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#### 7-23-11 norway attacks

OSLO, Norway (AP)—A Norwegian police official says the 32-year-old Norwegian man suspected of the Oslo bombing and a shooting at a youth camp does not appear to be linked to Islamist terrorism. The official says the attacks probably have more in common with the 1995 attack on a U.S. federal building in Oklahoma City than the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. He says the suspect appears to have acted alone, and "it seems like that this is not linked to any international terrorist organizations at all." He added that the investigation is still ongoing and that things can change. The official was speaking on condition of anonymity because that information has not yet been released by Norway's police. Officials say the bombing in Oslo killed seven people and wounded 10 and the camp shooting killed nine or 10, perhaps more. A Norwegian police official says there is at least one unexploded device at the youth camp and a police bomb disposal team with support from military experts is working on disarming the device.

#### 7-23-11 fdl man accused of stalking convicted on lesser charges

A Fond du lac man accused of causing severe injuries to a two year old child has had charges against him amended in a separate case. Thomas Abitz has been convicted of three misdemeanor charges of unlawful use of a telephone, criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. He was originally charged with felony stalking. Fond du lac Judge Peter Grimm placed Abitz on probation and 60 days in jail. A number of conditions were also ordered including no contact with the victim and anger management counseling. Meanwhile, Abitz still faces a charge of reckless abuse of a child. He is accused of causing a two year old girl to suffer a skull fracture and hemorrhaging around both eyes. According to a criminal complaint Abitz initially told investigators he was changing the child's diaper when the infant suddenly went limp. Authorities say Abitz later changed his story and said he was playing "airplane" when the girl accidentally hit her head on a wall.

#### 7-23-11 highway 41 accident

A two vehicle accident on Highway 41 in Fond du lac slowed traffic for about an hour Friday afternoon. State Patrol Lieutenant Nick Scorcio says the accident happened when two vehicles collided in the northbound lanes near the South Main Street on ramp. One person received minor injuries and was transported to the hospital.

#### 7-23-11 taylor park pool listening session

The public will get an opportunity to comment on the future of the Taylor Park swimming pool Monday. The Fond du Lac Advisory Park Board will hold a listening session and hear a pool subcommittee report. The park board meets at 5:30 Monday evening in the legislative chambers of the City County Government Center.

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### 7-23-11 education accountability system

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The head of the statewide teachers union says her group will not join Governor Scott Walker's effort to create a new state accountability system to replace the federal No Child Left Behind requirements. Union president Mary Bell says that teachers of the Wisconsin Education Association Council don't trust Walker given his proposal taking away nearly all their collective bargaining rights.

### 7-23-11 madison man's death remains under investigation

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Authorities are identifying the 36-year-old man found dead in a Madison park this week as Ryan Scott of Madison. The Dane County medical examiner's office says an autopsy found no signs of trauma. Toxicology tests are still pending. Madison police have said Scott was found about 6:15 p.m. Wednesday near a shelter in Brittingham Park. Authorities say extreme heat may have contributed to Scott's death.

### 7-23-11 columbia county heat related death

PORTAGE, Wis. (AP) — Wisconsin authorities are identifying the 65-year-old Columbia County man who died earlier this week of heat-related causes as Dennis Langetieg. The Columbia County medical examiner's office found that the 65-year-old died on Monday from underlying medical conditions during extreme temperatures.

### 7-23-11 dot service centers

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — A state Department of Transportation official says no final decisions have been made over what Division of Motor Vehicle service centers will be closed next year. DOT executive assistant Reggie Newsom said today under a tentative plan 10 service centers statewide would close. The plan also calls for expanded hours at other locations.

### 7-23-11 concealed carry

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The Wisconsin Department of Justice is warning residents who want to obtain permits to carry concealed weapons that no providers have been certified yet. The department is working on the rules that will govern whether concealed handgun training offered at gun ranges meets state requirements.

