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Crime Fighting Dog Hits the Streets to Remind Residents of the 9PM Routine

This summer, Leon County Sheriff's Office's crime fighting dog, McGruff, will be hitting the streets and visiting local neighborhoods to remind residents of the "9 PM routine." During the evening hours, prior to going to bed, LCSO wants to remind citizens to remove their valuables and firearms from their vehicles and lock the doors. In the month of May, LCSO responded to 41 vehicle burglaries. 37 of those vehicles were left unlocked and two firearms were stolen.

"The great majority of vehicle break-ins happen to unlocked vehicles. Locking your doors and removing your valuables each evening drastically reduces your chances of becoming a victim of these types of burglaries that are plaguing communities nationwide," said Sheriff McNeil.

LCSO encourages residents who are active on social media and get a knock on the door from McGruff to snap a photo with the crime-fighting dog and post it to their pages with the hashtags #9PMroutine #lockitorloseit #ALLinLEON. McGruff plans to visit numerous neighborhoods on weekdays during the 8 p.m. hour to spread the crime-fighting message.



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