



# THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

**April 19, 2013**

*A weekly publication  
from the Office of the  
City Manager*

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### **Special points of interest:**

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### **COUNCIL SELECTS PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 2013-2014**

This past Tuesday evening, April 16, the City Council held its annual organizational meeting of the new City Council. The primary order of business was selection of a President and Vice-President to serve for the coming year. Charles Haynes was re-elected Council President and Mark Spreitzer was re-elected Council Vice-President for the coming year. Congratulations and best wishes to both gentlemen as they embark upon a second year in these leadership positions.

### **ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION NAMES БЕЛОIT A "TREE CITY USA"**

The City was recently notified by the Arbor Day Foundation that it had again been designated a "Tree City USA" for the 25th consecutive year. The City has a very active forestry program and has planted literally thousands of trees and other related landscaping in recent years. Please see the [attached](#) press release for more information.

### **ARBOR DAY TO BE CELEBRATED ON FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

Just a reminder that the City will be celebrating its forestry program in conjunction with the Arbor Day Foundation's annual celebration next **Friday, April 26 at 10:00 a.m.** This year's celebration will be at Robinson Elementary School, located at 1801 Cranston Road. The public is invited to attend the event.

### **SPRING TREE PLANTING AVAILABLE**

The City's Department of Public Works is now accepting requests from residents for terrace trees to be planted this spring. Species will be determined by the City Forestry Supervisor. There is no cost and trees will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works at 608-364-2929. All requests must be received by Friday, May 31, 2013 to participate in the spring planting for this year.

### **SPRING YARD WASTE COLLECTION—EXTENDED ONE WEEK UNTIL FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

Just a reminder, the Spring yard waste pick up was extended one additional week through Friday, April 26.

The regular monthly pick up schedule will resume in May. This year, pick up will be on the second week of each month so in May the pick up will run from May 6 through May 10. Residents that are still unable to clean up their yards prior to the week of April 26 will have another opportunity to do spring cleanup yard waste set outs during the week beginning Monday, May 6.

Please note the [attached](#) release from the Department of Public Works for more information on how your yard waste must be containerized and bundled. Also, don't forget that a yard waste sticker must be purchased and attached to each container or bundle for collection.

## **ROCK COUNTY TRAIL COALITION FUND RAISER THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 20, AT THE AFTON PUB**

Just a reminder that the Rock County Trail Coalition will hold a fund raiser to help cover the local costs necessary to replace the Big Hill Park bridge. On Saturday, April 20th, the event begins at 4:00 p.m. and will run to 8:00 p.m. at the Afton Pub, 4910 Jefferson Street, Afton.

## **STRATEGIC PLANNING UNDERWAY AS A PRELUDE TO THE 2014 BUDGET PREPARATION PROCESS**

As noted in last week's Report, the departments and divisions are working on their 2014 Strategic Plan submittals. All submittals will be reviewed and submitted to the City Council at a day long workshop, which will be held on **Monday, May 13, 2013 at the Utilities and Engineering Building, 2400 Springbrook Court**. The session begins at 8:00 a.m., with presentations scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. The entire session will be open to the public.

## **2014 BUDGET PREPARATION UNDERWAY**

In addition to preparing the Strategic Plan, preliminary work has begun on the 2014 proposed Capital Budget. Budget calendars and preparation manuals have been distributed, and this past Wednesday we had a kick off session for the preparation of the Capital Improvements Plan (2014-2019), as well as the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget. Departments and divisions have until early in May to complete their initial requests and suggested projects will be reviewed by committee beginning in mid-May. The Capital Budget often takes additional time and is usually prepared earlier in the budget process before all of the departments and divisions are fully committed to completing operating budget submittals for the following year.

## **BELOIT HEALTH SYSTEM BEGINS CONSTRUCTION ON NEW CANCER CARE CENTER**

I was honored to have the opportunity to attend the ground breaking this past Tuesday for the new Beloit Health System's Cancer Care Center, to be located at the intersection of Milwaukee Road and Lee Lane. The facility is being constructed in conjunction with the UW-Madison hospital system, and will provide cancer care and treatment for a large section of southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois. Construction will commence as soon as weather permits, with completion scheduled by the end of the year.

