

# Central Police Station



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## *Weekly Newsletter*

Tuesday, December 11, 2007

Captain James I. Dudley

### **Captain's Comments**

**In the calm before the storm, that is the holiday season, we have exercised efforts across the district to quell negative activity. One strategy has been to increase our profile a bit with the Command Van. This past week, we had access to the vehicle along the Geary Street Corridor at Geary and Hyde to address drug activity, and near Portsmouth Square from midnight to 9 AM. One night, we shared the vehicle with Northern Station to serve as a command post for a prostitution abatement operation at Larkin and Sutter Streets.**

**Lieutenant Alvin Yee called for a unified command post on 12/6/07 at 11 AM when a crane collapsed on the rooftop of the 400 block of Davis Street. Lt. Yee met the Fire Department and Building Inspectors as three people were rescued from a dangling platform from the 18-21st floors. Cal OSHA is inspecting the site.**

### **Updates from the Community Justice Center**

The Community Justice Center (CJC) is a newly proposed collaborative court of the Superior Court of California for the County of San Francisco. It is a collaborative project led by the Superior Court and the Mayor's Office, in partnership with the District Attorney, Public Defender, San Francisco Police Department, Adult Probation Department, Sheriff, Human Services Agency, and the Department of Public Health.

The CJC community is bordered by Bush Street on the north, Kearny and Third Streets on the East, Harrison Street on the south, and Otis and Gough on the west. This community is served by Southern, Central, Northern and Tenderloin Police Stations. A map of this area is attached.

**The City has identified a desired permanent location for the CJC at 555/575 Polk Street.** The 575 Polk address is already occupied by the Superior Court and has a courtroom available for the CJC. The second floor of this building (555 Polk) is where the social, restorative justice, and ancillary services will be housed. The City has signed a letter of intent to sublet this space, which is anticipated to become available by March 1, 2008.

This site is ideal for a number of reasons. It is located within the CJC region, it already has a courtroom in place, and the facility is in great shape - such that renovation costs will be minimal, and it will shortly become available.

### **Broadway Corridor**

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### **Friday December 7, 2007:**

Felony arrests made	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	0
Drunk related arrests made	0
Moving citations	2
Parking citations issued	13
Towed vehicles	18

### **Saturday December 8, 2007:**

Felony arrests	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	0
Drunk related arrests made	2
Moving citations	0
Parking citations issued	13
Towed vehicles	16

Lower totals are likely a result of weather conditions, the season and a slightly scaled down enforcement plan for a limited time. We are gearing up for premises inspections on Broadway, Grant Avenue, Bay Street and along Beach Street. On New Years Eve we will have squads at entertainment venues and will do inspections with members of the Entertainment Commission and Fire Department.

### **Crimes of Note**

**On 12/3/07 at 3:35 AM, on the unit block of Kearny, Officers Jason Gallagher and Brendan O'Connor** responded to a report of a man "tagging" a building. Upon arriving in the area, the Officers located the suspect and noticed red paint on his hands. The security guard who had witnessed the incident directed the Officers to the exact location of the graffiti, and positively identified the detained individual as the suspect.

**On 12/3/07 at 9:28 AM, on the 600 block of Hyde, Officers Kim Koltzoff and Cathy Daly** were on patrol when they observed two men sitting in a doorway. Upon seeing the Officers, one man quickly placed an object onto his lap. Officers Koltzoff and Daly located and seized a crack pipe, and both men admitted that they had been smoking crack cocaine. The subject in possession of the pipe also had an outstanding warrant for a parole violation.

**On 12/3/07 at 4:06 PM, at Central Station, Officer Sam Yuen** spoke to the victim of a battery which occurred a short time earlier at Grant & Jackson. The suspect had punched the victim in the chest after the victim refused of his demand for two dollars. After obtaining the suspect description, Officer Yuen, a Chinatown beat officer, had an idea who the suspect might be. The victim identified the suspect from a mug shot shown him by Officer Yuen. Only a few hours later, Officer Yuen had the suspect in custody.

**On 12/4/07 at 8:03 PM, Officer Sam Yuen arrested this same individual for breaking windows on the 900 block of Grant.** Although this subject already has several court issued "stay-away" orders from locations within Chinatown, he continues to return to the area upon his release from jail. His activities will continue to be monitored by Officer Yuen and the other Chinatown beat officers.

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**On 12/4/07 at 7:20 AM, at Post and Ophir, Officer Pete McLaughlin** responded to a report of an individual vandalizing a building. While speaking to the witness and locating the building which had been “tagged” by the graffiti vandal, **Tenderloin Station Officers Shawn Jackson and Daniel Shiu** located the suspect nearby. The witness was able to positively identify the suspect and he was placed under arrest. The suspect later admitted to Officer McLaughlin that he has a previous conviction for graffiti vandalism.

