

***** **Sunday, Sept. 11** *****

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Discover Beloit and Beyond at one of the state's busiest Welcome Centers, Sunday, Sept. 11, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Beloit Travel Wisconsin Welcome Center, I-39/I-90 WB/NB-Rest Area 22, Beloit. www.visitbeloit.com

Heritage Sunday At Beckman Mill, Sunday, Sept. 11, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., 11600 S County Rd H, Beloit. Mill tours, Broom making, blacksmithing, wood carvers, basket weavers, horse drawn wagon rides, Civil War soldiers, WWII and Viet Nam living history displays, collector cars. Kids activities: butter making, potato digging, blacksmithing and corn shelling. beckmanmill.org, 608-751-1551

Detecting the Past – Metal Detecting Adventure for Kids Ages 7+, Sun., Sept. 11, 1:00 p.m., Dig with us into the history of the confluence land and waters and find out about the people and animals who lived here and learn what traces they've left behind. We'll touch and learn about fossilized animal bones and ancient tools. Then we'll head out on an exploration with our metal detectors to see what treasures we can find. \$5 per child. Limited spaces, pre-registration is required at natureattheconfluence.com, 815-200-6910

Optional Self-Guided Walking Tours

- **Near East Side Historic District Walking Tour** takes you by stylish homes of prominent citizens from the 1800s. Guide: bit.ly/beloiteast
- **The Bluff Street Historic District** - Beautiful, historic homes along Bluff Street
Download a guide: bit.ly/beloitbluff
- **Oakwood Cemetery**, 1221 Clary St, Beloit, this historic cemetery has fascinating headstones and, mausoleums, and beautiful war memorial sculptures.
- **"Beloit: A River Runs Through It"** a new tour book of Beloit history along the Rock River. This 56-page guide features 17 locations. \$10 - Available at Beloit Historical Society, 845 Hackett St, Beloit.
- **Water Spirit Mound** at Totem Park, 1998 Totem Rd; This small park has two Native American Indian Mounds, one is a 157 ft. "water spirit". Take a walk on Moccasin Trail, the original Native American walking trail along Turtle Creek.

Learn more at www.beloitheritagedays.com



BELOIT HERITAGE DAYS PASSPORT

Come Dig Up Some Historic Adventures!

This Passport is your guide for a history-hunting trek throughout the Beloit area as you explore 15 free events and historic sites.

Take this Beloit Heritage Days Passport along and get it stamped at 4 events to earn a **FREE Turtle Sundae** compliments of Culver's of Beloit!



To receive your Turtle Sundae coupon, return your stamped passport to **CheezHead Brewing**, 414 Pleasant St., on Fri., Sept. 9 & Sat., Sept. 10 from 12-11pm, and Sun., Sept. 11, 12-6pm, or **Visit Beloit**, 656 Pleasant St., 8:30am-5pm, Mon.-Fri, Sept. 12-23.

Passport Perk! \$2 off a pint of craft beer at CheezHead Brewing! Show your Beloit Heritage Days Passport at CheezHead Brewing, 414 Pleasant Street, Beloit, on Fri., Sept 9 & Sat., Sept 10 from 12-11pm and save \$2 on your first pint of their handcrafted brews. Located in the historic Zilley Building.

Bites of Beloit is happening during Beloit Heritage Days! After exploring the history of Beloit, enjoy prix-fixe lunch and dinner menus at a variety of downtown eateries. geronimohospitalitygroup.com/bitesofbeloit.

