to the northeast side of the City, and;

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin would like to use the CTH G Connector and CTH G as an alternate route for I39/90 during and after the I39/90 reconstruction, and

WHEREAS, Rock County and the State of Wisconsin are the lead agencies for this project and the Rock County Board will be selecting a preferred route from three alternatives at a meeting in September and;

WHEREAS, the No Build alternative would use existing routes and would not remove traffic from local streets or improve interstate access and is not desirable to the City, and,

WHEREAS, Alternative 2 would improve Philhower Road and add a new connection to CTH S, re-directs traffic too far north from the Prairie Avenue Business Corridor to be beneficial to the City and is not desirable, and

WHEREAS, Alternatives 1A-1D (Inman Parkway Extension) closely follows the corridors officially mapped by the city in 1970(Prairie Ave to Creek Road) and 2004(Creek Road to Shopiere Road), and,


WHEREAS, Alternatives 1A – 1D provides the most direct linkage between CTH G and CTH S with apparent significant benefits to the City of Beloit's northeast business corridor, and,

WHEREAS, the existing intergovernmental agreement between Rock County and the City of Beloit for this connector project that has the city paying one third the local share of the improvement costs was based on an Inman Parkway Extension, and,

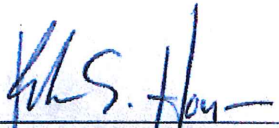
IT IS RESOLVED, that the City of Beloit's preferred alternative is 1A-1D Inman Parkway extension.

Dated at Beloit, Wisconsin this 20th day of August, 2012.

City Council of the City of Beloit


Charles M. Haynes, President

ATTEST:



Rebecca S. Houseman, City Clerk

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**CITY OF BELOIT
APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE
NOTICE AND AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, September 10, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
City Manager's Conference Room
4th Floor, City Hall**

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes – Regular meeting August 13, 2012
3. Review of City Council appointments August 20, 2012 (None)
4. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

1 resident (Tinder) – term to expire June 30, 2015
1 resident (Berkley) – term to expire June 30, 2015

Board of Appeals

1 resident, 1st Alternate (Bussan) – term to expire May 31, 2014
1 resident, 2nd Alternate (Gaul) – term to expire May 31, 2015

Board of Ethics

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

Board of Review

1 resident (Alternate) – term to expire December 31, 2014

Business Improvement District

1 Owner Occupant (Ohman) – term to expire December 31, 2014
1 Beloit College Representative (McKearn) – term to expire December 31, 2012
1 Property Owner (Schlicting) – term to expire December 31, 2014

Community Development Authority

1 resident (Smith) – term to expire December 31, 2015

Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

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 (Bosshart) – term to expire June 30, 2014

Municipal Golf Committee

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

Municipal Library Board

1 resident (Vavrus) – term to expire June 30, 2015
1 resident (Witkins) – term to expire June 30, 2015

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

- 1 youth (Patel) – term to expire September 30, 2012
- 1 resident (Christiansen) term to expire September 30, 2015
- 1 resident (Ferber) – term to expire September 30, 2015
- 1 resident (Mankiewicz) – term to expire September 30, 2015
- 1 School District Representative (Johnson) – for 2012-2013 school year

Traffic Review Committee

- 1 resident (Fryar) – term to expire September 30, 2013
- 1 resident (Dowd) – term to expire September 30, 2014
- 1 resident (Walsh) – term to expire September 30, 2014

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5. Member Participation
6. Citizen Participation
7. Adjournment

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**NOTICE & AGENDA
ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE**

Beloit City Hall - The Forum
100 State Street, Beloit, WI
September 11, 2012 - 4:00 p.m.

