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Maumee woman, 71, attacked by neighbor's dog

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A 71-year-old Maumee woman is recovering after being attacked by her neighbor's German Shepherd. The attack happened around 6:30 this morning in the 500 block of Dudley St.

Carol Mason was taking her trash to the curb when her next door neighbor's German Shepherd ran out from the back yard and attacked her. Mason's injuries were so severe she had to have surgery and will likely be in the hospital for days.

The dog is being quarantined at the Lucas County dog warden's office. Maumee police say they've never had any complaints about the 9-year-old German Shepherd. "Prior to today we have never been contacted by anyone regarding this dog. We've no history with this animal through the police department, officers, or animal control division," said Sgt. Jeff Siebenaler with the Maumee Police Department.

However, Mason's son says that same dog has attacked before. Earlier this year he says it attacked his mother's greyhound Dewey.

Mason says his mother is an animal lover and good friends with the neighbors. He describes the attack as an accident that could have been worse.

Because the dog wasn't restrained, the dog's owner could face a minor misdemeanor animal-at-large charge. The court will determine if the dog should be considered a vicious animal.

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