

JUNE 2010....interesting cases handled by Wisconsin's death investigators.....

- In Outagamie County, a 25-year-old man pled no contest to reckless homicide and child abuse in the death of a 2 ½ month old male. The man, who was not the biological father, cared for the child the night before he was admitted to a hospital; the boy died four days later of his injuries which were inflicted that night. The man was dating the boy's mother, who had gone out with friends on the night the incident occurred.
- In Brown County, a 35-year-old man died hours after being stabbed outside a Green Bay bar.
- In Marathon County, a 29-year-old man was sentenced to 10 years in prison for felony murder. The man punched his 43-year-old girlfriend after she'd kicked him in the mouth during an argument; the woman died of head injuries.
- In Milwaukee, the ninth co-sleeping death of 2010 occurred with the death of a 6-month-old male.
- In Oak Creek, two police officers were cleared of any wrongdoing in the April shooting death of a 48-year-old man who was a suspected burglar; the man was fleeing police when he failed to stop in the name of the law.
- In Milwaukee, a 29-year-old male suspect was arrested in a case involving the shooting death of two men, 30 and 21.
- In Milwaukee, authorities pulled a body from the Kinnickinnic River; the man was a victim of homicide.
- In Dodge County, a 47-year-old man died after he lost control of his van, ejecting the man, then rolling him over.
- In Fond du Lac County, a man died after becoming impaled on a metal post; he was a passenger in a SUV which went out of control and left the interstate.
- In Dodge County, an 18-year-old male was found guilty of negligent operation of a motor vehicle in a 2008 crash which killed a 16-year-old female passenger.
- In Calumet County, a 46-year-old man died after falling 32 feet off a cliff at High Cliff State Park. Authorities said the man, who was camping with friends, had been drinking.
- In Brown County, a man died after the vehicle he was driving the wrong way on Hy. 41 struck three other vehicles. Speed, alcohol and fog were believed to be contributing factors.
- In Rock County, a 30-year-old man who was a passenger in a Jeep, who had exchanged words with two men on motorcycles at a traffic light, was shot and killed by one of the cyclists, a 44-year-old man who was arrested and charged with first-degree reckless homicide.
- In Menominee Falls, a 25-year-old man died in a house fire.
- In Waukesha County, authorities reported that a 32-year-old woman who died in a motorcycle crash in May had a blood-alcohol reading of 0.212%. The accident happened at the end of a ride honoring the memory of the woman's late fiancé, who died of a heart attack in Mexico in February.
- In Rock County, an 88-year-old woman died after the car she was driving left the roadway and struck a tree during a heavy thunderstorm.

- In Oak Creek, an 18-year-old high school student died in a two vehicle crash just three days before his graduation. A 58-year-old man, the driver of the other vehicle, died of his injuries the next day.
- In Milwaukee, a two-year-old died of a self-inflicted gun shot wound to the face; authorities said he was playing with a handgun.
- In Lincoln County, a 63-year-old woman died after the vehicle she was riding in went into a lake; the vehicle was driven by her son, 23.
- Allen Bremer, the mayor of Schofield, died of cancer.
- In Racine County, a 45-year-old woman was sentenced to 30 months in prison after she was found guilty of driving drunk last July, when she struck and hit two bicyclists last July. A 48-year-old woman died later of her injuries.
- In Milwaukee, a 22-year-old man was shot to death in what police described as a gang-related killing.
- In Milwaukee, a 29-year-old man was found guilty of killing his 68-year-old aunt who took him in. The woman was shot with a sawed-off shotgun. He was sentenced to life in prison.
- In Manitowoc County, a 20-year-old man died after the car he was driving left a street and hit a tree. Another man was critically injured; speed and alcohol were contributing factors.
- In Jefferson County, a man pled guilty to murdering a teenage couple nearly 30 years ago. The couple disappeared from a wedding reception in August 1980 and their bodies were found two months later. The teens were 19; the man is now 76 and in poor health. DNA linked him to the murders. He also agreed to plead guilty to two Ohio murders.
- In Milwaukee, an 11-year-old boy who was struck by a car on a city street in May has died of his injuries.
- In Milwaukee, a 19-year-old Milwaukee woman, who was a passenger in a 1991 Oldsmobile that had been racing and then crashed into a pillar outside a hospital last month has died of her injuries.
- A 44-year-old man charged with beating and strangling his live-in girlfriend last December committed suicide in the Eau Claire County Jail the day before his trial was to begin.
- In Sheboygan County, a 9-year-old girl, alone in a kayak and without a life jacket, is missing and presumed drowned in Lake Michigan.
- In Dane County, a moped driver died after losing control and crashed on a town road.
- In Dodge County, a woman died after she lost control of her vehicle and was ejected.
- In Monroe County, a 44-year-old man died after failing to negotiate a curve on a county highway.
- In Monroe County, authorities have ruled the April shooting death of a 53-year-old man was a homicide.
- In Dane County, a 23-year-old woman died after the vehicle she was driving left a street and hit a pick-up truck which was parked in a driveway.

