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BCR GOES SOLAR AT WISE NATURE CENTER

In the previous issue of Woodprints we laid out the plans for the large donations that Beaver Creek Reserve received totaling more than \$260,000. The top project is now complete! The Wise Nature Center has been outfitted with 143 solar panels that will provide most of the energy needed to power the building.

Next Step Energy who specializes in renewable energy provided the design and installation. Beaver Creek Reserve has partnered with Eau Claire Energy Co-op and will be purchasing the rest of the energy needed from their Member Solar Program.

Estimates show a savings of about \$9,000 per year on energy costs. Despite the size of the building's roof allowing for 143 panels, there is not enough room for all of the solar panels needed to power the entire building. In order to become a net-zero building the Beaver Creek Reserve's Endowment contributed \$25,000 to participate in community solar through the Member Solar program offered by Eau Claire Energy Cooperative. This off site purchase combined with roof top solar will enable the Wise Nature Center

building to be completely solar powered. In addition to adding solar panels, Beaver Creek Reserve staff have committed to a 10% decrease in energy usage at Wise Nature Center. Many of the proposed practices could also be implemented across the entire BCR campus or in local homes and businesses. "The

best way to save energy is to not use energy on wasteful practices," said Erik Keisler, Executive Director. "The primary goal of this project is really to educate our community and help make Beaver Creek become more sustainable."

Drone footage and photos can be seen on the Beaver Creek Reserve Facebook page.

Plans are being finalized to add a section on the visitor kiosk that connects to a website that tracks the amount of solar usage and energy savings produced by the panels at Wise Nature Center.

And while you may not notice any difference the next time you visit Beaver Creek Reserve, we hope you enjoy the big change nonetheless! We are so grateful to our donors, the Beaver Creek Reserve Endowment, Next Step Energy and Eau Claire Energy Coop for making this dream a reality!



Solar Panel Ribbon Cutting Held August 16th.
Donor Don Mathison cut the ribbon.



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By Staff

CONNECTING
PEOPLE
WITH NATURE

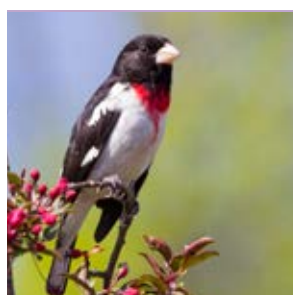


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Citizen Science Center Updates

The Lower Chippewa River is one of The Nature Conservancy's 327 Critical Watersheds for Conservation. This stretch of the river has designated four Wildlife Areas, three State Natural Areas, one Extensive Wildlife Habitat Area, as well as a 72,000 acre Important Bird Area. These properties are home to 125 rare species, 87 vertebrate Species of Greatest Conservation need and 20 Endangered, Threatened or Special Concern mussel, dragonfly and mayfly species. 139 bird species breed within the Lower Chippewa River Important Bird Area, and 70% of fish species present in Wisconsin are found in the Lower Chippewa River.

If you wish to experience some of the natural wonders found along the Lower Chippewa River, come spend the day with Citizen Science Center staff and special guests on an open-air antique train as it chugs along 14 miles of track through the Tiffany Bottoms on Saturday September 16. Topics will include property management, use of the area by Native Americans, plants, birds, Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake, and more! Registration fees support the Citizen Science Center. For more details visit our website or the Chippewa Valley Motor Car Association website



www.chippewavalleymotorcarassociation.ellawisc.com/ or contact Jeanette at csc@beavercreekreserve.org.

Written by Emily Lind



Please join us in official congratulating AJ Leiden on finishing his time with us as Volunteer Coordinator, through AmeriCorps WI. But we aren't losing him quite yet! AJ has been hired by BCR to serve as the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Coordinator. AJ pulled double duty much of the summer, monitoring lakes and streams and overseeing project interns stationed at boat landings around Eau Claire County. In mid-September we will welcome a NEW Volunteer Coordinator, Maryl Fennie, again as part of the AmeriCorps Wisconsin program.