1. Roll call
2. Motion for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of July 10, 2012
3. Application for Change of Agent by Board of Trustees of Beloit College for Beloit College Coughy Haus, 708 Clary Street from Steve Bernini to John Winkelmann.
4. Application for Change of Agent by Pilot Travel Centers LLC, d/b/a Pilot Travel Center #289, 3001 Milwaukee Road from William Goodwin to Juanita Cardinal.
5. Application for Change of Agent by La Kebrada Restaurant Corp., d/b/a La Kebrada Restaurant, 2648 Prairie Avenue from Eduardo Cobos to Jaime Hernandez.
6. Application of Rollette Oil Co., Inc. to add "Class A" Liquor to an existing Class "A" Beer License for 1451 Madison Road, Paul R. Simon, Agent.
7. Citizen Comments
8. Committee Comments
9. Police Department Comments
10. Attorney Comments
11. Motion to Adjourn

September 5, 2012
Rebecca S. Houseman
City of Beloit City Clerk

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BELOIT BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

7:00 PM

The Forum
Beloit City Hall
100 State Street

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes of the May 22, 2012 and June 12, 2012 Meetings
3. Hendricks Commercial Properties - 416, 418, 422, 430, and 432 E. Grand Avenue
BOA-2012-06 Area Variance to Section 5-430(a)(1) of the City of Beloit Zoning Ordinance to waive the requirement that new buildings in the floodfringe (floodplain) be surrounded by fill that is at least one foot or more above the regional/base flood elevation extending at least fifteen feet beyond the structure for the properties located at 416, 418, 422, 430, and 432 E. Grand Avenue.
4. 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.***

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Notice Mailed: September 5, 2012

Approved: Drew Pennington, Director of Planning & Building Services



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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Community Development Authority
September 12, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
The Forum, Beloit City Hall
100 State Street**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Presentation of 2013 CDBG applications (applications will be handed out at the meeting)
3. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify Julie Christensen at 364-6703 **no later than 4:00 PM the Friday before the meeting.***

Notice Mailed: September 7, 2012

Approved: Julie Christensen
Executive Director

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PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2012
6:30PM
DPW OPERATIONS CENTER
2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: August 8, 2012
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) 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
- 5.) Old Business - None
 - a.) Consideration and approval for the Low Ropes Course installation at Big Hill Park as proposed by the Good to Great Activate program with the School District of Beloit.
- 6.) New Business – Action Report Item
 - a.) Consideration and approval of the proposed rules for the Dog Park.
 - b.) Consideration and approval of the proposed user fees for the Dog Park.
 - c.) Consideration and approval of naming the proposed Dog Park.
 - d.) Consideration and appointment of a new Chairperson for the Commission.
- 7.) Committee Members Comments
- 8.) Adjournment

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SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- * *Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or the Parks Administrative Secretary @ 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.*

Schedule of Events

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Friday

Angel Museum - 656 Pleasant St.

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Housed in a historic renovated Catholic Church built in 1914, is the World's largest Angel Museum. The pre-Renaissance architecture of the building is typical of churches in small Italian Villages and features the original stained glass windows, beams and lanterns. See over 12,000 angels from the Berg Angel Collection and angels donated by Oprah Winfrey.

Free Admission - visit museum Gift Shop.

Beloit College - 700 College St.

Friday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Museums open on Beloit College Campus

Logan Museum of Anthropology houses approximately 15,000 ethnographic and over 200,000 archaeological objects from 123 countries and more than 480 cultural groups.

Wright Art Museum - built in 1930, the museum is modeled after the Fogg at Harvard features a two-story central atrium with a large skylight and surrounding galleries. Today, the Wright Museum houses approximately 4,500 objects, mostly European and American prints and paintings, College portraits, 19th century historic architecture photos, Soviet political propaganda posters, and Asian decorative arts, icons, and woodblock prints.

Folk 'n' Blues Festival Free Outdoor Concerts -

On lawn of Pearson's Hall on Beloit College Campus.

7:30 pm Music begins

It's Fun, It's Funky and it's a sure sign students are back on the campus.

Bushnell Wheeler House - 542 Wheeler Ave. - So. Beloit

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

History comes alive in the restored 1850's, the Bushnell Wheeler House situated high on the scenic bluffs overlooking Beloit and South Beloit.

Friends of RiverFront - Riverside Park

6:00 pm Rotary River Center "Heritage Brick Ceremony"

7:00 - 9:00 pm

'Music & More' band "The Crown Vics"

Sponsor: Kerry Ingredients & Flavours.

Festival on the Rock - Preservation Park Hwy. 51 North

4:00 pm - Midnight

Three days of family fun, free admission, free parking. Other festivities include carnival rides, craft tents, bags tournament, food vendors and beer tent and more. Live music starts at 6pm.

Rock River Christian College - 1146 Grant St.

