



# Schererville Neighborhood Watch

## *Weekly Report*

**Neighborhood  
Edition**

1/2/23 – 1/9/23

Schererville Police Department

25 E. Joliet St. Schererville, IN







Call 911

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## ICE SKATING SAFETY



Heading to the ice rink soon?  
Remember these tips to help keep you  
and your loved ones safe this season.

-  Beginner skaters of all ages should wear a helmet.
-  Dress for the weather. Prepare with appropriate clothing items, including hats and gloves. Ice rinks can be cold even if the outdoor temperature is warmer.
-  Lace your ice skates appropriately. Skates should be snug to help you keep your balance, but not too tight.
-  Be aware of the blades on the skates. While injuries related to blades are not common, they do happen.
-  Novice ice skaters should consider taking a recreational lesson or two before venturing out on alone.
-  Be mindful of your surroundings and fellow skaters. Everyone at the rink has different skill levels.



Source: Dr. Theodore Shybut, associate professor of orthopedic surgery at Baylor College of Medicine.

REMEMBER, PLEASE **CALL 911** IMMEDIATELY TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



REPORTS

\* **Open garage doors found on the following streets:**

Juniper Dr., Golfview Dr., Jeffrey St., Starling Dr., Persimmon Dr., St. Francis Dr., Plum Creek Dr., 76<sup>th</sup> Ave. 70<sup>th</sup> Ave., Burr Ridge Cir., Deerpath Dr. West, Bluebell Trl. Jarret Dr., Wildrose Ln., Madelene-Grace Ct.,

- \* **Property Damage** – 9000 block of Pineview Ln. I was dispatched to Pineview Ln. in reference to vandalism. I arrived and spoke to the R/P who advised her 2012 Volkswagen's driver front window was broken. I observed the window to be shattered with a hole in the middle of the window.
- \* **Property Damage** – 1600 block of Cline Ave. – I was dispatched to the listed location in reference to a vandalism. Upon arrival, I made contact with the R/P. He advised he believes there are two bullet holes in the South side of his house. I was able to observe the damage. There are two separate holes in the side of the house. One hole was low enough for me to inspect. The plastic Siding of the house was damaged but the wood behind it was not penetrated. The R/P advised that it might have been two stray bullets from the East side based on the angle of the damage. The R/P believes the fired casings from the bullet might be inside the siding of the house.
- \* **Suspicious Persons** – Cedar Ln. Officers of the Schererville Police Department were dispatched to the above location in reference to individuals with flashlights walking around. On arrival, officers were unable to locate anyone walking around with or without a flashlight.


\* **Auto Theft** – Tompkins Ct. - Officer responded to Tompkins Ct. in reference to an auto theft report. Officer met with the complainant, who advised that his vehicle was no longer located in his driveway where he last left it. The complainant advised that the vehicle's keys were still in his possession and that nobody else had access or permission to take the vehicle. The vehicle was entered into NCIC/IDACS as stolen.

\* **Attempted Vehicle Break in** - On 1/6/2023 at approximately 11:00am, officers were sent to Rohrman Park in reference to a damaged vehicle. Officers responded and spoke with the victim who stated she and a friend were walking the outside track at Rohrman Park for 1.5 hours and when she returned to her 2015 Jeep Grand Cherokee, she found a damaged window. The front passenger window had been struck by a small blunt object an estimated fifty (50) times. The window did not break. The victim's purse was on the passenger seat in plain view.

**DON'T BE THE NEXT VICTIM...**

## ROBBERY PREVENTION TIPS

- **BE AWARE.** Pay attention to those around you.
- **DO NOT** walk with your cellphone in hand, or with your earphones on.
- **AVOID** walking alone if possible, and park in well lit areas.
- Stay **ALERT.** If you are not paying attention, you will be an easy target.
- **AVOID** displaying flashy jewelry in public. Necklaces and chains can be easily grabbed from your neck.
- If you are a victim, **REMAIN CALM, DO NOT RESIST.** Property can be replaced, it is not worth the risk.
- **PAY ATTENTION** to the suspect's appearance, direction of travel, if they got in a car, etc... The more details you can provide, the better.
- **CALL 911** right away. The best chance of getting your property back is if we catch the suspect right away.





