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Lynn school lunch aide bitten while trying to capture unleashed dog

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LYNN - A Sewell Anderson School lunch aide attempting to do a good deed on Friday ended up with a deep dog bite to her right hand.

Animal Control officer Kevin Farnsworth said the woman, Laurie George, spotted a Black German Shepherd running loose on Ontario Street around 11 a.m. and managed to capture it so she could return it to its owner.

However, after she managed to get the dog into her car, she was bitten on her hand when taking it out of her car and began to bleed profusely from the wound.

"She is also a crossing guard and said she knew the dog from the neighborhood and feeds it cookies once in awhile," he said. "But it left her with a decent bite to her hand and I'm sure she'll be thinking twice before feeding it cookies again."

Farnsworth said the owner of the dog, whose name was not available Friday, would get at least \$50 in fines for the dog not being leashed and the bite.

If the dog isn't licensed, a \$25 fine will be given as well.

A standard 10-day quarantine will also be issued for the dog.

"She was doing a good Samaritan thing, but she was definitely upset about what happened," he said. "But it's not like the dog chased after her and bit her, it probably felt threatened."

George and her Black Labrador-Blood Hound mix, "Midnight" were attacked by two pit bulls last September on Walnut Street. The dog suffered a deep wound that required six stitches.

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