1:00 - 5:00 pm

The college will have hundreds of fossils from around the world on display. Collections include dinosaur eggs and teeth, fossil fish, woolly mammoth fossils, a fossil skull from a saber toothed kitten, and much more. Free fossils for all children ages 5-10 will be available while supplies last.

Saturday

Angel Museum - 656 Pleasant St.

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Beckman Mill - 11600 S. County Trunk H

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm regular tours

Beckman Mill is one of Wisconsin's only restored working grist mills. Built in 1868, the mill has been restored to its original state. The Beckman home has been restored to a museum. The rebuilt creamery serves as a gift shop, where fresh ground corn meal and other gifts may be purchased. The 50 acre park also features the rebuilt dam, a one-of-a-kind fish ladder, heritage garden, picnic shelter, native wildflower oak savanna and nature path.

Beloit Public Library - 605 Eclipse Blvd.

11:00 am - repeated at 1:00 pm

Beloit Public Library will feature Madison author Michael Edmonds presenting an illustrated talk on the Wisconsin origins of Paul Bunyan. His book, Out of the Northwoods: The Many Lives of Paul Bunyan, appeared in 2009 and won the American Folklore Society's award for the best book combining history and folklore. The talk, approximately 45 minutes in length, will be offered in the public meeting room.

Beloit College - 700 College St.

11:00 am only

Tour the Native American Indian Mounds. Meet at the Logan Museum. Tour will feature 20 conical, linear, and animal effigy mounds built between AD400 and 1200. One, in the form of a turtle, has inspired the symbol (and unofficial mascot) of the College.

Museums open on Beloit College Campus

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Logan Museum of Anthropology

Wright Art Museum

Folk 'n' Blues Festival Free Outdoor Concerts

7:30pm Music begins

On lawn of Pearson's Hall on campus

Schedule of Events

1:00 am - 4:00 pm

Grand opening Native American Village, music, reenactors in 19th century dress, Whitman Post Archeology.

On a forested bluff overlooking the Rock and Pecatonica Rivers in Rockton, are the remnants of Winnebago County's earliest settlement. It was founded in the mid-1830's by Stephen Andrew Mack, Jr., and his wife, Hononegah. Macktown, then known as Pekatonic, represents a time and place of change on the Illinois frontier when the fur trade collided with a progressive world.

Paddle and Trail - 110 W. Grand

1:00 pm

Fur Traders River Run Trip. Starts at Paddle and Trail; ends at MackTown Forrest Preserve. Paddle along the Rock River water trail of the early fur trader's to the historic Macktown Settlement where French Fur Trader Stephen Mack's trading post still stands. This stretch of river is very wooded, scenic and quiet with frequent sightings of eagles. Re-enactors in 19th century dress will be at the Whitman Trading Post. Call Paddle and Trail for trip costs and reservations at 608-362-6521.

Rock River Christian College - 1146 Grant St.

1:00 - 4:00pm

Fossil Collection tours.

Sunday

Beckman Mill - 11600 S. County Trunk H

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mill Tours - see grinding of corn and historic trade demonstrations ie: blacksmith, broom maker, basket weaving, wool spinning, Museum/Cooperage open with coopering demonstrations, Horse-drawn wagon rides, Vintage & antique cars and some tractors. Gift shop in creamery open - food and beverages - music by the Mill Road Band.

Beloit Historical Society - 845 Hackett St.

Noon - 4pm

Immerse yourself in Beloit area history through changing exhibits at the Solemm Museum. Gary Hess will speak on Cooperage at Historical Society at 2:00pm.

Hanchett-Bartlett Homestead - 2049 St. Lawrence

Noon - 4:00 pm

Bushnell Wheeler House - 542 Wheeler Ave., So. Beloit, IL
10am - 2pm

Beloit Historical Society - 845 Hackett St.

Saturday & Sunday noon-4pm.

Noon - 4:00 pm

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Bushnell Wheeler House - 542 Wheeler Ave.

So. Beloit, IL

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

City of Beloit—Bridge/Park Dedication

Henry Ave. east side of Rock River at the bridge

10:00 am

The first "Triple" ribbon cutting in the modern history of the city will dedicate the improvements to the north end of Riverside Park, unveil a Plaque renaming the bridge in honor of Ken Hendricks for his many contributions to Beloit, and finally cutting a ribbon to reopen the newly reconstructed Ken Hendricks Memorial Bridge. Veterans will also re-dedicate a veterans commemorative stone relocated as part of the park project.

