

MADISON - WisDems Daily Update Clips for Friday, May 4, 2012.

RECALL

[Recall primary election is on May 8](#)

□ Agri-View - 18 hours ago

Former Congressman Dave Obey, who had at one time considered running himself, warned his fellow Democrats about the attacks they were leveling at each other ...

[Poll: Gov. Walker and Barrett in dead heat](#)

□ The Oshkosh Northwestern - 4 hours ago

Scott Walker and challenger, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, in dead heat Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, democrat, is a candidate running for Wisconsin Governor ...

[Doug La Follette's 'power to the people campaign'](#)

Capital Times - □ 3 hours ago□

Of all the candidates for governor this year, Secretary of State Doug La Follette is the one who has spoken most thoroughly and most effectively about the steps that need to be taken to restore power to the people. La Follette has done this by

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[Kathleen Falk states case to replace Scott Walker as governor of Wisconsin](#)

The Sheboygan Press - □ 4 hours ago□

Gubernatorial candidate Kathleen Falk answers questions Thursday May 3, 2012, during an interview at The Sheboygan Press. Photo by Bruce Halmo/The Sheboygan Press / THE

SHEBOYGAN PRESS Despite her standing in the polls trailing both fellow Democrat Tom ...

[Falk entered recall effort first](#)

Fond du Lac Reporter - 3 hours ago

Kathleen Falk was a recall candidate for governor, even before there was — officially — a recall election. Almost from the day organizers started the process, Falk made no secret of her displeasure with Gov. Scott Walker or her desire to replace him.

[In support of Kathleen Falk](#)

Madison Times - 20 hours ago

That's why I'm supporting Kathleen Falk for governor in the recall election. I know Kathleen. I've worked with Kathleen for over 16 years. Scott Walker is no

Kathleen Falk

. Tom Barrett is no

Kathleen Falk

. She's just what Wisconsin needs now.

[Union Endorsements May Not Mean Much in the Voting Booth](#)

Patch.com - 10 hours ago

Several unions have thrown their backing behind Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett and Kathleen Falk in the primary election. Despite the endorsements, the sentiment among rank-and-file members may be different from their union leaders.

[Wisconsin Cheddar: How Scott Walker's Fundraising Windfall Could](#) **TIME** **- 2 hours ago**

Scott Walker is surrounded by the news media after speaking to the Illinois Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, April 17, 2012 in Springfield, Ill. The battle of ...

[Walker polls 'freakishly fixed in place'](#)

Politico (blog) - 2 hours ago

Scott Walker shows a dead heat, with Walker leading the Democratic frontrunner, Milwaukee Gov. Tom Barrett, by a single percentage point. What's unique about that poll, and the three others Marquette Law School has conducted since January, ...

Walker balanced on knife's edge

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel - 11 hours ago

Scott Walker and him virtually half is against him. To Gov. Scott Walker's opponents, recent polls tell an unflattering tale about the Republican incumbent - that no matter how many millions he spends, his numbers don't get any better. True enough.

Poll: Scott Walker, Likely Rival Tied in Wisconsin Recall Vote

NewsMax.com - 19 hours ago

Scott Walker is in a statistical tie with his chief Democratic rival, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, in a poll released on Wednesday less than five weeks before a June recall election with national implications for organized labor.

Kathleen Falk states case to replace Scott Walker as governor of Wisconsin

The Sheboygan Press - 4 hours ago

Scott Walker, Kathleen Falk says her record as Dane County executive qualifies her as the one best suited to unseat Walker in the upcoming recall election. "While I was county executive, Dane County had the highest job growth rate in the state," Falk ...

Scott Walker's Austerity Agenda Is Losing

The Nation. (blog) - 18 hours ago

For all the efforts of Governor Walker to convince the hosts on Fox and CNBC that he is a popular governor who is threatened not by angry citizens but by "the left, the radical left, and the big labor union bosses" who are "somehow counting on the idea

...

Wisconsin recall will have wider impact

CNN - 15 hours ago

Scott Walker next month, they'll also be shaping the dialogue going into the fall. The recall vote is considered the first major one in this presidential election year and powerful forces are

lining up behind the two sides in the debate over whether ...

Barrett rips Walker at Milwaukee fundraiser

ThirdCoast Digest - 4 hours ago

By Michael Horne Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett told hundreds of supporters that Governor Scott Walker

"has declared civil war on the people of Wisconsin." The charged rhetoric was just the sort of red meat that appealed to the crowd gathered for a

...

