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Deputies Arrest 7 in Operation Drive Sober **Wrong-way elderly driver causes head-on crash**



Zastrow – OWI-2nd Bickham – OWI-2nd

Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff Richard R. Schmidt continues 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 seven drunken drivers. The average PBT test results were .17.

Two repeat-offenders were arrested for OWI-2nd, both from Milwaukee: Justin Zastrow, age 34, and Stanley Bickham, age 26.

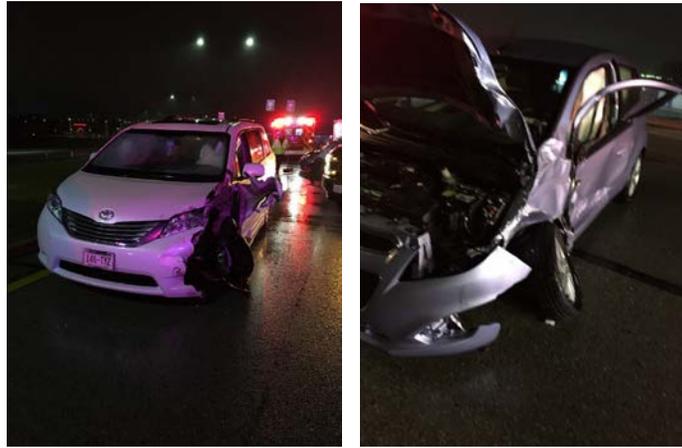
Five first-time offenders were taken into custody: Carmen Thompson, age 21, of Mequon; Larry Bartlett, age 55, of Germantown; and Milwaukee residents: Torrance Sumlin, age 42; Brandon Vanderkolk, age 31; and Dylan Torpy, age 25.

Wrong-way elderly driver causes crash:

On Saturday, December 1, at about 5:00 p.m., deputies responded to a call regarding a wrong-way driver traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of STH-794 near Pennsylvania Avenue. Less than a minute later the Toyota minivan crashed head-on into a Chevrolet Spark. The southbound lanes of traffic were closed and Cudahy Fire emergency personnel responded to the scene.

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The 83-year-old driver was treated on scene and refused additional medical treatment. The driver of the vehicle that was struck was transported to the hospital for leg injuries and chest pain. The wrong-way driver was cited for Operating the Wrong Way on a Divided Highway and will be reported to the State Department of Transportation for a possible licensing retest. No video was captured of the incident.

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