

5. Sip lemonade by the ol' mill stream

N 42° 30.767

Terrain - easy

W 089° 10.237

Cache size - medium

Bring a picnic lunch and sip lemonade by the ol' mill stream after you find the cache hidden at Beckman Mill County Park. Beckman Mill is a restored, working gristmill. The mill is open Saturdays 1-4pm, May-October, but the county park is open year round. While you're there enjoy the nature path, the rebuilt dam, the one-of-a-kind fish ladder. Bring your fishing pole and wet a line in the 17 acre mill pond. The area is both scenic and serene and is truly a treasure of Beloit! An easy, short trek is needed to find this cache. The mill is located on County H, 5 miles west of Beloit on Highway 81.

6. Tower on the Hill

N 42° 30.549

Terrain - average

W 089° 01.828

Size - virtual

What is that tower on the hill? Castle ruins possibly? No, it's more mundane than that. The tower was built in 1885 to serve as the pedestal for a cypress-board water tank of the Beloit Water Works and is listed on the National Registry of Historical Places. The Pump House located just down the hill has been restored and now houses city offices. People used to climb up the inside walls of the tower, so for safety reasons there are now gates closing off the entrance. There is a notch at the top of the tower that was made when they tried to take it down many years ago and finding it was going to be a difficult task, they stopped their work. We are glad they did, because today this is a landmark of Beloit.

Note: This is a virtual cache owned by someone who used to visit Beloit College and loved the tower. A virtual cache is not a container to locate, but a landmark to visit. If you want to log your cache please visit www.geocaching.com and visit "Cache in Beloit" GC1ECB. You will have to tell the "owner" how many windows and doors this landmark has in order to log your find.

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GeoCache Note: Visit www.geocaching.com for more details and a few hints about our caches. You can also log your finds there and upload photos. Please email info@visitbeloit.com if you discover something wrong with one of our caches.

7. Caution! Locomotive Overhead

N 42° 30.368

Terrain - easy

W 089° 02.039

Cache size - micro

Fairbanks-Morse Co. was a major diesel locomotive producer in Beloit until the last one rolled off the line in 1963. Although they no longer make the whole locomotive, they continue to make large diesel engines for the railroad and marine industries.

This converted train trestle over the Rock River was one of two rail spurs into the Fairbanks-Morse complex. Several years ago, it became the Wood Family fishing bridge, designed by world famous artist Siah Armajani. The bridge is part of the scenic Beloit Riverwalk. This is a micro-cache, which means it is very small - so bring a pencil to sign the log. The cache is provided by another owner who loves train bridges and has a series of caches hidden near them--there is one more in Beloit and one at the historic Tiffany Bridge in Shopiere.

8. Where's Roy?

N 42° 30.472

Terrain - easy

W 089° 01.300

Size - virtual



Who is Roy? Roy Chapman Andrews is one of Beloit's most famous sons. Born in Beloit in 1884, he later attended Beloit College. He gained national fame as an explorer for the American Museum of Natural History in New York. He is best

remembered for his expeditions to the Gobi of Mongolia and his discovery of the first nest of dinosaur eggs. The movie character **Indiana Jones** is believed to be based on Roy. This location will take you to Roy's final resting place in a very old, very cool cemetery that is loaded with awesome markers & memorials. Gates close at dusk, but most people don't want to be in there when the sun goes down...

Note: This is a virtual cache, which means you won't find a cache hidden there, the "treasure" is in the seeking.

Find out more about Roy Chapman Andrews at www.RoyChapmanAndrewsSociety.org

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Geocaching Adventures in Beloit



*"Always there has been
an adventure just
around the corner."*

*Roy Chapman Andrews, born in 1884
Beloit Native & World Renowned Explorer*

What is Geocaching?

(pronounced geo cashing)

It's a high-tech version of 'hide & seek', where participants obtain exact GPS coordinates that lead them to a "cache", usually a container that holds trinkets and a visit logbook. It's really not about what's inside the cache that makes it fun, it's about the joy of the hunt! So catch the new global craze and step into an adventure in geocaching in Beloit!

Visit www.geocaching.com for more information about geocaching and to learn geocaching "etiquette". While you're there you can also find coordinates for more fun caches hidden by other folks in the Beloit area-there's over 80 of them!

In this brochure we've listed four of our own geocaches and listed another four that highlight the "treasures of Beloit". You can do as many as you like and in any order that you want. Please always replace caches as you found them. A little stealth is required, if a passerby is watching, wait a few minutes to continue your hunt.

Stop in to see us at Visit Beloit, 500 Public Ave., Beloit and we'd be happy to help you get you started on your geocaching adventure in Beloit.

Let the adventure begin...



Beloit Geocaching Adventures

1. Angels Watching Over You

N 42° 30.179
W 089° 01.981

Terrain: easy
Size: medium

Angels, angels everywhere. How about 12,000!? This cache is hidden at the Beloit Angel Museum, home of the world famous Joyce Berg collection. This cache is part of the "Highway 51" geocaches that are hidden along scenic Highway 51 in Wisconsin. As you hunt for this cache...is someone watching over you?

While you're there take a look across the river at "Forged on the Rock", it's an artistic tribute to the iron workers who toiled at the "Iron Works" building from 1858 to 2000.

Visit www.explorehwy51.com to learn more about the Explore Highway 51 promotion



2. Geocaching the Geoglyph

N 42° 30.800
W 089° 01.968

Terrain: Easy
Size: medium

A geoglyph is a man-made drawing or form found on the ground, usually made from stones or earth. It is intended to be viewed from above. Geoglyphs are found all over the world, one of the most famous ancient geoglyphs is located in Peru. But you don't have to get on a plane to see one, you can discover one right here in Beloit! It's a turtle shaped geoglyph designed by Milwaukee public artist Marina Lee and installed in 2003. The geoglyph contains colored tiles created by fifth grade students from the Beloit School District.

This is a puzzle cache:

"Let the stones speak to you. They hold the key to the future. Use the key to open the door."

Find the stone that "fits" this verse, it's your "key" to finding the cache. Stand on the stone with your toes along the bottom edge. Look straight ahead and you will find the area in which the cache is hidden.



3. Celebrate the Spoken Word

N 42° 30.102
W 089° 01.819

Terrain - easy
Size - medium

"all those who wander are not lost"

Wander among the oaks on Beloit College and enjoy this sculpture garden created by world famous artist Siah Armajani. This spot is called the Poetry Garden and it is sometimes used by professors and students as an outdoor classroom. Because the garden often has visitors at it, the cache is hidden just a few steps away to help you stay "stealthy".

The old building near the garden is the Logan Museum of Anthropology and it houses collections from around the world. A collection of Roy Chapman Andrews items are also held here. It's free to visit the museum, so if you have a little time step inside...

4. Water Spirit Turtle

N 42° 31.117
W 089° 00.591

Size - small
Terrain - medium

What's up with all the turtles in Beloit? For several hundred years Native American Indians lived along the river and creek that run through Beloit and the area was known by the Indians and early white settlers as Turtle Village. At this cache you'll find two effigy mounds, one that's over 150' long! It was originally thought to be a long tailed turtle, but now this mound shape is called "long-tailed water spirits" by experts and may have been a mythical creature, rather than based on an actual animal. There are other conical and other shaped mounds scattered in the area. Is the mound a turtle? You decide! A short trek is needed to find this cache. Be sure to add your own stone to the stone "totem" pile at the cache. If you enjoy the mounds, visit the other mounds in Beloit at Beloit College Campus.



More adventures just around the corner...