

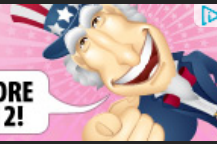
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#### 12-1-11 murder suspect back in fdl

The Fond du Lac Police Department was notified that homicide suspect Jason Anderson arrived back in Fond du Lac early this morning. Anderson is currently being held in the Fond du Lac County Jail and is scheduled to make his initial appearance in Fond du Lac County Circuit Court at 11a.m. this morning. Anderson is accused of shooting to death his wife at their Winnebago Drive home last month. He was arrested a few days later in Birmingham, Alabama.

#### 12-1-11 armed robbery-briarcrest apartments

On 11-30-11 at about 3:47 a.m., Fond du Lac Police were called to a parking lot at the Briarcrest Apartments at N. Seymour and W. Amdt Streets for a report of an armed robbery that had occurred. The victim, a 28-year old Fond du Lac man, told officers that he was approached by two subjects described as white males. Both males allegedly displayed handguns and demanded a ride from the victim. After the victim refused to give the subjects a ride, one of the suspects took some items from the victim's wallet and fled the area on foot. The victim was not injured. Both suspects were described as being in their late teens or early twenties dressed in all black and also wearing bandanas. No suspects are in custody at this time. Anyone with information on this or any other crime should contact Lead Detective Steve Kaufman at 920-322-3725 or Crime Alert 920-322-3740.

#### 12-1-11 tavern robbery suspects make initial court appearance

Two suspects in a Van Dyne tavern robbery have officially made their initial Fond du Lac court appearance a week after they were arrested. Amanda Verbanac and her sister Nicole Schneider are charged with armed robbery, battery and armed burglary. They are being held in jail on \$50,000 cash bail. A criminal complaint alleges that factors in the robbery included making a house payment and prescription drug abuse. Sheriff's Lieutenant, Cameron McGee, says Verbanac's husband had reported Tuesday afternoon that robbers entered their house and stole prescription medication.

#### 12-1-11 "body" found in lake winnebago turns out to be a mannequin

Fond du Lac police are not laughing at what appears to be a sick joke played by someone at Lakeside Park. Police captain Steve Klein says police received a call shortly before 1pm Wednesday from a person who spotted what he thought was a body floating in Lake Winnebago off Frazier Point. Klein says it turns out the object was a mannequin. "Somebody had taken some old clothing and stuffed the clothing with newspapers," Klein said. Klein says what may be a joke to someone is something that's taken very seriously by law enforcement and rescue personnel.

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### 12-1-11 iron ridge man arrested for 8th owi

On Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 9:48pm Deputy Mke Willmann of the Dodge County Sheriff's Department observed a vehicle moving slowly in the parking lot of the Oasis Bar in the village of Rubicon. After accessing the DOT files, the deputy determined that the registered owner had at least 6 priors for OWI. The deputy then returned to the area to find that the vehicle had left the parking lot. A short time later the deputy located the vehicle and observed the driver crossing the center line and as he made a right hand turn nearly put the vehicle in the ditch. Deputy Willmann conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the driver who was identified as Dennis Grosenick, a 59 year old male who lives in the Iron Ridge area. After conducting standard field sobriety tests, it was determined that Mr. Grosenick was intoxicated. A preliminary breath test indicated he was nearly 3 times the normal legal limit. As this would be his 8th offence, his alcohol level was over 10 times the limit set for him. Grosenick is currently being held at the Dodge County Jail on charges of OWI 8th offence, open intoxicants, and violation of his probation. If convicted, he could be fined up to \$25,000.00 and serve up to 10 years in prison.

### 12-1-11 republicans file lawsuit

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Republicans have filed a second lawsuit to require any recall elections for state legislators to be conducted in newly drawn districts, a move that would favor the GOP. The lawsuit filed today in Waukesha County district court comes a week after the same plaintiffs asked the state Supreme Court to either appoint a three-judge panel to hear the case or take it up themselves.