In June, Citizen Science Center staff Jeanette Kelly and Emily Lind, along with long-time bird banding volunteer, July Schwarzmeier, attended a 5 day Institute for Bird Populations Advanced Bird Banding Training at Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center in Finland, Minnesota. The workshop focused on bird banding techniques, especially ageing and sexing passerines. Accurately ageing and sexing birds is important for understanding how birds are surviving year to year. Bird banding data, and subsequent recapture data can provide information on survival, reproductive rates, and movement patterns. The bird banders are eager to use their new knowledge and expertise in their avian monitoring projects.



It may look pretty, but it's becoming a serious problem in West Central Wisconsin wetlands. Purple Loosestrife is an invasive flower that readily takes over wetland areas and has a severe impact on ecology. On August 9, the Citizen Science Center partnered with members of the Lower Chippewa Invasives Partnership to enact a control day for Purple Loosestrife growing on the Lower Chippewa River. Six individuals paddled the river from Durand to Ella, pulling Loosestrife by hand and by shovel as they went. The Chippewa River is ecologically rich and full of wild and unique habitat worth preserving. Reach out to AJ@beavercreekreserve.org if you'd like to learn about joining the efforts to keep the Chippewa River free of invasive species.



Did you know?

Passerine: of or relating to the largest order (Passeriformes) of birds, which includes HALF of all living bird species, and consists chiefly of perching song birds. From the Latin word for sparrow. (Merriam-Webster)



Winners 2017 Photo Contest

Seriously!, Erik Hueber, 2017 Best in Show

Best in Show

Seriously! Erik Huebler

Adult

Birds

- 1st Place - *Reflecting Wings*, Scott Knight
- 2nd Place - *Vigilant*, Lloyd Fleig
- 3rd Place - *Winter Bluejay*, Kristi Schumacher
- Honorable Mention - *My Nose is Cold*, Pat Moser
- Honorable Mention - *Heart of the Woods*, Erik Huebler
- Honorable Mention - *Time For a Shower*, Norma Larrabee Gabriel

Wildlife

- 1st Place - *Ambush*, Erik Huebler
- 2nd Place - *Spider on Thistle*, Ryan Zimmerman
- 3rd Place - *Red Fox Kit*, Joseph Motto
- Honorable Mention - *Stare Down*, Heidi Tubbs
- Honorable Mention - *Butterfly Dance*, Pat Moser
- Honorable Mention - *Yellow Swallowtail*, Rachel Kohl
- Honorable Mention - *I'm Watching You*, Pat Moser
- Honorable Mention - *Siblings*, Lloyd Fleig

Plants, Landscaped and Natural Objects

- 1st Place - *First Frost*, Jeff Guettinger
- 2nd Place - *Honey Suckel*, Pat Moser
- 3rd Place - *Glimmer of Hope*, Erik Huebler
- Honorable Mention - *Spring*, Jeff Guettinger
- Honorable Mention - *Cascade*, Brian Thompson

Art in Nature

- 1st Place - *Freezing in Time*, Timothy Young
- 2nd Place - *Summer Reflection*, Julie Hathaway
- 3rd Place - *Spring Thaw*, Rachel John
- Honorable Mention - *Extending*, Heidi Tubbs
- Honorable Mention - *Ice Fingers*, Pat Moser

Beaver Creek Reserve

- 1st Place - *Said the Spider to the Fly*, Erik Huebler
- 2nd Place - *Pretty Eyes*, Julie Hathaway
- 3rd Place - *Look, But Don't Touch*, Heidi Tubbs

People Connecting with Nature

- 1st Place - *Blazing Kayak*, Heidi Tubbs

Youth

Birds

- 1st Place - *Lookout*, Koan Huebler

Wildlife

- 1st Place - *Lord of the Rings*, Koan Hueble
- Honorable Mention - *I Spy a Bee About to Fly*, Addison Zimmerman

Plants, Landscaped and Natural Objects

- 1st Place - *Calm*, Kylie LaVoy
- Honorable Mention - *Spider on Milkweed*, Liam Craft

Art in Nature

- 1st Place - *Fallen Angel*, Koan Huebler

Beaver Creek Reserve

- 1st Place - *The Creek*, Koan Huebler

People Connecting with Nature

- 1st Place - *The Perfect Angle*, Koan Huebler

Phone/Tablet

- 1st Place - *Just Me and My Shadow*, Jane VanHelden
- Honorable Mention - *Butterfly House Surroundings*, Aidan VanHelden



