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Smokey Badger



One doesn't have to look very far to find some of the safest drivers in Wisconsin. These drivers represent the only agency in the Department of Transportation with a fleet safety program. These drivers have the safety and welfare of Wisconsin's travelers in their hands. The following represent that group -- this month's safe driver awards, which have been earned by:

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| 18 yr. - Sgt. Francis J. Honish
Tpr. Samuel C. Young | 6 yr. - Tpr. Richard Abrahamson
Insp. Robert Barnett, Jr.
Tpr. Richard E. Blood
Tpr. James L. Genrich |
| 17 yr. - Capt. Howard N. Goetsch
Capt. Jack W. Jorgensen
Tpr. Wallace J. Knutson
Capt. Charles N. Okonek
Tpr. David R. Wrecke | 5 yr. - Tpr. William Boma, Jr.
Tpr. Wayne R. Wilson |
| 15 yr. - Insp. Kenneth E. Steen | 4 yr. - Tpr. Lee G. Halverson
Tpr. Franklin Patterson |
| 12 yr. - Lieut. Phillip A. Clark
Lieut. James P. Jeatran
Sgt. Sterling Standiford | 3 yr. - Tpr. Thomas Radtke
1 yr. - Tpr. Charles L. Janssen |

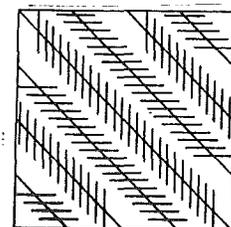
NATIONAL FLEET SAFETY CONTEST

Joy, sadness and anger are some of the normal emotions that all of us experience. Those who drive thoughtlessly provoke emotions in others, emotions that well up usually as a result of frustration irritations and other traffic-orientated motivations. The safe driver uses the unsafe behavior of others as a reminder to drive better himself. He makes necessary adjustments to keep out of the way of those who drive thoughtlessly or with consideration only for their own little piece of the highway. Keeping control of self usually means keeping control of vehicle.

At the end of four months in the NFSC ours is ranked 3rd with a rate of 4.93 accidents per million miles of travel with a group average of 5.49. No 1 position is still attainable. How about it?

IS SEEING BELIEVING?

Would you trust your future to just one quick glance in any direction? If you do, you bet your life. The eyes can deceive just as quickly as a sleight-of-hand artist's fingers can. For example, the diagonal lines below are really parallel -- but they appear at angles due to the cross marks. It takes a second or third more careful glance to get the perspective back on the tracks. So it is when you drive your car. Don't bet your life on just one quick glance in any direction. Seeing isn't always believing!

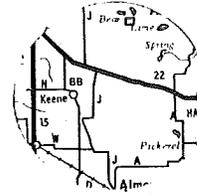


INTER-DISTRICT FLEET
SAFETY CONTEST

All the figures are in for the first four months of the year. District No. 5 grimly determined, it seems, is holding firmly on to first position in the contest. District No. 8 seems as firmly determined to hang in there as their drivers, too, maintain a perfect record. All that separates the first two positions is 267+ thousand miles. In third place is District No. 1. District No. 2 hasn't been able to shake the scourge of holding up the last position and the Battered Hubcap.

SO YOU KNOW WISCONSIN?

All right, no "cheating" now, tell me in what county this location can be found as well as the predominant highway? (Answer next issue)



Tpr. Jim Fox put his finger on Hwy. 59 out of Milton and mentioned also that was near the home of 123 & 113; also, MVD-5 (Van Tuyl) said "It's my back door!" in reference to the last issue's mystery location.

1975 FLEET ACCIDENTS

	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hdqrs.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dist. 1	0	1	3	2	2	8
Dist. 2	1	1	5	3	2	12
Dist. 3	1	1	0	2	0	4
Dist. 4	1	1	3	0	0	5
Dist. 5	1	0	1	1	1	4
Dist. 6	1	1	2	0	0	4
Dist. 8	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	6	5	14	8	5	38
Insp.	0	0	2	2	0	4
Tpr.	4	5	11	4	5	29
Sgt.	1	0	1	2	0	1
Lieut.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Capt.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comm. Tech.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chem. Tech.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0



Orv Ritter of the PCIU Unit was tooling along in Milwaukee listening to the Computer Cash Program on WTMJ and the Cash Call was coming up. It was Monday, June 9th, and they called his home. Orv almost lost control of the car when he heard his wife, Margaret, win \$475.00 right on the air, live.

