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“Neighborhood Friends” by Violet Avenarius

Neighborhood Friends

Backyard squirrels chasing each other

A Blue Jay named Sputnik always clumsy and loud

Robins pecking for worms, always getting what they want

Magpies screaming at each other looking to steal food

A few stray cats two doors down, get fed every single morning

A bobcat family roaming curiously

Doggies barking all the time, scaring away all the coyotes

Great Horned Owl as my alarm clock hooting with the sunrise

And the deer I see once or twice a year

The adventurous little dog always barking and biting something frightening

Bunnies everywhere you look

The morning doves cooing

I missed the red tail hawk in our 50 year old pine

Coyotes howling at night

The woodpecker constantly pecking a hole in our house

My home would not be the same without my Neighborhood Friends