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# BARGAINS



## Latest Local News

### 7-6-11 barn fire

On Wednesday, July 6, 2011, at approximately 2:01am, the Fond du Lac County Communications Center received a report of a barn fire at the Arnold Gudex farm at W2561 Sunset Drive, located in the Township of Eden. Fire Departments from the Town of Eden and Village of Campbellsport responded along with deputies from the Sheriff's Office. Upon arrival of emergency personnel, the barn structure was fully engulfed. The barn is utilized for dairy operations as well as housing hay and poultry, along with attached feed silos. Several animals, both cattle and chickens were lost in the fire; however the exact number is not available at this time due to the still active efforts to control the fire. The total extent of damage to the structure is also unknown. The cause of the fire is unknown and remains under investigation at this time.

### 7-6-11 mailbox fire

Police are investigating an apparent intentionally set fire in a mailbox near the Fond du lac Post Office. Police Captain Steve Klein says a passing motorist spotted the fire Tuesday morning and called police. "A passerby saw smoke coming out of one of the drop off mailboxes on the north side of the building," Klein told WFDL news. "The fire department did respond and was able to extinguish the fire." Police are working with the Postal Inspector in an effort to determine a cause and who may be responsible.

### 7-6-11 knifepoint robbery

Fond du Lac police are investigating a reported knifepoint robbery. Police Captain, Steve Klein, told WFDL news an officer was flagged down in the area of Rees and Marquette Streets early Tuesday morning by two male subjects who reported they had been robbed at knifepoint. Anyone with information is asked to call police.

### 7-6-11 green lake county drowning victim identified

GREEN LAKE, Wis. (AP) — Authorities in central Wisconsin have released the name of a 25-year-old who drowned over the weekend on Lake Puckaway. They say Alan Frischmann of Saukville was boating with a friend when he jumped into the lake to take a swim. The boat drifted away and he was unable to swim back before he went under the water.

### 7-6-11 girl killed in thunderstorm identified

SIREN, Wis. (AP) — An eleven-year-old girl killed during a thunderstorm in northwestern Wisconsin last week has been identified as Mackenzie Klar of Hinckley, Minnesota. Mackenzie died when an oak tree fell on her as she played at a campground in Spooner. Investigators say she was running back to a

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trailer when lightning hit and toppled the tree.

### **7-6-11 wisconsin recalls**

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Six Democratic candidates running in recall elections targeting incumbent Republican state senators have collectively raised nearly \$1.6 million for those races. The fundraising totals were reported Tuesday to the state. All six Democrats face fake Democratic candidates in a July 12 primary. Those candidates are not actively campaigning and are raising very little money. In the District 10 race, incumbent Sen. Sheila Harsdorf of River Falls reported raising nearly \$328,000 through the end of June. Her Democratic challenger, Ellsworth public school teacher Shelly Moore, raised \$237,000. Fake Democratic candidate Isaac Weix raised just \$1,200. Totals for the Democrats were released by the Democratic Party.

### **7-6-11 baldwin likely to run for u.s. senate**

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Democratic U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin says she will likely run for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by retiring Democrat Herb Kohl. Baldwin tells The Capital Times she is still gathering more information about a Senate run, but is likely to enter the race.

### **7-6-11 waupun blood drive**

Area residents are invited to join Waupun Memorial hospital employees, volunteers and physicians in donating blood. The Waupun Memorial Hospital blood drive will be held in the lower level meeting room from 12:30 to 4:30 pm Thursday July 7th. The Blood Center of Wisconsin is experiencing an acute need for A positive, O positive and O negative donors. For more information or to schedule an appointment call 324-6512.

### **7-6-11 johnson street bridge**

The Department of Public Works would like to give notice that the south (east bound) traffic lane and sidewalk of the Johnson Street (STH 23) Bridge, between Military Road and Hickory Street, will be closed for about 2 weeks beginning June 27th. The lane closure is due to bridge painting. In about two weeks the south lane will be re-opened and the north outside lane will be closed while that railing is repainted. The bridge will be open to traffic with two lanes open in one direction and one lane open in the other direction next to the painting operation. There will not be a detour route marked.

### **7-6-11 wfdl, wt cx are wba award winners!**

WFDL and WTCX captured 13 awards at the recent Wisconsin Association of Broadcasters Awards for Excellence Gala in Madison. The program is sponsored annually by the WBA to recognize outstanding achievement by Wisconsin broadcasters. The Sunny 97-7 WFDL morning show team of Nick Rusch and Heather Robins took home 3rd place for **Best Morning Show**. WFDL FM also received two awards in the **Significant Community Impact** category for the Relay for Life cancer fundraiser. Golden throat veteran WTCX announcer Gregg Owens captured first place for **Best Commercial** with the "Bob's 151 Wheel of Misfortune" commercial. Owens also won awards for **Best On-Site Broadcast Remote**... "Master Spas Wet Test" and **Most Entertaining Client Commercial**... "Its Cold." Owens is also a past winner in the **Best Morning Show** category. WFDL AM 1170 received awards for **Best Sports Play by Play**... the "Randolph Football Playoffs" and **Significant Community Impact**... "Cut the Calories, Count the Cash." WFDL news director, Greg Stensland, won first place in the **Best Continuing Coverage** category for his coverage of a Fond du lac woman who

tried unsuccessfully to have several books removed from a middle school library. Stensland also received awards in **Hard News** for his coverage of a Fond du lac police officer and firefighter involved in a hit and run and attempted cover-up of the incident, **Spot News**...for the Last Stop Bar and Lanes arson fire, **News Writing**...for a feature story on a local woman in Haiti during the massive earthquake, and **Live On The Scene Reporting**, for his coverage of a house fire. Stensland and Owens also took home first place for their **Information Block Morning News** on WTCX. The WBA competition was established to encourage the highest standards of reporting, community service and production creativity.

