

## Sheriff Curtis N. Fell ROCK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## UPDATED: Vehicle Located in the Rock River

For Immediate Release

Date: 07/06/2023 Case: SO2331160 **Contact Person** 

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On July 3, 2023, a citizen reported to the Rock County Sheriff's Office they believed they located a sunken vehicle in the Rock River near Riverside Park in Janesville. The reporting person provided an exact location and images from a side-scan sonar. The Sheriff's Office deployed a boat and confirmed the location and obtained additional side-scan images.

On July 5, 2023, The Rock County Sheriff's Office Dive Team deployed into the river and were able to locate the vehicle in approximately 12 feet of water. Divers were able to connect tow straps and were assisted by Davis Towing in removing the vehicle from the river bottom. The Janesville Fire Department and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources also assisted during the investigation.

On July 6, 2023, Detectives from the Rock County Sheriff's Office were able to confirm the vehicle removed from the Rock River was reported stolen to our agency in August of 1993. Detectives have since been in contact with the owner of the stolen vehicle and the investigation is considered closed.

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By: Captain Matt Jacobson

