

## Schererville Neighborhood Watch



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## **News & Information**

February 2024 - 2/5 to 2/12



Cold weather is still upon us and temperatures are expected to drop again. Check out some winter pet safety tips to help take care of your furry friends.

- Repeatedly coming out of the cold into the dry heat of your home can cause itchy, flaking skin. Keep your home humidified and towel dry your pet as soon as he comes inside, paying special attention to his feet and in-between the toes. Remove any snow balls from between his foot pads.
- Never shave your dog down to the skin in winter, as a longer coat will provide more warmth. If your dog is long-haired, simply trim him to minimize the clinging ice balls, salt crystals and de-icing chemicals that can dry his skin, and don't neglect the hair between his toes. If your dog is short-haired, consider getting him a coat or sweater with a high collar or turtleneck with coverage from the base of the tail to the belly. For many dogs, this is regulation winter wear.
- Bring a towel on long walks to clean off stinging, irritated paws. After each walk, wash and dry your pet's feet and stomach to remove ice, salt and chemicals—and check for cracks in paw pads or redness between the toes.
- Bathe your pets as little as possible during cold spells. Washing too often can remove essential oils and increase the chance of developing dry, flaky skin. If your pooch must be bathed, ask your vet to recommend a moisturizing shampoo and/or rinse.
- Massaging petroleum jelly or other paw protectants into paw pads before going outside can help protect from salt and chemical agents. Booties provide even more coverage and can also prevent sand and salt from getting lodged between bare toes and causing irritation. Use pet-friendly ice melts whenever possible.
- Like coolant, antifreeze is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. Be sure to thoroughly clean up any spills from your vehicle, and consider using products that contain propylene glycol rather than ethylene glycol.
- Pets burn extra energy by trying to stay warm in wintertime. Feeding your pet a little bit more during the cold weather months can provide much-needed calories, and making sure she has plenty of water to drink will help keep her well-hydrated and her skin less dry.
- Make sure your companion animal has a warm place to sleep, off the floor and away from all drafts. A cozy dog or cat bed with a warm blanket or pillow is perfect.
- Remember, if it's too cold for you, it's probably too cold for your pet, so keep your animals inside. If left outdoors, pets can freeze, become disoriented, lost, stolen, injured or killed. In addition, don't leave pets alone in a car during cold weather, as cars can act as refrigerators that hold in the cold and cause animals to freeze to death.



# **Neighborhood Reports**

- Suspicious Incident 2/6 Woodhollow Dr Report of suspicious persons burying a cable in a nearby yard. Contact was made with the subjects who were contracted by AT&T and had displayed a work order.
- **Parking Problem –** 2/7 Genoa Ct Report of a vehicle parked across the sidewalk. The vehicle owner was contacted and informed of the ordinance violation. The vehicle was moved by the owner.
- Residential Entry 2/7 Ralston Ct Complainant reported unknown subjects entered the building by prying open the rear door. Some damage was done to items in the main area of the building. No entry was made into any of the apartments. Investigation ongoing.
- Suspicious Incident 2/8 Clark PI Report of a suspicious person observed in the complainant's yard. A subject was seen on surveillance video. An officer responded to check the area and the residence was secure. It was determined to be a known subject and everything was okay.
- **Found Property** 2/8 Amber Way Packages were found in the area of Amber Way and turned in to the police department. The owners were contacted and later recovered the packages.
- Suspicious Vehicle 2/9 Ticonderoga St Officer was on patrol at approximately 12:45 a.m. and located a vehicle parked in the street with a door left open. The owner was contacted and he inspected the vehicle. Nothing was out of place and the vehicle was secured.
- Burglary 2/10 Mallard Ln Toast & Jam Some time overnight forced entry was made into the business. Investigation is ongoing.
- **Property Damage** 2/10 77<sup>th</sup> Ct. Complainant stated someone damaged her fence overnight. Investigation ongoing.
- Suspicious Incident 2/10 Fountain PI A neighbor reported an open garage door. Officers checked the residence and did not note anything suspicious. The homeowner was notified and the door was secured.

#### PATROL NOTIFICATIONS

As a courtesy, officers will attempt to notify residents of issues such as an open garage door, open car doors, or other unusual observations they may see while on patrol. Something like a garage door left open overnight could be an invitation for criminal activity. We try to let you know of these observations so that you may better protect your home and reduce the occurrence of criminal activity.

Notifications were made in the following areas:

Cook Ct ° Plum Creek Dr ° Sandi Ln ° Harvest Dr ° McCoy Dr ° Homan Dr ° Brooke Ln Ticonderoga St ° Rhett Ct ° Crestview Dr



### **Arrests**

Melissa Garcia – 39 Warrant

Jorge Antonio Gutierrez Munoz – 31 No License Ever Issued

Michael Ryan Burgin – 42 Possession of Marijuana Possession of Paraphernalia

Kyle Antonio Phillips – 28
Possession of Marijuana
Possession of Paraphernalia

 $\begin{array}{c} {\bf Nicholas~R~Silva-32}\\ {\bf Possession~of~a~Controlled~Substance}\\ {\bf Warrant} \end{array}$ 

Jimmy Vo – 18
Possession of a Legend Drug
Possession of Marijuana

Harvey King – 23 Resisting Law Enforcement

Julia Eliza Rodriguez – 48 OWI OWI Endangering OWI above .08

Kimberly A Rea -56False Informing

Priscilla Lisette Bixby – 19
Possession of Marijuana
Possession of Paraphernalia

Derek Richard Lindsey – 27
Possession of Marijuana
Possession of Paraphernalia
OWI Endangering
OWI

Jessica Delaney Krull – 30 Failure of Duty

Devin Bufkin – 35 Warrant