

Statewide Security

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Crime Wave

We are presently seeing the highest rate of intrusion and criminal activity for our clients and their neighbors that we have ever seen in the past 28 years. Many of these crimes are occurring to new clients before they have had a system installed. Many are crimes that occur on the same street or next door to our clients.

Here is a sampling of recent activity:

1. Front doors kicked in while new clients were eating dinner.
2. Car burglaries of both locked and unlocked vehicles.
3. Night time intrusions for neighbors of our clients while the owners were sleeping. They stepped over two dogs when crawling in through a doggie door.
4. We have four clients with confirmed stalkers.
5. Neighbors of clients reporting daytime intrusions by burglars who are not at all afraid of meeting homeowners while they are committing their burglaries.
6. Back door kick-in entries.
7. Night time attempted intrusion at one of our own employee's home while the house was occupied.

What can you do to protect yourself, your children and your home?

Understand the statistics:

- A) Most residential burglaries are daytime events.
- B) Most commercial burglaries occur at night in unoccupied buildings.
- C) About half of all home related thefts involve people who have been invited into your home i.e. window cleaners, painters, maintenance folks etc.

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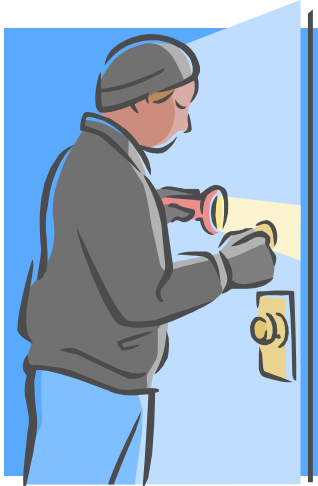
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Increase your protection and prevent your self from being in this situation.

Do you need to enhance your protection system? Probably not!



Use what you have and be sure everyone staying in your home knows what to do in a attempted intrusion!

1. **Use what you have!** Turn on the alarm system when you cannot participate in your own defense such as when showering, when sleeping and when involved in activities such that you cannot hear what is happening throughout your home.
2. Expect that children and other adults understand what to do during a burglary or attempted intrusion.
 - A. Press the panic button,
 - B. Call 911 from the house.
 - C. Retreat to a safe location.
 - D. Barricade yourself inside until you know the police have arrived.

When is the last time you tested your system?

1. Know your system works and how to interact with it during an emergency.
2. Do you know how to perimeter arm, generate a panic signal (silent or audible) and reset a smoke detector?
3. Are your back-up batteries any good? If they are older than 3 years or have gone through more than two power outages that lasted longer than 8-12 hours they probably need replacement.
4. Do all your perimeter door and window sensors work?

U.L. Monitoring Station—CSSS

To report a False Alarm,
call: 888-544-4950

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To request service, call:
800-215-6555



About half of all home related thefts involve people who have been invited into your home!

What does all this mean to you?

We think this may be the leading wave of crime resulting from the frightening growth of the methamphetamine/ephedrine culture. Users of these drugs that are cooked here in the Northwest are getting high-quality, high-content, amazingly addictive drugs. This product creates double the pleasure releasing chemicals in the brain that cocaine does and actually changes brain function in addicts soon after becoming hooked. They go for days without sleeping or eating, often have sores and band aids on their faces, abandon their families and focus all attention on getting more drugs. They are often armed with firearms and can "go off" in violent rages with the least stimulus from someone around them. They will steal from anyone to get their next fix. This includes family, friends, their employers (if they can keep a job) and any opportunistic crimes that present themselves. Beware, this is becoming an international epidemic that will have far-reaching consequences for our society.

