

<b>WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE</b>		<b>NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2012-026</b>
<b>INFORMATION: RESTRICTIONS FOR THE ROCK RIVER FOR "ON THE WATERFRONT"</b>		
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**NARRATIVE:** Sheriff Richard Meyers is announcing the placement of certain restrictions on the Rock River in Winnebago County this weekend. These restrictions are due to the number of activities planned on or adjacent to the Rock River during the LABOR DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND and "**ON THE WATERFRONT FESTIVAL,**" which is a State Of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources permitted event.

A "NO WAKE" restriction will be in effect on the Rock River south of the Whitman Street Bridge beginning at 5:00 PM, Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, and remaining in effect until midnight on Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.

Also, there will be a floating green for a hole-in-one contest located just south of Beattie Park approximately 120 yards from the west shore. Golfers will be hitting colored golf balls from the west shore. Water craft operators should use caution in this area. The floating green will be marked and will be in the water during the entire time of the festival.

Additionally, the Rockford Park District will be closing the boat ramp at the Riverview Ice House to the public beginning Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, through Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.

As always, recreational users of the river should exercise caution when operating on the water.

For current river conditions, and any further updates, contact the Sheriff's Office at (815) 319-6300, or the Rock River information telephone line at (815) 316-8888. You may also visit the Sheriff's Department's website at [www.winnebagoheriff.com](http://www.winnebagoheriff.com)

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