Reflecting Wings, Scott Knight, 1st Place, Birds



INCREASED GROWTH NECESSITATES NEW PARKING LOT

Thanks in large part to the Scheels Discovery Room renovation, the Wise Nature Center has seen a 140% increase in attendance since 2015. As a result, the number of days when we have had more than 100 people at the Nature Center has also increased dramatically (See infographic top right). There are days when guests not only have the parking lots filled, but they have also lined the very busy and curvy Hwy K. In order to keep visitors safer and meet our mission of “connecting people with nature,” the property committee at Beaver Creek as well as staff, have reviewed several versions of potential parking lot designs from Ayres and Associates and have come up with a very workable solution.

I can tell you it is a **hard** conversation when you are faced with “paving paradise to put up a parking lot.” Currently, we have 24 parking spots. The final, approved plan will increase the number of spots to 49. We are also adding areas to help mitigate water runoff from the parking lot. The

goals of the parking lot improvement plan were to keep a natural feel, have the least amount of spots possible while still meeting 80% of the visitors’ daily needs, and increase the safety of guests at Beaver Creek. We will always have additional parking across the road (the north side of campus), but increasing the number of parking stalls to 49 will better meet the current needs of our visitors and allow a little room for growth.

One of the first renditions called for 78 parking spots, which would have meant removing all the trees between the Wise Nature Center and the road. The new plan (see picture) allows for a long entrance to the nature center with retention ponds that will help with water runoff and provide a spot for native prairie plants. The parking lot will return to its “one entrance, one exit” original design and have a drop-off and pick-up zone that will keep children and others needing additional assistance from having to travel through a busy parking lot to reach



the main door of the nature center.

Next spring, a memorial and honorarium walkway will also be installed, running from the nature center directly to the tunnel to the north campus (not pictured). This will ensure that children, school groups or other visitors won’t need to walk through the parking lot to the tunnel. Construction of the new parking lot will be started in October of this year. The walkway behind the butterfly gardens will be cleared to allow guests to access the Wise Nature Center during construction.

Finally, the existing light poles will be retrofitted with new LED lights. The tunnel and pathway will be re-lighted with red, night-vision fixtures to encourage visitors to use additional overflow parking at night.

We dislike adding additional blacktop to our campus, but we are thrilled with the increased use and knowledge that we have 400 acres of pristine, wild space for visitors to explore. Thank you for your understanding while we make your visitor experience better and safer, all while providing you access to this beautiful, magical place that we all love.

Erik Keisler, Executive Director



Celebrate the Chippewa River Conference and Friends of Beaver Creek Reserve Annual Meeting

Friday November 3, 1:30 – 10:00 p.m.

University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, Dakota Ballroom

This year, Beaver Creek Reserve's Annual Meeting will be held during the 4th Annual Celebrate the Chippewa River Conference. Come hear presentations from local historians, naturalists, researchers and educators on a wide range of environmental topics, many of which will focus on the aquatic gem that meanders through our city – the Chippewa River! This year's keynote speaker is Max Finkelstein. Max is an author, photographer, and passionate advocate for river conservation. He has traveled more than 20,000 kilometers throughout North America, Africa and Australia. Max is the author of *Canoeing a Continent: On the Trail of Alexander Mackenzie*, a book about his experiences retracing Mackenzie's historic crossing of North America. Dinner will be catered by Blugold Dining, and we will wind down from the week with good conversation, beverages from the bar, and live musical entertainment.

Registration and full payment required by October 30.

For Entire conference including breakout sessions, dinner, keynote and music:

\$35 for General Public, \$30 for Friends of Beaver Creek, \$10 for the first 20 students (after which general admission pricing starts).