- \* **Suspicious Incident** – 100 block of Plum Creek Dr. - Officers were dispatched to 105 PLUM CREEK DR in reference to a suspicious incident that occurred the previous night (01-06-2023). Complainant stated that this morning his neighbor on Plum Creek Dr. told him that last night at approximately 11:30PM she saw 2 vehicles, one SUV one sedan both dark colors, parked on the street in front of her home. She saw what appeared to be 12 younger (less than 20 years of age) individuals who were standing by their cars and when they saw her they walked to a street corner at Plum Creek & Spruce, stood there for a bit and they ran back to the cars and drove off SB on Plum Creek with their lights off.
  
- \* **Juvenile Problem** – Wildrose Dr., Officer was dispatched to the above location reference to juveniles ringing the door bell and running away. On arrival, Officer watched the ring security video of the incident. The juveniles covered their faces, rang the doorbell and ran away. Officer identified the possible juveniles involved on Wildrose Ln. Schererville, Indiana. Officer spoke to the parents at the location and advised them of the situation.
  
- \* **Criminal Mischief** – 1500 block of Austin Ave. On January 8, 2023, at 10:25 am, I was dispatched to Austin Ave in reference to criminal mischief. Upon my arrival the complainant who was already cleaning up glass from her front door. She stated that sometime after midnight someone had shattered the top panel of glass in her caged screen door. Searching around the area I could not locate any evidence of criminal mischief. I observed a Ring doorbell right next to the front door. She stated that her video doorbell did not capture any video from the previous night. It is unknown how the pane of glass was shattered at this time. The complainant estimated the pane to cost approximately \$250 to replace.

#### ARRESTS

- \* Camden Lee Combs; 18 YOA - Possession of Methamphetamine 35-48-4-6.1(a) Level 6 Felony, Possession of Marijuana 35-48-4-11(a)(1) Class B Misdemeanor, Possession of Paraphernalia 35-48-4-8.3(b)(1) Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Brian Matthew Bartok: Possession of A Controlled Substance (IC 35-48-4-7)-Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Florence Marie Flewellen: Possession of A Controlled Substance (IC 35-48-4-7)-Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Jose Saavedra 51 YOA - Suspended Prior~ IC: 9-24-19-2 Misdemeanor Class A
- \* Jafar Trevon Taylor. 22 years old. Driving while suspended prior (IC 9-24-19-2) Class A misdemeanor.
- \* Jacob Alman 31 YOA - Driving While Suspended- Prior 9-24-19-2 Class A misdemeanor
- \* Jeremiah Anthony Yuhas, 39 YOA - Driving While Suspended-Prior (IC 9-24-19-2)-Class A Misdemeanor
- \* May Lee Garcia, 48 YOA - Driving While Suspended-Prior (IC 9-24-19-2)-Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Tomeka N. Winton - 46 YOA - Driving While Suspended Prior - IC 9-24-19-2 - Class A Misdemeanor
- \* Russaire L. Hill Jr. // 23 YOA - OWI - Endangering a Person - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor  
Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11(a)(1) - Class B Misdemeanor, Operating While Intoxicated - IC 9-30-5-2(a) - Class C Misdemeanor, Operating Veh. W/ Suspended Registration - IC 9-30-4-8 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Alyssia N. Whiteside - 25 YOA - Never Receiving Driver license - IC 9-24-18-1 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Jason L. Elrod // 27 YOA - OWI - Endangering a Person - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor  
OWI - BAC Greater Than .15 - IC 9-30-5-1(b) - Class A Misdemeanor, Operating While Intoxicated - IC 9-30-5-2(a) - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* George Lyles - Age: 25 - Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11 - Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Lois M. Lewis - Age: 40 - Suspended Vehicle Registration - 9-30-4-8 - Class C Misdemeanor