### 7-23-11 heat wave

Wisconsin Emergency Management and the National Weather Service are urging people to protect themselves from the dangerous heat and humidity expected next week. Temperatures will rise to the mid-90s with heat indexes of up to 115 degrees. The NWS has already issued an Excessive Heat Watch for southwest Wisconsin and more watches and advisories are expected to be posted over the weekend. In 1995, two major killer heat waves affected most of Wisconsin resulting in 154 heat-related deaths and over 300 heat-related illnesses. Summer heat waves have been the biggest weather-related killers in Wisconsin for the past 50 years, far exceeding tornadoes and severe storms. To help keep cool this summer, here are some tips to keep safe in hot weather:

**Never leave children, disabled persons, or pets in a parked car – even briefly.** Temperatures in a car can become life threatening within minutes. On an 80-degree day, the temperature inside a car even with the windows cracked slightly can reach 100 degrees in less than 10 minutes!

**Keep your living space cool.** Cover windows to keep the sun from shining in. If you don't have an air conditioner open windows to let air circulate. When it's hotter than 95 degrees use fans to blow hot air out of the window rather than to blow hot air on your body. Basements or ground floors are often cooler than upper floors.

**Slow down and limit physical activity.** Plan outings or exertion for the early morning or after dark when temperatures are cooler.

**Drink plenty of water and eat lightly.** Don't wait for thirst, but instead drink plenty of water throughout the day. Avoid alcohol or caffeine and stay away from hot, heavy meals.

**Wear lightweight, loose-fitting, light-colored clothing.** Add a hat or umbrella to keep your head cool...and don't forget sunscreen!

**Don't stop taking medication unless your doctor says you should.** Take extra care to stay cool and ask your doctor or pharmacist for any special heat advice.

**Infants should drink breast milk or formula to get the right balance of water, salts and energy.** You may supplement your infant's fluids with an additional 4 to 8 ounces of water per day, but don't dilute formula beyond what the instructions say (unless instructed by your doctor).

**Taking a cool shower or bath will cool you down.** A shower or bath will actually work faster than an air conditioner. Applying cold wet rags to the neck, head and limbs also cools down the body quickly.

#### Symptoms of heat-related illness and what to do:

**Heat Cramps** - cramps or muscle spasms in the abdomen, arms or legs.

**Solution:** Stop activity. Cool down, drink clear juice or sports drink.

**Heat Exhaustion** - heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea, fainting.

**Solution:** Cool down, seek medical attention.

**Heat Stroke** - extremely high body temperature, red, hot, dry skin, rapid pulse, throbbing headache, dizziness, nausea, confusion, unconsciousness.

**Solution:** Call 911 and cool the victim with shower or hose until help arrives.

### 7-23-11 fdl county taxes due by end of july

Fond du Lac County Treasurer, Julie Hundertmark reminds Fond du Lac County residents that the second installment of 2010 property taxes are due on or before July 31, 2011. Payments should be made payable and mailed to:

**Fond du Lac County Treasurer**

**P.O. Box 1515**

**Fond du Lac, WI 54936-1515**

Apostmark (not metered mail) will determine timely payments. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if a payment receipt is requested. The County Treasurer's Office is located in the City-County Government Center 160 South Macy Street. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### 7-23-11 fdl library internet service down july 26th

Road construction in Oshkosh will disrupt internet service at the Fond du Lac Public Library on the

morning of Tuesday, July 26. If all goes as planned, the public will be able to access the internet on the free computers around noon. The library's catalog system will be down as well. The work is weather-dependent, so the outage date may change. The Fond du Lac Public Library is located at 32 Sheboygan St. For more information, visit [www.fdlpl.org](http://www.fdlpl.org).

#### **7-23-11 petri announces grants conference**

Rep. Tom Petri has scheduled a Government Grants and Program Assistance Conference in Fond du Lac on August 15. "This conference is designed to help local governments and non-profits leverage their limited resources for the benefit of the public," Petri said. "We will explore various resources and grants which may help." The conference will be take place from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm on Monday, August 15, 2011, at Moraine Park Technical College at 235 N. National Avenue in Fond du Lac. The conference will feature specific workshop sessions for local government and non-profits including grant proposal writing, sources of assistance through private foundations, training and technical assistance for local governments and non-profit financing opportunities to name a few. For more information, registration forms or to register online, potential attendees are invited to visit Rep. Petri's website at: <http://petri.house.gov> Information is also available by calling Rep. Petri's Fond du Lac Office at (920) 922-1180 or toll free at (800) 242-4883.