## **MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION LUNCHEON**

I was honored to be invited to join Meals on Wheels volunteers for a "thank you" luncheon this past Thursday, April 18 at the Rotary River Center. It was a very nice program, thanking all of the many volunteers that have contributed so much of their time to make Meals on Wheels a success.

## **BLOOM! 2013**

Just a reminder that on **Saturday, April 27**, the Friends of RiverFront will be holding their annual "Bloom!" event with a Meet the Artist Reception and Silent Auction beginning at 6:00 p.m. A live auction will commence at 7:30 p.m. All events will be held in the Rotary River Center on Riverside Drive in Beloit. Please see the [attached](#) flyer for additional information.

## **BELOIT LEISURE SERVICES TO CO-SPONSOR HERSHEY'S TRACK AND FIELD GAMES**

Please find the [attached](#) notification and application to participate in the Hershey's Track and Field Games, which are scheduled to take place in Monterey Stadium, 465 Rockport Road, Janesville, WI on **Monday, April 29, 2013**. For more information, please see the attached flyer.

## CITY MEETING CALENDAR— APRIL 22–26, 2013

Monday, April 22	Cancelled	<a href="#">Traffic Review Committee</a> , (D. Luebke)
Monday, April 22	5:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Police and Fire Commission</a> , Forum
Wednesday, April 24	7:30 a.m.	Beloit Convention & Visitors Bureau meeting, (J. Van De Bogart)
Wednesday, April 24	4:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Community Development Authority</a> , Forum (K. Leavy and D. Luebke)
Thursday, April 25	8:00 a.m.	Downtown Beloit Association Board Meeting (K. Leavy)

## 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.

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

**Krueger Haskell Golf Course** is open, weather permitting. Please call 362-6503 for tee times.

Saturday, April 20	4:00—8:00 p.m.	<b>Let's Build a Bridge Fundraiser.</b> Show your support to connect Beloit and Janesville Trails. 100% of donations benefit the Rock Trail Coalition. Afton Pub, 4910 Jefferson St., Afton
Friday, April 26	10:00 a.m.	<b>Arbor Day Celebration</b> , Robinson School, 1801 Cranston Road
Saturday, April 27	6:00-7:30 p.m.	<b>BLOOM! 2013</b> annual fund-raiser to animate, maintain and sustain Beloit's river front. Rotary River Center, Riverside Drive. Silent auction, live auction, beverages and hors d'oeuvres. If you would like to donate an item to BLOOM!, please call 362-0964 or e-mail <a href="mailto:nmeyer@friendsofriverfront.com">nmeyer@friendsofriverfront.com</a>



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

For more information contact:

Mike Ferger, Forestry Operations Supervisor  
City of Beloit, Department of Public Works  
608-364-2929

**ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION NAMES BELOIT, WI TREE CITY USA**

**Beloit, WI (April 16, 2013)** – Beloit, WI was named a 2012 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> year Beloit has earned the national designation.

Beloit achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

“Everyone benefits when elected officials, volunteers and committed citizens in communities like Beloit make smart investments in urban forests,” said John Rosenow, found and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. “Trees bring shade to our homes and beauty to our neighborhoods, along with numerous economic, social and environmental benefits.”

Cleaner air, improved storm water management, energy savings and increased property values and commercial activity are among the benefits enjoyed by the Tree City USA communities.

For more information, you can contact City of Beloit Department Public Works at 608-364-2929



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

For more information contact:  
Chris Walsh, Operations Director  
(608) 364-2929

**Yard Waste Collection - Extended**

**April 12, 2013** - The City of Beloit Department of Public Works is extending curbside collection of yard waste for one week. Curbside collection will take place now, through Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, yard waste collection will take place on your regularly scheduled garbage day.

Curbside collection of yard waste will then take place the second full week of each month, May through October 2013.

Yard waste must be properly contained in a clean container, paper, or Back to Nature bio-degradable yard waste bag. Containers must be 39 gallons or less and must weigh less than 60 pounds. Yard waste cannot be contained in plastic bags. A \$1.50 sticker must be affixed to each bag, container and or bundles.

