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11-19-11 snow in forecast for start of deer hunt

SUPERIOR, Wis. (AP) — Heavy snow is in the forecast for this weekend's firearm deer season opener in Wisconsin. The National Weather Service says there's nearly a 100 percent chance of snow tomorrow, with two to six inches in some areas of northwestern Wisconsin.

11-19-11 psc hearing in fdl tuesday

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) will hold public hearings on Tuesday, November 22nd, 2011, in Fond du Lac and Janesville on the Wisconsin Power and Light Company's (WP&L) request to adjust fuel rates. Citizens are encouraged to attend the hearings, which will be broadcast simultaneously to the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission. Each hearing will begin promptly and end when the final participant has spoken.

Tuesday, November 22, 2011
3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Broadcast simultaneously from:

Public Service Commission Building
610 North Whitney Way
Madison, Wisconsin
Amnicon Falls Hearing Room
First Floor

UW-Fond du Lac
400 University Drive
Classroom Building
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
Room C-102

Holiday Inn Express
Janesville Conference Center
3100 Wellington Place
Janesville, Wisconsin

If customers cannot attend the public hearings, but would like to provide comments, an online participation option is available on the PSC's website at http://psc.wi.gov through November 22, 2011. Participants

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should click on the “Public Comments” button on the PSC’s homepage and click on the case title.

11-19-11 white house christmas tree

NESHKORO, Wis. (AP) —An 18-foot balsam fir tree from south central Wisconsin is headed to The White House. The evergreen from Tom and Sue Schroeder's farm in Marquette County will be presented to first lady Michelle Obama the day after Thanksgiving.

11-19-11 suspicious fire

On Thursday November 17, 2011 at 6:01 p.m. the Fond du Lac Fire Department responded to a report of a fire alarm sounding at 571 W. Arndt Street. Upon arrival firefighters were met by residents who were outside waving down firefighters. Additional help was called to the scene while first arriving crews searched for the fire. The fire was located in a first floor apartment and was quickly extinguished, but not before it caused smoke damage in the apartment. All occupants were able to exit safely; there were no injuries. The Fond du Lac Police assisted with traffic control and on-scene management and cause and origin determination. The cause of the fire remains under investigation and is undetermined at this time. All residents were able to return to their apartments after about an hour. Chief Peter O'Leary describes the fire as "suspicious."

11-19-11 anderson will not fight extradition

A Fond du Lac man suspected in the shooting death of his wife will not fight extradition in Alabama and is expected to return to Wisconsin next week. Jason Anderson faces a charge of first degree intentional homicide in the shooting death of his wife Nicole Anderson at their Winnebago Drive home this month. Investigators were able to track Anderson to Birmingham, Alabama after he used a debit card. He was arrested at a motel near Birmingham. Police Captain Steve Klein says Anderson has admitted he is responsible for his wife's death.

11-19-11 road closure

County Highway VW (Hickory Street) from County Highway W (Pioneer Road) to Military Road in the City of Fond du Lac will be closed Wednesday, November 16 until Monday, November 21 for construction, weather permitting. Crews will be placing concrete pavement and allowing the concrete to cure to complete repairs of the road after the Canadian National Railway removed the railroad crossing recently. A detour will be posted.

11-19-11 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 Morag, 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 and completing the online form. The registration fee for this event is $20.00 and it includes lunch. Space is limited.

11-19-11 leaf collection

The City of Fond du Lac’s annual leaf collection will begin on Monday October 17, 2010 with crews starting in the northeast section of the city. The collection will proceed in a clockwise direction – to the southeast, southwest, and northwest sections. The leaf collection process will continue for six weeks, ending on Friday, November 25. Again this year there will be a map available on the City’s website indicating the progress that collection crews have made to date. On the website, click on Leaf Collection Progress Map, and you can see which areas have been covered by collection crews, and arrows indicating in which direction the crews will be moving. The map will be updated toward the end of each work day. A sample of the map is available now at http://www.ci.fond-du-lac.wi.us/. For collection purposes, Main Street divides the city into east and west halves, and Western Avenue and Fourth Street divide the city into north and south halves. The Public Works Department anticipates that crews will complete approximately two clockwise sweeps through the city this fall, weather and time permitting. During the first round of collection, raking by the crew is limited. As an alternative to the collection, residents may haul their leaves to the City’s yard waste drop off site located on the north side of the Municipal Service Center located at 530 Doty Street. Bags must be emptied and disposed of properly at the site.

- **Leaves should be raked in rows next to the curb for collection by City crews. Please do not rake leaves into the street.**
- **City crews will not pick up leaves in plastic bags.**
- **Park vehicles and garbage carts away from leaf windrows.**
- **Your garbage cart is for garbage only. Please do not place leaves inside the automated garbage collection carts.**
- **Cut garden material such as vines and corn stalks into lengths of one foot or less.**
- **Fruit and vegetables (such as apples or pumpkins) will not be collected. These should be disposed of at the City’s yard waste drop off site on Doty Street. Some streets are still under construction at this time.**

City crews will make every effort to get in to those areas still under construction, or will make a thorough cleanup later in the season after the construction is completed.

A Green Alternative: Leave ‘em Lay!

As an alternative to raking leaves to the curb, residents are encouraged to try chopping up moderate

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amounts of leaves with a lawnmower. This can be done during normal lawn mowing. Just don't allow the leaves to mat and make sure that ample grass shows through them. This will save you work and time, add nutrients to your lawn, reduce windblown leaves in your neighborhood and reduce the amount of labor and fuel the City needs to use for leaf collection. If you really like to rake, composting your leaves in a backyard garden is another alternative which will provide you with useful organic material next year. Anyone who wishes to receive full seven cubic yard loads of leaves should contact the Municipal Service Center at 322-3544.

11-19-11 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.

11-19-11 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.

11-19-11 agnesian healthcare lovelight campaign

The Agnesian HealthCare Foundation has kicked off its annual 2011 Love Light fund drive. This year's drive is being led by co-chairpersons, Tammy Waidelich and Lori Tschetter. 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. Individuals can support Love Lights by purchasing a light in honor of someone they wish to remember or celebrate during the holiday season. This light will shine on the beautifully lit evergreen in front of Agnesian HealthCare. The cost is $10 per person. The names of those honored and remembered will be displayed through the holiday season in the St. Agnes Hospital and Fond du Lac Regional Clinic lobby areas. Love Lights can be purchased at both the hospital and clinic information desks, 430 E. Division Street. The 2011 Love Light Tree Lighting Ceremony is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14 at the St. Agnes Hospital lobby. For more information on this year's Love Light project, call the Agnesian HealthCare Foundation at (920) 926-4959.

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