### 12-1-11 packer player arrested in domestic violence incident expected to play sunday

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Green Bay Packers linebacker Erik Walden is expected to start against the New York Giants this Sunday despite his arrest on suspicion of domestic violence. Packers coach Mike McCarthy says Walden's situation is "under review." Given the information the team has as of today, McCarthy says Walden is expected to play. Walden spent the Thanksgiving weekend in jail before his release on bond.

### 12-1-11 fdl county tax bills due soon

Fond du Lac County taxpayers can expect to receive their 2011 tax bills in the mail by mid-December. They will also be available to view and print through the Fond du Lac County website by logging onto [www.fdlco.wi.gov](http://www.fdlco.wi.gov). Taxpayers are encouraged to pay their taxes by mail to avoid waiting in long lines. Please return the appropriate payment stub(s) with your payment. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if a payment receipt is requested. Payment for parcels located in the City of Fond du Lac and the Village of North Fond du Lac should be made payable and mailed to the Fond du Lac County Treasurer's Office, 160 South Macy Street, P.O. Box 1515, Fond du Lac, WI 54936-1515. Payments for all other municipalities (Towns, Villages, Cities) are collected by the appropriate municipality. Please see tax bill payment stub for further payment details. Real Estate taxes may be paid in full or the 1st installment is due by January 31, 2012 with the balance due by July 31, 2012.

### 12-1-11 can't depend on snow sled dog race

Sled dog teams from throughout the Midwest will converge on Fond du Lac this weekend to race with or without snow. The annual Can't Depend on Snow Sled Dog race is slated for this Saturday at the Rolling Meadows Golf Course with all of the proceeds going to the Make a Wish Foundation. Event organizer, Mke Schwandt, says race starts at 10am Saturday with activities scheduled throughout the day. The event raised nearly \$4000 last year and the goal this year is \$10,000.

### 12-1-11 disabled youth hit the ice for hockey december 3rd

The Wisconsin Warriors Sled Hockey Team gives youth with disabilities the opportunity to play hockey. Started in 2007, the team now features about a dozen players from throughout Wisconsin and is always open to adding new players. The Wisconsin Warriors will take on the Waupun Bantams:

**Date:** December 3, 2011

**Time:** 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

**Where:** Waupun Community Center 510 East Spring Street, Waupun

Team members use specially-designed hockey sleds and other specialized equipment to maneuver around the rink. "This is a great program that gives Wisconsin youth, who otherwise would not be able to play hockey, a chance to do so," said Brad Roethlisberger, Wisconsin Warriors head coach.

### 12-1-11 red kettle campaign

Fond du Lac Salvation Army officials say the need for assistance this holiday season is greater than ever. The Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign is in full swing. "It actually started two weeks ago on the 11th of November and we are currently at six percent of our goal," Salvation Army spokesperson, Denise Schaefer, said. The goal is \$150,000. Schaefer says volunteers are needed to man the kettles. If you want to volunteer you may call the Salvation Army at 923-8220.

### 12-1-11 marian university homeland security symposium

Marian University's Institute for Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is hosting the Third Annual Homeland Security Symposium on Tuesday, December 6 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. at Whispering Springs Golf Club in Fond du Lac. This year's theme is "Building Community Resilience: A Practical Approach" and the keynote speaker will be Major General Warren Edwards (Ret), director of the Community and Regional Resilience Institute (CARRI) in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The mission of CARRI is to develop and share critical paths communities may take to strengthen their ability to prepare for, respond to, and rapidly recover from significant man-made or natural disasters with minimal downtime of basic community, government, and business services. CARRI supports communities in their resilience building efforts and works with state, regional and national stakeholders to create incentives and support for community resilience. A discussion, featuring a panel consisting of Governor Scott McCallum, Nadav Mbrag, Ph.D., Naval Postgraduate School, Rick Meyers, Colorado Springs Police Department along with former Milwaukee Fire Chief, Doug Holton, currently the associate dean of Human and Protective Services at Madison Area Technical College is scheduled. Dr. Michelle Majewski, Dean of the School of Criminal Justice and Director of Marian's Institute for Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness states, "We are especially pleased to be able to bring such a distinguished group of professionals to Fond du Lac for this year's symposium. This is an opportunity for interested individuals to learn more about community

resiliency and the work being done on this topic. One of the goals of this symposium is to assist individuals with identifying concrete steps toward helping their respective community assess the level of resilience and to put a plan in place for enhancing community resiliency." Interested individuals may register online no later than Thursday, December 1 at [www.marianuniversity.edu/hssymposium](http://www.marianuniversity.edu/hssymposium) and completing the online form. The registration fee for this event is \$20.00 and it includes lunch. Space is limited.

