



# THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

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## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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### **DEDICATION AND RIBBON CUTTING FOR NORTH RIVERSIDE PARK AND THE RENAMED KEN HENDRICKS MEMORIAL BRIDGE—NEXT SATURDAY**

While a lot of work remains on both the north end of Riverside Park and on the reconstructed bridge, both contractors have assured the City that they have all of the remaining items scheduled and that the construction will be complete next week, in time for the ribbon cutting and dedication ceremonies. Meanwhile, planning continues for the event, scheduled for **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**

Next **Wednesday, September 5, 2012 between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.** the **Beloit Housing Authority will host an open house at the Parker Bluff Public Housing Development located at 220 Portland Avenue.** Parking is available on adjacent streets and in the underground parking lot. Residents are encouraged to attend and refreshments will be served.

Residents are aware that the City recently embarked upon a two-year process of remodeling and reconstructing all 131 public housing units in the City's inventory. The process was completely funded using Federal low income tax credits and various Federal housing grants. All but nine of the original 131 units received a substantial interior and exterior remodeling,

including receiving new facades and a substantial energy efficiency upgrade. The final stage of the process was the cluster of senior housing located at Portland and Fifth Street. The old buildings at that location did not lend themselves to the remodeling initiative and were replaced with a new single structure that will house low income senior residents. Nine new townhomes were constructed and dedicated earlier, along the Fifth Street side of the project to replace the nine scattered site single family homes that will ultimately be sold and removed from the public housing inventory.

## **INMAN PARKWAY EXTENSION**

We had a large crowd in attendance and a lively discussion at Aldrich Middle School this past Monday, regarding various alignment alternatives for the proposed Inman Parkway Extension. Much of the opposition to the project centered around two general themes. First, people were concerned by the possibility that any changed roadway alignment might redirect traffic in front of their homes. Actually, people will be impacted in different ways from all three options; however, the most significant impact on residential neighborhoods would be felt if the "no build" option was selected, which would continue to move heavy truck traffic down Prairie Avenue and across Cranston Road to access the Interstate highway. In addition to the City residents adversely impacted by that use, Town of Turtle residents living along Murphy Woods Road would continue to receive heavy cut through traffic as people use that older road to move between Prairie Avenue and Shopiere Road.

The recent opening of County Materials Corp., located north of the City along with the anticipated truck traffic that will be needed to support the Interstate highway construction, points to a significant increase in heavy truck traffic through the City's residential neighborhoods if the Inman Parkway extension is not built. That was the reason the City Council unanimously approved a resolution at their last meeting supporting the original design alignment to construct the Inman Parkway extension from Prairie Avenue to Shopiere Road. Also, much of the truck traffic moving to and from the City's commercial area on north Prairie Avenue and the Town of Beloit's Business Park will be able to use this linkage, rather than driving through the City's residential neighborhoods.

The second objection that was most often articulated was that the City was using this project as a subterfuge to annex more land located in the Town of Turtle. This fear persists, even though there is a Boundary Agreement in place between the Town and the City of Beloit that prohibits annexing additional land in the area of the Inman Parkway extension for at least nine more years into the future. Further, the road is being built by Rock County as a County lettered route, with a rural roadway design. No utilities (water or sewer) will be installed along the roadway and design engineers have recommended allowing minimal access by restricting possible driveway access onto the road, which would further limit development.

The City has prepared a letter to all of the County Board members further articulating why this new linkage is important and why the original alignment as proposed and previously approved on several occasions by the County Board should, in fact, be confirmed so that construction can begin on this project at the earliest possible date (currently scheduled for 2014).

We would certainly encourage residents that are concerned about this project to contact their County Board Supervisor to express their opinion.

## **I-39/90 WIDENING**

A large crowd of public officials attended the 3:00 p.m. briefing on August 28 at the Town of Turtle Hall, followed by a good turnout from the general public and the business community at the 5:00 session. There was a great deal of information provided about the entire south segment portion of the Interstate reconstruction. Of most interest, and certainly probably of most significance to the City of Beloit were the three design alternatives presented regarding the Interstate 43 interchange reconstruction. Obviously, this is one of the oldest interchanges in the system and the Federal Highway Administration no longer builds the tight clover-leaf style that was originally used for this location. Also, contemporary design criteria do not allow for the transition of an Interstate highway onto an arterial road without an intervening ramp structure. Consequently, all three of the options shown on Monday evening represented a complete redesign of the current interchange. Two of the three options incorporated a design feature requested by the City, which would result in the extension of Milwaukee Road

