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Stolen Bears flag returned to owner

Colts-fan neighbors were culprits in scheme

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A Chicago Bears flag that was held hostage for almost 48 hours is now back with its rightful owner.

The mystery is solved, and Franklin resident Kevin Barnard can fly his flag again.

But his Colts-fan neighbors won't have a chance to steal it again for a while.

"The flag is under my bed," Barnard said.

Barnard, an avid Bears supporter, had been flying a team flag outside his Franklin home since preseason. But Monday night it was gone.

On Tuesday morning he found the ransom note.

And Wednesday evening, after a local news station aired a seg-

ment about the missing flag, Barnard finally got the flag back.

But Sally and Sam Jackson, the guilty thieves, first took a victory lap around the neighborhood with the flag, Barnard said.

The Jacksons waved the flag and honked as they drove it back to Barnard, he said.

Barnard didn't know who stole the flag until he saw it on television.

He thought another neighbor did it.

"I swore up to down that it was him," he said.

The Jacksons took hostage photos of the flag, showing it dangling above a toilet and with a knife being held to it, he said.

Still, the flag made it home safely, Barnard said.

While the flag may not fly again this season, next year it will be back on the porch.

There are going to be even more Bears fans next season — after the Bears win the Super Bowl, Barnard said.

ON THE RECORD

Police/fire

Franklin Theft

First block of South Morton Street: A woman reported at 7:42 p.m. Wednesday that two friends who were supposed to pick up her medication from the pharmacy never delivered it to her. The friends were then supposed to bring the medicine to her residence.

Criminal mischief

Jefferson Street Pub, 90 E. Jefferson St.: A woman reported at 3:52 p.m. Wednesday that on Jan. 19 a man went into the bathroom at the bar and came out covered in blood. She went in the bathroom and saw the mirror was broken.

Personal-injury accidents

• 11:52 a.m. Tuesday — U.S. 31 and Westview Drive: Shannon M. Lauziere, 45, Edinburg; Maria H. Hommel, 50, Franklin. Richard Gelinas, 73, Edinburg, a passenger in Lauziere's vehicle, suffered minor bleeding of the elbow or lower arm.

• 7:24 a.m. Wednesday — Hurricane Road and Legends Golf Course clubhouse drive: Fremi Chavermeja, 18, Indianapolis; Patricia F. Land, 32, Franklin. Land complained of neck pain.

Greenwood Battery

200 block of Academy Street: A man reported at 3:34 a.m. Thursday that someone kicked in his front door and three to five people entered his residence. The man was beaten up. He woke up two hours later and called police.

Fraud

Greenwood Park Mall, 1251 U.S. 31 North: At 6:52 p.m. Tuesday, a woman attempted to use a stolen check and debit card at Journeys. The woman used a stolen check at Build-A-Bear and attempted to use a check at Macy's. The woman was wanted on a Hendricks County warrant for identity theft and forgery. She was arrested for fraud, check fraud, theft or receiving stolen property, forgery identity deception and neglect of a dependent. Her child was released to a family member. The identification, debit card and checks had been stolen in a car break-in at Washington Square Mall.

Thefts

• Von Maur parking lot, 1251 U.S. 31 North: A woman reported at 11:34 a.m. Tuesday that someone broke the window to her vehicle and stole her purse.

• 500 block of Metairie Drive: A man reported at 11:32 a.m. Wednesday that around 6 p.m. Friday an acquaintance took his keys from his jacket pocket while he was sleeping and left in his car.

• Regency Place, 377 Westridge Blvd.: Someone reported at 4:42 p.m. Wednesday that a laptop belonging to People First Rehab was stolen.

• 400 block of West Smith Valley Road: A woman reported at 4:49 p.m. Wednes-

day that contents were missing from a package she sent to a relative in Florida. When the package arrived, three bottles of hair spray and a decorative plant were missing.

Shoplifting

• Von Maur, 1251 U.S. 31 North: A woman was caught shoplifting and arrested for theft at 4:35 p.m. Tuesday.

• Uncle Bill's Pet Shop, 870 U.S. 31 North: A manager reported at 6:38 p.m. Wednesday that a Yorkshire terrier was stolen.

• Kohl's, 550 Fry Road: A loss-prevention officer reported at 4:20 p.m. Wednesday that a woman attempted to steal two swim tops, three swim bottoms, pants and cologne. The woman provided the loss-prevention officer with false information. Police transported the woman to the police department, where she told police her real identification. She was arrested on an out-of-county warrant and charges of theft or receiving stolen property, forgery and false reporting or informing. She is being held without bond at the Johnson County jail.

Criminal mischief

• 600 block of Carol Drive: A man reported at 9:41 a.m. Tuesday that between 8 p.m. Monday and 7 a.m. Tuesday someone attempted to break into his box trailer parked in his driveway. There was about \$1,000 in damage done to the trailer door.

• 900 block of Bomar Lane: A man reported at 11:06 a.m. Tuesday that sometime Sunday someone took his son's bicycle from the yard. The bicycle was found down the road in a field. Sometime Sunday night his vehicle was taken. The vehicle was in the driveway, unlocked with the keys in it. The vehicle was back in the morning with the doors locked and the keys missing.