- In Sauk County, a 50-year-old motorcyclist when he crashed into a stone wall at an intersection.
- In Buffalo County, the body of a 43-year-old man was found several days after he was reported missing. Authorities say it appears the man lost control of his motorcycle on a curve and went down a steep embankment.
- In Kenosha County, a two-year-old child drowned in a motel hot tub.
- In Sheboygan County, a 7-year-old boy died when the van he was riding in pulled in front of a pick-up truck on a county road.
- In Milwaukee, a 25-year-old man was shot to death.
- In Fond du Lac County, a 12-year-old boy drowned during a school outing; the boy was a 7th grader from Milwaukee who died during a field trip on an outing on the last day of school.
- In Dane County, the body of a 16-year-old high school student was found behind a Fitchburg shopping center. Police said the death was a homicide; a 17-year-old boy has been arrested in the case. Robbery may have been a motive.
- In Dane County, a 24-year-old man was sentenced to 7 years in prison in the heroin death of a 25-year-old man.
- In Winnebago County, a 17-year-old boy died of injuries suffered days earlier in a motorcycle accident.
- In Winnebago County, a 21-year-old motorcyclist, clocked by police traveling at 112 mph on a city street, died when his cycle collided with a car at a Neenah intersection. The cyclist was not wearing a helmet.
- In Washington County, a 40-year-old man died when he collided with a deer while riding his motorcycle.
- In Milwaukee County, Dr. Brian Peterson was officially named as Medical Examiner. He had been an assistant ME and was appointed after Dr. Christopher Happy resigned unexpectedly.
- In Shawano County, a 50-year-old man died after becoming trapped in a grain elevator.
- In Washington County, an 18-year-old man drowned.
- In Kenosha County, a 14-year-old girl died after being struck by a car as she walked along a county road.
- In Racine County, an 86-year-old woman died in a traffic crash; the woman stopped at a stop sign, then pulled out in front of an oncoming vehicle.
- In Fond du Lac County, a 29-year-old man was electrocuted when a piece of machinery he was using contacted a power line.
- In Calumet County, a 39-year-old man died when he lost control of his motorcycle.
- In Oconto County, a 19-year-old man died after being shot in the head during a party, which was being held for another man who was set to be deployed as a Marine. Partygoers were drinking and smoking marijuana; the shooter had a 9mm handgun that he reportedly pointed at several guests, pulling the trigger while the gun was not loaded. He then began loading and unloading the gun before the tragedy happened.

- In Columbia County, an 18-year-old man died when the boat he was riding in collided with a jet ski on Lake Wisconsin.
- In Lincoln County, a 57-year-old man died in a logging accident.
- In Rock County, a 64-year-old man died in a motorcycle accident.
- In Waukesha County, a 43-year-old man died when his bicycle was hit from behind by a car.
- In Dane County, Dwight Armstrong, 58, died of lung cancer. Armstrong, along with three other men (one who still remains at large), bombed the Army Math Research Center in Sterling Hall on the UW-Madison campus in August, 1970. The blast killed a 33-year-old researcher. The Wisconsin State Journal reported, “The incident served to dampen the anti-war movement as people recoiled at the bloodshed.”
- In Jefferson County, a 57-year-old man and a 55-year-old woman died after they crashed their motorcycle; another vehicle ran a stop sign and the cycle crashed after swerving to avoid striking that vehicle. Neither cyclist was wearing a helmet.
- In Jefferson County, three people died on I-94 when their vehicle struck a construction barrel on the right shoulder, then abruptly over-corrected, crossed the median and struck a vehicle in the opposite lane, then rolled over.
- In Oneida County, a 44-year-old woman was found dead inside her home after her father asked police to do a welfare check. The woman had been dead for several days. The woman’s husband, whom police described as a “person of interest” was arrested a week after the woman’s body was found. Police had been looking for him since her body was discovered.
- In Marshfield, a man committed suicide by standing on railroad tracks in front of an oncoming train.
- In Grant County, a 48-year-old man died in a tree-trimming accident at his home.
- In Brown County, a 5-year-old boy died after a TV fell on him.
- In Milwaukee, a 15-year-old boy was killed and two others injured when a large concrete slab fell from a parking ramp.
- In Lake Michigan, off Sheboygan, a 67-year-old man died and two others had to be rescued after their fishing boat capsized.
- In Cudahy, the body of a 31-year-old man was found in a van. The man reportedly had been abducted earlier. Police ruled the death a homicide.
- In Milwaukee, the body of an unidentified man was found floating in Lake Michigan.
- In Milwaukee, a 31-year-old woman who passed out drunk on top of her 6-day-old daughter, killing her, was sentenced to two years in prison.
- In Oconto County, a 15-year-old girl died after the vehicle she was riding in was struck by suspected drunk driver who ran a stop sign.
- In Columbia County, sheriff’s deputies shot and killed a 29-year-old man who reportedly was waving a gun and fired a shot when police arrived. The man, a former Marine, was having difficulties in a relationship with his fiancée.
- In Dane County, a 30-year-old woman was feared drowned in Lake Mendota. A search is underway for her body.

- In Richland County, three women aged 19, 19 and 20, died when their vehicle left a roadway, struck some trees and overturned.
- In Rusk County, three people died when two vehicles collided.
- In Sauk County, a 62-year-old woman died when a vehicle made a U-turn in front of the motorcycle she was riding on. The cyclist swerved to miss the vehicle, but lost control of the bike and crashed.
- In Brookfield, a 51-year-old man died when his bicycle collided with a truck.
- In Iowa County, a 81-year-old man died when the ATV he was operating rolled down an embankment.
- In Monroe County, a 7-year-old boy died in a feed bin accident; the boy became trapped while the bin was being filled.
- In Outagamie County, a 42-year-old man when the truck he was driving went through a stop sign on a county road and was struck by another car; authorities believe the man didn't see the stop sign, as a van was parked in front of it and blocked the man's view.
- In Outagamie County, a 74-year-old woman died after losing control of her moped on an Appleton street a few days earlier. She was not wearing a helmet.
- In Kewaunee County, a 74-year-old man died after becoming pinned underneath lawn mowing equipment.