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***** **Friday, Sept. 9** *****

Open House at Visit Beloit's New headquarters in the former Angel Museum and St. Paul's Catholic Church, Friday, Sept. 19, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Visit Beloit, 656 Pleasant St. Come see how Visit Beloit is transforming this historical church into their new headquarters. www.visitbeloit.com

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Lincoln Center | Beloit Historical Society, Friday, Sept. 9, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., 845 Hackett St. Beloit. Free admission. Debut of new exhibits, guided tours are available. 5:00 pm – *"History Detectives"* program given by Donna Langford. 608-365-7835, beloithistoricalsociety.com

"History At The Confluence" Open House, Friday, Sept. 9, 11:00a.m. – 1:00 p.m. , Nature At The Confluence, 306 Dickop St., South Beloit. Stop in to learn about the amazing history of the land at the confluence of Turtle Creek and the Rock River. See *"Ke-Chunk Ciporke"*, a sculpture by Ho-Chunk artist Truman Lowe and learn about historic Ke-Chunk village. Sample Three Sisters Soup which is inspired by our Native American Heritage Garden. natureattheconfluence.com, 815-200-6910.

Fridays in the Park, Fri., Sept. 9, 11:30am-1:30pm, State St & Grand Ave, Downtown Beloit. Enjoy lunch and music in the heart of historic downtown Beloit. \$8 for lunch and soft drink, music by Back 2 back Acoustic, food by Coco's Tamales

If This Land Could Talk, Fri., Sept. 9, 1:00 p.m., Nature At The Confluence, 306 Dickop St., South Beloit. In this free program you'll learn about the history of this land and the people that cared for it, revered it, cried for it, dreamed of it, and shaped it over the millennia. Also, visit *"Ke-Chunk Ciporke"*, a sculpture by Ho-Chunk artist Truman Lowe and learn about historic Ke-Chunk village. Register at natureattheconfluence.com, 815-200-6910.

"Cars" Movie on the Big Lawn, Fri., Sept. 9 (Rain date Sun., Sept. 11), South end of Riverside Park near the Jones Pavilion. Activities and Vendors at 6:00 p.m., Movie shown at dusk. Join us on Beloit's beautiful riverfront for this family classic presented by Thrivent Financial. Bring chairs and blankets. Get stamped at the Friends Of Riverfront table. Take a walk on the Beloit Heritage Walkway at the Harry C. Moore Pavilion. friendsofriverfront.com

***** **Saturday, Sept. 10** *****

Downtown Beloit Farmer's Market, Saturday, Sept. 10, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Downtown Beloit, State St. and E. Grand Ave. The Beloit Farmers Market is one of the oldest and largest farmers markets in Wisconsin and is located in historic downtown Beloit. Get your stamp at the Downtown Beloit Association's booth located at the intersection of State and Grand.

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Hanchett-Bartlett Homestead, Sat., Sept. 10, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., 2149 St. Lawrence Ave., Beloit. 60 Years Celebration! Explore the 1857 house and barn with a guided tour. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy lawn games and a craft activity for kids. Information on historic preservation will be available with the one-room schoolhouse featured. 608-365-7835, beloithistoricalsociety.com

Cemetery Walk at Oakwood Cemetery, Sat., Sept. 10, 10:00am, 1221 Clary St, Beloit. The City of Beloit Parks and Recreation Division along with the Beloit Historical Society invite you to join John Kalkirtz and John Sabaka for a walking tour of Beloit's historical Oakwood Cemetery. Meet at the front steps of the Chapel. To reserve your spot call: 608-364-2890 by Tuesday, September 6

Bushnell Wheeler House Open House, Sat., Sept. 10, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., 542 Wheeler St., South Beloit, IL. Historical Society members will be on hand to give tours of this beautifully restored home and answer questions. Handmade crafts and eight Beloit history books will be for sale, including "One More Look Back" by John Patrick. bushnellwheelerhome.com

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Fireside With A Fur Trader, Sat., Sept 10, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Nature At The Confluence, 306 Dickop St., South Beloit. Join us by the fire to learn about the fur trade from "Huna Mato", owner of HM Trading Post. Huna will have a trade bead display, and animal skull and fur display. Great for kids! Try a sample of Three Sisters soup which is inspired by our Native American Heritage Garden; Learn about Joseph Thibault, the fur trader that lived at the confluence of Turtle Creek and Rock River. Come anytime between 1-3pm. natureattheconfluence.com, 815-200-6910.

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