



# Schererville Neighborhood Watch

## *Weekly Report*

**Neighborhood  
Edition**

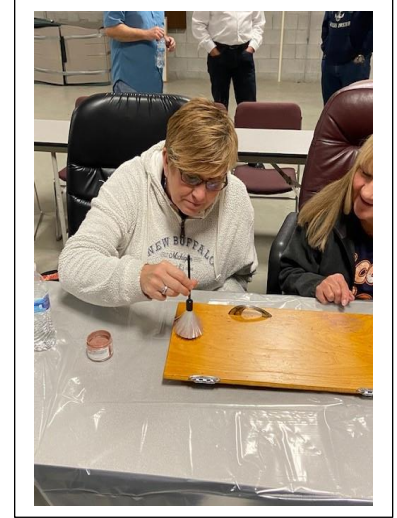
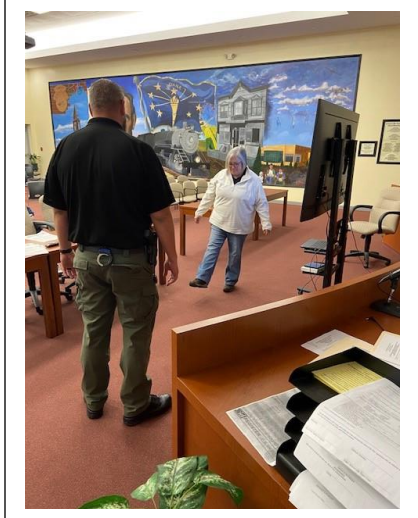
9/4/23 – 9/11/23

Schererville Police Department

25 E. Joliet St. Schererville, IN

Call 911

[www.schererville.org/police](http://www.schererville.org/police)



### Schererville Police Department Fall 2023 Session

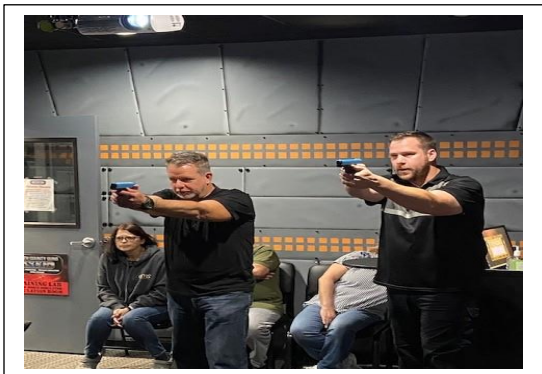
Chief Pete Sormaz and the Schererville Board of Safety are pleased to announce that applications are being accepted for the next session of the Schererville Citizens Police Academy.

Schererville residents and business owners 18 and older are eligible to apply for the 9 week session. The academy is scheduled to begin Monday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and will meet Monday evenings from 7pm to 9pm.

Class size is limited to 20 students. Applications can be picked up in our records division from 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday. The deadline for applications is Monday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5pm.

The academy will offer citizens an opportunity to see how their police department works and what new technologies it has to offer.

Class curriculum includes topics such as patrol functions, hand held radar training, criminal investigations, accident investigations, DUI Investigations, self-defense, firearms, railway enforcement, and use of force issues, as well as, many other police related subjects.



There will also be an opportunity to tour the police facility and discuss current issues such as use of force, pursuit policies and evidence collection.

Once the students of the academy graduate, they become eligible to apply for our Volunteers in Police Services (VIPs) program. For further information contact Sergeant Timothy Arvanitis at the Schererville Police Department at (219) 322-5000 ext. 2324.

**REMEMBER, PLEASE  IMMEDIATELY TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**



REPORTS

\* **Open garage doors found on the following streets:**  
Gull Dr., Foxwood Dr., 76<sup>th</sup> Ave., Churchill Dr., Fishtorn Dr., Siebert Dr., Deer Run Dr., Normandy Rd., Rohrman Rd., Friar Tuck Dr., Whisper Ct., Keene Dr., Sapphire Way, Maple Ct., Justice Dr., Capri Dr., Tanager St., Emerson Ct., Plum Creek Dr.,

\* **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** – Rohrman Park - I spoke with the R/P who stated that while she was at Rohrman park she returned to her vehicle and noticed that both her front and rear passenger side windows appeared to have been shot at. The R/P stated that the markings on her windows looked like a possible pellet or BB gun caused the damage. While speaking with the R/P Det Savich #201 was on scene taking a look at the windows. Det Savich found visible fingerprints as if someone had attempted to break into the R/P's vehicle. Det Knight #180 arrived on scene with an evidence kit to collect any fingerprints that were visible. After speaking with the R/P I advised that a property damage report would be taken.

\* **TRAFFIC COMPLAINT** – Phillips Rd & Tanager St. – I was Dispatched in reference to a complaint of vehicles going through the stop sign. I sat at the location and didn't see any vehicle disregarding the stop sign.

\* **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** – Coral Dr. - I was dispatched to the Coral Dr. in reference a vandalism call for service. Caller advised someone egged her house. Upon arrival, the complaint advised her house was egged the night prior. The complainant advised her house was also egged a different night that was unreported.

