

WCPA REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 24, 2009

Press Releases/Announcements

- **Governor Doyle Will Not Seek a Third Term**

After months of speculation on Monday, August 17 Governor Doyle announced that he is not running for re-election, citing a two-term commitment he made in 2002 as the main reason for the decision. Governor Doyle has roughly \$2 million in his campaign account. Under state campaign finance laws the Governor can return contributions to those who contributed to his campaign, set up a foundation for charitable contributions, or use the funds for political contributions, but must follow the same limits as any other political action committee (PAC).

Lieutenant Governor Barbara Lawton (D) immediately announced her intention to run for Governor. Others consider Congressman Ron Kind and Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett at the top of the list for potential democrat candidates. Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker (R) and businessman and former Congressman Mark Neumann (R) have already kicked off their gubernatorial campaign committees.

Governor Doyle intends to serve out the remainder of his term, and has not announced his support for a candidate at this time. Read the Governor's remarks [here](#).

- **Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs Seeking Nominations**

The Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs is seeking nominations for the Veteran Lifetime Achievement Award. The award recognizes Wisconsin veterans with a record of exemplary military service and citizenship. Nominations must be submitted by September 15, 2009. For more information please visit www.WisVets.com/BoardAward.

- **Mayor Returns Home**

In case you missed it Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett was attacked and beaten outside of the Wisconsin State Fair on August 15 after confronting a man who was arguing with his ex-girlfriend's mother. Anthony J. Peters, 20, threatened the mayor with a gun, and attacked him with a pipe. Mayor Barrett suffered extensive injuries including cuts to the face, a shattered hand, and missing teeth. The Mayor was released from the hospital on Monday, August 17, and is resting at home. Peters has been charged with a felony charge of first-degree reckless injury, use of a dangerous weapon, disorderly conduct, bail jumping, and theft, also a felony. The theft charge is a result of Peters taking and destroying Mayor Barrett's phone during the attack.

Hearings/Meetings

- **Weekly Schedule of Committee Activities:**
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