Yard waste stickers are available at:

Ace Hardware - 430 Broad Street and 1878 Elmwood Avenue

Walgreens - 910 Broad Street, 1901 Prairie Avenue, and 1531 Madison Road

Woodman's - 1877 Madison Road

City Hall Treasury Department - 100 State Street

Grinnell Hall - 631 Bluff Street

Department of Public Works - 2351 Springbrook Court

Leisure Services Office - 1003 Pleasant Street

For more information, call the City of Beloit Public Works Operations at (608) 364-2929.

**Composting Option**

Leafan Compost Center  
6711 West St. Lawrence Rd.  
(608) 364-1909

[www.leafan.com](http://www.leafan.com)

Call Leafan for more information on hours and fee's.

# BLOOM! 2013



## SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

Friends of RiverFront invite you to join us for our annual fund-raiser to animate, maintain and sustain Beloit's fabulous RiverFront. Bring a friend!

### Saturday, April 27th

**Where - Rotary River Center, Riverside Dr., Beloit**

**6:00 - 7:30pm**

### **Meet the Artist Reception and Silent Auction**

*New this year \$10.00 fee (exception for artists and crafters who have donated to the Bloom auction)*

Enjoy beverages and hors d'oeuvres as you bid on the silent auction items and view the live auction items.

### **7:30 - Live Auction**

The excitement and fun goes into high gear as Rich Ranft of Beloit Auction & Realty leads this fun and fast-paced live auction.

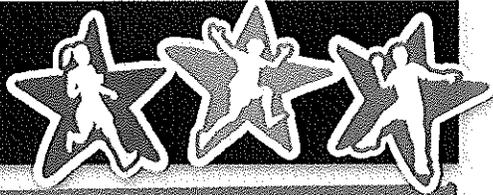
Special note, **BLOOM!** will be taking a hiatus after this year so don't miss this great opportunity to see and bid on all the beautiful and unique items.

**Want to donate an item to BLOOM!?** Bring to 1003 Pleasant St. Beloit, WI by April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Call (608) 362-0964 or e-mail [nmeyer@friendsofriverfront.com](mailto:nmeyer@friendsofriverfront.com)

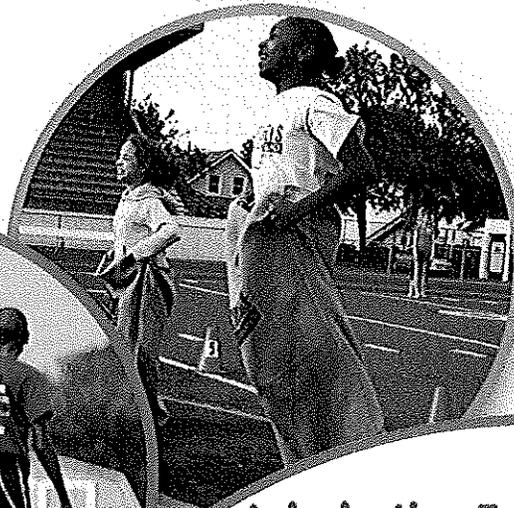
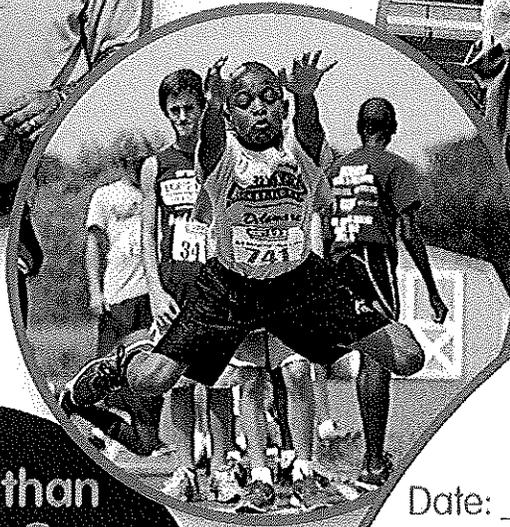
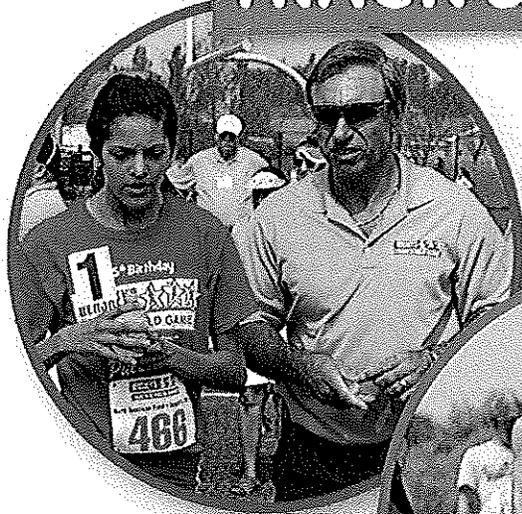
ACHIEVEMENT CONFIDENCE