\* **HIT AND RUN** – Harvest Dr., - I observed a vehicle that appeared to have been involved in a recent crash. The silver GMC Sierra was parked facing northbound on Harvest Drive with heavy rear end damage on the driver's side. The front passenger side tire had been pushed onto the grass. The homeowner was notified stating that she had heard a loud crash about an hour prior, but did not see anyone outside. She confirmed that the damage to the truck was new. The truck may have been struck by a black 2019-2023 Volkswagen Jetta per a part number (17A-864-760) laying in the debris.

NHTSA STOP SPEEDING BEFORE IT STOPS YOU SCHERERVILLE POLICE CROSSROADS OF THE NATION

Drivers who **SPEED** have a greater chance of losing control of their vehicle.

NOT SO FAST

Nearly **10,000** people die from speeding each year.\*

Speeding to keep up with the flow of traffic is **ILLEGAL.**

**SLOW DOWN!**

Love comes in many shapes and sizes.

NHTSA NHTSA.gov/TheRightSeat

HIDE your things LOCK your car TAKE your keys

#9PMRoutine

Source: Pasco Sheriff's Office

**ARRESTS**

- \* Jennifer D. Williams (54 YOA) Theft | 35-43-4-2(a)
- \* Anjanay Sabrina Michelle Lawrence. 23 years old. Suspended vehicle registration (IC 9-30-4-8) class C misdemeanor.
- \* Susan Denise Paolone; 54 Dom. Battery in Presence of Child - IC 35-42-2-1.3 - Level 6 Felony Domestic Battery - IC 35-42-2-1.3(a)(1) Class A Misdemeanor, Battery - IC 35-42-2-1(c)(1) Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Chris Fotis Ginis. 18 years old. Possession of controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-7) class A misdemeanor, Possession of paraphernalia (IC 35-48-4-8.3) class C misdemeanor
- \* Latanya M. Adams - Age: 46 – Driving While Suspended Prior - IC 9-24-19-2 - Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Brian X. Peterson - Age: 28 – Driving While Suspended Prior - IC 9-24-19-2 - Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Philip Lewis Hupke; 48 OWI – Endangering - IC 9-30-5-2(b) Class A Misdemeanor, OWI > .15 - IC 9-30-5-1(b) Class A Misdemeanor, OWI - IC 9-30-5-1(a) Class C Misdemeanor, Reckless Driving IC 9-21-8-52(a)(1) Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Adam Tyler Malchow // age 41 - IC 16-42-19-18 – Unlawful Possession of a Syringe, IC 9-24-19-3(a) Driving While Suspended prior
- \* Anthony Michael Fekete, 30 Domestic Battery-Presence of a Child(IC 35-42-2-1.3(b)(2)-Level 6 Felony, Intimidation (IC 35-45-2-1(b)(1)(A))- Level 6 Felony, Domestic Battery (IC 35-42-2-1.3)- Class A Misdemeanor Intimidation (IC 35-45-2-1(a))- Class A Misdemeanor, Possession of A Controlled Substance (IC 35-48-4-7)- Class A Misdemeanor, Possession of Marijuana (IC 35-48-4-11)- Class B Misdemeanor, Criminal Mischief (IC 35-43-1-2(a))- Class B Misdemeanor, Possession of Paraphernalia (IC 35-48-4-8.3)- Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Tyeira Walker 24 YOA - OWI - Endangering a Person - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor, Operating While Intoxicated - IC 9-30-5-2(a) - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Dianne S. Matthews; 79 YOA - Criminal Trespass I.C. 35-43-2-2(b)(2) A Misdemeanor
- \* Jefferey M. Cook (37 YOA) Driving While Suspended-Prior 9-24-19-2
- \* Shawn A. Kochopolous – Age 27 - Resisting Law Enforcement 35-44.1-3-1 Class A misdemeanor. Criminal mischief 35-43-1-2 Class A misdemeanor, Criminal mischief 35-43-1-2 Class B misdemeanor, Disorderly conduct 35-45-1-3 Class B misdemeanor
- \* Bobbie Allison Barnard // age 32 IC 35-48-4-8.3(b)(1) – Possession of Paraphernalia



**THIS IS A  
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH  
COMMUNITY**

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## Ordinance of the Week:

### **Sec. 8-37 Child Passenger Restraint.**

a. A person who operates a motor vehicle in which there is a child less than four (4) years of age shall have said child restrained by a child passenger restraint system. However, if it is reasonably determined that the child will not fit in the restraint system, then said child shall be properly fastened and restrained by a safety belt.

b. A person who operates a passenger motor vehicle that is equipped with a safety belt meeting the standards stated in the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards Number 208 (49 *CFR* 571.208) shall have every child at least four (4) years of age but less than twelve (12) years of age properly fastened and restrained by a child passenger restraint system or a safety belt.

c. A vehicle may be stopped by the Schererville Police Department to determine compliance with this Section. However, the vehicle, its contents, the operator or a passenger in the vehicle may not be searched or detained solely because of a violation of this Section.

d. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Section shall be subject to a minimum penalty in the amount of ninety-five dollars (\$95.00).

(Ord. No. 1519, § 2, 3-14-01)

e. All penalties collected by the Schererville Town Court for violation of this section, as referenced above, shall be deposited into the General Fund Court Fines - Child Passenger Restraint.

