October 27, 2023

Beloit Report



First Responder of the Year for 45th Assembly District

Beloit Police Department Detective Amber Davies was named the First Responder of the Year for the 45th Assembly District. She was presented this award at the Wisconsin State Capitol on October 17th.

Detective Davies' hard work and perseverance led to the first successful human trafficking conviction in Rock County. We are so proud of her! Police Chief Andre Sayles had this to say..."Her dedication to restoring the lives of the most vulnerable among us is a beacon of hope and a testament to the true meaning of service."

Congratulations, Detective Davies!



Turtle Island Playground Temporarily Closed

The Turtle Island Playground in Riverside Park is closed until further notice. During routine maintenance checks, it was determined the main playground has structural issues and is no longer safe for children to play on.

The safety of children is our top priority. We will evaluate what repairs are needed and will keep the community informed on the future of the playground.

Investing in Community

The City of Beloit is providing grant funds for homelessness prevention and response services to various non-profits serving Beloit residents. One of the grants is for the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program for the No Cost Transportation program for those in need of transportation to medical and other necessary appointments.

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-funded program has served 11 clients with 304 miles



driven during 24 trips from June-September. Drivers have donated 22 hours of their time to complete these trips.

The program works like this: The driver picks the rider up at their place of residence, takes them to their appointment, often escorting them into specific office areas, waits for them and then delivers them safely back to their residence. These individuals have doctor appointments, lab appointments, procedures, prescriptions to pick up, and more that they would not be able to do without this service. This is a service to the rider as well as to the medical facilities setting the appointments they are delivered to. The various medical operations have repeatedly requested the assistance of RSVP to get their patient to necessary appointments and procedures. They have also thanked RSVP for the assistance, saying it has helped the individual get otherwise missed treatments and services.

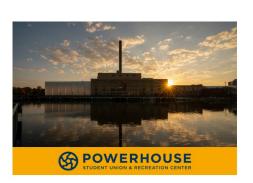


Farmers' Market Outdoor Season Coming to a Close

October 28th is the final outdoor Farmers' Market for the 2023 season. The Winter Crafter and Farmers' Market will pick up on Saturdays, November - April at 557 E. Grand Ave.

Come and join us downtown on October 28th for the Farmers' Market and Halloween Parade and Party, which will start at 10:00 a.m. Meet at Horace White Park (College & Grand) at 9:45 a.m. to parade and trick-or-treat at participating businesses and Farmers' Market vendors. (Pets not allowed in Farmers' Market area.) After the parade, stay for the party!

Learn more



Community Open House at the Powerhouse

Beloit College invites the community to an open house at the Powerhouse on Saturday, **October 28**, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Powerhouse is located at 850 Pleasant St. President Eric Boynton will be present for conversation, and a coffee bar with "light bites" will be offered.

For questions, please call 608-363-2242.



Halloween Events in Beloit

Goblins and ghosts are among us! The City of Beloit is proud to present a wide variety of quality Halloween and fall-related events for the community's families and youth.

- Saturday, October 28, 10am-1pm -Halloween Parade and Party, downtown. Learn more.
- Sunday, October 29, 12-3pm Hayride and Bonfire, Big Hill Park
- Sunday, October 29, 1-4pm Heroes' Halloween Trunk or Treat, Riverside Park
- Tuesday, October 31, 5-7pm Trick or Treat in Beloit

Learn more



Free Fall Curbside Yard Waste Collection

Free Fall Curbside Yard Waste Collection will take place:

• October 30 - November 16

There is no limit of the amount of bagged or barreled leaves, grass clippings and garden debris that may be placed for pick-up curbside. All other items such as brush, shrubbery, logs, etc. require a yard waste sticker.

Learn more



Leaf Vacuum Subscription Service

Leaf Vacuum Subscription Service costs \$125 annual fee and will take place from:

• October 30 - November 17

Leaves will be vacuumed multiple times during the service period. A schedule will be provided to subscribers. All leaves must be raked or blown to the terrace. Leaves cannot be contained in cans or bags.

The City of Beloit is not responsible for the timeliness in which leaves fall from the trees or weather-related cancellation of the leaf vacuum service. No refunds will be issued. This service is only available in the fall.

Learn more



Grinnell Hall 5th Annual Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale

Grinnell Hall, 631 Bluff Street, will again hold a Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale on **November 1**, **2 and 3**, from 9:00 - 3:00 p.m.

If you would like to create, bake or donate items, help set up, price or assist customers, please contact Grinnell Hall at 608-364-2875 or stop by the front desk to sign up.



Veterans Day Ceremony

Grinnell Hall has a history in serving Veterans and their families. Join us on Friday, **November 10th** at 10:00 a.m. for a Veterans Day Ceremony at Grinnell Hall Senior Center, 631 Bluff Street.

Light refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

Have an impact on your community!

We are looking for a few volunteers to serve on our City Boards, Committees, and Commissions. If you would like to volunteer, <u>download the application on the city's website</u>.

Current Vacancies:

- Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee
- Appointment Review Committee
- Board of Appeals
- Board of Review
- Business Improvement District (Downtown Beloit Association)
- Community Development Authority (Public Housing Resident)
- Landmarks Commission
- Municipal Library Board
- Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission (Youth)

Have questions? Contact communications@beloitwi.gov or call Rebecca Wallendal at 608-364-6682.

City Meetings

All public meeting agendas and minutes are posted online at <u>www.beloitwi.gov.</u>

• There are no City meetings scheduled. Councilors have been invited to several area events, and those are noticed on the City's website under "Meeting Agendas."

We're Hiring

The City of Beloit is hiring for various positions. Job openings and applications can be found online at www.beloitwi.gov. Equal Opportunity

Employer.

- Equipment Operator Forestry
- Equipment Operator Streets
- Solid Waste Collector
- Police Officer Lateral Hire
- Seasonal Athletic Site Supervisor
- Seasonal Recreation Activity Instructor
- Seasonal Rink Attendant (Cashier/Skateguard)
- Seasonal Rink Supervisor
- Seasonal Snow Removal Operator

- Seasonal Sports Official (Volleyball)
- Swim Team Assistant Coach (Casual)
- Transportation Planner

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