THE STEERING COLUMN



Some time ago a police official who visited the United States was asked upon his return to his own country in the Mid-east what things he found in America that most impressed and interested him. His list included

such things as supermarkets, health and education programs, libraries and others, but the thing he liked the best was our transportation system: the automobiles and the roads plus the wealth which makes it possible. In America a person can get in his car and go anywhere without asking permission. When he returns, no one demands to know where he has been or why. This was his most wonderful revelation of America. When asked what most disappointed him in America, the gentleman at first declined to answer. Finally, he politely revealed that his greatest disappointment in America was the fact that the American people lack appreciation for those things which they have that other countries do not, and he found it particularly shocking that people so richly blessed could be so selfish and intolerant of each other in the use of their cars. Americans, he said, were willing to wait patiently in line at the theaters and supermarkets, but not willing to practice this same self-restraint on the way home in their cars on the public highways. Maybe this is the key to the whole situation under which the slaughter on the public highways is acceptable to Americans.

Seventy-eight law enforcement officers from agencies throughout the United States and Canada participated in commencement exercises at Northwestern University on Saturday, June 14, as the Traffic Institute graduated 38 municipal, six county, 23 state and two special enforcement officers plus a Royal Canadian Mountie, in the 49th Traffic Police Administration Training Program.

Director Jim Slavin presented each graduate a gold Traffic Institute Key at a Friday evening dinner at which Frank M. Keml, founder and former director of the Institute was principal speaker.

Mr. Patrick Byrne, Records Supervisor in the Planning Section of the Bureau, was among the graduates, their families and chiefs addressed by Chicago Police Superintendent James Rochford, main speaker, representing the IACP. Mr. Byrne returned to work in the Bureau on Monday, June 23, 1975. Sergeant Gerald Johnson, who had been working in the Bureau on an interim basis, returned to his field assignment in District No. 1

VAN SEZ: "I just read where welfare recipients are demanding their rights to have telephones and credit cards. I wish they'd demand their rights to pay taxes!"

S M O K E Y B A D G E R

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Trooper and Mrs. Jerome Borzymowski welcomed their first child, David, on May 31, 1975.

Also enjoying their first child are Trooper and Mrs. Timothy Stricker. Their son, Beau Mathew arrived May 22, 1975.

Fleet accidents then and now by day of the month. Solid black indicates a day with more than one fleet accident.

As the SMOKEY BADGER goes to press, this is the picture for 1975 fleet accidents:

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This letter was written following an OMVWI action in which the writer was tested at .22 per cent blood alcohol after being arrested by one of our troopers on the highway. A letter of this nature seldom is written. Often, there are tragic consequences attached to OMVWI. The letter is reproduced because it is so unusual in content.

"Dear Trooper _____,

You had issued me a ticket for drunk driving on 5-12-75 on the I-90 near Mauston. I was the lady with a camper truck full of kids.

I thought you might be interested in a follow-up of this. It has made a tremendous change in our lives. My husband and I used to consume a quart or more of booze each day. Since the ticket, we have stopped drinking completely except for an occasional beer in the evening. We both feel so much better and the children are much happier. We are so thankful that we realized the consequences before we had a serious accident that we would have regretted the rest of our lives. So basically, this is a 'thank-you' letter!!
Sincerely,"

MOTORIST ASSIST
MVD-4011 7-70

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LOCATION	MILE POST NO.	HIGHWAY	COUNTY
<input type="checkbox"/> I-SYSTEM			
DATE	TIME	<input type="checkbox"/> AM	MAKE AND TYPE OF VEHICLE
6-29-75	8:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM	olds 4dr
VEHICLE LICENSE	OFFICER	WSP NO.	
FM 7765-75	C W Tester	730	
EXPLANATION			
Hold pussycat so female owner could feed intervenemly			



Type of DISABLED VEHICLE TIRE CHANGE

Service OUT OF GAS PERSONAL SERVICE

TIME SPENT IN MINUTES 20 EMERGENCY SERVICE

"I'll say one thing about you, Jones—you certainly brought new blood into the company."