• Kroger, 2200 Independence Drive: Someone reported at 3:05 p.m. Tuesday that an employee damaged a \$2,000 produce scale and \$200 worth of food.

• First block of Paz Drive: A man reported at 5:44 p.m. Tuesday that three children were throwing ice at his truck.

• 1600 block of Cornwall Court: A man reported at 4:21 p.m. Wednesday that two fog lamps had been broken off his vehicle sometime after 10 p.m. Tuesday.

Personal-injury accident

12:11 p.m. Tuesday — State Road 135 and Stella Drive: Carolyn Wray, 61, Bargersville; Jennifer N. Ciasto, 36, Greenwood; Young Soon Choi, 49, Greenwood; Cesan Sanchez, 35, Indianapolis. Ciasto complained of neck pain.

Property-damage accidents

• 8 p.m. Tuesday — 510 N. Meridian St.

• 11:06 a.m. Tuesday — Fry Road and U.S. 31

• 7:17 a.m. Tuesday — State Road 135 and Library Boulevard

• 9:44 a.m. Tuesday — State Road 135 and Fairview Place

• 12:42 p.m. Monday — County Line Road and Keystone Avenue

• 1:54 p.m. Monday — 844 U.S. 31 North

• 12:27 p.m. Tuesday — Main and McKinley streets

• 3:49 p.m. Thursday — State Road 135 and Meridian Parke Drive

• 1:00 p.m. Monday — Graham and Allen roads

• 5:55 p.m. Tuesday — Worthsville Road and Providence Drive

• 7:13 a.m. Wednesday — Shady Creek Drive and Fry Road

Jail bookings

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Fremi Chavermeja, 18, 5320 E. 21st St. 2C, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of driving without ever receiving a license; held on \$1,000 bond.

Lisa G. Salinas, 40, 3565 N. County Road 250W, Columbus; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held without bond.

David Jonathan Sizemore, 33, 301 Crist St. Trail 5, Worthington; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; released on \$500 bond.

Joseph Adam Drawdy, 29, P.O. Box 2225, Richmond; arrested on a charge of failure to respond; held on \$20,000 bond.

Lena M. Cutter, 26, 5924 Southern Springs Ave., Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of driving while suspended; released on \$1,000 bond.

Nancy Jane Massena, 56, 798 W. Jefferson St., Franklin; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; released on \$3,000 bond.

Rodney Richard Metzger, 41, 1726 N. Hawthorne Lane, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of probation revocation; held without bond.

Roger Ray Dye, 33, 8783 Medora Drive, Camby; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; released on \$2,500 bond.

Matthew Adam Dearing, 23, 1000 Van Nuys Road, New Castle; arrested on two warrants for violation of probation; held without bond.

Christopher Allendarr Johns, 26, 4014 Tamara Way, Franklin; arrested on a charge of theft; released on \$3,000 bond.

Andrew Joseph Clemans, 43, 2623 Manker St., Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of being a habitual traffic violator; held without bond.

Desirree A. Balsley, 22, 1032 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of theft or receiving stolen property, forgery and false reporting or informing; held without bond.

Thomas Anthony Wilson, 18, 6739 S. County Road 500W, Trafalgar; arrested on a charge of criminal mischief; released on \$1,000 bond.

Eric Dewayne Streeval, 19, 522 S. Main St., Edinburg; arrested on a charge of contempt; held on \$5,000 bond.

Pamela D. Browning, 32, 401½ S. Kyle St., Edinburg; arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct; released on \$1,000 bond.

Andrew Allen Cook, 20, 121 Meadow Creek Blvd., Whiteland; arrested on a charge of possession, consumption or transportation of alcohol by a minor; held on \$2,000 bond.

The following person was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated and booked into jail:

Justin M. Dickey, 20, 6966 E. County Road 400S, Franklin; also arrested on a charge of possession, consumption or transportation of alcohol by a minor; held on \$6,000 bond.

BRIEFS LOCAL

Super Bowl festivities beginning today

Indianapolis Colts fans will have a chance to support the team with events leading up to the Super Bowl on Feb. 4.

Super Blue Friday in Circle Centre Mall food court, 49 W. Maryland St. in Indianapolis, will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today. Fans can listen to music from Dave and Rae and get autographs from former Colts players, cheerleaders and Blue, the Colts mascot.

Free Colts vs. Bears posters will be available at the event while supplies last. Fans who make a donation to the Children's Bureau raffle will have a chance to win Super Bowl apparel and an autographed football. Proceeds will benefit Colts Courage House.

People also can pick up free posters at Sky Bank locations and

central Indiana Sprint stores while supplies last during business hours today. Visit www.skyfi.com and www.sprint.com to find locations and hours.

"The Early Show" on CBS will broadcast live from 12th Man Alley near the RCA Dome in downtown Indianapolis from 7 to 9 a.m. Monday. The show is shown on WISH-Channel 8.

The Indianapolis Colts are planning a Super Bowl Monday Send-Off on the Circle, tentatively set for noon to 1 p.m. Monday.

GREENWOOD

Open house, dedication planned at fire station

Greenwood Fire Department will host a dedication and open house of its new eastside fire station today.

The public will be able to tour the facility at 755 N. Graham Road beginning at 4:30 p.m.

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