



# Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### Operation Drive Sober Results in 18 Drunken Driver Arrests 877 Repeat Offenders Since January 2010



Nikole Arbuckle – 5 minors Larry Fitzgerald, 3rd, Hit&Run



Carla Martinez, 3<sup>rd</sup>



Sanhua Robinson, 3<sup>rd</sup>



Michael Hernandez, 3rd



Derek Garrels, 3rd



Elias Marquez, 2<sup>nd</sup>



Darius Frizzle-Cox, 2<sup>nd</sup>



Cassandra Piotrowski, 2<sup>nd</sup>

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**Milwaukee, WI – At the start of this year, Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. ordered an aggressive weekend Driving Under the Influence (DUI) initiative to rid the Milwaukee County freeway system of drunken drivers.**

**This weekend’s initiative from Friday at 6:00 p.m. through Sunday at 6:00 a.m. resulted in the arrest of 18 drunken drivers. Eight of these were repeat offenders, and one of the DUI-1<sup>st</sup> offenders had five minor children in the car.**

**On Sunday at about 3:15 a.m., a deputy observed a van traveling at a high rate of speed and deviating lanes multiple times on eastbound I-94 near Hawley Road. He stopped the driver on I-43 northbound and performed field sobriety tests. Nikole Arbuckle, age 35, of Milwaukee, blew a .18.**

**Arbuckle had 5 juvenile children ranging in age from 13 to 17 years old in the vehicle with her. She was arrested for DUI-1st with a Passenger Under 16 Years of Age. If convicted of this charge, she faces jail time of up to six months, and up to nine months revocation of her driving privileges.**

**The minor children were transported to the Sheriff’s Patrol Substation on Watertown Plank Road. Child Protective Services was called at 3:56 a.m. and CPS returned the call at 5:33 a.m. A CPS worker arrived to take custody of the children at 7:43 a.m.**

**At 10:45 p.m. on Saturday, MCSO dispatch broadcasted a call of a vehicle traveling westbound on I-94 that reportedly struck other vehicles and failed to stop. The 911 caller reported that he stopped the vehicle on the 25<sup>th</sup> Street off-ramp. Another witness stopped, whose vehicle’s windshield had been shattered by a construction barrel that the drunken driver had struck, which then hit her car.**

**A deputy arrived on scene several minutes later, and arrested Larry Fitzgerald, age 49, of Milwaukee for DUI-3<sup>rd</sup> and Hit and Run. He faces up to one year on the DUI charge, and up to six months on the Hit and Run.**

**Other repeat offenders facing their third DUI included: Carla Martinez, age 38, of Milwaukee; Sanhua Robinson, age 33, of West Allis; Michael Hernandez, age 52, of Hartland; and Derek Garrels, age 21, of East Troy. DUI-2<sup>nd</sup> charges will be filed against Elias Marquez, age 29, of Cudahy, Darius Frizzle-Cox of Milwaukee, and Cassandra Piotrowski, age 24, of Oak Creek.**

**First-time offenders: Melissa Learned, age 27, of Germantown; Noe Pimentel Linares, age 31, of West Allis; Milwaukee residents Dustin Korol, age 29, Marques Brown, age 30, Fredericka Hodges, age 28, and Elmer Barrera, age 37; Nicholas Franzen, age 24, of Hales Corners; Jermaine Ellison, age 35, of Chicago, IL; and Matthew Beedy, age 26, of Hartland.**

**Representative Jim Ott and Senator Alberta Darling have co-sponsored a bill in the Wisconsin Legislature to make it even tougher for drunken drivers to escape the consequences of their actions. The bill will prevent judges from finding loopholes to avoid handing out stiffer sentences.**

**Deputies will STOP, TEST, and ARREST everyone suspected of impaired driving.**

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