

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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from the Office of  
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### CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

Happy Spring!

- Conferenced with Council President Regina Dunkin.
- Met with Councilor Preuschl.
- Participated in the Stand Against Racism event with Council President Regina Dunkin, Vice President Clinton Anderson, Councilor Beth Jacobsen and Councilor Mark Preuschl at Harry Moore Pavilion.
- Conducted interviews for the RFP respondents to redevelop St. Paul's on the Riverfront. We are not yet prepared to make an announcement on what proposal may be recommended. Stay tuned!
- Held one-on-one meetings with staff.
- Participated with Council President Regina Dunkin at the annual Arbor Day event, held this year at McNeel Intermediate School.
- Providing an introduction to the Roy Chapman Andrews Distinguished Explorer Award Ceremony, which will be held at Beloit College.
- Looking forward to attending a soft opening for the G5 Brewing Company, a unique addition to Beloit's food and entertainment venues.

### PUBLIC RECEPTION - BELOIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Please join us at Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. on **Saturday, April 27th** as we accept a donation of artwork from Wisconsin artist Tom Portz and kick off a six-month exhibition of his work in the library. A reception will be held from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. with a short program at 12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Mr. Portz is donating artwork to Beloit Public Library in honor of his mother and his fond memories of spending Sundays visiting family in Beloit.

### PLEASANT STREET LANE CLOSURES

Work to install a pedestrian bridge over Pleasant Street began this week with lane closures starting on **Monday, April 29, 2019**. The pedestrian bridge is part of the Beloit College's project to renovate the old power generation station into an award-winning student center. For more information, please see the attached press release [\[here\]](#).

### PUBLIC PRESENTATION - PROPOSED NEW HISTORIC DISTRICT

The proposed Milwaukee and Emerson Residential Historic District will soon be considered for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. The Wisconsin Historical Society is hosting a presentation on the National Register program by Peggy Veregin, the National Register Coordinator, followed by a presentation about the district's architecture and history by Rowan Davidson of Legacy Architecture, who prepared the nomination. Affected property owners in the proposed district have been individually invited to this meeting on **Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 5:00 pm** in the City Hall Forum, 100 State Street. This meeting is open to the public. A quorum of the Landmarks Commission and the Beloit City Council may be present at this meeting, although no formal action will be taken. This proposed historic district is not being considered for local regulation/designation at this time.

## 25 MOST INTERESTING PEOPLE

The most recent edition of *Northwest Quarterly* magazine contains an article titled "25 Most Interesting People of 2019." Our own City Manager, Lori Curtis Luther, is featured, please click [\[here\]](#) to read the article.

## I-39/90 EXPANSION PROJECT

This week, the City's Leadership Team met with representatives from Wisconsin Department of Transportation for updates on the I-39/90 expansion project, as well as the improvements scheduled for the I-39/90 and I-43/WIS 81 interchange.

The Wisconsin DOT representatives mentioned a program sponsored by WisDOT called "In This Together" program, to target businesses facing road construction in their community. The program's goal is to help businesses maintain daily operations while construction is underway. If your business is located within a current work zone related to the I-39/90 expansion project, sign up to promote your business during construction! For more information, please click [\[here\]](#).

New: An interactive motorist map to help navigate the Interstate work zones between Beloit and Madison provides I-39/90 traffic configurations and pictures of those work zones. [Download the interactive motorist map here!](#)

A weekly construction update for April 29 - May 3 is available [\[here\]](#).

## ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

The City of Beloit celebrated Arbor Day today by planting a tree at McNeel Intermediate School, 1524 Frederick Drive. Beloit has a proud history of committing to sound urban forestry management, and was recently recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation for its 31st year as a Tree City USA distinction. Local officials participating in and attending the celebration included Rep. Mark Spreitzer, City Council President Regina Dunkin, Council Vice President Clinton Anderson, City Manager Lori Curtis Luther, and Pastor Joel Otto.

## KRUEGER-HASKELL GOLF COURSE AND PUTTERZ PUB GRAND REOPENING

Come out to see the updates in the Krueger-Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse on Thursday, May 9, 2019 from 4 - 9:30 pm. Kids activities, yard games and a live band! Please see [attached](#) poster for more information.