TV Burglars:

The information shows that feature reformed burglars breaking into volunteer homes are a great service. They show homeowners how bad guys get in and what they do in destroying the inside of a home searching for valuables. Note that they regularly break in through upstairs windows by breaking out the glass and climbing in. While this is interesting and you get to see the details of other people's lives, they are also training the next generation of burglars in how to get in, how to steal effectively and how to avoid security equipment. In most instances, if the system is professionally installed with motion and glass break protection and the homeowner actually uses the system correctly, the home is secure. Take a few minutes and browse your TV for one of these shows and then see if you find yourself needing to handle your system any differently. Better safe than sorry!

Space Suits for Security Employees!

Our intrepid staff does a lot more than just install alarm systems. In this photo they are wearing protective breathing masks and special suits while cutting ballistic fiberglass for use in a special bullet and intrusion resistant door being installed in a steel walled panic room we are building for one of our clients. We specialize in many forms of security equipment including video surveillance, card access control, fire detection and gate automation.



Statewide employees in space suits?

Bird Brains working at Statewide!

In early March we were approached by a volunteer team from Skagit County who had adopted an environmental project to install a camera system to monitor the nesting areas of the Blue Heron rookery in the Anacortes area. Around 700 to 800 nesting pairs will populate this area shortly, one of the largest rookeries in North America.

In about one week we had designed, ordered and installed a complete solar powered system with a day/night high resolution pan, tilt and zoom Sony color camera that a specialist tree climber installed in a very tall tree. Our Operations Manager Mike Chadduck, Trevor Andrew, Anthony Scott and I all participated in this project. We had no Internet cabling in the middle of the forest so we built an Internet Protocol Ethernet system and micro waved the video and the controls across Padilla Bay to the Interpretive Center where staff will be able to conduct scientific studies of the nesting activities of the birds, see how they manipulate the eggs and then zoom the lens directly into many adjacent nests to see how the babies are raised without any disruption to the birds. We are very pleased with the results and proud to have been a part of this team contributing to advanced ecological research of estuarine birds. As soon as the Padilla Bay folks get this on the Internet, we'll get you the I/P address and website so you can look at the best live-feed video system showing local wild birds in living color.

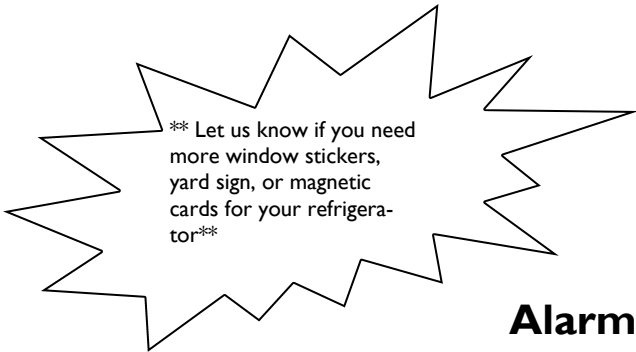


Statewide Security has installed the surveillance equipment that will be used in the first attempt to interpret and document the nesting of the blue heron



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SPRING 2006 Alarm System Maintenance Special

When was the last time you had us out to look over your home or business? Have you added onto your home or business, do all of your sensors and smoke detectors work? When was the last time you did a system test?

Take advantage of our **spring alarm system maintenance special.**

Did you know?

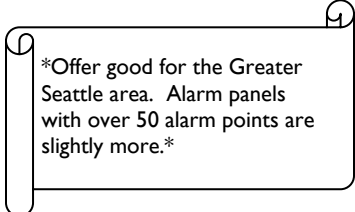
1. Your back up batteries are only good from 3-5 years and sometimes less if they have gone through any power outages of 5 hours or longer.
2. Your smoke detectors need to be cleaned and tested periodically.
3. The Code requires residential cleaning and inspection by a qualified technician every three years.
4. Commercial fire service must be done annually.
5. Will our system work properly when you are on vacation this year?

Our Offer.....

1. We will test all devices; door and window contacts, motion detectors, glass break detectors, etc.
2. Clean and test smoke detectors.
3. Your first alarm panel back up battery FREE, included as part of our service.
4. We'll update your emergency call list, add and delete system codes and advise you of any correction that need to be made to your system.



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