

Central Police Station



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

Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, January 30, 2007

As we finish our first month of the New Year in the Central Police District, things are beginning to shape up nicely. We made it through the New Years Celebrations, a few demonstrations and labor actions, dignitary visits and a march of approximately 20,000 participants. Heck, Central Station is even featured in an Academy Award nominated film! Yes, that's our very own holding cell that Will Smith's character languishes in, in the movie "**The Pursuit of Happiness.**"

While we seem to have made some really great progress in the peripheral crime around the Broadway Corridor, thanks to our diligent Night Watch, we are far from done with our goals. We are still seeking help from the Entertainment Commission and the ABC to keep things that way. We have been promised support from our own Traffic Company and our Vice Unit. The Sheriff's Department involvement and support funding was authorized through June of 2007. I am encouraged by our string of lower arrest numbers there, but we will continue efforts to maintain and further our success.

Recent efforts around our **Public Housing areas** caused the serial Robbery Suspect in Chinatown to virtually disappear. We identified several potential suspects and made a few arrests but although no definitive suspect was directly linked to several of the cases, the wave ceased. There may be several reasons for the result, but whichever it was, I am thankful. We will continue Public Housing Authority Grants to make the area safe.

The serial Bank Robbery suspect in the Financial District was captured on January 26, 2007 by Inspector Dan Gardner's Robbery Abatement Team, (RAT Unit). The suspect hit at least four times and we wanted him captured before anyone was hurt.

Open cases remain in the "Utility Theft Burglar" Series and laptop and office thefts near the financial district. We hope to make a successful resolution there as well by means of patrol, public education and with the help of **Safety Awareness For Everyone, (SAFE), the Hotel Security Directors Association, (SDA), the Union Square Association and the Business Owners and Managers Association, (BOMA).**

Broadway Corridor:

Is it the strategy? The compliance? Maybe it's just because of the weather. Without knowing which it is for certain, things have been certainly manageable on the Broadway Corridor the past month or so. The arrest numbers are listed below; note that 6 drunk detentions were made on Saturday night despite the cold weather.

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In any event, a doorman on the 500 block of Broadway Street was assaulted when he tried to break up a fight between several white males in their 20's. One suspect may have hit him over the head with a bottle while another punched him in the jaw.

The fight began in another club and security asked the young men to leave. A fight began with the employees and it spilled out onto the sidewalk when the second assault occurred. **Officers Sam Yuen and William Toomey** and several other Officers responded, brought the fight under control and detained 4 suspects who gave addresses in Pacifica.

Friday January 26, 2007:

0 Felony arrests made
2 Misdemeanor arrests made
1 Drunk related arrests made
30 moving cites issued
19 parking citations issued
19 towed vehicles

Saturday January 27, 2007:

0 Felony arrests made
1 Misdemeanor arrests made
6 Drunk related arrests made
34 moving cites issued
22 parking citations issued
23 towed vehicles

Crimes of Note:

On 1/22/07 at 2:30 AM Officers Martin Garay and William Toomey observed two Latin males who fit the description of suspects suspected of selling drugs at **Geary and Larkin Streets**. After a detention and investigation, the officers arrested the men for selling suspected controlled substances. Both suspects reported no local address.

On 1/24/07 in the span of less than one hour between 2AM and 2:54 AM, Officers Chris Anderson, William Toomey, Martin Garay and Joe Porta arrested 3 suspected prostitutes on **Pine and Larkin and Pine and Hyde Streets**. The community has complained of increased behavior of this type. **On 1/28/07 at 4 AM, Sgt. Mark Hernandez** arrested a woman soliciting at the corner of **Pine and Hyde Streets** as well.

On 1/24/07 at 11 PM Officers William Toomey and Adam Choy responded to the 700 block of Jackson on a group of Asian males brandishing a handgun. The Officers detained 13 individuals at Kearny and Jackson and investigated. **Officers seized a stun gun, a bag of marijuana, a pellet gun and a sword!** The suspects reportedly threatened an individual just for 'being in their neighborhood.'

On 1/24/07 at 10 PM, Plainclothes Officers John Ferrando and Noah Mallinger conducted an auto boosting investigation when they noticed a White male who appeared to be casing vehicles to break into. Later they detained him in an area of concentrated enforcement and found him in possession of suspected Heroin. The suspect, with no address was booked on the narcotics charge.

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On 1/25/07 at 1 AM, Officers Chris Cotter and David Serrano responded to a call of an Auto Burglary in progress. Officers saw a white male suspect run from the scene into a complex at the **800 block of Bay Street**. The suspect and several stolen items, including golf clubs were taken to Central Station. The transient suspect was found to be in possession of suspected crystal methamphetamine as well.

Graffiti vandals hit the Central District hard over the weekend of **1/25/07-1/28/07**. Vandals struck on the **300 block of Broadway** and over a large span of the **Broadway Tunnel**. We have asked the Graffiti Unit to document and investigate.

On 1/26/07 at 2:30 AM a woman at Pacific and Powell reported that she was surprised from behind by a Black male adult who grabbed her and took her purse. The man got into a waiting light blue vehicle and fled the area. **Officers Pete McLaughlin and Mel D'Angelo**, working a Foot Beat in the Ping Yuen Housing on a Housing Authority grant, made 3 arrests on 1/26/07 between 4 PM and 9 PM. The grant focuses on making the housing safe by identifying and removing trespassers who may be preying on senior residents.

On 1/27/07 at 9:50 PM a man walking at **Chestnut and Stockton** saw a man running behind him. As he turned, the Black male suspect, 5'8"170 wearing a black shirt and blue jeans struck him in the face with what appeared to be a handgun. The suspect took cash and a cell phone and ran to a waiting Black Mitsubishi car that then drove off.

On 1/27/07 at 11:30 PM a man and woman were walking at **Sacramento and Taylor Street** when they were attacked by two White male adults. The suspects beat the male and kicked him repeatedly. They attempted to take the woman's purse but fled when another man interceded. Officers responded and detained two men from Oroville, and Monte Rio, California. The witness and victims identified the attackers, who were booked for aggravated assault and conspiracy.

Finally

On 1/28/07 at 8 PM, 5 young males were detained for 'tagging' graffiti on **Adler Alley** and Columbus. **North Beach Beat Officer Mike Kangrga** saw the graffiti and seized several pieces of graffiti paraphernalia including markers, spray-paint and nozzles. One juvenile was cited and the others were identified and released. A follow up is requested through our citywide graffiti unit.

Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY: 911
Non-Emergency: 553-0123
Cell phone 911: 553-8090
Central Station: 315-2400
Web: www.sfgov.org/police

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(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:	850-6416	Off. Jay Shastri, Off. Bob Cebalo, Off. 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 Kangrga
Community Liaison:	421-6443 x37	Jessica Look (Tel-Hi)

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. The night Lieutenant will run this months meeting.

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_citizenpoliceacademy@yahoo.com or visit our website: http://www.sfgov.org/site/police_index.asp?id=20182.

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