## CITY MEETING CALENDAR – APRIL 29 - MAY 3, 2019

Monday, April 29	1:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Traffic Review Committee</a> , 2400 Springbrook Ct. (S. Blakeley)
Tuesday, April 30	5:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Presentation</a> on the National Register Program by Wisconsin Historical Society. Proposed Milwaukee and Emerson Residential Historic District will be considered for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. Beloit City Hall Forum (All City Councilors and Landmarks Commission members invited) Meeting is open to the public.
Wednesday, May 1	7:30 a.m.	Rock County Breakfast, Bessie's Diner (R. Dunkin and C. Anderson)
Thursday, May 2	Noon	<a href="#">National Day of Prayer</a> at Summit Park, sponsored by Bethel AME Church (All City Councilors Invited)
Saturday, May 4	11:00 a.m.	<a href="#">Citywide Prayer and Peace March</a> and Rally, begins in the parking lot of Bethel AME Church, 1314 Athletic Ave., ends at Summit Park (All City Councilors Invited)

## 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)

May 4 - October 26	8 am - 1 pm	<a href="#">Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market</a> , State Street, Grand Avenue and Mill Street Parking Lot. Produce, eggs, cheese, honey, live music and more! SNAP Benefits accepted.
Sunday, May 5	2 pm - 4 pm	<a href="#">Through the Eyes of Rock County Veterans</a> , a video collection sharing personal stories of local Rock County veterans. 3 Eclipse Center
Thursday, May 9	4 pm - 9:30 pm	<a href="#">Grand Reopening at Krueger-Haskell Golf Course</a> , 1611 Hackett St. Kids activities, yard games, live band beginning at 6:30 pm.
Friday, May 10	5 pm - 9 pm	<a href="#">Downtown Beloit Art Walk</a> , live music, free trolley, more than 30 artists and 25 venues

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Lane Closures Planned on Pleasant Street for Pedestrian Bridge Installation**

**April 26, 2019** - Work to install a pedestrian bridge over Pleasant Street began this week with lane closures starting on Monday, April 29.

Beloit College is renovating the old power generation station-Powerhouse into an award-winning student center and the pedestrian bridge is part of Beloit College's project. To construct this project, Pleasant Street will experience various lane closures for up to two months.

Pleasant Street will remain open during construction, but motorists will experience a reduction in lanes. All vehicle traffic southbound on Pleasant Street will need to merge into one lane, which would normally be the northbound left lane. All vehicle traffic northbound on Pleasant will need to merge into the rightmost lane. These lane shifts will only be in the area of the Powerhouse. The contractor will have signs and orange barrels to guide motorists through the area.

The sidewalk by the powerhouse will also be closed during this work. Through pedestrian traffic should cross the river and use Fourth Street, West Grand Avenue, and the Wood Family Fishing Bridge. Recreational pedestrians can use the riverwalk path up to the sidewalk closure area, then turn around and go back. The contractor will have signs and barricades to remind pedestrians of the sidewalk closure, and to keep them a safe distance away from the work zone.

The lane closures may be expanded at times when large sections of bridge are being placed by a crane. As always, motorists are to proceed with caution when driving through construction zones, and be on the lookout for ever-changing conditions.

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# GRAND REOPENING

## FUN | FOOD | DRINKS

### KRUEGER-HASKELL GOLF COURSE | PUTTERZ PUB



**Thursday, May 9, 2019 | 4-9:30pm**  
1611 Hackett St., Beloit, WI  
Kids Activities | Yard Games | Live Band



### FEATURING



This fun Rockford acoustic band will provide a wide variety of music.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 4pm: ribbon cutting
- 4:15-6pm: kids activities: free putting lessons and face painting
- 4:30-6pm: free hot dogs for kids ages 12 and under (limit 1 per child)
- 4:30-7pm: yard games
- 6:30-9:30pm: live band



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**SPECIAL MEETING  
PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA  
TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Utilities and Engineering - 2400 Springbrook Ct, Beloit, WI  
1:30 PM  
Monday, April 29, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
  - 2.a. Consider approval of the Minutes from the January 28, 2019 Traffic Review Committee meeting  
[Attachment](#)
3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
5. ACTION ITEMS
  - 5.a. Ordinance to implement pilot program removing parking in front mailbox cluster for BHA properties along Merrill, Sunshine and Ritscher.  
[Attachment](#)
  - 5.b. Ordinance to remove school signage related to the property at 1633 Keeler Avenue (Kolak Education Center)  
[Attachment](#)
  - 5.c. Ordinance to remove parking along Third Street  
[Attachment](#)
  - 5.d. Ordinance to remove parking in the 1600 block of Burton Street  
[Attachment](#)
  - 5.e. Traffic Review Committee recommendation of support for the vacation and closure of 4th Street in front of Beloit Memorial High School.  
[Attachment](#)
6. COMMITTEE ITEMS
  - 6.a. Rock County Christian School Traffic and Safety Concerns  
[Attachment](#)
7. COMMITTEE MEMBER PARTICIPATION

8. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

8.a. Due to the May holiday, the next meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2019.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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\*\* 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 to request this service, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 364-6680, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.