BADGER BOYS STATE

Badger Boys State has been held since 1939, the same year in which the State Patrol became an entity in state traffic law enforcement. The program is held on the campus of Ripon College every year during the month of June and it draws the cream of young manhood from all across Wisconsin to participate in the administration of an imaginary but real state government. The Patrol has participated in the past, usually on Thursday of the week. But things are changed. After participating in this year's program, Tpr. Jerold Witte filed the following report outlining his experience at Ripon:

"Saturday, June 14, 1975, marked the opening of the 1975 session of Badger Boys State held on the Ripon College campus. On Sunday, June 15, 1975, I had the opportunity to address the first annual session of the Peace Officer's School. Out of a total delegation of over one thousand boys, two hundred selected the Peace Officer's School. My address to the Peace Officer's School consisted of outlining the history of the Patrol and our relative position in State government. The role of the Wisconsin State Patrol and purpose was explained.

"On Monday, June 16, 1975, the Peace Officer's School was broken down into various agency units. The participants had the opportunity to select the agency in which they were most interested. More than fifty boys had selected the State Patrol unit. This is a marked increase from the 1974 session. This was gratifying to see when one considers the fact that 1975 represents the second year of a State Patrol unit as part of Badger

"TRAFFIC DIE-GEST"

This monthly summary of statistics is taken from the National Safety Council publication TRAFFIC SAFETY. This is information which you may find useful in your contacts with the public.

MOTOR-VEHICLE deaths in April 1975 totaled 3,470, a decrease of 1 per cent from the April 1974 total of 3,510 and a decrease of 22 per cent from the pre-energy-crisis April 1973 total of 4,610. The April 1974 total is the lowest since the April 1964 total of 3,430.

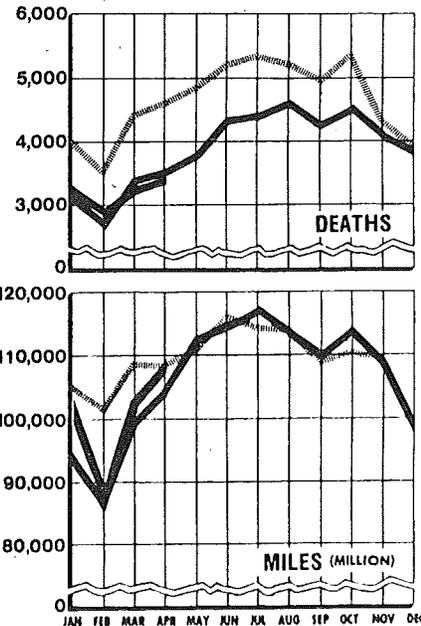
Deaths for the first four months of 1975 totaled 12,930, an increase of 3 per cent from the 1974 four-month total of 12,530 and a decrease of 22 per cent from the corresponding four-month period in 1973. Deaths for the 12-month period ending April 1975 totaled 46,600.

Disabling injuries for the first four months are estimated at about 500,000. These are injuries resulting in disability beyond the day of the accident, and do not include minor injuries which probably totaled as many more.

The cost of motor-vehicle accidents for the first four months of this year is estimated at more than \$4.6 billion.

MONTHLY MOTOR-VEHICLE DEATHS AND TRAFFIC TRENDS

1975 — 1974 — 1973



Reductions at the End of April

(States and cities with four-month death reduction, 1974 vs. 1975)

States	
Minnesota	-28%
Ohio	-15%
Tennessee	-15%
Indiana	-13%
South Carolina	-12%
South Dakota	-12%
Florida	-10%
North Carolina	-10%
Alabama	- 1%
Maine	-10%
Mississippi	- 9%
Georgia	- 8%
Nevada	- 7%
Michigan	- 6%
Arizona	- 6%
Iowa	- 3%
Montana	- 2%

Boys State.

"I addressed the State Patrol unit discussing such topics as the eligibility requirements for State Patrol employment, the civil service process and the duties and responsibilities of the

Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper.

