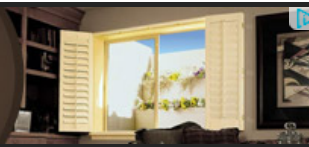


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11-1-11 fdl school board approves budget and tax levy freeze

The Fond du Lac School Board has approved a budget with a property tax freeze. At a special meeting Monday night the board approved the budget and tax levy five to two with board members Mark Jurgella and Susan Jones voting against. Jurgella favored a compromise option that would have increased the levy 3.7 percent giving the school district more flexibility next year. "Its not unexpected, but I think we could have used some levy to have some room to maneuver next year when we are potentially facing a shortfall and we are already going to have to figure out how to deal with that," Jurgella said. Board member Susan Jones says the board's action is short-sighted. "There are some real issues with next year's budget. This option will leave us with little if no choice in changing things next year," Jones said. Board President Eric Everson says the district retains future levy authority by increasing the debt service instead of taking money from Fund 10. "The board took a long look at the community, where the community is right now and decided that it was the prudent thing to do to not raise taxes at this time." Everson says education quality will not be impacted. "No staff has been cut, no programs have been reduced, every retiree has been replaced," Everson said. Superintendent Doctor Jim Sebert admits it wasn't the option he recommended. But Sebert says the district now has to maximize the resources it has. The district will also use the remaining \$1.5 million in federal jobs funding to balance the budget. Business manager, Sue Schnorr, says the trade-off is no Jobs funding to prevent future staff reductions or to improve programs.

11-1-11 new fdl city engineer

The City of Fond du Lac has selected Paul C. DeVries as its next City Engineer. DeVries hails from Beaver Dam, where he has worked for MSA Professional Services for the past 16 years. He was a team leader for MSA overseeing the work of engineers, land surveyors, and administrative staff. He is a graduate of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mch., and is a licensed professional engineer. As the City Engineer, DeVries will oversee a staff of 12 full-time employees, including engineers, technicians, computer mapping specialists, administrative staff, and land surveyors. Among other duties, the Engineering Division designs and inspects street and utility projects, administers an annual sidewalk replacement program, oversees a neighborhood drainage program, provides traffic engineering and other technical support, and maintains the geographic information system for the City. DeVries was selected from a group of 11 highly qualified applicants. Public Works Director Jordan Skiff notes, "Paul really impressed the interview committee with his technical and supervisory background, communication skills, and positive attitude. We are excited to see this critical position filled with such a quality individual." DeVries is expected to begin his duties in late November.

11-1-11 governor-medicaid cuts

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MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Governor Scott Walker's administration has handed over a proposal to cut about a half-billion dollars from Wisconsin's Medicaid costs to the Legislature's finance committee. The state Department of Health Services released a package of reforms in September that would tighten eligibility requirements. One provision calls for shifting more than 200,000 families enrolled in BadgerCare Plus into so-called benchmark plans that offer fewer benefits.

11-1-11 catholic church-concealed weapons

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Wisconsin's Catholic bishops have issued a statement urging parishioners to keep their concealed weapons out of church. The state's five bishops say they won't mandate that churches prohibit concealed weapons, but say parishioners should not carry them into churches as a sign of reverence.

11-1-11 concealed weapons-state senate

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Republicans have officially approved a concealed weapons policy for the state Senate that allows hidden weapons on the chamber's floor. The Senate Organizational Committee voted 3-2 to adopt a policy allowing lawmakers, their aides and the media to carry weapons on the floor during debates. The plan also permits concealed weapons in Senate meeting rooms.

11-1-11 power plant collapse

OAK CREEK, Wis. (AP) — Part of a bluff at a We Energies power plant along Lake Michigan near Milwaukee has collapsed. Utility spokeswoman says no one has been injured. Several construction trailers filled with equipment and tools were damaged in the bluff failure. The coal-fired power plant is in the Milwaukee suburb of Oak Creek.

11-1-11 attic fire

On Monday, October 31, 2011, at 4:11 a.m. the Fond du Lac Fire Department responded to a reported attic fire at 89 Marys Avenue. Upon arrival firefighters met with a resident who said a work light left on had started a small fire in the attic earlier in the evening but that he thought he had extinguished it. Crews were able to extinguish the fire, but remained on the scene for extended operations due to smoldering spot fires in the attic space. The residents were asleep at the time of the fire and were alerted by smoke alarms. There were no injuries reported. Alliant Energy responded to the scene to secure the utilities. Fond du Lac police assisted with traffic control.