To attend just the conference, not dinner or the keynote speaker:

\$15 for General Public, \$10 for Friends of Beaver Creek

There is NO Charge for Friends of Beaver Creek Reserve to attend the Beaver Creek Annual Meeting, however preregistration is required. For those wishing to attend the dinner and keynote please refer to the conference pricing for Friends of \$30



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NEWSLETTER

Editor Brianne Markin

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Volunteer Spotlight



Beaver Creek Reserve would like to thank Luke Steffen, Site Supervisor for the Western Dairyland Fresh Start Program. The Fresh Start Program trains at-risk youth, ages 17-25 in the basics of construction and rehabilitation of homes in western Wisconsin. Classroom instruction towards a high school diploma, GED or HSED is combined with hand-on experiences and community service. Beaver Creek Reserve has been the recipient of many service hours. Projects that the Fresh Start program has worked on include:

- Assisting with the construction of the caretaker's garage
- Building the lean-to on the maintenance shed
- Building new stands for the archery targets
- Ongoing trail maintenance
- Painting and staining of the picnic tables, cabins and other buildings

UPCOMING

programs



Gentle Yoga

**Mondays, September 11 - December 18,
6:00 - 7:15 p.m.**

Wise Nature Center

Gentle Yoga provides all the benefits of the yoga experience at a slower and steadier pace. It helps to reduce stress, feel strong yet flexible in your body and increase positive energy. The Fall and Winter session is led by Reserve member Karen Wise and will include instruction on how to do poses, breathing techniques and relaxation practice. Please dress in loose-fitting clothing, bring a yoga mat or blanket to lie on the floor and a water bottle.

Purchase a 10 punch card – Friends \$80, Nonmembers \$100. Punch cards will be given out at first class attended.

1 punch per class, receive 10 punches to earn a prize from BCR!

At the door \$10 Members, \$12 Non-members

Saw-whet Owl Banding Workshop

Tuesday, September 12 from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday, September 13 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wise Nature Center

It is almost time for Beaver Creek Reserve's Citizen Science Center to begin trapping and banding Northern saw-whet owls during fall migration. The Owl Banding Crew is accepting new volunteers to assist in trapping, banding, and data collection. A two day workshop will be held at the Reserve to provide volunteers with the knowledge

and training to participate in the banding program. The Owl Banding program begins the last week of September and continues into early November and occurs several nights a week from 7 p.m. until approximately 1 a.m. The Owl Banding Crew will be looking for new volunteers to commit to a minimum of one night a week throughout the banding season. Materials and snacks will be provided for the workshop. Please bring beverages, a brown bag dinner for the first evening, and outdoor-appropriate clothing for the next morning. You must be 18 years or older to participate.

Fee: \$50, (\$30 for college students) paid prior to workshop



Register Today

Online:

www.beavercreekreserve.org

By Phone: 715-877-2212

In Person at the Wise Nature Center. See cover for hours.

By Mail: Please call to reserve a spot, and checks must be received by the registration deadline.

We accept cash, check, and credit or debit cards.

Cancellations require 48-hour notice prior to the program date, and are refundable, less a 10% admin fee. Tickets for special events are non-refundable.

SEPTEMBER

Gentle Yoga

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6:00 - 7:15 p.m.**

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Phenology Hike for "Experienced" Explorers

**Two Sessions! Thursday, September 14,
9:30 - 11:30 a.m., or Tuesday, October 3,
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

Tiffany Train Ride

**Saturday, September 16, 7:00 a.m. -
12:00 p.m.**

OCTOBER

Storybook Hiking Trail

Friday, October 13, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Basket Weaving

Tuesday, October 17, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Fantastic Falcons

Tuesday, October 17, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Adventures in Geocaching

Saturday, October 28, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

**Celebrate the Chippewa River
Conference and BCR Annual Meeting
Friday, November 3, 1:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

Black Bears of Wisconsin

Saturday, November 4, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



Phenology Hike for “Experienced” Explorers

Two Sessions! Thursday, September 14, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. or Tuesday, October 3, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Wise Nature Center

This program is targeted to nature lovers 55 and older and consists of a hike of an hour or so, led by a Beaver Creek Reserve naturalist on the trails at Beaver Creek Reserve. Explorers will document the changes taking place in the Reserve's woods. The walk will be capped off with coffee and a treat and further discussion about the changes and things seen on the trails. Hikers should expect about a mile-long hike with uneven terrain and stairs to negotiate.