Downtown Beloit Farmer's Market - State & Grand

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Shop the award-winning community tradition spanning over 30 years in the open-air Farmers Market. Featuring over 80 vendors weekly vendors sell local produce, organics, baked goods, honey, jams & jellies, herbs, bedding plants, fish, meat, eggs & cheese, fresh flowers, artisan crafts, scents & skin care.

Festival on the Rock -

Preservation Park - Hwy. 51 North

9:00 am - Midnight

Softball tournament (9am-8pm), carnival, live music from three bands, free boat rides(1-4pm), beer tent, craft vendors, variety of food from local vendors, and a teen tent with a DJ and fireworks.

Patch Products Toy Sale

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Patch Products will offer over 200 toys, games, puzzles and educational aids at wholesale prices during their toy and game tent sale.

Hanchett-Bartlett Homestead - 2049 St. Lawrence

Noon - 4:00 pm

Step back in time and experience life in the mid-1800's at this artfully restored 1857 Victorian homestead, barn and 1873 one-room school house.

MackTown Living History Education Center

2221 Freeport Rd. - Rockton

Schedule of Events

Sunday

DAR Rasey House - 517 Prospect

2:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tour this cobblestone house built in 1850 and occupied by the first president of Beloit College. The house is a Wisconsin Landmark and is one of the finest remaining examples of cobblestone architecture in Beloit and the State of Wisconsin. It is owned and maintained by the Beloit Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Festival on the Rock - Preservation Park Hwy. 51 North

9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Cardboard Boat Regatta! Build your own cardboard boat and race down the Rock River (race 1pm-3pm). Enjoy live music from two bands, softball tournament (9am-6pm), food from a variety of vendors, cart racing (12pm-3pm), craft vendors, beer tent and the carnival.

MackTown Living History Education Center

2221 Freeport Rd. - Rockton

1:00 am - 4:00 pm

Grand opening Native American Village, music, reinactors, Whitman Post Archeology.

Oakwood Cemetery Tours - Cemetery Office, 1221 Clary St.

10:00 am and 2:00 pm

Meet at the old cemetery office for a guided tour of Beloit's oldest cemetery. Hear the unique stories of Beloit's earliest residents.

Tours given by Beloit Historian, Bill Bolgrien.

Paddle and Trail - 110 W. Grand

1:00 pm

Fur Traders River Run Trip. Starts at Paddle and Trail; ends at MackTown. Re-enactors in 19th century dress will be at the Whitman Trading Post. Call Paddle and Trail for trip costs and reservations at 608-362-6521.

Welty Environmental Center - 8606 S. County Hwy H

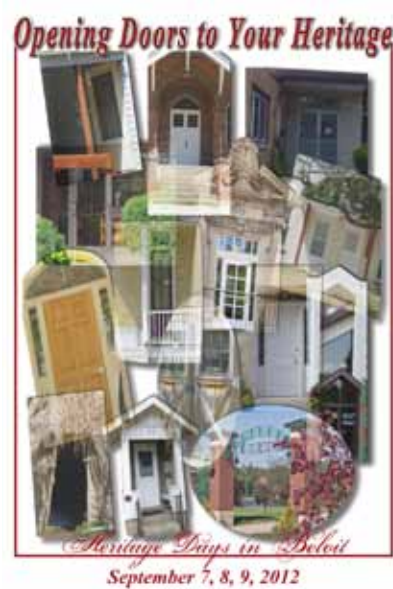
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

South end of Beckman Mill County Park "Wisconsin's Natural Heritage" Celebrate history and nature together at the Welty Environmental Center. Important naturalists from the Badger State will be spotlighted, like John Muir, Gaylord Nelson, also Leopold, and the center's namesakes, Carl and Susan Welty. Enjoy guided hikes through the Oak Savana Restoration and Wetland Boardwalk in the park. Even learn about Wisconsin's Native American Heritage.

Westside Historical Bike Tour/Self Guided

Noon - 4:00 pm

The tour will begin at Paddle and Trail, 110 W. Grand.



