

Central Police Station



766 Vallejo Street, San Francisco, California 94133, 415-315-2400

Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, July 31, 2007

August 7, 2007 is the night of the annual “National Night Out” program that runs nation-wide. In San Francisco, there will be a night safety related neighborhood get together in each of the ten police districts. Here in the Central District we will be cosponsoring a Night Bocce Ball Tournament at Joe DiMaggio Playground from 6-9 PM with the Rec and Park Department and Tel-Hi.

This year’s Jazz Festival was well attended and well behaved. A good time was had by all I have been told.

Armed Robbery Arrest Made

On 7/29/07 at 3 AM, Officers Monica MacDonald, Lynn Masetti, Derrick Brown, Charlie Ng, Brendan O’Connor, Richard Hunt, Vien Lam, Kevin Coleman, James Gustafson and Dave Frias responded to the area of Sacramento and Hyde Streets where an armed robbery had just occurred. Officers Brown and Ng spotted a vehicle matching the getaway car description and several officers assisted in the car stop at Post and Van Ness Streets. Officers O’Connor and Hunt interviewed the victim and took him to identify the suspect who had been detained.

The victim stated that he saw the vehicle near his apartment building and was soon followed by the suspect. The black male suspect produced a handgun and demanded the victim’s wallet. The suspect hit the victim on the head with the gun, causing a laceration to his scalp. This case is similar to those that have occurred recently in our district and in the Northern District as well. The victim positively identified the suspect as the man who robbed him. Officer Masetti recovered a loaded handgun and evidence from the vehicle console. The Robbery Detail will follow up to see if the same suspect is responsible for similar robberies. The gun will be examined by the Crime Lab to see if it is connected to the robbery shooting in our district a few weeks ago. This is an example of excellent police work, coordination and follow-up. The Officers have received a Captain’s Commendation for a job well done.

Broadway Corridor:

Friday July 27, 2007:

Felony arrests made	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	1
Drunk related arrests made	2
moving cites issued	14
parking citations issued	9
towed vehicles	7

Saturday July 28, 2007:

Felony arrests	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	1
Drunk related arrests made	3
moving cites issued	21
parking citations issued	21
towed vehicles	12

Peripheral crime in this area has been a problem recently. With the good weather come the very large crowds. On Saturday night, we received assistance from Ingleside Station and our Traffic Company. Traffic Diversions allow the officers to deal with pedestrians that spill out onto the sidewalk. We will be looking at the larger perimeter of the venue to identify and deal with potential problems before they are realized.

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On 7/27/07 at 11:45 PM on the 300 block of Broadway, Officers responded to individuals who had been assaulted. Two men said they were attacked by a group of 5 individuals who 'knocked them out' and took property from them. No description could be ascertained.

On 7/28/07 at 2:20 AM at Broadway and Sansome Streets, a Sheriff's Deputy assigned to Broadway witnessed vandalism by a group of young males. One juvenile male was seen jumping on the hood of a parked car, causing dents and a shattered windshield. Another parked vehicle with similar damage was parked immediately behind the first. The 17 year old suspect from Pacifica, Ca. was detained for police.

Prostitution Activity

We continue to run operations through **Night Watch Sgt. Arlin Vanderbilt** in response to rising incidents including shootings on our West border with the Northern District along Polk/Larkin/Leavenworth and Hyde Streets. We have two dedicated solo motorcycle traffic units to help with the reckless driving and pedestrian violations by suspected prostitutes who solicit men in moving vehicles.

The "Gifts for Guns" program last week netted 90 guns overall. Those are guns our officers will not be coming across on the streets in the future.

Crimes of Note:

7/25/07 3:42 PM- Bank Robbery occurred on the 1000 block of Grant Avenue. The suspect was an Asian male 35-40 years old wearing a black baseball cap, dark gray fleece jacket, black pants and black shoes.

7/22/07-7/26/07. The unit block of Alta has experienced 3-4 separate burglaries through unlocked doors and windows. In one case, a suspicious white female was seen loitering in the area. She is described as white, female, medium build, round face and dark short hair.

7/27/07 06:30 AM, 1000 block of Broadway. 'Quality of Life' Officers Jay Shastri and Bob Cebalo detained an individual who was suspect of casing autos to boost. The suspect turned out to be a wanted parolee who may be responsible for thefts from local hotels.

7/28/07 00:24 AM, 2600 block of Mason Street. After midnight, an argument ensued among two groups of young people. One suspect shot into the crowd, striking one individual in the hip and another in her calf.

7/31/07 00:53 AM, 200 block of Columbus Ave. Officers Adam Choy and Rene Nielsen responded at 1 AM to a bar where a woman said a suspect grabbed her purse off the counter and ran. Officers coordinated a search of the area and Officers Ng and Lam located a suspect who fit the description of the thief at Trenton and Jackson Streets. The victim was transported to the black male suspect 30 years, 6'4",

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210 pounds, wearing a black jacket and dark pants, but could not identify him as the purse-snatcher. He did however, have a \$10,000 outstanding criminal warrant and possession of suspected cocaine for which he was booked.

7/31/07 1:08 AM, 1300 block of Pine Street. Night Captain Stephen Tittle came upon an auto Burglary suspect in the act. The suspect was seen at a parked vehicle shining a flashlight into it through a broken window. At booking, the suspect was found to be in possession of the flashlight and burglary tools.

Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY: 911
Non-Emergency: 553-0123
Cell phone 911: 553-8090
Central Station: 315-2400
Web: www.sfgov.org/police
(For Crime Stats, Internet reports, etc.)

Captain James I. Dudley	315-2480	james.dudley@sfgov.org	
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:	554-3820	Jill Cannon	
Dept. Parking & Traffic:	553-1943		
DPW:	695-2020	Dispatch	
Quality of Life Liaison:	298-0903	Officer Kim Koltzoff	
Homeless Issues:	850-6146	Off. Jay Shastri, Off. Bob Cebalo, Cathy Daly and Vic Silveira	
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 & Mike Kangra	
Community Liaison:	421-6443 x16	James Knoebber	

The Police Community Meeting is held on the third Thursday of Each month at Tel-Hi Community Room at 660 Lombard Street from 6-7 PM

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Megan's Law Website Access:

The general public can find out information on sexual predators on line by going to the DOJ website: www.meganslaw.ca.gov or at the SFPD link at www.sfgov.org/police. You may check specific names or zip codes to locate those listed in the database.

Join the San Francisco Citizen's Police Academy

For more information, including application process, please call Ms.Lula Magallon at (415) 401-4720, or Officer Maria Oropeza at (415) 401-4701. You can also email us at sfpd_citizenspoliceacademy@yahoo.com or visit our website: http://www.sfgov.org/site/police_index.asp?id=20182.

Graffiti Alert:

Day Watch Sgt. Steve Shanahan is Central's Graffiti Abatement coordinator. Each month he collects surveys from the various beat officers to report graffiti to DPW and our own Graffiti Unit within the police department. You can contact Sgt. Shanahan at steven.shanahan@sfgov.org .

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