through the new interchange and continuing east to Gateway Blvd. This new four-lane arterial would then, of course, intersect the Interstate at the Hart Road interchange. This linkage would allow the City to tie the east and west sides of the community together and would provide direct access into the Gateway Area Business Park. The opposite would also be true as business park traffic would then have direct linkage into the commercial area where restaurants and hotels support those business operations. Two alternative alignments were reviewed and are currently receiving comments following the presentation. The City Engineering staff will continue working with the Department of Transportation and the design consultant, analyzing the potential impacts of both of these alternatives. We are also updating traffic counts on the Interchange to better understand traffic volumes coming from all three Interstate directions and how that traffic moves in and out of the City of Beloit. The City anticipates a follow-up public session with all stakeholders invited, probably in late October, once we have had an opportunity to move through the next phase of the design process. The final decision on the alignment will probably not be made until mid-2013, so ample time remains for comment and input into the design process.

### **BUDGET PREPARATION UPDATE**

Once again, work continued this week on the proposed 2013 budget. Capital budget proposals have all been concluded and on Thursday afternoon the budget preparation committee met to review final projections related to the operating budget. As was anticipated, changes the City made last year, including significant reduction in force to reduce expenditures to the point where they matched available revenues, proved significant in balancing this year's proposed budget. We do have the document in balance with a moderate use of fund balance consistent with prior fiscal years. A great deal of work remains to finalize all of the narrative sections and summary pages that are required to complete the entire proposal. Work on the Manager's Transmittal Letter alone requires a considerable additional effort. The budget is scheduled for presentation to the City Council **at the regular City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, October 1, 2012 beginning at 7:00 p.m.** The budget will be posted to the City's website for elected officials and interested parties can begin their review of the document on the preceding Wednesday, September 26, 2012, by 5:00 p.m.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GBEDC, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, BELOIT COLLEGE AND THE BELOIT SCHOOL DISTRICT ON ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EDUCATION SUMMIT**

I had the pleasure of participating in the 6th Annual Education Summit this past week. We want to thank the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Beloit College and School District of Beloit who were the organizers of the event. Once again, we had very interesting and relevant guest speakers offering suggestions, along with a panel of experts from both the business and the non-profit community talking about community service and how students and businesses can strive toward becoming more engaged citizens. Our congratulations to all of the event sponsors for another job very well done.

### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Beloit City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 3 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. You will note that the City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 4, 2012.

Trash, recycling and yard waste collection will be delayed one day beginning Monday, September 3, 2012 through Saturday, September 8, 2012 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

The Recycling Drop-Off Center located at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed on Saturday, September 8, 2012 to accommodate equipment and staffing needs for Saturday trash and recycling collection.

The Beloit Public Library will be closed for Labor Day. The outside book drop on the south side of the building is open 24 hours a day. To renew library materials, please call Telerenew at 758-6614 or go online to "My Account" using your library card and password.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012**

The City Council will hold a workshop at 6:30 p.m. in the Fourth Floor City Manager's Conference Room on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 for the purpose of reviewing the Council agenda.

The attached agenda is for the **Tuesday, September 4, 2012** regular City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum.

**3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Proclamation recognizing Bridget Witt's participation in Team USA's Duathlon Program.
- b. Proclamation supporting participation in **Library Card Sign Up Month** which is being held throughout the month of September.