2012 HERITAGE DAYS WEEKEND "OPENING DOORS TO YOUR HERITAGE" PHOTO CONTEST APPLICATION

Entrant's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

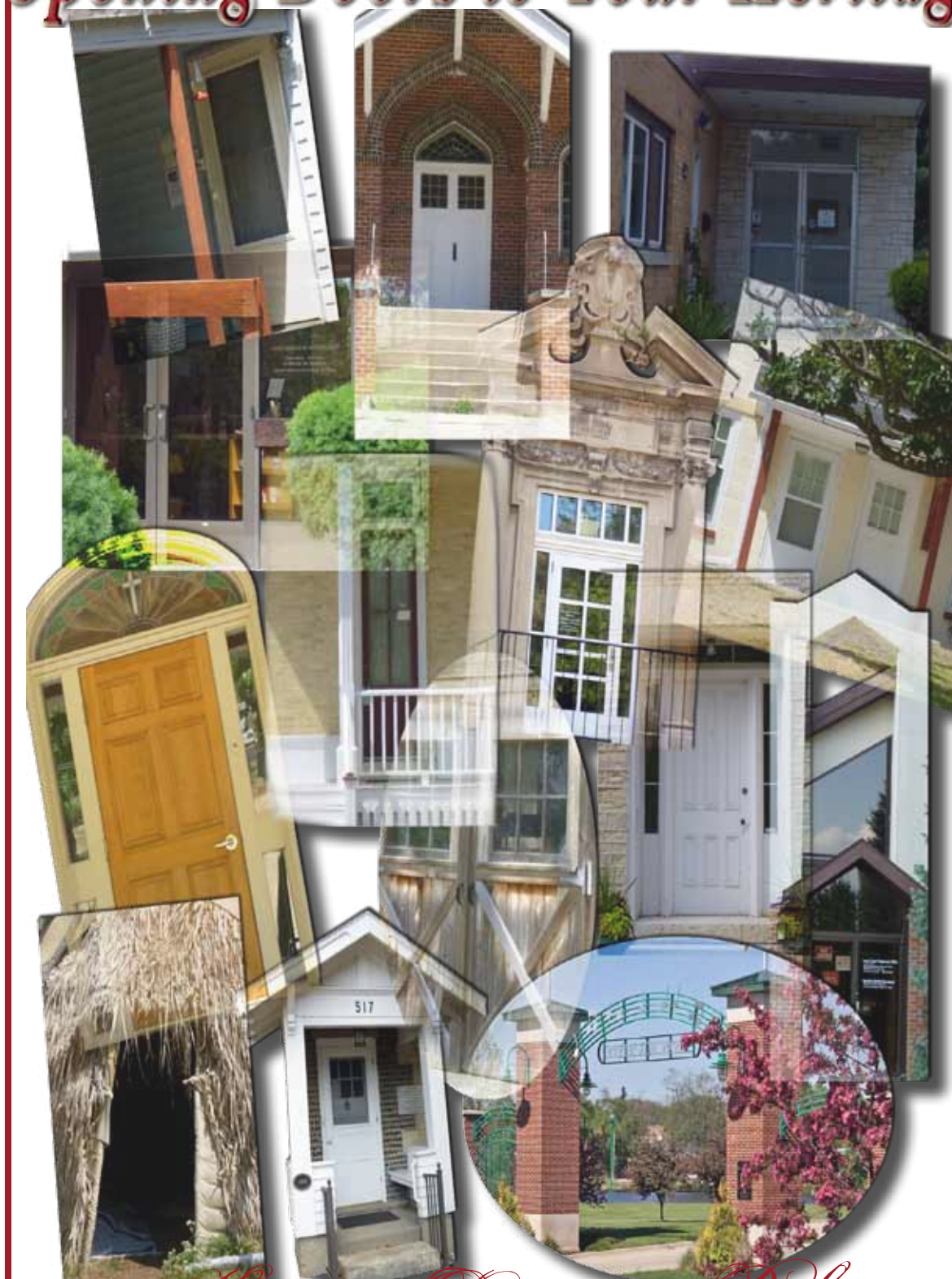
Number of photos/files submitted: _____

Description of photo/file submitted: _____

I have read and understand the photo contest rules:

