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# Weekly Newsletter Tuesday, April 18, 2006

Public and community response to the Coit Tower shooting has been enormous. I appreciate all the suggestions and information regarding crime in the district. I am sorry that the unfortunate incident occurred but I am encouraged with the community response. It is surely not one of apathy. I have been to several meetings in the community that involve other City departments. It seems that everyone recognizes that they can be a part of the solution. Some of the meetings have been with the immediate neighborhood residents, merchants, Supervisor Peskin, Bond Yee of DPT, Denny Kern of Rec and Park and the Entertainment Commission. An environmental study of the area is being examined to see how we can prevent a similar occurrence.

When I write the newsletter each week, I try to balance the public safety need for information without being too negative. I do want to make you readers aware of crime patterns and trends and to give you the information necessary to prevent you from being victims as well. I also want to show you instances of great police work and give examples of what your officers are doing on a daily basis. I welcome your feedback.

### **Congratulations:**

Central Station Officers Kim Koltzoff and Mary Godfrey were awarded the Bronze Medal of Valor from the SFPD Awards Committee for valiant efforts done last year on Stockton and Broadway. The Officers ran into a burning fire that engulfed a building that housed several elderly residents. Officers risked their own safety by repeatedly returning into the building to rescue more than a dozen seniors. Both Officers suffered smoke inhalation during the ordeal.

**Upcoming Events:** An Immigration Rights Demonstration is expected in Civic Center on April 23rd that may affect traffic in our District during the early afternoon. On April 25th there is some demonstration activity expected near California and Mason Streets from 10 AM to possibly 2 PM. On April 26th, we host the District Meeting of the Police Commission at Pier 1 at 6 PM.

Broadway Corridor: I happened to work this past Friday night and experienced what our officers encounter each weekend there. In a few short hours I managed to write 4 citations, had 2 cars towed and made 2 arrests. One young woman I cited, collapsed while talking with me and was taken to SFGH by ambulance for possible drug ingestion. I ended up writing 3 reports. On Friday 4/14/06 we had 13 arrests, 37 moving violations, 6 parking citations, 6 vehicle tows and 10 drunk related arrests. Traffic diversions were used. On Saturday 4/15/06 there was 1 arrest, 23 moving citations, 5 parkers, 1 vehicle towed and 11 drunk related arrests made. Officers assigned to the corridor did an outstanding job.

Crimes of Note: On 4/11/06 at 9 PM, Officer Debra King was called upon a MUNI bus at

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Bay and Kearny Streets to remove an intoxicated/sleeping passenger. The suspect assaulted the Officer before he was finally subdued and arrested. The suspect threatened the officers on scene claiming to be ex-military and a current gang member.

On 4/12/06 at 8 PM at Davis and Jackson Streets, a vehicle was entered and property including a laptop computer and identification were taken. A short while later a suspect called the victim on the phone and said she could have the computer back for a large sum of money. Plainclothes Officers Brian Oliver, Paul Doherty, John Ferrando and Marc Chan accompanied the victim to the arranged location and made the arrest of the suspect and recovered the property.

On 4/13/06 at 10:30 PM, Uniformed Officers Keith Matthews and Sean O'Brien and Officers Doherty and Oliver in plainclothes, responded to another call of an Auto Burglary in progress at Chestnut and Montgomery Streets. A witness called by cell to give the suspect and vehicle description. Officers arrived and located the suspect lying down in his vehicle parked at Taylor and Francisco Streets. The suspect attempted to flee but was captured by the officers. The suspect was booked on Auto Burglary and an arrest warrant for stolen auto. The stolen property was recovered from the suspect and his car.

On 4/14/06 at 0800 AM, Officers David On and Kim Koltzoff responded to a Burglary of a restaurant on the 900 block of Sutter. While searching the interior they encountered the suspect still inside. The suspect was booked for Burglary and warrants for drug possession.

On 4/15/06 at 3 AM, Officers assigned to the Broadway Corridor including Officers Chris Cotter, Robert Kellogg, Warren, Kevin Worrell, Damien Fahey, Randy Soohoo, Christina Pena, Dave Frias and Lynn Masetti responded to the 600 block of Broadway on the report of 4 shots fired. 4 Suspects were detained and witnesses indicated that the handgun that was fired may have been put in a garbage can as police arrived. The gun was found and the main suspect was booked for possession of a loaded, concealed firearm, conspiracy and reckless discharge in public.

Finally, on 4/16/06 at 9 PM, Officers responded to Mason and Jefferson Streets on a call of an assault on a man with a knife. Officers Norman Rice and Scott Korte responded and detained the individuals. One suspect was armed with a switchblade knife and was taken into custody. The victim suffered a deep laceration in the stomach and Officers summoned an ambulance to render aid. The victim was transported to SF General Hospital where it was determined that his injury was not life threatening.

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#### **Central Station Resource List**

EMERGENCY: 911

Non-Emergency: 553-0123 Cell phone 911: 553-8090 Central Station: 315-2400

Community Meeting: 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 PM

Web: www.sfgov.org/police

(For Crime Stats, Internet reports, etc.)

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Anonymous Tip-Line 392-2623 SF SAFE 553-1984 Graffiti Abatement 278-9454 Graffiti Fax 278-9456

Central Events: 315-2440 Sergeant John Colla Central Permits: 315-2423 Officer Fred Crisp Code Abatement: 315-2417 Sgt. Mark Hernandez

Deputy City Attorney: 554-3906 Niall Vignoles

Dept. Parking & Traffic: 553-1943

DPW: 695-2020 Dispatch

Quality of Life Liaison: 298-0903 Officer Kim Koltzoff

Chinatown Beat: 315-2400 Off. Leon Sorhondo & Jonathan Tong Union Square Beat: 315-2400 Officer Carl Payne & Dan Gallagher Wharf Beat: 315-2400 Officer Pete McLaughlin & Dan Wynn

North Beach 315-2400 Officer Mark Alvarez

Community Liaison: 421-6443 x37 Jessica Look (Tel-Hi)

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