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Public Hearing on various amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the Property Maintenance Code to allow for the **Keeping of Chickens** within the City's residential neighborhoods. The ordinance has been the subject of substantial discussion and deliberation, including substantial staff research into the impact that the ordinance has had on other cities, particularly the neighboring city of Madison. An extensive staff report has been prepared and is included along with the packet of materials to be presented to Council during this meeting. Advocates for the proposal have also prepared a substantial report and that document is included in the packet, as well. Interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing. The Plan Commission recommended denial of the proposed ordinance by a vote of 4-1. The matter is on Council's agenda for a first reading following the public hearing.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the special and regular meetings of August 20, 2012.
- b. Application for an **Exception to the Architectural Review and Landscape Code** for property located at 615 Broad Street. This is an older property in the City Center and both the configuration of the site, as well as the size of this property appear to preclude full compliance with the City's current site and landscape code requirements. The matter is being referred to the Plan Commission for their review and recommendation.
- c. Resolution authorizing **Final Payment** of Public Works Contract C12-10 for Mudjacking. This is a process used in filling voids under concrete streets. The work has been successfully completed and the contract is ready for closure.
- d. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City of Beloit and Beloit Township to host a Joint Electronics Recycling Campaign. This is a regular annual event and an on-going shared service between the City and the two neighboring township governments.
- e. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City of Beloit and Turtle Township to host a Joint Electronics Recycling Campaign. Once again, this is a renewal of a longstanding inter-jurisdictional collaboration between the City and the Town to host this recycling event.
- f. Resolution authorizing a supplemental appropriation for the acquisition of 232 Shirland Avenue. Council approved a resolution at the last meeting authorizing the purchase of this property for demolition. Councilors will recall that this item was a late addition to our efforts to maximize the positive impact of available TID #5 resources prior to the close of the expenditure period, which will occur in late September of this year. Consequently, the item was not included in last year's original budget and the supplemental appropriation must be approved for the project. As you will note, we have estimated the cost of demolition slightly on the high side to make sure the appropriation is adequate. Written proposals will be gathered for this work to make sure we have the best available competitive price.

**7. ORDINANCES**

- a. Proposed Ordinance amending the City of Beloit **Comprehensive Plan** for 220 and 250 Garden Lane. This is the former County court house property that has been acquired by a private party and has been undergoing some extensive renovation and a repurposing of uses. In order to facilitate this process, rezoning is required, which necessitates a Comprehensive Plan amendment. This item was the subject of a Public Hearing at the last City Council meeting, following a positive Plan Commission recommendation for approval. Council has approved the first reading and this matter is up for second reading and adoption on this agenda.

**8. APPOINTMENTS**

There are no appointments at this time.

**CITY MEETING CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 3 - 7, 2012**

Monday, Sept. 3	All Day	City Hall and Library Closed for the Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday, Sept. 4	4:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Police and Fire Commission</a> , Visit Beloit, 500 Public Ave.
Tuesday, Sept. 4	6:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Agenda Review</a> , City Manager's Conf. Room (All Councilors)
Tuesday, Sept. 4	7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">City Council Meeting</a> , Forum (All Councilors)
Wednesday, Sept. 5	7:30 a.m.	Rock County Breakfast Meeting (C. Haynes and M. Spreitzer)
Wednesday, Sept. 5	7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Plan Commission</a> , Forum (C. Kincaid)

**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 [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.

Friday, Aug. 31	7:00 p.m.	<b>Music and More.</b> Harry Moore Pavilion at Riverside Park. Free concert, food available for purchase. "Welcome to Our Town" a collaboration between Beloit college alumni and Friends of RiverFront to invite the Beloit College students to the park for meet and greet and a blues concert with "The Jimmys."
Sept. 7—9		<b>Heritage Days.</b> Please see <a href="#">attached</a> for more information.
Friday, Sept. 7	7:00 p.m.	<b>Music and More.</b> 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.	<b>Dedication Ceremonies</b> at the Henry Avenue Bridge. Please see <a href="#">attached</a> invitation for further details.



## PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a **Workshop** on Tuesday, September 4, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

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Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: August 29, 2012  
Rebecca S. Houseman  
City Clerk  
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**AGENDA  
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL  
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511  
City Hall Forum – 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 4, 2012**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Proclamation recognizing Bridget Witt's participation in Team USA's Duathlon Program and proclaiming September 23, 2012 as **Bridget Witt Day** (Haynes)
  - b. Proclamation supporting participation in **Library Card Sign Up Month** for September, 2012 (Howe)
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
  - a. Public Hearing and Proposed Ordinance to amend section 7.243 (3) and to create section 7.244 of the Property Maintenance Code, Chapter 7 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit and to amend sections 6.2.8 and 6.3.3 (b) (1) and table 6.1-1 and to create section 8.300 (m) (5) of the Zoning Code, Chapter 19 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit relating to the **Keeping of Chickens** (Christensen) First Reading  
Plan Commission recommendation for denial 4-1
5. CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION
6. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda.

