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### Latest Local News

#### 7-14-11 fdl council approves underage drinking ordinance

The city of Fond du lac is taking steps to crack down on underage drinking parties. The Fond du Lac city council last night approved an ordinance that prohibits hosting underage drinking parties. Police Chief Bill Lamb says it holds the parents responsible. The police department worked in conjunction with the Fond du lac County Drug and Alcohol Task Force in developing the ordinance...and trying to get the message out to parents that its not okay to host alcohol parties. Lamb says the ordinance targets parents who do not take reasonable steps to prevent underage drinking in their homes. A recent survey showed 44 percent of Fond du Lac 8th, 10th and 11th graders said they drank alcohol in the last 30 days.

#### 7-14-11 walker poll

MILWAUKEE (AP) —A new poll finds 59 percent of Wisconsin residents disapprove of Governor Scott Walker's performance. The University of Wisconsin Survey Center's Badger Poll released today shows 55 percent are dissatisfied with the way things are going in Wisconsin. Walker says he's unconcerned with the findings as they reflect Wisconsin residents' dissatisfaction with the weak U.S. economy. The random telephone poll of 556 people was conducted between June 17th and July 10th.

#### 7-14-11 veterans secretary

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Governor Scott Walker says he hopes to appoint a new secretary to the Department of Veterans Affairs soon after signing a bill giving him that power. Walker signed the bill today surrounded by representatives of veterans' organizations.

#### 7-14-11 dems want gop to reimburse taxpayers for recall primaries

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The Democratic Party of Wisconsin wants state Republicans to reimburse taxpayers for the cost of six primary elections this week. The elections were part of recall efforts against six Republican state senators who supported Governor Scott Walker's anti-collective bargaining proposal. Six Democratic challengers stepped forward, but Republicans ran "fake" Democrats to force primaries and give the incumbents more time to prepare. The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel calculates the primaries will cost at least \$475,000.

#### 7-14-11 redistricting

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Former Congressman Dave Obey and current Democratic leaders in the state Legislature are blasting Republican maps redrawing political boundaries, saying they are unconstitutional. Obey and other Democrats spoke at a news conference today before a joint legislative hearing on the maps.

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#### 7-14-11 bowling alley arson plea

A Fond du lac man has been convicted in connection with a bowling alley arson case. Forty seven year old Lyle Huss pleaded guilty to arson in Fond du lac County Circuit Court. Police say Huss burned down his business...the Last Stop Bar and Lanes on West Division Street. Huss allegedly confessed to detectives that he planned to burn down the bowling alley to collect insurance on the property. His girlfriend reached a deferred prosecution agreement last fall in exchange for restitution and testifying against Huss.

#### 7-14-11 oshkosh drug trafficking

OSHKOSH, Wis. (AP)—Authorities say four dozen people have been arrested for drug trafficking or possession in the Fox Valley. Oshkosh Police and sheriff's officials said at today's news conference that the arrests were the result of a yearlong investigation into the sale of \$4.5 million worth of heroin and crack cocaine.

#### 7-14-11 street resurfacing project

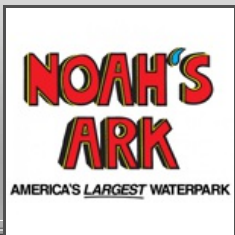
A Street resurfacing project near Fond du lac's Saint Agnes Hospital will begin soon. The asphalt resurfacing project on East Division Street between Oaklawn Avenue and Portland Street will begin July 18th. Meanwhile, on Tuesday July 12, the Department of Public Works will be doing storm sewer repairs on the south side of Western Ave. just west of S. Main St. Traffic intending to go south on Main St. will be directed south on Linden St. Eastbound through traffic will also be directed south on Linden until the excavation is completed, and then will be directed back on to Western Ave. The work is scheduled to complete by the end of the work day on Wednesday, July 13.

#### 7-14-11 johnson street bridge

The Department of Public of 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.

#### 7-14-11 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 OVI 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 OVI if their blood/breath alcohol was .15 or higher and drivers convicted of a second or subsequent OVI 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 OVI 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. OVI 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.



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