11-1-11 fdl police k9 officer honored

Chief William Lamb has announced that K-9 Officer Ryan Williams was honored by the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Canine Handlers Association by receiving the Deputy David Demos Award for Excellence. Officer Williams and his partner K-9 Grendel received their award at the State Canine Handlers Conference held at the JC Plaza Hotel and Conference Center, Johnson Creek, Wisconsin on October 4, 2011. The Deputy David Demos Award for Excellence was created to honor the memory of Milwaukee County Sheriff's K-9 Deputy David Demos who was killed in the line of duty on January 25, 1997. Deputy Demos was killed when he was struck by a drunk driver while assisting a disabled motorist on a Milwaukee interstate. Since its inception, the award has only been bestowed one other time upon a K-9 Handler. Officer Williams was recognized for the strength and courage he displayed on March 20, 2011 and the days that followed the tragic shooting that took the life of fellow Fond du Lac Police Officer Craig Birkholz and critically wounded Officer Williams and his K-9 Grendel. Officer Williams received a standing ovation from those in attendance at the conference awards presentation. Chief Bill Lamb, Captain Steve Klein, fellow K-9 Officer Ben Hardgrove and members of Officer Williams's family were present to see him accept his award. Chief Lamb stated that "Officer Williams was and continues to be an inspiration to thousands of law enforcement officers throughout the State with the courage and determination he displayed with his recovery from the events of that tragic day back in March. We are very proud to have Officer Williams as part of our Department." Officer Williams and K-9 Grendel are assigned to the night shift.

11-1-11 sex offenders released into fdl community

James E. Miller

Birthday: April 15, 1955

Race: White

Height: 6' 0" Weight: 210

Hair: Gray

Eyes: Brown (glasses)

James E. Miller will be released from prison on November 8, 2011 after serving 5 years for 2nd Degree Sexual Assault of a Child and 3rd Degree Sexual Assault and Manufacture/Deliver Cocaine. Miller also has a previous conviction for Sexual Battery in the State of Tennessee. Miller was convicted of sexually assaulting a 6-year-old female acquaintance on multiple occasions and an 8-year-old female acquaintance.

Special conditions of James E. Miller's supervised release:

- 1) No contact with victim, no unsupervised contact with minors, no presence in taverns, bars, or liquor stores, and no use of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- 2) Comply with all rules of high risk sex offender supervision and cooperate with GPS monitoring.
- 3) Face-to-face contact with law enforcement as required, lifetime registration with Wisconsin Sex Offender Registration Program.

James E. Miller will be living at 457 Thomas Street in the City of Fond du Lac when he is initially released from incarceration on November 8, 2011.

Gregory L. Smack

Birthday: January 28, 1973

Race: Black

Height: 5' 7" Weight: 172

Hair: Black

Eyes: Brown

Gregory L. Smack will be released from prison on November 8, 2011 after serving 7 years for 2-counts of 2nd Degree Sexual Assault of a Child. Smack's victims were 13-year-old female acquaintances. Smack was released from prison on extended supervision in July of 2009 and returned to prison 4 months later

for violating his supervision.

Special conditions of Gregory L. Smack's supervised release:

- 1) No contact with victim, no unsupervised contact with minors, no presence in taverns, bars, or liquor stores, and no use of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- 2) Comply with all rules of high risk sex offender supervision and cooperate with GPS monitoring.
- 3) Face-to-face contact with law enforcement as required, lifetime registration with Wisconsin Sex Offender Registration Program.

Gregory L. Smack will be living at 457 Thomas Street in the City of Fond du Lac when he is initially released from incarceration on November 8, 2011.

Contact Information:

Fond du Lac Police Department: Emergency Dial 911 - Non Emergency: 322-3700
Division of Community Corrections: 929-2983
Information on the Internet: <http://www.fdlpolice.com>
<http://offender.doc.state.wi.us/public/>

11-1-11 salvation army asks for turkey donations for thanksgiving food basket distribution

The Fond du Lac Salvation Army is asking for the public's help by donating turkeys for the annual Thanksgiving food basket distribution this month. The Salvation Army teaming up with the Broken Bread Food Pantry this year to provide a Thanksgiving meal for those in need. The annual Thanksgiving basket distribution will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Friday November 15th. The Salvation Army says approximately 900 turkeys are needed for distribution. On Thursday the Salvation Army will be holding a "Turkey Drive Thru" ...encouraging people to "Drive Thru" the Salvation Army parking lot on Follett Street and drop off a turkey into the waiting arms of volunteers. Many of the other fixings including potatoes, cranberry, pumpkin and the rest will be made available through the Broken Bread Food Pantry distribution program.