  - a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the Special and Regular Meetings of August 20, 2012 (Houseman)
  - b. Application for an **Exception to the Architectural Review and Landscape Code** for the property located at 615 Broad Street (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
  - c. Resolution authorizing **Final Payment** of Public Works Contract C12-10 Mudjacking (Flesch)
  - d. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City of Beloit and Beloit Township to host a Joint Electronics Recycling Campaign (Arft)
  - e. Resolution approving an **Intergovernmental Agreement** between the City of Beloit and Turtle Township to host a Joint Electronics Recycling Campaign (Arft)

- f. Resolution amending the **2012 Capital Improvements Budget** to Revise for the Acquisition of 232 Shirland Avenue (York)

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance amending the City of Beloit **Comprehensive Plan** for 220 and 250 Garden Lane (Christensen) Second reading  
Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0

8. APPOINTMENTS – none

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**  
**Beloit City Plan Commission**  
**Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 7:00 PM**  
**The Forum, Beloit City Hall**  
**100 State Street, Beloit**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the August 22, 2012 Meeting**
3. **Landscape Ordinance Exception – 615 Club – 615 Broad Street**  
Public hearing, review and consideration of an Exception to Sections 34.21(2)(b), 34.21(2)(c), and 34.21(2)(e) of the Architectural Review and Landscape Code to waive the open green space, landscape strip, and interior planting islands landscaping requirements for the property located at 615 Broad Street
4. **Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items**
5. **Adjournment** [Return to page 5](#)

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Gail Riddle in the Planning Office at 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.**

Notice Mailed: August 30, 2012

Approved: Julie Christensen, Community  
Development Director

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**Police and Fire Commission  
Meeting Notice and Agenda  
Tuesday, September 4, 2012 @ 4:00 PM  
Visit Beloit  
500 Public Avenue  
Beloit WI 53511**

The monthly meeting of the Police and Fire Commission is scheduled. **If you are unable to attend, please notify Joe Simpson at 364-6685.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and roll call
2. Approval of April 23, 2012 meeting minutes
3. Reports
  - A. Police Department
    - \* Update Patrol Officer hiring
  - B. Fire Department
4. Citizen Participation
5. Commissioner Comments
6. Action/Discussion Items
  - a. Annual election of officers: President, VP & Secretary
  - b. Commission will adjourn to closed session in accordance with WI State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss patrol officer consideration of employment.
7. Commission reconvene to Open Session.
8. Possible vote to approve appointment of temporary Patrol Officer hire(s).
9. Adjourn.

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## 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**