INSPIRE EXCELLENCE!

HERSHEY'S



TRACK & FIELD GAMES



For more than 35 years the Games has inspired youth ages 9-14 to be their best while having FUN with every Run, Jump & Throw!

Join in the Fun at a Local Meet in your area...

Date: Monday April 29, 2013

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Monterey Stadium

465 Rockport Road Janesville, WI 53548

www.hersheystrackandfield.com

Organized by: Janesville & Beloit Leisure Services

Contact Information: (608) 755-3030 Jnsvl



KEY CLUB

(608) 364-2890 Beloit

LEADERSHIP ENCOURAGEMENT

RUN! JUMP! THROW!

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LEADERSHIP

# Official Local Entry Form - 2013



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Not every winner of the State/Provincial/Territory meet will automatically advance to the North American Final due to the geographical distribution rule which states that a minimum of five participants from each State/Province/Territory will compete in the North American Final. A participant may enter only one Local and/or District meet. All regional winners will qualify for the North American Final meet with the exception of 9-10 and 11-12, 4x100 Relays.

**Please Print** (For Canadian Participants, please use name listed on passport.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: Month \_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: YL AS AM AL AXL (Circle Choice)

Note: Shirt size needed for North American Final (if qualified).

Participants can enter either two track and one field or two field and one track event up to and including the state/provincial/territory meet. For 9-10 and 11-12 age groups, the relay does not count as a running event. Please circle the events you wish to participate in at this meet.

Participant will compete in age group according to their age on December 31, 2013.

**Born In 2003-2004 (9-10)**

1. 50 Meter Dash
2. 100 Meter Dash
3. 200 Meter Dash
4. 400 Meter Dash
- \* 5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

**Born In 2001-2002 (11-12)**

1. 100 Meter Dash
2. 200 Meter Dash
3. 400 Meter Dash
4. 800 Meter Run
- \* 5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

**Born In 1999-2000 (13-14)**

1. 100 Meter Dash
2. 200 Meter Dash
3. 800 Meter Run
4. 1600 Meter Run
5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

**Born In 2003-2004 (9-10)**

1. 50 Meter Dash
2. 100 Meter Dash
3. 200 Meter Dash
4. 400 Meter Dash
- \* 5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

**Born In 2001-2002 (11-12)**

1. 100 Meter Dash
2. 200 Meter Dash
3. 400 Meter Dash
4. 800 Meter Run
- \* 5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

**Born In 1999-2000 (13-14)**

1. 100 Meter Dash
2. 200 Meter Dash
3. 800 Meter Run
4. 1600 Meter Run
5. 4 x 100 Meter Relay
6. Standing Long Jump
7. Softball Throw

\* Age groups 9-10 and 11-12, 4x100 Relays, will not qualify for the North American Final.

### Relay Team (circle age)

Born In 2003 or 2004  
(Boys 9-10)

Born In 2001 or 2002  
(Boys 11-12)

Born In 1999 or 2000  
(Boys 13-14)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

### Relay Team (circle age)

Born In 2003 or 2004  
(Girls 9-10)

Born In 2001 or 2002  
(Girls 11-12)

Born In 1999 or 2000  
(Girls 13-14)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

## REGULATIONS

### Eligibility

Name of School/Community \_\_\_\_\_

City, State/Province/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of December 31, 2013 \_\_\_\_\_

\*All participants must compete in their age group and sex division.

