



## BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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In its continuing efforts to keep alcohol out of the hands of our youth, the Beloit Police Department conducted an Alcohol Compliance check on Wednesday April 24, 2013. Members of the department had the underage operatives visit all 22 Class "A" liquor license establishments within the City of Beloit. Class "A" establishments are carry out packaged liquor businesses.

The department is pleased to announce that 21 of the 22 establishments were in compliance with the law and refused to sell to the underage person. The one violation occurred at Tex's Grocery, 1909 St. Lawrence Av. The store clerk was issued a citation for Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor which carries a \$366.00 fine. The business license agent will be summoned to the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the city's Alcohol License Beverage Control Committee to discuss the violation.

The Beloit Police Department has conducted similar compliance checks throughout the City of Beloit over the past several years. These are the best results ever experienced. The department extends a sincere thank-you to the 21 compliant establishments. The department will continue to conduct unannounced compliance checks working towards the goal of 100 percent compliance.

Debbie Fischer, Director of Youth2Youth of Rock County (361-1927), was also impressed with the results of the compliance check. Ms. Fischer advised that, in the very near future, members of the Y2Y coalition will personally visit the 21 compliant businesses and congratulate them.

Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3:6 Trial Publicity, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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