**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA  
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Beloit City Hall Forum, 100 State Street  
5:00 PM  
Tuesday, April 30, 2019**

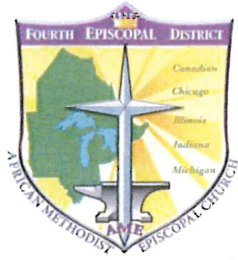
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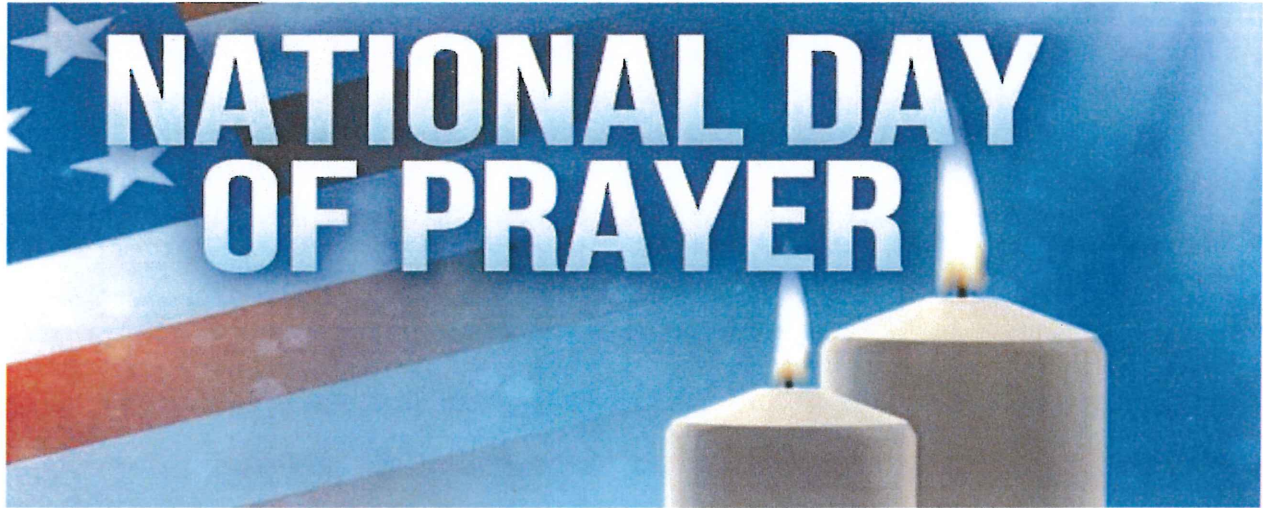




## *Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church*

1314 Athletic Avenue Beloit, WI 53511 Office 608-365-7947

Rev. Dr. Norris E. Jackson Jr., Pastor



Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church invites you to join us as we observe the 2019 National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 2<sup>ND</sup>. This gathering will be held at **Summit Park** and will begin promptly at 12 noon. Our goal is to join together people of all faiths and nationalities to saturate the atmosphere with love and peace as we unite in prayer for our City, Nation and World.

I love the LORD because he hears my voice and my prayer for mercy. Because he bends down to listen, I will pray as long as I have breath! Psalms 116: 1 & 2.

For more information please contact the church at 608-365-7947 or email: [bethelbeloit@att.net](mailto:bethelbeloit@att.net). Please confirm your participation by Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>. This event is free and open to the public.

Rev. Dr. Norris E Jackson Jr., Pastor

Event Co-Chair- Sis. Kelly Jackson

*Our Job as Christians is to Love God and TEACH everyone else to do the same*

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A Citywide Prayer & Peace march and rally will be held Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 hosted by Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. We invite those who are able to join us with as we march for peace in our community. Our march begins 11:00 a.m. from the parking lot of Bethel A.M.E Church 1314 Athletic Ave. and will end at the Summit Park. For those who are unable to march please, join us at noon in the park.

This powerful Inter-faith event will include Pastor's and clergy who will offer prayers for Love, Peace and Unity in the Community, community leaders, elected officials & music. Church congregations from across the area have joined together in support for peace, unity and unconditional love for all.

Proverbs 10:12. Hatred stirs up conflict, but Love covers all wrongs

For more information please contact Bethel A.M.E. at 608-365-7947 or email: [bethelbeloit@att.net](mailto:bethelbeloit@att.net) Please confirm your participation by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

This event is free and the public is encouraged to attend.

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# THROUGH THE EYES OF ROCK COUNTY VETERANS

Everyone is invited to the unveiling of a video collection sharing personal stories  
of local Rock County veterans

## SUN., MAY 5, 2019

3 Eclipse Center, Beloit, WI 53511

Free admission with a suggested donation of \$10 per person

**DOORS OPEN AT 1PM**

**PROGRAMING IS FROM 2PM-4PM**

### Event includes:

- Special performances by several Rock County High School Students
- Basket Raffle
- DVDs will be available to order

### Special thanks to our Sponsors

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DOWNTOWN BELOIT

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17TH ANNUAL HANDMADE MARKET

FRIDAY, MAY 10 | 5-9PM

**Live Music • Free Trolley**  
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