Wisconsin Recall Amnesia

Wall Street Journal - 14 hours ago

Remember the Greek-style protests in Madison, the union sit-ins, the lawmakers who fled to Illinois to avoid voting on Scott Walker's collective-bargaining law last year? Now that the recall election of Mr. Walker is in full swing, Big Labor must be

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Candidates in governor's recall woo area voters

Green Bay Press Gazette - 1 hour ago

Former Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk is slated to be at Shelter 6 of Bay Beach Amusement Park in Green Bay at 2:30 pm Sunday. She's also slated to visit Rhinelander, Wausau, Manitowoc and Sheboygan. With five days left before the primaries in

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Undaunted by polls, Vinehout focused on issues

La Crosse Tribune - 7 hours ago

Kathleen Vinehout was the only candidate to show. On Thursday, she was headed for another forum in Sparta when she learned party front-runners Tom Barrett ...

Letter: Supports Vinehout

Hudson Star Observer - 6 hours ago

Kathleen Vinehout in the race for governor. Sen. Vinehout is a true advocate for the people, as passionate in her pursuit of fairness and justice as the ...

[Wis. Dems set to clash at final pre-primary debate](#)

Janesville Gazette (blog) - 2 hours ago

Tom Barrett, Kathleen Falk, Kathleen Vinehout and Doug La Follette all are expected to appear at a Wisconsin Public Television debate Friday evening. The debate will mark final go-round between all four candidates ahead of Tuesday's primary.

[Democratic recall election debate tonight on TODAY'S TMJ4, 620WTMJ](#)

Newsradio 620 - 1 hour ago

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[One-on-One with Doug La Follette](#)

WMTV - 15 hours ago

MADISON--Secretary of State Doug La Follette is running for governor on the Democratic ballot, but he calls himself an independent. "I get Republican votes and independent votes and we need that to bring Wisconsin together and start working again," he

...

[Tuesday's primary offers voters rare chance to cross between parties](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel - 17 hours ago

Still, state Democratic Party spokesman Graeme Zielinski said that his party wasn't concerned about crossover votes by Republicans. "None of the shenanigans ...

US SENATE

[Eric Hovde says economic policies are what's making gas prices go](#) **PolitiFact - 5 minutes ago**

In Wisconsin, a radio ad from Republican US Senate candidate Eric Hovde tapped into the frustration that many motorists feel when they fill their tanks.

[Thompson wants to cap jobless benefits, but when?](#)

□ Milwaukee Journal Sentinel (blog) - 19 minutes ago

By Don Walker of the Journal Sentinel At a Republican candidates for US Senate forum on Thursday, former governor Tommy Thompson told businesspeople that he ...

Republican US Senate candidates gather for forum

FOX6Now.com Milwaukee - □ 15 hours ago□

Jeff Fitzgerald, Eric Hovde, Mark Neumann and Tommy Thompson are the Republican candidates vying for a shot at Wisconsin's Senate seat, currently held by the retiring Herb Kohl. There were small differences between the four when it came to answering

...

Baldwin's GOP foes stay focused on her

□ Milwaukee Journal Sentinel - 10 hours ago

Tommy Thompson, Assembly Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald (R-Horicon) and businessman Eric Hovde all want a balanced federal budget.

Sen. Kohl Asks Holder to Review Proposed Closure of Antitrust ...

□ Main Justice - 14 hours ago

Herb Kohl said last week he is deeply concerned about the Justice Department's proposed closure of four of its Antitrust Division Field Offices, ...

Wisconsin expects U.S. 41 to get interstate designation

Green Bay Press Gazette - □ 1 hour ago□

Herb Kohl, D-Milwaukee, and Rep. Tom Petri, R-Fond du Lac, joined Oshkosh-area business community leaders and DOT officials in Oshkosh this week to announce the effort would begin to take major steps forward in coming weeks. However, the effort still ...

LETTER: Open letter to Senator Johnson

□ Superior Telegram - 46 minutes ago

Ron Johnson: Recently you gave a keynote speech at a Tea Party Rally in Duluth. Tea Party Rally speeches often play heavily on the theme of freedom, ...

US Highway 41 could become interstate by 2014

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel - 20 hours ago

Herb Kohl (D-Wis.) and Rep. Tom Petri (R-Wis.), who joined business leaders and state transportation officials in Oshkosh on Wednesday for the announcement, are seeking a weight-restriction waiver necessary for the change. Read and share your thoughts ...

Editorial: Interstate designation bolsters businesses

The Oshkosh Northwestern - 3 hours ago

Herb Kohl and US Rep. Tom Petri visited Oshkosh this week. The Democrat and Republican are working together to preserve the waivers for existing traffic, working together in a way that Kohl acknowledged is "not fashionable these days because of our ...

1st CD

Rep. Paul Ryan's constituents like him where he is

The Oshkosh Northwestern - 4 hours ago

(AP) - Many constituents in Congressman Paul Ryan's district said Thursday he would make a great vice presidential candidate if he gets tapped, ...

Paul Ryan Should Run For President, Spokesman For Ayn Rand Group Says

Huffington Post - 18 hours ago

Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) puzzled some last week when he appeared to try to distance himself from his known love of philosopher Ayn Rand.