**On 12/5/07 at 12:00 PM, at Front & Broadway, Officer Pete McLaughlin** responded to a reported assault. Upon speaking with the victim, he learned that the suspect had punched her and taken an unlit cigarette from her hand. Officer McLaughlin later learned from video surveillance footage taken from a building security camera, that the suspect had also accosted other people in the vicinity. Officer McLaughlin searched the area and found the suspect a few blocks away. When he attempted to arrest the perpetrator, a struggle ensued. Fortunately, a retired Oakland police sergeant saw the struggle and assisted Officer McLaughlin in handcuffing the suspect. The suspect was found to be on active parole at the time of this incident.

**On 12/7/07 at 9:57 PM, at Union Square, Officers Barry Mlaker and Benjamin Smith** were assigned to a foot beat in the area when they heard and saw a commotion at the southeast corner of the Square. As the Officers approached, they saw a group of 10-15 juveniles in some type of confrontation. Suddenly, a gunshot was fired, and as the Officers attempted to take “cover,” the group fled on foot in different directions. One subject remained, however. He had been shot in the lower left leg. Fortunately, his injuries were not life threatening. Suspect descriptions of this incident are varied. There is some video surveillance footage from businesses in the area that may be useful in the ongoing investigation of this incident.

**On 12/8/07 at 9:50 PM, on the 200 block of Grant, Officer Scott Korte** was on his foot beat when police communications broadcast the description of a robbery suspect from Post & Grant. Officer Korte saw a suspect matching that description on Post near Kearny, and immediately detained him. The victim, who had followed the suspect after fleeing from him, told Officer Korte that the man had pushed him into a metal security gate and demanded his money. After placing the suspect under arrest, Officer Korte determined that the suspect was on active parole for a similar offense.

**On 12/9/07 at 1:55 PM, on the 200 block of Columbus, Officer Roger Chea** was dispatched to a report of a man who had slashed bar stools at an establishment on the block. Two employees followed, and then held the suspect, until **Officer Noel Deleon** arrived to take him into custody. Subsequently, Officer Deleon found the suspect in possession of powder cocaine, and over \$3,000 in what is believed to be proceeds from the sales of cocaine. The cash and narcotics were found in a drawstring bag which also contained a customer “pay sheet” and plastic baggies used for packaging narcotics.

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### Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY:	911		
Non-Emergency:	553-0123		
Cell phone 911:	553-8090		
Customer Service Center:	311		
Central Station:	315-2400		
Web:		<a href="http://www.sfgov.org/police">www.sfgov.org/police</a>	
Captain James I. Dudley	315-2480	<a href="mailto:james.dudley@sfgov.org">james.dudley@sfgov.org</a>	
Anonymous Tip-Line	392-2623	SAFE	553-1984
Graffiti Abatement	278-9454	Sgt. Steve Shanahan	
Graffiti Fax	278-9456	<a href="mailto:steven.shanahan@sfgov.org">steven.shanahan@sfgov.org</a>	
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:	315-2400	Officer Kim Koltzoff	
Homeless Issues:	315-2400	Off. Jay Shastri or Cathy Daly	
Chinatown Beat:	315-2400	Off. Leon Sorhondo & Stewart Ng- Days	
		Officers Vien Lam and Sam Yuen- Nights	
Union Square Beat:	315-2400	Officer Carl Payne & Tom Cunnane- Days	
		Officers Scott Korte, John Ferrando- Nights	
Wharf Beat:	315-2400	Officer Noel De Leon and Bob Merino	
North Beach	315-2400	Officer Mark Alvarez & Mike Kangrga	
Community Liaison:	421-6443 x16	James Knoebber at Tel-Hi	

### 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](http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov) or at the SFPD link at [www.sfgov.org/police](http://www.sfgov.org/police). You may check specific names or zip codes to locate those listed in the database.

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Join the SFPD: [www.sfgov.org/police](http://www.sfgov.org/police)

Join the SFPD Citizen's Academy: Call Lula Magellon at 415-401-4720 or check:  
[www.sfgov.org/police\\_index.asp?id=20182](http://www.sfgov.org/police_index.asp?id=20182)

Call **3-1-1**/TTY: 415-701-2323. If outside of San Francisco, call 415-701-2311/TTY: 415-701-2323 to reach any of the following:

Abandoned Vehicles----DPT Dispatch -----DPW Street Cleaning-----Graffiti Hotline  
Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP)-----Pothole Repair----Street Signs (missing/damaged)  
Street Lighting

### **Personal Safety Tips- From SAFE**

- In the rare event that a stranger who demands your valuables approaches you, do not resist. Your well-being is more important than your belongings.
- Always be alert to your surroundings and know how to reach your destination prior to your departure.
- As you approach your car, have car keys in hand and check inside and beneath your car before entering to make sure no one has hidden in or near your vehicle.
- It is a good practice to let another person know your itinerary for the day and your expected time of return.
- There is safety in numbers. Make every effort to walk with others when leaving a building or location. Walk in well traveled, well lighted streets. Do not take short-cuts through parking lots or alley ways.
- Carry a cell phone with you and keep it fully charged.