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Operation Drive Sober Results in 19 Arrests **1889 Repeat Offenders Since January 2010**



Latonya White-2nd



Brandon Smith-2nd



Johnny Feliciano-1st
w/minor in car



Alisha Whitlow-1st
Battery/DC



Raijane Foster
Battery/DC



Keneisha Perry
Phys.Abuse of Child/
Battery/DC

Milwaukee, WI – Acting Sheriff Richard R. Schmidt ordered an aggressive Operating While Intoxicated (OWI- drugs and/or alcohol) initiative to rid the Milwaukee County freeway system of intoxicated drivers. This past weekend's Operation Drive Sober initiative from Friday at 4:00 p.m. through 6:00 a.m. Monday, resulted in the arrest of 19 drunken drivers, and three for Battery and Disorderly Conduct for fighting on the freeway. The average PBT test results were .15.

Two repeat offenders were arrested for OWI-2nd: Latonya White, age 39, and Brandon Smith, age 26, both of Milwaukee.

First-time offenders taken into custody were: Lesley Welch, age 34, of Greendale; Michael Moser, age 42, of West Allis; Robert Fehl, age 48, of Waukesha; Stephanie Boesel, age 44, of Wauwatosa; Kevin Williams, age 24, of St. Francis; Samantha Schwartz, age 21, of Fort Atkinson; and Milwaukee residents: Johnny Feliciano, age 41; Marcus Young, age 38; Sean Moen, age 20; Loretta Burroughs, age 53; Nicholas Coghill, age 22; Joanna Szeszycki, age 32; Anthony Nord, age 24; Alisha Whitlow, age 30; Kyle Sartorelli, age 31; Melissa Wierzchowski, age 46; and Sherlinda Cannon, age 29.

OWI-1st with Minor Child in Vehicle:

On Saturday, March 10, at 4:30 a.m., a deputy saw a vehicle stopped in traffic at the end of the I-43 southbound W. Becher St. off-ramp. A man was slumped over the steering wheel and awoke when the deputy approached him. An 11-year-old child was asleep in the back seat.

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Johnny Feliciano, age 41, of Milwaukee, tested .089 on a PBT and was arrested for OWI-1st with Minor Child in Vehicle. He said he had two beers at a friend's house. The child was conveyed to the patrol substation where a social worker with Child Protective Services approved to have the mother pick up the child at 6:25 a.m. If convicted of this Class C misdemeanor, Feliciano faces up to 30 days in jail.

Sheriff Schmidt said, "Once again an adult puts a young child in harm's way and through a frightening experience by driving drunk and passing out. One way to reduce childhood trauma is for adults to follow the law and drive sober."

Four in Custody after Fight on Freeway Following OWI Crash:

On Saturday, March 10, at 10:15 p.m., deputies responded to a crash on southbound I-43 near W. Fond du Lac Ave. Two vehicles were in traffic, a 2008 Chevrolet Impala and a 2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer, both with two occupants.

The deputy noted the driver of the Impala had red, glassy eyes, slurred speech, and smelled of alcohol. He asked her to step outside the vehicle to perform field sobriety tests. As he began the tests, the occupants of the Trailblazer got out of their car and began yelling obscenities at the woman doing sobriety tests, who then broke away from the deputy and ran towards the other driver. They began punching each other. The 16-year-old passenger from the Impala then got out and began fighting with the passenger of the Trailblazer. The deputy drew his Taser, and the first two complied with orders to stop fighting. Additional deputies were needed to separate the two in the second fight. Three of the subjects required medical attention from injuries received during the fight.

The driver of the Impala, Alisha Whitlow, age 34, of Milwaukee, was arrested for OWI-1st after she tested .13 on PBT. She faces charges of Battery, Resisting an Officer, and Disorderly Conduct. If convicted, she faces up to 21 months in jail.

The juvenile was medically cleared and transported to Children's Detention Center and will face the following charges: Battery and Disorderly Conduct, with penalties of up to 12 months in jail.

The driver of the Trailblazer, Raijane Foster, age 23, of Milwaukee, faces charges of Battery and Disorderly Conduct, with a penalty of up to 12 months in jail.

The passenger of the Trailblazer, Keneisha Perry, age 26, of Milwaukee, faces a felony charge of Physical Abuse of a Child, which carries up to six years imprisonment; Battery, and Disorderly Conduct, with penalties of up to 12 months in jail.

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