

Wisconsin Democracy Campaign "2 GOP Payoffs"

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MADISON - When we follow the money, sometimes something odd turns up.

That was the case with two of our stories this week.

The first seemed to be simply a gratuity for services rendered when the Republican Party of Wisconsin paid off \$25,000 of Justice David Prosser's campaign debt. But when we examined this "in-kind" contribution, it turned out to be even scuzzier, since the Party paid off a specific debt that Prosser owed to a particular vendor, who just happens to be one of Scott Walker's chief fundraisers. Here are the gories:

[State GOP pays \\$25K of Prosser's campaign debt](#)

The second story is about the DNR's continued effort to give a sweetheart land deal to a couple that gave more than \$6 million to try to get Scott Walker elected President. What's doubly amazing is that the announcement of this renewed effort was obscured by an almost indecipherable bureaucratic notice. Somehow, I don't think that was an accident, but see for yourself:

[Walker's DNR resurrects land deal with major contributor](#)

And speaking of obscuring important information, this week there was a push in Congress to make it more difficult for consumers to find out if there are GMOs in our food—unless you're in the habit of scanning barcodes into your phone while you hurry down the supermarket aisle. This is a bill not for consumers, but for industry, including in Wisconsin, as you'll see here:

[State food processors praise bill to restrict state food labeling](#)

But here's a happy note:

[Three Koch Brothers' groups were fined this week for illegal electioneering](#)

We'll keep following the money for you, and any more oddities that we can find.

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