11-1-11 fdl county health report

The public is invited to attend the release of Fond du Lac County's health priorities at a gathering on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at 7am at the Fond du Lac Family YMCA. The Task Force, whose membership includes individuals from public health, health care providers, education, business and United Way has been meeting since November of 2010 reviewing key health data. The Task Force also conducted a telephone survey that collected the opinions of 800 Fond du Lac County adults and 84 community stakeholders. Diane Cappozzo, Fond du Lac County Health Officer states, "The Health Department has a statutory requirement to conduct a health needs assessment at least every 5 years and with the passage of the Affordable Care Act our local hospitals also have a similar requirement". She goes on to state, "Even though this is a requirement, our goal is to engage our citizens and community partners by sharing information and creating opportunities to improve their health and the health of Fond du Lac County." Julie Willems Van Dijk, Associate Scientist at the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute will present on "Mobilizing for a Healthier Community". There is no cost to attend but residents are asked to RSVP by calling 920-929-3085 or 1-800-547-3640 by November 11.

11-1-11 new marian university board of directors chair

The Marian University Board of Trustees elected John K. Nelson, former CEO of ABN Amro Bank N.V., North America, as Chair of the Board at its annual meeting on October 19, 2011. Nelson replaces John Korb who completed a two-year term as Chair. During his tenure at ABN Amro, Nelson led both global and regional lines of business, operating from offices in New York, London, Amsterdam, and Chicago. He served on the executive committees of the Global Markets and LaSalle Bank Corporation business units, and was a member of the bank's Top Executive Group. Nelson, who lives in Lake Bluff, Ill., currently serves on the boards of ALDA Capital Corporation, Core12 LLC., DS Funding LLC. and St. Edmund's Preparatory School in New York City, as well as serving Fordham University as a director for the Curran Center for Catholic American Studies and on the President's Council. He is a graduate of Fordham University and holds a bachelor's in economics and a master's degree in finance. Anthony J. "Tony" Ahern, executive vice president of J. F. Ahern Co.'s Pipe Fabrication Division, has been appointed as a member of the Marian Board of Trustees. Ahern, a Fond du Lac native, directs and manages J. F. Ahern Co.'s Pipe Fabrication Division. His board service includes the Mechanical Contractors Association of America, Pipe Fabrication Institute, St. Agnes Hospital Foundation, Fond du Lac Area United Way and St. Mary's Springs High School.

11-1-11 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 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.

11-1-11 waupun fire department food drive

The Waupun Fire department will be doing its 3rd annual food drive on November 5th from 9:00 to 1:00 PM. Last year we collected \$1,150.00 and 2200 pounds of food. Drop off locations will be here at the fire station. Waupun Piggly Wiggly Foods Market Fresh Foods. Fire department members will be at all three locations. The goal is to surpass last year's totals.

11-1-11 donut sale to benefit local disaster relief services

This year's donut sale to benefit local Red Cross disaster services is expanded to include \$10 cake gift certificates to be applied toward any Bob and Bonnie's delicious custom cakes. Orders for donuts and cake gift certificates can be made online, from a Disaster Action Team member or calling the Fond du Lac office. Orders are being taken until Tuesday, November 1. For nine years the Fond du Lac Disaster Action Team (DAT) of the American Red Cross has teamed up with Bob and Bonnie Badura, owners of Bob and Bonnie's Donuts, to generate needed funds to support the services delivered when disasters strike. This partnership over the years has helped provide necessary funding for DAT volunteers to assist families in the Fond du Lac area with the critical needs of food, shelter, and clothing at a time of need after a disaster. A complete list of offerings from Bob and Bonnie's is available at www.bobandbonniesdonuts.com. Place orders prior to Tuesday, November 1, by phone or order online at www.newredcross.org and check out Upcoming Events. Phone orders to the Fond du Lac Red Cross office may be made by calling 922-3450 during business hours, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, or 922-3146 after hours. All orders must be prepaid prior to November 1. Donut and cake gift certificate pre-orders will be available for pick-up at the South Main Street Fire Station (815 South Main Street, Fond du Lac), 6:30 am until 11 am on Friday, November 11.