#### 12-1-11 winter parking restrictions

The City of Fond du Lac Police Department and the Department of Public Works is taking this opportunity to remind the members of the community that the **WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS** are now in effect. Parking from November 15th to March 15th is restricted between the hours of 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. **On EVEN NUMBERED DAYS**, starting at 8:00 p.m. parking is restricted to the EVEN side of the street. **On ODD NUMBERED DAYS**, starting at 8:00 p.m. parking is restricted to the ODD side of the street. Any **METERED AREA** is still restricted to 60 minutes between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. This ordinance overrides all other on-street parking restrictions where parking is allowed. Please remind family, friends and overnight guests of these restrictions as violations can be costly. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions please call the shift commander at 322-3710.

#### 12-1-11 fdl county sheriff's department law of the month

Although the official start of winter this year is not until December 22, Wisconsin likely will be hit with the usual onslaught of ice, snow, and limited visibility that makes driving difficult-if not impossible-at times. To survive treacherous winter driving conditions, motorists must be patient and follow common-sense precautions. When there's ice or snow, many motorists skid off the road or crash because they were driving too fast for conditions. The posted speed limits are for dry pavement, and those speeds may be hazardous when roads are slick. The slogan 'Snow Means Slow' also applies to four-wheel drive and other heavy duty vehicles, which need ample distance for stopping on slippery roads, just like other vehicles. Acitation for driving too fast for conditions Wis.Stat.346.57(3) costs \$213.10 with four demerit points. Winter weather also can limit visibility, so drivers must remove all frost, ice and snow from their vehicle's windows. You must be able to see in all directions at all times to avoid crashes. Clearing only a small patch on a windshield or rear window is not sufficient. Clearing snow and ice from the lights, hood and roof also helps improve visibility and safety. According to state law, a vehicle's windshield, side wings, and side and rear windows must be kept clear at all times Wis.Stat. 346.88(4). Violating this law costs \$175.30 with two demerit points assessed on the driver's record. During severe winter storms, the wisest decision often is to stay put and not drive. Our officers frequently respond to vehicles in the ditch and chain-reaction crashes when there was no real need for the drivers to be on the road at all. Slowed or stalled traffic on slippery roads also delays snowplows and tow trucks that are trying to get the roads cleared. To minimize the dangers of winter driving follow these safety tips:

**Always** wear your seat belt even if traveling a short distance. You and your passengers absolutely need this protection even in low speed "fender-bender" collisions.

**Watch** for slippery bridge decks. They ice up quicker than adjacent pavement.

#### 12-1-11 help stock the food pantry shelves

"All we need now is the community to join us for lunch!," explains Empty Bowls co-chair, Mke Feudner. Join the Leadership FDL Alumni Group for the annual Empty Bowls fundraiser on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ramada Plaza Hotel. Proceeds from the luncheon will help fill the shelves at area food pantries. Just \$15 will buy a satisfying meal of soup, bread and dessert as well as a ceramic bowl created by area art students. "The need to support our local food pantries is vital," states Feudner. "The Leadership FDL Alumni Group and area businesses and schools have joined efforts to bring awareness and resources to those who go hungry everyday." Broken Bread coordinator, Roxanne Burkhardt, reported that every Friday more than 225 families come to them to receive food. This equals approximately 1,100 individuals who benefit from the resources being donated to the pantry. Similarly, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Fond du Lac County understands that the need for assistance throughout the local community continues to grow. "St. Vincent de Paul volunteers regularly visit the homes of those in need and provide food vouchers to local grocery stores," stated Jack Braun, Vice President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Fond du Lac County. "Assistance with food is one of our priorities, especially as over 50% of those helped are children under the age of 18. " In addition, the Fondy Food Pantry is extremely appreciative to again be one of the recipients of the Empty Bowls community fundraiser. "We plan to put the money to great use not only with our traditional food boxes for families, but also with our new Food for Thought program, which feeds 300 children in need every weekend during the school year," explains Sarah Zimmerman, President of the Fondy Food Panty Board of Directors. As with many organizations struggling in today's economy, the need for donations has never been greater and the Empty Bowls fundraiser continues to make a huge impact. "One of my favorite parts about the Empty Bowl event is the hand made ceramic bowl you receive at the luncheon," stated Zimmerman. "The bowl gives people a visual reminder every day about the importance of helping to feed the hungry". Additional pantries benefiting from the luncheon include the Solutions Center, Loaves and Fishes and the Salvation Army.

