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## Waukesha County named 2nd healthiest in Wisconsin

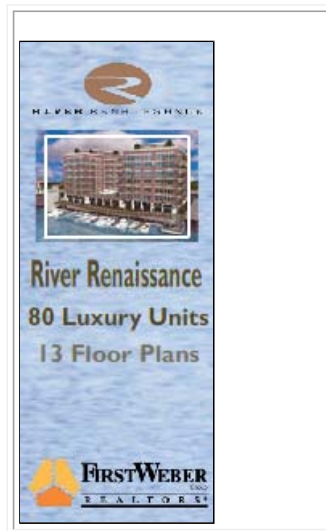
*Ozaukee County No. 1 in UW study*

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WAUKESHA - Waukesha County again ranked as one of the healthiest counties in the state, though hazards persist in the physical environment like the high number of commuters and poor regional air quality.

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The health checkup that placed Waukesha County as second-healthiest in 2008 was part of an annual statewide effort by the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. Only Ozaukee County had better community health outcomes compared with its detriments in 2008 in the 72 state counties and city of Milwaukee, gauged in the study released today.

Since the study started in 2004, Waukesha County has ranked at or near the top statewide in overall health and has been consistently listed as second in abating health detriments. Speaking with reporters Wednesday, institute director Dr. Patrick Remington said the report is not meant to find trends in the state but rather act as a "catalyst for action" with typically known health issues.

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