11-1-11 temporary bridge closure

On Monday morning, October 31, the Scott Street (USH 45) Bridge at the Fond du Lac River will be closed to all vehicular traffic for about two weeks while the concrete bridge deck is patched. At least one sidewalk crossing the bridge will remain open to pedestrians at all times. The bridge location is immediately west of Brooke Street. Bus service on Scott Street will be moved to Arndt Street from Brooke Street to Hickory Street. A detour route for USH 45 will be marked from USH 45 southbound to Scott Street; west on Scott Street; south on Hickory Street and east on Johnson Street to Main Street. The northbound detour will be marked from Main Street; west on Johnson Street; north on Hickory Street and east on Scott Street to USH 45 north. If you have questions about the project please contact Tony Lang at the City of Fond du Lac Engineering Division.

11-1-11 highway t closure

County Highway T from Nelson Rd to Townline Rd will be closed starting October 5, 2011 to reconstruct the bridge over a branch of the West Branch Fond du Lac River in the Town of Lamartine. Construction to replace the load posted and structurally deficient bridge is expected to be completed by mid November, weather permitting. The highway will be closed to all traffic and a detour will be posted via County Highway T (Esterbrook Road), State Highway 23, and County Highway Y.

11-1-11 west pioneer road reconstruction update

CTH W; West Pioneer Road Reconstruction

Schedule: July 2011 to November 2011

Length: 0.213 miles

Cost: \$1,848,192.39

Location: Morris Street to Main Street

Description: The project involves the reconstruction of CTH W (Pioneer Road) between Morris Street and Main Street, the reconstruction of the Pioneer Road bridge over the East Branch of the Fond du Lac River and the construction of the Wild Goose Prairie Trail within the project limits.

October 24 to October 28: Bridge contractor will form up and pour parapet walls and sidewalk on the bridge. Paving contractor will pour the eastbound & westbound lanes on the west half of the project, they will form up and pour approach slabs, sidewalks, driveways and the intersection at Woodbine Park Road. Asphalt contractor will pave sections of the recreational trail.

October 31 to November 4: Bridge contractor will remove forms from the bridge deck and work on polishing the bridge. Paving contractor will work on forming & pouring driveways and sidewalks. Asphalt contractor will asphalt miscellaneous areas on the project. Grading contractor will work on topsoiling the project. Landscape contractor will seed, fertilize and ermat, install signs and guardrail. Pavement marking will be done.

Traffic impacts: CTH W (Pioneer Road) will be closed to through traffic for the duration of the project. Local traffic will have access during the project except when construction is taking place in immediately in the vicinity of their residence or business. The contractor will coordinate with residents and businesses prior to any closures.

Detour Route: Fond du Lac County will post and maintain a detour during the duration of the project. The eastbound detour route is CTH W (Pioneer Road) to Hickory Street to USH 151 to Main Street and back to CTH W (Pioneer Road). The westbound detour route will be the reverse of the eastbound detour route.

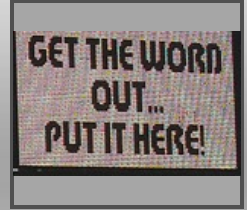
11-1-11 winter parking restrictions

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** go into effect shortly. 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.

11-1-11 fdl police department law of the month

As the seasons change, the Fond du Lac Police Department would like to remind everyone the importance of keeping all vehicle windshields and windows clear of any obstructions. Please brush leaves, snow and ice from all windows before driving. Use your defrost and wipers when necessary. Remember to check your blades and wiper fluids to assist in keeping window cleaning easier. Wash windows when they start getting clouded with salt and dirt from the roadways. Wisconsin State Statute 346.88 Obstruction of Operators View or Operating Mechanism, states (4) The windshield, side wings, and side and rear windows of a motor vehicle shall be kept reasonably clean at all times. Drivers who fail to keep their windows clean and unobstructed not only increase the chance of an accident, but also run the risk of receiving a \$88.80 citation and 2 demerit points on their driving record. Fond du Lac Police Officers will be paying particular attention to these violations during the month of November. As always buckle up and arrive alive.

Officer Rebecca Berg #22



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