Signature: _____

Opening Doors to Your Heritage



Heritage Days in Beloit

September 7, 8, 9, 2012

Beloit

Submit to: Visit Beloit
500 Public Ave., Beloit, WI 53511
email: ruth@visitbeloit.com

2012 HERITAGE DAYS WEEKEND “OPENING DOORS TO YOUR HERITAGE” PHOTO CONTEST RULES

ELIGIBILITY:

Participation in the Heritage Days Photo Contest constitutes full and unconditional agreement to, and acceptance of, these Official Rules. The photo contest, owned and operated by Visit Beloit, is open to the Greater Beloit Community members who are attending Heritage Days weekend in Beloit from September 7-9, 2012 and are: (a). eighteen (18) years of age or older; and (b). the parent or legal guardian (or a grandparent with consent from the parent or legal guardian) of a child that is under 18 years of age at the time of entering.

OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES:

1. Entries must register either online, by postal mail or in person.
2. Photograph(s) must be taken at one or more of the 2012 Heritage Days events. i.e. you are/or your family enjoying event or activities at event.
3. Up to six (6) valid photos may be submitted.
4. Beloit's Heritage Days committee will vote on best photos, capturing the spirit of Heritage Days – “Opening Doors to Your Heritage” weekend.
5. By registering for the photo contest, entrants and/or photographers agree to give up all photo copyrights to Visit Beloit for use in any and all promotional materials as deemed necessary by Visit Beloit and at no cost to Visit Beloit or Heritage Days Committee.
6. Entries will be accepted through September 17, 2012.
7. Any improperly submitted registrations will be VOID. Submitted photographs may not be digitally, or otherwise altered. Any photograph found to be altered will be disqualified.
8. Entrant must be the owner of the photograph, or otherwise have the right to submit photograph for consideration in photo contest.
9. Entrants waive any and all rights to photographs giving Visit Beloit the copyrights to publish same in any medium without compensating entrants.

SPECIAL TERMS:

Visit Beloit reserves the rights, at its sole discretion, to reject any photographs. Inappropriate, indecent or obscene photographs submitted will be destroyed. Visit Beloit is not a publisher of the photographs; it is merely providing a forum for the display of these photographs, therefore, Visit Beloit expressly disclaims any and all liability associated with the use of photographs. Photographs or electronic files submitted will NOT be returned.

HOW TO ENTER:

1. ON-LINE: Go to www.visitbeloit.com need exact link to complete registration form. Provide all requested information in the required fields contained in the entry form, submit the entry form, and upload up to six (6) photographs. Files should be in high resolution format.
2. POSTAL MAIL: To enter by postal mail, send: (a) your full name, full postal address, phone number, email address (if applicable), (b) mail to Visit Beloit, 500 Public Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511.
3. PERSONAL DELIVERY: Photos and/or electronic files may also be brought to Visit Beloit office at 500 Public Ave.

SELECTION OF WINNER:

Winner of the photo contest will be the entrant and/or photographer who submits photograph.

Photos may be approved or rejected based on suitability (for example, they must be taken during Beloit's Heritage Days weekend 2012) for the photo contest at Visit Beloit's sole discretion. Only photos approved will be deemed eligible to win the photo contest.

The winner will be notified by phone, email and/or postal mail.

Winner will be determined and contacted by September 25 by email or phone.

PRIZE DESCRIPTION:

The winner will receive a gift basket valued at over \$100 from Visit Beloit. Winning photos may appear on the home page of the Visit Beloit Website, where potentially thousands of viewers may see the photograph.





DEDICATION CEREMONIES

VETERANS PLAQUE REDEDICATION

NORTH RIVERSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

HENRY AVENUE BRIDGE RENAMING TO RECOGNIZE KEN HENDRICKS

RIBBON CUTTING TO OPEN THE KEN HENDRICKS MEMORIAL BRIDGE



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You are cordially invited to attend the ceremony and ribbon cutting in recognition of and to commemorate completion of the above listed civic improvements.

Saturday, September 8, 2012

10:00 a.m.

The event will be held on Henry Avenue ,
at the east end of the bridge in Beloit.

*Please RSVP to Pam at 364-6614 or lathropp@ci.beloit.wi.us
by Tuesday, September 4, 2012*