#### 12-1-11 agnesian healthcare lovelight campaign

The star atop this year's Love Light Tree, sponsored by the Agnesian HealthCare Foundation, will shine in memory of individuals lost from the Agnesian HealthCare family this past year. This year's star shines for Agnesian HealthCare Volunteers that include Dan Ewald, August "Gus" Kresbach and Kate Wallace. Proceeds from the Love Light fund drive will benefit Agnesian HealthCare's Grief Relief program, which provides a safe place where children, teens and their families can grieve openly and share experiences as they move through the grief process in a supportive environment of their peers. The Grief Relief program meets twice monthly in the lower level of the Fond du Lac Regional Clinic West building, 912 S. Hickory Street in Fond du Lac. Age-appropriate toys are available for younger children; art supplies for art therapy are available as well. Grief Relief also offers suicide support as well as a support group for widows/widowers on Wednesdays. The public is invited to attend this year's Love Light Tree Lighting Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14 at the St. Agnes Hospital lobby. Love Lights can be purchased through December 31 at the information desks at either St. Agnes Hospital or the Fond du Lac Regional Clinic and cost \$10 each. Tammy Waidelich and Lori Tschetter are leading this year's drive. Call (920) 926-4959 for more information.

#### 12-1-11 seibel family christmas concert

The Seibel Family Christmas Concert will be presented this year at the Fond du Lac Performing Arts Center at Fond du Lac High School on Saturday December 17 at 1:00 PM and 6:00 PM. The 1:00 PM Concert will benefit St. Vincent DePaul Charities and the 6:00 PM concert will benefit The Salvation Army Christmas Campaign. Tickets are available starting on Sunday, November 26 at Reach Out Books which

is located at 221 Peters Avenue in Fond du Lac. "The performance is free to the public," says Tom Seibel, "and the donations that result from it are our gift to both St. Vincent DePaul and The Salvation Army." The group will also be performing at The Washington County Fair Grounds the evening of December 10. The Salvation Army will "Deck the Halls" with red kettles and charming bell ringers encouraging support to the Salvation Army Christmas campaign. Sponsoring the event for The Salvation Army will be Charter Communications, Bank Mutual, Marchant Schmidt Inc., Jack's Team Sports, and Tighe Roofing Contractors. Tickets will go quickly, and those who wish to attend are encouraged to get them early. Tickets are ONLY available at Reach Out Books.

**12-1-11 waupun memorial hospital blood drive**

Area residents are invited to join Waupun Memorial Hospital associates, volunteers and physicians and donate an hour of time on Tuesday, January 3 to give blood to the BloodCenter of Wisconsin. Blood donations will be accepted in the Lower Level Meeting Room from 12:30 to 5 p.m. at Waupun Memorial Hospital, 620 W. Brown Street, Waupun. Giving blood is easy and takes about an hour. The process includes registering, giving a brief medical history, and having temperature, blood pressure and hemoglobin checked. Blood that is donated remains local, as the BloodCenter of Wisconsin is the sole supplier of blood to Waupun Memorial Hospital and St. Agnes Hospital, as well as 55 other Wisconsin hospitals in 27 counties.



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