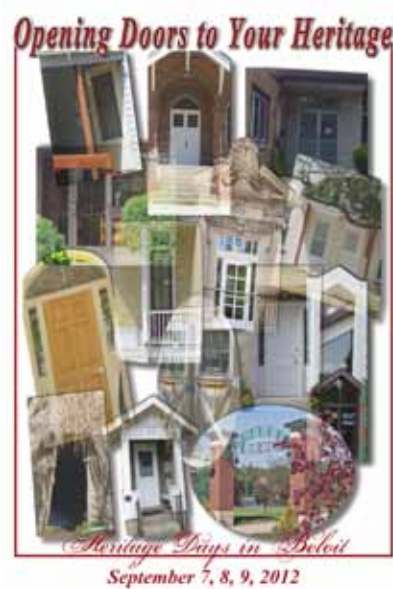
**11:00 am - 4:00 pm**

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: \_\_\_\_\_

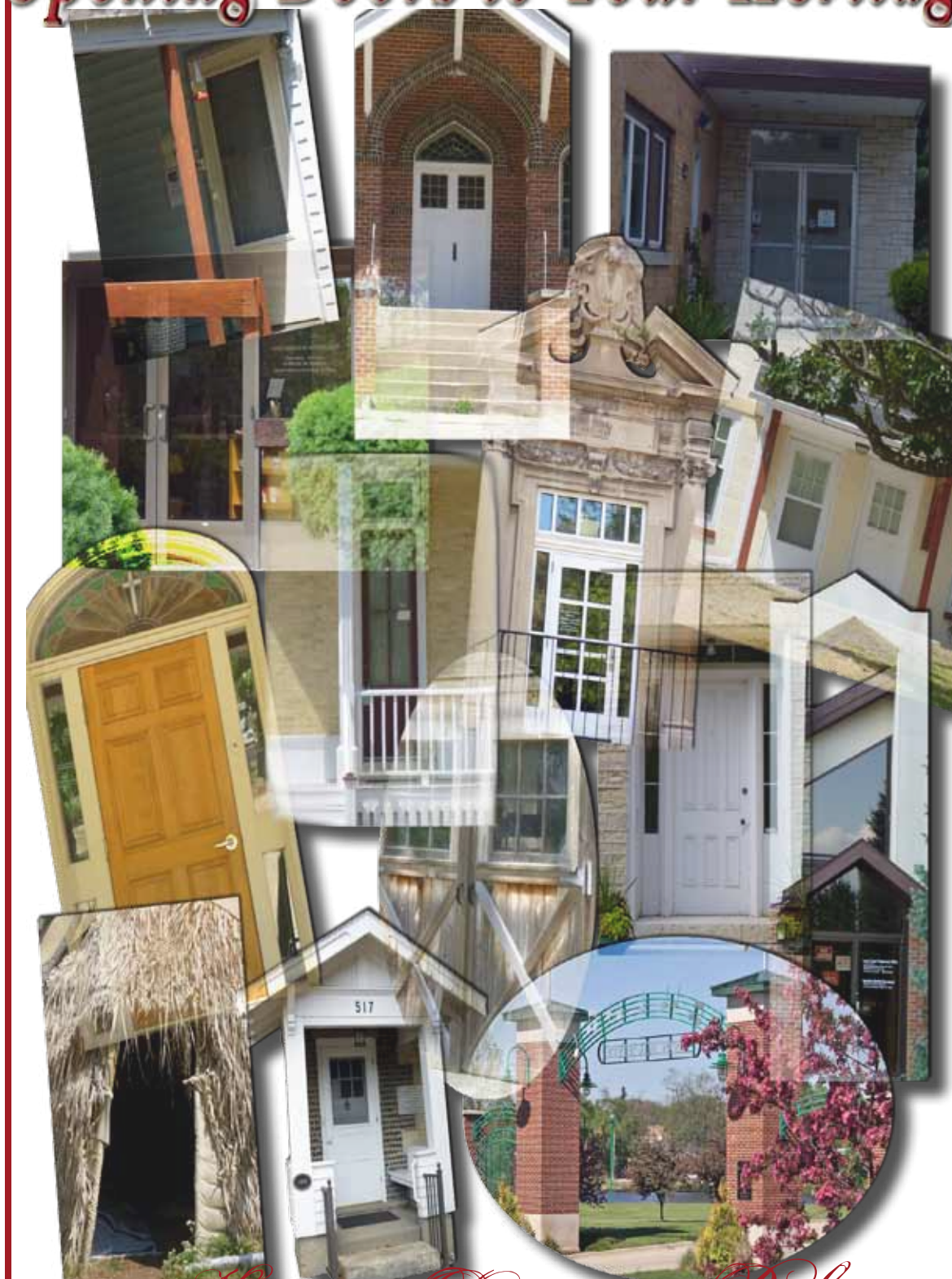
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I have read and understand the photo contest rules:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# Opening Doors to Your Heritage



*Heritage Days in Beloit*

**September 7, 8, 9, 2012**

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**Beloit**

Submit to: Visit Beloit  
500 Public Ave., Beloit, WI 53511  
email: [ruth@visitbeloit.com](mailto:ruth@visitbeloit.com)



## Schedule of Events

### 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 Pekantonic, 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**

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**10am - 2pm**

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**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

# 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](http://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.

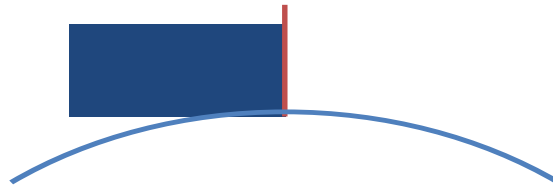
The winner will be notified by phone, email and/or postal mail.

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.





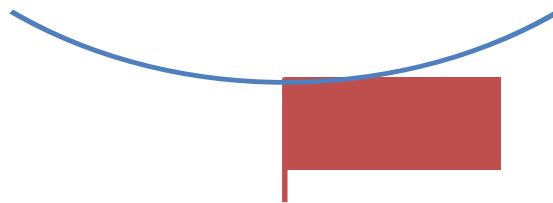
## **DEDICATION CEREMONIES**

**VETERANS PLAQUE REDEDICATION**

**NORTH RIVERSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

**HENRY AVENUE BRIDGE RENAMING TO RECOGNIZE KEN HENDRICKS**

**RIBBON CUTTING TO OPEN THE KEN HENDRICKS MEMORIAL BRIDGE**



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](mailto:lathropp@ci.beloit.wi.us)  
by Tuesday, September 4, 2012*

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