"I am of the opinion that our participation in this endeavor enhances and compliments the Patrol's image."

(Wisconsin State Journal - 6/11/75)

Patrolman Wins Citizenship Honor

TOMAH — Ron Walheim, a Ft. McCoy Wisconsin State Patrol instructor, has been named winner of an insurance company's 13th annual Policyowner Good Citizenship Award.

He was nominated by David Moake, sales representative with the Frank R. Cole Agency of Madison, for the Mutual Trust Life Insurance Co. award which recognizes policyowners who have made significant contributions to their communities.

He will be honored at a luncheon Thursday at 12 noon at the Teepee Supper Club.

Walheim devotes much of his time to programs for area youth



RON WALHEIM

through the Jaycee chapter here. He was instrumental in developing a sledding hill, Halloween parade, and arranging outings. He also conducts seminars in leadership, usefulness, and fulfillment.

He teaches a Sunday school class at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and is a second lieutenant in the Wis. National Guard.

"The youth of Tomah have a true champion in Ron Walheim, and the adults can only admire a man doing as many things as he does, and doing them with such superb ability and genuine love," Moake said.

I N S I C K B A Y

Inspector J. J. Karl had surgery at St. Mary's Hospital, Racine, in early June.

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Captain Walsingham had surgery on Tuesday, June 17 at St. Joseph Hospital, Marshfield. He was released on Sunday, June 22, and is doing fine.

To BEAR UP under loss, to fight the bitterness of defeat and the weakness of grief, to be victor over anger, to smile when tears are close, to resist evil men and base instincts, to hate hate and to love love, to go on when it would seem good to die, to seek ever after the glory and the dream, to look up with unquenchable faith in something evermore about to be, that is what any man can do, and so be great.

ZANE GREY

MOTORIST ASSIST
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LOCATION	MILE POST NO.	HIGHWAY	COUNTY
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DATE	TIME	<input type="checkbox"/> AM	MAKE AND TYPE OF VEHICLE
5-24-75	1:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM	
VEHICLE LICENSE	OFFICER	WSP NO.	
MARRIAGE	STEPHEN KOCH	481	
EXPLANATION			

WAS BEST MAN FOR COUPLE WHO WERE GETTING MARRIED IN CIVIL CEREMONY AT COURTHOUSE WHEN BEST MAN DELAYED IN GREEN BAY. HOW'S THAT FOR SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC?

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BEST MAN



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CIVIL DEFENSE CONFERENCE

The 1975 Advanced Seminar For Civil Defense Directors was hosted by District 5 at Tomah on June 25, 26 and 27.

Following registration at 6 p.m. on the 25th, official welcome messages by Monroe County Board Co-Chairman Chris Stefferud, County Civil Defense Director Gordon Stelter and Captain Howard Goetsch were given to the assembled group of about 30 directors from all over Wisconsin.

At 6:30 p.m. a Wisconsin Army National Guard helicopter landed at District 5's heliport with V.I.P.'s Governor John Davis, Director, Federal Defense Civil Preparedness Agency, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.; Bruce L. Bishop, Director, Region 4 Defense Civil Preparedness Agency, Battle Creek, Michigan; and Ronald S. San Felippo, Administrator of the State's Division of Emergency Government, who share the E.O.C. portion of our District Headquarters, on board.

Governor Davis and Mr. Bishop both addressed the Seminar participants and were presented with official State Patrol coffee mugs as a token of their visit. All three men then toured District 5 Headquarters prior to their helicopter departure for Madison at 8 P.M.

The evening of June 26 saw the Seminar Banquet at the Holiday Inn at Tomah. Guest speaker was Mr. Rod Shaughnessy, Administrative Assistant to Mr. Charles Cicchetti, Director of the Wisconsin Office of Emergency Energy Assistance, who spoke interestingly on the energy situation this coming winter in Wisconsin. Captain Goetsch and his wife, Marilyn, attended the Banquet as guests of the Division of Emergency Government.

The road is straight, the surface dry,
The pace is fast, the sun is high,
A moment's lapse, a scream of pain,
Your loss, The Luckless Legion's gain.