Robert Mentzer column: The trouble with Ayn Rand

Wisconsin Rapids Tribune - 2 hours ago

Ron Paul is an acolyte and so is his son, US Sen. Rand Paul -- ahem, that's Rand Paul. And Wisconsin's delegation has two of the nation's highest-profile Rand fans in US Rep. Paul Ryan and US Sen. Ron Johnson. Ryan has been so thoroughly identified

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3rd CD

Cabin owned by Congressman Ron Kind destroyed by fire caused by lightning

WTAQ - 14 hours ago

MELROSE, WI (WTAQ) - A cabin owned by Congressman Ron Kind was destroyed by fire overnight near Melrose in Trempealeau County. A spokeswoman for the La Crosse Democrat confirmed the blaze, and said it was believed to have been caused by lightning from

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Ron Kind's cabin burns down after lightning strike

WKBT La Crosse - 19 hours ago

A cabin owned by Congressman Ron Kind burns to the ground Thursday morning after an apparent lightning strike. The fire was reported at about 9:15 am on Bucholz Road in the Town of Franklin in Jackson County. Four fire departments responded to the fire

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Lightning possible cause of fire that burns Kind cabin

WXOW.com - 13 hours ago

The cabin belonged to Congressman Ron Kind and his family, who were not home when the fire broke out. The Melrose Fire Department received a call around 8:40am reporting a structure fire. When firefighters arrived, the cabin was completely engulfed in

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Fire destroys Congressman's cabin

Wisconsin Radio Network - 19 hours ago

Officials in Trempealeau County are investigating a fire that destroyed a home owned by Congressman Ron Kind (D-WI). The fire early this morning tore through a cabin located on property near Melrose. A spokesman from Kind's office says no one was there

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4th CD

Federal Officials Announce \$16 million in Grants to Bolster ...

89.7 WUWM - Milwaukee Public Radio - 7 hours ago

Gwen Moore and Howard Koh show off thank you gifts from the health center, which received

\$5 million in grant funding. Moore got a plaque; Koh was given a ...

7th CD

[Job fairs are good politics, but unlikely to lead to work](#)

□ Minnesota Public Radio - 15 hours ago

Sean Duffy of Wisconsin to host a job fair last week at the University of Wisconsin-Superior. Inside a big arena on the campus, dozens of job seekers are ...

8th CD

[Freshman do-gooders embrace lonely reform mission](#)

□ Politico - 9 hours ago

and Reid Ribble (R-Wis.) started the Fix Congress Now caucus with high hopes back in January. Four months later, it's a caucus of four — out of 435 members ...

STATE SENATE

[Letter: Petrowski cast votes against women](#)

□ Wausau Daily Herald - 3 hours ago

EDITOR: Even if Jerry Petrowski had been married to his wife for 50 years and had five daughters it would not mean that he did not vote for the bills that ...

[Jauch serves as vice chairman of 911 study panel](#)

□ Superior Telegram - 7 minutes ago

State Senator Bob Jauch, D- Poplar, was appointed to serve as vice chairman of the Legislative Council Committee on 911 Communications, one of six study ...

[Letter: I saw how Seidel bends to interests](#)

□ Wausau Daily Herald - 3 hours ago

Donna Seidel fights for health care, women's rights, etc., need to dig deeper. Rep. Seidel was on the Assembly Health Committee when a big-money special ...

[Brad Basten: Check ballots for real candidate names](#)

□ Wisconsin State Journal - 4 hours ago

Lori Compas in the 13th Senate District, Donna Seidel in the 29th, John Lehman in the 21st and Kristen Dexter in the 23rd are working tirelessly to bring ...

[Grassroot efforts can beat out big money from outsiders](#)

□ Milwaukee Courier Weekly Newspaper - 13 hours ago

By Cassandra Lans State Senator Lena Taylor showed her support for Tom Barrett and his race for the governor's seat at a recent fundraising event held in ...

[Lori Compas steps up to challenge Sen. Fitzgerald with little ...](#)

□ Isthmus - 19 hours ago

Lori Compas was pretty much on her own when she launched a petition drive to recall Sen. Scott Fitzgerald, the powerful and well-financed Republican from ...

[Is 21st District Fake Candidate Trying to be For Real?](#)

□ Patch.com - 2 hours ago

Van Wanggaard, possibly by winning the May 8 primary and guaranteeing Wanggaard will serve the rest of his term. She might be running as a "fake" Democrat, ...

RPW

[Republicans Plan to Pitch Romney to Latinos with Door-to-Door Campaign](#)

□ Fox News - 43 minutes ago

(AP Photo/Jae C. Hong) Reince Priebus, of the Wisconsin Republican Party, talks with members during the Republican National Committee Winter Meeting, ...

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