\*A legal birth document must be presented to the local organizer.

### PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT:

Emergency Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian's Name Phone Number

Emergency name and number other than listed above: \_\_\_\_\_

The above named participant and the participant's parent/guardian have requested registration of the participant in the Hershey's Track & Field Games. In consideration of such registration, the right of the participant to compete in the Hershey's Track & Field Games and the use by the participant of the sponsoring agency's facilities and equipment, both the participant and the parent/guardian each acknowledge that the participant will be competing in the Hershey's Track & Field Games, traveling, and using sponsoring agency's facilities at the participant's sole risk and the participant, on his or her own behalf and on the behalf of his or her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns hereby releases, discharges and agrees to hold harmless The Hershey Company, the National Recreation and Park Association, the National Association for Sport & Physical Education, Key Club International and Athletics Canada and each of their officers, directors and any subsidiary companies. We understand that those participants who advance to the state/provincial/territory level and are winners at that level do not automatically advance to the regional level for the North American Final meet. This is covered under Rule 9, Article 1 in the rule book. We also agree to allow the Hershey's Track & Field Games to use and reproduce the participant's name and/or likeness and/or information concerning the participant and to circulate the same for any and all purposes in any manner. We certify that the information on this participation form is correct.

I understand that the North American Final meet is managed by The Hershey Company and that all qualifying meets for the North American Final meet are managed by a sponsoring agency. I understand and agree that this release will apply to any and all events and activities my child may participate in as a participant in Hershey's Track & Field Games including travel to and from the North American Final and all activities that are a part of the Finals. I further understand and agree that if my child qualifies for and chooses to participate in the North American Final meet, they will be required to participate in the program from August 1 through August 4, 2013. Participants are not permitted to leave the facilities or events with their parent/guardian prior to designated early checkout unless withdrawing completely from the North American Final weekend and any future participation in the Hershey's Track & Field Games (HTFG). Exceptions may be granted at the sole discretion of the HTFG office for extraordinary circumstances.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



## NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

**To:** All Traffic Review Committee Members and Other Interested Parties

**From:** Jason Dupuis, Transportation / Project Engineer

**Date:** April 15, 2012

**RE:** Meeting Cancellation

The Traffic Review Committee meeting which was scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2013 has been cancelled. At this time, there are not enough agenda items for a meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on **May 27, 2013 at 1:30 p.m.**

Please feel free to contact me at 364-6735 if you have any questions.

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Jason Dupuis, P.E.  
Transportation Engineer  
City of Beloit



**Police and Fire Commission  
Meeting Notice and Agenda  
Monday, April 22, 2013 @ 5:00 PM  
City Hall / Public Forum  
100 State St**

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 January 28, 2013 meeting minutes
3. Reports
  - A. Police Department
    1. Promotional and hiring process
  - B. Fire Department
    1. Update hiring process
    2. MOU grant-funded positions (1<sup>st</sup> reading / approval)
4. Citizen Participation
5. Commissioner Comments
6. Action/Discussion Items
7. Adjourn into closed session per WI State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss fire employees probationary reviews, not to reconvene

*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.*

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**  
**Community Development Authority**  
**April 24, 2013 at 4:30 pm**  
**The Forum**  
**Beloit City Hall**  
**100 State Street**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Citizen Participation
3. Review and Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 27, 2013
4. Housing Authority
  - a. Presentation of March Activity Report (Pollard)
  - b. Presentation of March Financial Report (Pollard)
  - c. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-09, Authorizing the Community Development Authority to Apply for a FY2013 Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinator Grant (Cole)
5. Community Development
  - a. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-10, Awarding the Marketability Contract for 615 McKinley Avenue (Downing)
  - b. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-11, Awarding the Marketability Contract for 827 Garfield Avenue (Downing)
  - c. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-12, Authorizing the Sale of 736 Parker Avenue (Downing)
6. Adjournment

***If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify Ann Purifoy in the Housing Authority Office at 364-8740 no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Notice E-Mailed: April 19, 2013

Approved: Julie Christensen, Ex. Director

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