TROOPER CITED

The following commendation was bestowed upon Trooper Kilday by Governor Patrick J. Lucey:

"Dear Trooper Kilday:

My attention has been called to your actions during the confrontation near Black River Falls on March 20, 1975. All reports emphasize one thing; your courage and coolness averted a tragic situation. Your actions personify what is meant by 'above and beyond' the call of duty.

"I would like to express my personal thanks and that of the people of the State of Wisconsin and to commend you for your bravery. You exemplify the qualities always expected but rarely recognized in our police. I know that Colonel Versnik and all the members of the State Patrol are proud of your association with this fine organization.

"I know I can depend upon you to continue to represent the State of Wisconsin and the Patrol with honor."

/s/ Patrick J. Lucey
Governor

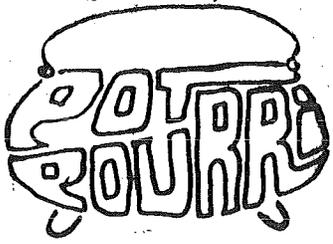
ACCIDENT REPORTS

Looking over the AD-PERS 45's which are submitted to the Bureau, we have come to the conclusion that slips and falls account for more accidents than automobiles:

* I was taking a shower in the Barracks 2 shower room. As I was turning under the shower, my left foot slipped out and as I was falling, the toes were jammed into the wall of the shower stall bending the toes up thereby tearing the skin, with profuse bleeding and exposing the bone.

* I was standing by the counter at District 6 shooting range and the counter fell down and scraped the bone on my left leg.

* I was walking down out of hayloft when I slipped and fell hard on my lower back, hurting my tailbone.



California, a state that issued its first "personalized" license plate in August, 1970 just issued its 200,000th ego plate in April, 1975. Called "environmental" plates because the revenue generated goes to

the environmental protection program, the novel personalized plates have realized nearly \$8-million in the cause. The first plate was "AMIGO" and the latest to round out the 200,000 was "7COACH". The ego plates cost the owner an extra \$25 plus an annual \$10 renewal fee.

Rhode Island is cracking down on speeders! A survey taken in March showed that 82 per cent of Rhode Island drivers were ignoring the 55 mile per hour speed limit. A major feature of their anti-speeding drive is "escorting" which will be utilized on five separate highways. Cruisers move at 55 mph in the center of the highway with red lights flashing and headlights on. If any attempt is made to pass, the motorist is warned by the public address system on the cruiser and finally, if he does not comply, he receives a speeding citation. Shades of the old defunct "rolling roadblock" technique once used by the Wisconsin State Patrol!

The New Jersey State Police Tactical Units received the U.S. Department of Transportation John A. Hanson Unit Award for their efforts to reduce highway crashes during calendar year 1974. In compiling the statistics to merit this award, the NJSP TacUnits made 1,999 OMVWI arrests, pinched 1,120 revoked drivers, passed out 37,086 warnings, made 1,292 criminal arrests and made 9,608 motorist assists and wrote 44,955 summonses.

Michigan Governor William G. Milliken was among those taking part in the dedication on May 29th of the new five and one-quarter million dollar Michigan State Police Training Academy at Lansing.

The Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles has devised the gift certificate for the person who has everything: A gift certificate for a personalized license plate! Gift certificates are now available from the Nevada DMV to persons wishing to give personalized license plates for birthdays or other special occasions. All the donor need do is include the \$25 fee with the certificate when it is presented to the recipient.

South Carolina drivers will soon be permitted to legally make right turns on red traffic signals at certain marked intersections. The intersections where this will be primarily effective are those on urban and suburban roadways. Limited sight distances, pedestrian traffic and heavy volume streets are factors which will rule out some intersections for this liberalized turning movement.

This thing has really caught on since it was proposed a few years ago.



The Opposite of Yummy

The skull and crossbones symbol has no impact on children who cannot yet read, if a Pittsburgh study is to be believed. Such children simply are not "turned off" by it.

Far better is a picture of MR. YUK. The Poison Control Center there is promoting a picture of his face on bottles and cans containing products which are harmful to children if ingested.