#### **7-6-11 wfdl news wins big at associated press awards banquet**

Sunny 97.7 WFDL news has won more awards this year for excellence in broadcast journalism than any other radio station in the state. News Director, Greg Stensland, received eight first place awards at the Wisconsin Associated Press Broadcast Journalism Excellence Awards Banquet. The awards dinner was held recently at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. For the fourth year in a row Stensland took home first place for **Best Newscast**. Stensland also received first place in the **Hard News** category for his coverage of the Fond du Lac police officer and firefighter involved in a hit and run crash and subsequent cover up. Stensland received first place for **Spot News** for his stories on the fire that destroyed a Fond du Lac bowling alley, first place in the **Best Enterprise Reporting** category for his investigative reporting of the Fond du Lac police officer accused of using excessive force on a handcuffed prisoner, first place for **Best Continuing Coverage** for overall coverage of the Fond du Lac Management Information Systems embezzlement scandal, first place in **Best Series Reporting** for a Sunny 97.7 series on drunken driving, first place for **Best Feature** for a story on the Iraq war, and first place for **Best Audio** for a feature story on grease fires. Over the years Stensland has received more than 80 awards from the AP and Wisconsin Broadcasters Association, plus numerous local awards.

#### **7-6-11 fdl county sheriff's department law of the month**

Slower traffic keep right - Drivers must allow faster traffic to pass in the left lane on divided highways. Many divided highways in Wisconsin have signs that warn "slower traffic keep right." That advice is backed by state law – Wis. Stats. 346.05(3). Any vehicle traveling "at less than the normal speed of traffic" must be driven in the right lane (or as close as practicable) except when overtaking or passing another vehicle, according to Wisconsin law. A citation for violating this law costs \$213.10 with four demerit points assessed on the driver's license. Even when you're driving at the posted speed limit, you should not try to force faster drivers to slow down by blocking the left lane, which usually leads to more tailgating, road rage and other problems. It certainly doesn't slow down other drivers for long. We hope that drivers will leave enforcement of speed limits to our deputies and other law enforcement officers. If faster drivers want to waste gasoline and risk a speeding ticket, you should move to the right lane and get out of their way. The Sheriff's Office advises motorists to follow these guidelines to help maintain a safe flow of traffic on Interstate and other divided highways:

- \* If you're not passing another vehicle, use the right lane as much as possible.
- \* If you're in the right lane, allow other drivers to merge from the left lane into the right lane so that faster traffic can pass in the left lane. In addition, provide space for vehicles to merge into the right lane when they are entering a roadway from an on-ramp.
- \* If you're in the left lane, don't tailgate or try to make a slower vehicle ahead of you move to the right lane. Be patient and courteous.

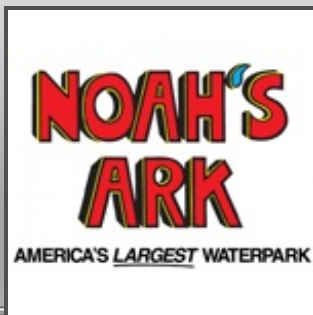
When slower moving vehicles use the right lane, traffic flows more smoothly with less congestion and road rage, which certainly helps make our highways safer and more efficient. Have a Safe Month,

Sheriff Mick Fink

### 7-6-11 fdl police department law of the month

As we near the onset of July, area law enforcement will undoubtedly see an increase in the incidence of fireworks complaints. Though this is an enjoyable time of the year for many and the celebration of the birth of our great nation, the use of fireworks at all hours of the day and particularly during hours of darkness are an annoyance and a quality of life issue for the citizens of Fond du Lac. Being proactive in our enforcement of these complaints will hopefully decrease the incidence of them, keeping officers free for other more high priority calls. Here are some general guidelines pertaining to fireworks.

1. Rule of Thumb: If it explodes or flies, it is illegal.
2. State allows the sale, possession and use, without a permit, of sparklers, stationary cones and fountains, toy snakes, smoke bombs, and caps, noisemakers and confetti poppers with less than ¼ of a grain of explosive mixture. There is no age restriction on sale, possession or use of these devices and the statute does not classify them as fireworks. These are the only kinds of "fireworks," as that word is commonly used, that a person may use or possess without a permit or that may be sold to a person who does not have a permit.
3. The permits that you receive or buy from the fireworks stands are NOT legal fireworks user permits. The City of Fond du Lac does not recognize any permits not issued directly from the City Clerk.
4. If you are caught in possession of fireworks without a valid users permit or license, you will have your fireworks confiscated and you will be fined (\$208.50).
5. To report fireworks complaints, please dial 906-5555.



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