Registration and full payment required by September 12 or September 29 for each respective session

Friends \$3 Nonmembers \$5

Tiffany Train Ride

Saturday, September 16, 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tiffany Wildlife Area

Ride the rails through the Tiffany Wetland Bottoms with the Citizen Science staff from Beaver Creek Reserve. Spend the day on an open-air, antique train while exploring the wetlands. The round-trip ride, approximately 14 miles, will let you see what makes these wetlands so unique and important to our plant and wildlife habitat. Be sure to pack a cooler with snacks and refreshments for the day while we tour and hike the trails, 0.25 -0.5 miles each. Rain or shine, don't miss this exciting event!

Registration and full payment required by September 14.

Friends \$25, Nonmembers \$35



Storybook Hiking Trail

Friday, October 13, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Wise Nature Center

Join BCR for a fun, fall activity followed by a guided tour on the Storybook Hiking Trail. This program is for kids ages 4-8 and their families. Explore fall-themed songs, interactive stories, and movement activities that encourage your children to think about the ever-changing world around them and their role in it. All abilities are welcome to participate and we will do our best to accommodate your child's needs. Dress for the weather as the majority of the program will be held outdoors. In case of extreme weather, program will be held indoors.

Registration and full payment required by October 11.

**Friends \$3 per child, Adults free,
Nonmembers \$5 per child, Adults free**

Basket Weaving

Tuesday, October 17, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Wise Nature Center

Join Shirley Mount of the basket patch to make an “Antique Candy Jar.” “The Antique Candy Jar”. This beautiful piece is woven around a quart canning jar with a gorgeous hand turned lid. The lids are all different wood and styles you can choose in class. Previous weaving experience is helpful. This basket can be made with or without the center fabric strip. See website for items to bring.

Registration and full payment required by Friday, October 6.

Friends \$41, Nonmembers \$43



Fantastic Falcons

Tuesday, October 17, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Wise Nature Center

Falcons are some of the world's fastest animals. Join us for an evening program to learn more about these fascinating birds. The evening will close with a chance to meet Aurora, Beaver Creek's own educational falcon. Program is appropriate for upper elementary-aged students to adults.

Registration and full payment required by October 13.

Friends FREE, Nonmembers Adults \$5, Children \$3

Adventures in Geocaching

Saturday, October 28, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Wise Nature Center

Geocaching is a “treasure” hunting game where players search for hidden containers called caches, using GPS (global positioning system) units. This class is designed as an introduction to geocaching. Participants will learn basic GPS use and have a chance to practice their new skills during this class. Participants do not need a GPS unit. This program is geared for families with school-aged children, but adults are welcome. Pricing is per group of 2-4 people. If there are more than 4 people in your party please register for more than one spot.

Registration and full payment is required by October 25.

**Friends \$10 per group,
Nonmembers \$15 per group**

Black Bears of Wisconsin

Saturday, November 4, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Wise Nature Center

Dave Schmitt of Haycreek Outfitters, BCR Volunteer, and nature-lover will present a short program on black bears of Wisconsin. This fun, and informative presentation is suitable for elementary age to adult learners and will feature a special visit from “Geraldine of Rock Dam Lake.” Geraldine is a (plush) ambassador for Black Bears and recently started her own Facebook page detailing her adventures.

This event is FREE, but pre-registration is required.



Naturalist Notes

Fungus Amongus

While mushrooms can appear at almost any time of the year, with the exception of winter, it is fall that produces the greatest abundance and variety. A walk through the woods in the fall yields a totally different experience than a summer stroll. Most notably in fall, the majority of those pesky biting insects are gone, but there is also a palpable difference in the air. The woods don't smell the same. Plants begin to change color, the nights are cooler, and the moldering



Sulphur shelf (chicken of the woods)

leaves on the forest floor give you that fall smell. It's mushroom time!

Mushrooms are around us throughout the year. But what most people don't realize is that the main body of the mushroom exists below the ground. A vast network of very fine "roots" called mycelium, which in some species can span acres in size, is the real mushroom. As a matter of fact we would probably be amazed, and maybe somewhat horrified, if we could see the actual area occupied by most mushrooms. When soil temperatures get into the 50's, and there has been enough rainfall, a magical event occurs. If the mycelium have acquired and stored enough food and nutrients, and there is sufficient moisture, it is time for them to fruit. This fruiting body is what most of us envision when we think of mushrooms. The actual fruit is just a very small part of the whole organism.