#### **7-23-11 public meeting bridge replacement**

Oakfield will be discussed at an open-house meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2011 by the consulting firm Donohue & Associates, Inc. The CTH Y bridge is located approximately ¼ mile north of the intersection with CTH D in the Village of Oakfield. Construction of the project is anticipated to occur in the spring or summer of 2012. The open-house meeting will be held at the Village Hall located at 130 North Main Street from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The meeting is being held as an open house so the public can attend at their convenience. No formal presentation is planned. The project engineer from Donohue & Associates and local elected officials will be available to answer questions and listen to comments. Proposed improvements include removal and replacement of the CTH Y Bridge and the construction of new asphalt roadway approaches. CTH Y at the bridge site will be closed to traffic during construction and additional right-of-way acquisition is anticipated. The preliminary project plans will be presented and can be discussed in detail at the meeting. Persons unable to attend the meeting can make their comments known by contacting Tammy Kuehlmann, PE, Transportation Engineer at Donohue & Associates, Inc., 3311 Weeden Creek Road, Sheboygan, WI 53081, phone (920) 208-0296. Persons with an interest in or knowledge about historical and archaeological resources in the project area are invited to include such information as part of any comments submitted. Note: The Oakfield Village Hall is wheelchair-accessible. Persons with hearing impairments who wish to comment on the project or obtain project information can do so through the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay System at 1-800-947-3529

#### **7-23-11 fdl county sheriff's department law of the month**

Sophisticated sound systems and GPS devices are popular accessories for vehicles. But there's another technologically advanced piece of equipment—called an ignition interlock device—that you definitely don't want to have to attach to your dashboard. Under a state law enacted in 2010, (Wisconsin Act 100 and Wis. State Statute 343.301) first-time OWM offenders convicted with high alcohol levels and repeat drunken drivers must install an ignition interlock device (IID), which detects alcohol, for a minimum of one year on every vehicle they own or have registered in their names. IIDs require drivers to provide a breath sample that proves they're sober before they can start their vehicle. Drivers also must blow into the device periodically while driving to ensure they remain alcohol-free. Courts will order installation of an IID for drivers convicted of first-offense OWM if their blood/breath alcohol was .15 or higher and drivers convicted of a second or subsequent OWM offense. In addition, drivers who refused a chemical test to measure their alcohol level at the time of arrest will have to install an IID. Convicted OWM offenders who do not comply with a court-ordered installation of an IID or who disconnect or tamper with an IID to avoid detection are subject to fines of \$150 to \$600 and up to six-months in jail as well as a six-month extension of the required IID period. Proof of IID installation is required before an occupational driver's license is issued. Offenders must pay the expense of installing and maintaining an IID as well as a \$50 surcharge. OWM offenders with an IID restriction have a prohibited alcohol concentration of .02 instead of .08. We hope that court-mandated IID installations will help combat drunken driving so that we can reduce the number of preventable traffic deaths to zero in Wisconsin. Last year in Wisconsin there were approximately 40,000 drunken driving convictions. Although law enforcement officers are always on the lookout for drunken drivers, there still are far too many tragic deaths and injuries. Last year in Wisconsin, alcohol-related traffic crashes killed 220 people and injured more than 3,500.

#### **7-23-11 local energy tour**

The public is invited to attend a Local Energy Tour on Friday, July 29 from 8:30am-noon by the Fond du Lac County UW-Extension office. The tour will give residents, businesses, and local government officials an opportunity to:

- view energy efficiency and renewable technologies,
- ask questions of people who use them every day,
- learn how to engage employees or family members in energy-smart choices,
- make easy energy changes immediately in their own buildings.

This guided bus tour will visit:

- The Harris-Morris home, heated by a geothermal pond system and a tankless hot water heater,
- Wildlife Acres Subdivision, built to accommodate geothermal and passive solar systems,
- Mid-States Aluminum Corporation, saving \$86,000/year through efficient equipment and engaged employees,
- J. F. Ahern Co., using rain water and highly efficient technologies in their LEED Gold headquarters.

The tour will depart from and return to the north parking lot of UW-Fond du Lac (400 University Dr., Fond du Lac), rain or shine. Participants should dress for the weather and wear comfortable, close-toed shoes. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$10/person payable in cash or check made out to "UW-Extension." Seating is limited. Email Diana.Tscheschlok@ces.uwex.edu or call 920/929-3173, 920/748-7565, or 920/324-2879 to register.



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