

The 2012 Oktoberfest Medallion Hunt Clues and Their Meanings

<p>Clue #1 – Monday, Sept. 17 — It's "All About Fest" this year, Prepare your maps and head out with no fear; The medallion hunt is once again the game, Sift through all the clues to sniff out this year's claim.</p>	<p>The 2012 medallion hunt is underway. The phrase "sniff out" hints that the area is known for a unique smell, and for animals that like to sniff.</p>
<p>Clue #2 – Tuesday, Sept. 18 — Leaves green, yellow and orange under a crisp, clear blue sky, Google, the Web and history will help you demystify; Sit among the freshly fallen leaves, Let's hope these early clues don't deceive.</p>	<p>Leaves and trees are prevalent to the area where the medallion is located. Some of the hints given in the clues can be tracked down on the Web, as well as historical documents.</p>
<p>Clue #3 – Wednesday, Sept. 19 — Native names, a tool and color originate some of them, For tourists and locals, these seven are a gem; The main stream of transportation of years gone by, The teens can make many things go awry.</p>	<p>One of the area's seven rivers is key to locating the spot. The Mississippi is highlighted, as it played the largest role in the city's early transportation. When the river stage reaches the teens, it starts to cause flooding problems in the area where the medallion is hidden.</p>
<p>Clue #4 – Thursday, Sept. 20 — White was dominant along with many another hardwood, Six billion board feet was the Coulee Region's lifeblood; Denton, Rublee, Colman and John Paul, Just some of the names for the time's windfall.</p>	<p>La Crosse's lumbering history is key to the area of where the medallion is. Two in the lumbering business, Colman and John Paul, donated the land, Isle La Plume, near the medallion's location.</p>
<p>Clue #5 – Friday, Sept. 21 — A Vermont-born businessman of his time, This logger's success led to his mayoral climb; No longer "barren," but rather a hub for recreation, Sit back and enjoy watching fun in the sun.</p>	<p>Albert Pettibone, one of the city's early lumber barons and mayors, donated Barron Island to the city. From the shores of Houska Park, you can easily sit back and watch the fun at Pettibone Park.</p>
<p>Clue #6 – Saturday, Sept. 22 — A depository for residential, commercial and industrial waste, After 50 years the area received a new face; The boys — and girls — of summer now take part, Others pass by with hopes of achieving a green heart.</p>	<p>One of the city's old landfill sites on Isle La Plume was covered and is now the site of Carroll Field, which is in the neighborhood of medallion's location. People hoping to help green efforts drop off waste in the area.</p>
<p>Clue #7 – Sunday, Sept. 23 — The area can be foul in more ways than one, Despite that reputation it became a place for recreation and fun; The barber on the city council came up with the plan, Near mid-century the area was named for the alderman</p>	<p>Alderman and barber Joseph Houska suggested that Isle La Plume not only hold the city wastewater treatment facility, but also be the site of a park, despite odors from the facility and brewery.</p>
<p>Clue #8 – Monday, Sept. 24 — With the city's 19th century industry lumbering, Water, barley and hops took an upswing; Gund, J. Michel and Bartl started the industry's clan, Eventually the industry was taken over by a Heileman.</p>	<p>The city's brewing industry — particularly where the old Heileman brewery was located — is close to the hiding spot.</p>
<p>Clue #9 – Tuesday, Sept. 25 — Near the end (or start) of a double trio you'll reach the 'hood, The main path for the man-made livelihood; In another direction you'll cook up a new route, Go north and find the mark near a roundabout.</p>	<p>State Highway 33 leads into Hood Street and the Niedbalski Bridge, the main way for automobiles to get to Isle La Plume. There are also bridges at the south (Cook Street) and north (Market Street) ends of the island.</p>
<p>Clue #10 – Wednesday, Sept. 26 — If it's still out there for this last clue, Then it's been a dog-gone clever writing coup; Walk the planks toward a Kennedyesque flare, A crack on the path exposes the hidden hardware.</p>	<p>Through one of the cracks of the bridge north of the dog park leading to the continuous burning flame from the brewery on Market Street is where you'll find the Oktoberfest medallion.</p>