Mushrooms play a very important role in the environment. The mycelium help to break down fallen logs, leaves,



and other organic matter on the forest floor - recycling essential nutrients. Many mushrooms are vital to the growth and survival of trees, actually helping the trees absorb nutrients from the soil.

The fruiting bodies of mushrooms can be quite beautiful, and many are choice edibles sought out by avid mushroomers. A few choice late summer and fall mushrooms include: Sulphur shelf (chicken of the woods), maitake (hen of the woods), puffballs, and oyster mushrooms. But whether you are in the woods to find them to eat, or are just enjoying them for their beauty, mushrooms definitely add an interesting piece to the fall landscape.

So while you are filling your lungs with that wonderful fall air, keep a look out for some interesting fungi!

Jim Schwiebert, BCR Naturalist



Maitake (hen of the woods)



Pear-shaped Puffballs



Oyster mushrooms



- The fungus kingdom includes yeasts, molds and mushrooms
- In forests, fungi make up 90% of living things in the soil.

- Honey mushrooms are among the largest living organisms. Scientists estimated one single specimen in Oregon to be 3.4 square miles and 2,400 years old!

- Scientists who study fungi are called mycologists
- There are approximately 1.5 million species of fungi in the world.

Store Sales

Save 15% off these
great items



September

- Everything Butterfly!

October

- Wind Chimes, Rocks and
Gardening Books



Introducing Beaver Creek Reserve
Honey! Now for sale in the Nature Store.
Delicious, wildflower honey produced
by bees at BCR and harvested by the
Chippewa-Eau Claire Bee Keepers.
Supplies are limited.
\$9 for 9 oz.
\$12 for 12 oz.

HOBBS OBSERVATORY HAPPENINGS

Come learn fascinating facts
about the night sky from
members of the Chippewa Valley
Astronomical Society (CVAS) as they
host public programs on the third
Saturday of each month at 8 pm in
the Hobbs Observatory. There will
be a 45-60 minute presentation on
astronomical related topics by CVAS
members.

Go to www.cvastro.org for a list of
upcoming topics. If skies are clear
and temperatures permit, the domes
will be open for public observing
following the program.

Public viewing is also available on
CLEAR Saturdays from May through
October starting about an hour after
sunset (as CVAS volunteer staffing
permits).

For more information on these
programs, please contact BCR at
(715) 877-2212 or visit www.cvastro.org
or www.beavercreekreserve.org



MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS

Quilting Club

**Second & Fourth Mondays,
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

The Quilting Club meets the second and
fourth Monday of each month to work on
individual projects and to share ideas on
quilting. Beginners to seasoned quilters
are always welcome.

Beaver Creek Bird Club

Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Bird Club meets at BCR on the second
Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m
from September to May. The club is
open to all bird lovers.

Sept. 12 - Steve Betchkal "A Wisconsin
Farm Boy in the Galapagos"
October 10 - Chris Lind "Africa"
November 14 - TBD
December 12 - Potluck Meal
January 9 - Carol and Jerry Knabe
"Birds of Brazil"



Chippewa Valley Watercolor Artists

First Wednesday, 9 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

All watercolorists welcome

The Chippewa Valley Watercolor Artists
meet the first Wednesday of each month
to paint, critique, and share information
related to watercolor painting. All
watercolor artists, beginning to advanced,
are invited to participate. For information,
contact Jan at 715-874-5870 or
at kippenjp@wwt.net

Beaver Creek Photo Club

Third Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

Everyone welcome! The Beaver Creek
Photo Club meets the third Thursday of
the month from January through May
and September through November.
No December Meeting.

Chippewa Valley Astronomical Society

First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Everyone welcome

The Chippewa Valley Astronomical
Society (CVAS) meets on the first
Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Most
meetings are at Hobbs Observatory, but
are occasionally held off-site. The CVAS
is open to anyone with an interest in
astronomy. For more information, please
contact the Reserve or check out the
Club's web site at www.cvastro.org.



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Davies Center, UWEC
Friday, November 3rd, 1:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Friends of Beaver Creek Annual Meeting to be held during conference.
See page 3 for more details.