



THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

This year, the Police Department, Fire Department and the Greater Beloit Area Crime Stoppers organization will celebrate our 30th Annual National Night Out. This year's events are scheduled for Tuesday, August 6 from 5:30—8:30 p.m. As always, there will be block parties, picnics and cookouts in various neighborhoods, churches and schools located throughout the Greater Beloit community. If you have held a neighborhood get-together in the past, we encourage you to participate again this year. If not, please consider coordinating a neighborhood cookout to be a part of this year's exciting National Night Out activities. As we do every year, the City Manager and various City Councilors will join the Police Chief, Fire Chief and other officials to travel throughout the community to visit as many neighborhood outings as possible.

BUDGET PREPARATION

The City's administrative budget review committee met virtually all week with various Department and Division Directors, doing a line item analysis of every budget submittal. While the State did not cut Municipal revenues as they did in the last two State budget cycles, there was also no additional revenue made available to municipalities in 2014. Although the initial budget submittals are closer to balance than experienced in prior years, we still need to make a number of budget reductions to try to fit our current expenditure needs into a revenue structure that has been either flat or decreasing for the past several budget cycles. Good progress was made this week and many of the special revenue and utility funds were either balanced or we concluded our session with a specific outline of how the Division Directors, working with our budget preparation staff, could complete that work over the next few weeks. The committee will continue its work, hoping to get a preliminary balance on the proposed budget, certainly by the middle of August.

As always, a great deal of work remains following the balancing process to get all of the budget documents, including the lengthy transmittal letter, prepared and ready for submittal. The proposed budget will go to Council to begin the formal review process at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on Monday, October 7, 2013.

DOWNTOWN БЕЛОIT ASSOCIATION "CELEBRATE WEEKEND" AUGUST 2ND AND 3RD

The Downtown Beloit Association will sponsor their 20th "Celebrate Weekend" and Street Dance next weekend, Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3, 2013. The street dance will be held on Friday evening with sidewalk sales on Friday and Saturday. Obviously, Beloit's Farmer's Market will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Retailers and our wonderful restaurants will all be participating. Make sure you come downtown and join in on the fun for the 20th Celebrate Weekend. Please see [attached](#) for more information.

URBAN ALLIANCE MEETING IN LA CROSSE

The City Manager traveled to La Crosse on Friday to participate in the Urban Alliance meeting, which begins at noon and runs through most of the afternoon hours. The Manager returned to the City on Friday evening following the meeting.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— JULY 29—AUGUST 2, 2013

There are no meetings scheduled this week.

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.

Beloit Snappers season is underway! Please click [\[here\]](#) to view their website for game schedules, special promotions, and more.

Beloit Farmers Market every Saturday through October, 300 block of State Street, 400 block of East Grand Ave. and the Gantry Area. Produce, jams, honey, baked goods, fish, meet, flowers and more!

Fridays in the Park free Summer concert series every Friday through the end of August. Gantry Park in downtown Beloit, 11:30—1:30 p.m. Lunch available for purchase, \$6.

Friday, July 26	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Music and More at Harry's Place , Riverside Park, Beloit. "Knee Deep," mix of Blues, Funk Reggae, and Zydeco.
Friday, Aug. 2	5:00—8:00 p.m.	First Friday Reception —Pastels by Jordan Kammer, at Beloit Fine Arts Incubator, 520 E. Grand Ave.
Friday, Aug. 2	8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m.	Sidewalk Sale , Downtown Beloit Fridays in the Park Concert Series, featuring "Brother K" and lunch by Otha's Ribs (\$6), Downtown Beloit Street Dance , \$5 admission. At 5:30 p.m., "Reverend Raven & The Chain Smokin' Altar Boys" will play the Blues. At 8:00 p.m., "The Eddie Butts Band" will take the stage to play funk and R & B.
Saturday, Aug. 3	8:00—1:00 p.m.	Farmers Market and Sidewalk Sale in Downtown Beloit
Tuesday, Aug. 6	5:30-8:30 p.m.	National Night Out

Downtown Beloit
August 2nd & 3rd, 2013

Shop downtown by day...stay
all night and grab your
dancing shoes!

20th Celebrate Weekend

~and~
Street Dance
with The Eddie Butts Band

Shop~Eat~Dance~Play~
Live Music~Friends~
Unique Finds~Fun



Fri Aug. 2nd
Morning / Afternoon

Sidewalk Sale
8 am - 2 pm
local shops, artisans, great
finds and vendors

Fridays in the Park
Concert Series
11:30 am - 1:30 pm
featuring **Brother K** and
lunch by **Otha's Ribs** - \$6

Fri Aug 2nd
Evening
Street Dance
Gates open at 5:30 pm
\$5 admission

5:30 - 7:30 pm
**Reverend Raven & The
Chain Smokin' Altar Boys**
playing the Blues!

8 pm - 11 pm
~Headliner~
The Eddie Butts Band
playing sizzling funk & R&B!

Many food vendors will be on site!

Sat. Aug 3rd
Kids activities will be onsite!

Farmers' Market
8 am - 1 pm

Sidewalk Sale
8 am - 1 pm

Downtown shops spill out into the streets with great finds, artisans and
farmers' market vendors for the best shopping of the season!

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