- \* Kenneth L. Gresham // 27 YOA - OWI - Endangering a Person - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor  
Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11(a)(1) - Class B Misdemeanor, Operating While Intoxicated - IC 9-30-5-2(a) - Class C Misdemeanor, Operating Veh. W/O Receiving License - IC 9-24-18-1 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Trinell J. Fason 29 YOA – Possession of Marijuana, Possession of a Controlled substance, Possession of paraphernalia
- \* Tyree Williams // 37 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
- \* Katrina Latrice Cole - Possession of marijuana (IC 35-48-4-11(a)(1)) Class B Misdemeanor.
- \* Elena Salamanca - Age: 25 - Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11- Class B Misdemeanor, Possession of Paraphernalia - IC 35-48-4-8.3 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Kelly Ann Marin, 40 years of age - No DL Ever Issued - IC: 9-24-18-1 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Victor Hugo Flores, 34 years of age - No DL Ever Issued IC: 9-24-18-1 - Class C Misdemeanor, Suspended Registration IC: 9-30-4-8 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Catherine Kemp, 21 YOA - Possession of Marijuana (IC 35-48-4-11)-Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Andrew Dzieglowicz: 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
- \* Crystal Schulz: Unlawful Possession of a Legend Drug - IC 16-42-19-13 - Level 6 Felony, Possession of a Controlled Substance - IC 35-48-4-7(a) - Class A Misdemeanor, Possession of a Controlled Substance - IC 35-48-4-7(a) - Class A Misdemeanor
- \* John H. Rimmer, 43 years of age - Suspended Registration - IC: 9-30-4-8 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Angela Lashun Slack. 52 years old Operating vehicle with suspended registration (IC 9-30-4-8) Class C Misdemeanor.
- \* Dwayne Ross - 35 YOA - Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11 - Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Diamond Delores Smiley. 24 years old. Operating vehicle with suspended registration (IC 9-30-4-8) Class C Misdemeanor.
- \* Khiry Lamontay Lofton, 23 - Possession of Marijuana (IC 35-48-4-11)-Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Krystal Renee McNair - 35 YOA - OWI Prior - IC 9-30-5-3 - Level 6 Felony, OWI Endangering - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor, OWI - IC 9-30-5-2 - Class C Misdemeanor
- \* Jamil Muhammad:OWI - Endangering a Person - IC 9-30-5-2(b) - Class A Misdemeanor, Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11(a)(1) - Class B Misdemeanor, OWI - Controlled Substance - IC 9-30-5-1(c) - Class C Misdemeanor, Operating While Intoxicated - IC 9-30-5-2(a) - Class C Misdemeanor, Possession of Paraphernalia - IC 35-48-4-8.3(b)(1) - Class C Misd.
- \* Prinscilla Branigan: Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11(a)(1) - Class B Misdemeanor
- \* Blair A. Freeman - Age: 34 - Possession of Marijuana Prior - IC 35-48-4-11(b) - Class A Misdemeanor  
Possession of Marijuana - IC 35-48-4-11(a) - Class B Misdemeanor



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## **Ordinance of the Week:**

### **Sec. 6-158 Removal of Abandoned Vehicles. <sup>26</sup>**

a. An officer who finds a vehicle or parts believed to be abandoned shall attach in a prominent place a notice tag containing the following information:

1. The date, time, officer's name, city police department, and address and telephone number to contact for information.
2. That the vehicle or parts are considered abandoned.
3. That the vehicle or parts will be removed after seventy-two hours.
4. That the owner will be held responsible for all costs incidental to the removal, storage, and disposal, and if not paid the owner's registration privileges will be suspended on that car.
5. That the owner may avoid costs by removal of the vehicle or parts within seventy-two (72) hours.

b. If the tagged vehicle or parts are not removed within that seventy-two (72) hour period, the officer shall prepare a written abandoned vehicle report of the vehicle or parts including information on the condition, missing parts, and other facts that might substantiate that the market value is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Photographs shall be taken to describe the condition of the vehicle or parts.

c. If, in the opinion of the officer, the market value of the abandoned vehicle or parts is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the officer shall immediately dispose of the vehicle to an automobile scrapyards. A copy of the abandoned vehicle report and photographs relating to the abandoned vehicle shall be forwarded to the bureau. The police department shall retain the original records and photographs for at least two (2) years.

d. If, in the opinion of the officer, the market value of the abandoned vehicle or parts is one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more, the officer, before placing a notice tag on the vehicle or parts, shall make a reasonable effort to ascertain the owner or person who may be in control of the vehicle or parts. After seventy-two (72) hours, the officer shall require the vehicle or parts to be towed to a storage area.

(Ord. No. 897, § 6, 7-14-82)