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Captain James I. Dudley

I had a great vacation but it is good to be back. In the past 2 weeks I had the opportunity to play a few rounds of golf, did some bicycling and hiking in Lake Tahoe and Yosemite. In Tahoe, with my son **Dan and his friends Eric, Matt and Taylor,** it was good to hear what 17 year olds are thinking about. They have great perspectives on underage drinking, the Middle East Conflict, sports of course and school. That all said, it is a tough job riding herd on four 17 year olds! Police Work may just be a bit easier.

Central Station Personnel Update:

This time of the year is the time when personnel transfers occur in the Police Department. A few weeks ago we lost **Lieutenant Ernie Ferrando** to the Gang Task Force. This past week we lost outstanding Night Watch **Sergeants Susan Nangle and Henry Woo.** We will miss them both and wish them well at their new assignments.

Sergeant Linda Wittcop was significantly injured in a vehicle collision last week but planned for an early return to work this week. **Officer Robert Kellogg** was injured as well and is expected to return soon.

It was a pleasant surprise to receive a letter from **State Assemblyman Mark Leno** regarding actions taken by **Officer Sammy Yuen** on July 19, 2006. On that date, Officer Yuen observed a 19 month old child near an open second floor window of a building near Bush and Hyde Streets. The Assemblyman writes: "Your attention to detail and swift action in alerting building residents helped to prevent a possible accident. The family of a child and our community are indebted to your keen eye and willingness to assist in this situation."

SAFE Bicycle Safety Fair:

Donate that bike that is just sitting in your garage, hallway or other crowded space!

Bicycle Safety is important - especially during the summer months when kids are out of school! On **Friday, August 25th at the Joe DiMaggio Playground in North Beach**, SAFE will bring the kids of North Beach Place together with the police and other bicycle safety experts for a day of education and fun. Kids will learn about bicycle safety and theft prevention, receive free helmets and fittings, get bike tune-ups, and have fun in the bike rodeo. They will also receive safety reflectors that will help keep them visible both day and night.

This community policing and safety event is sponsored by North Beach Place, San Francisco Municipal Transit Authority, the Bicycle Coalition, SAFE, SFPD and the Joe DiMaggio Playground. You can help us too - if you would like to volunteer for the fair or donate a kids bicycle, let us know! Call **Oona at 553-1052**, or email her at oona@sfsafe.org.

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Broadway Corridor:

July 28, 2006: 2 misdemeanor arrests, 8 drunk related arrests, 21 moving citations issued, 30 parking tickets and 17 vehicles towed.

July 29th, 2006: 2 misdemeanor arrests, 9 drunk related arrests, 26 moving citations issued, 28 parking tickets and 17 vehicles towed. Vehicular and pedestrian diversions were necessary on both nights.

Things were a bit calmer on **Friday 8/4/06** with only 3 drunk related arrests made, 13 moving citations and 9 parking tickets and 20 tows.

On August 5th there were 7 drunk related arrests, 2 moving cites issued, 19 parking tags issued and 15 towed vehicles. Traffic diversions were necessary for both pedestrians and vehicles.

On 8/11/06 the corridor was described as "Active" with 4 arrests made, 15 citations issued, 8 towed vehicles and 3 drunk related arrests made. On 8/12/06 there were 4 Felony arrests made, 5 moving citations issued, 21 parking cites and 2 drunk related arrests made.

On 8/12/06 at 1 AM a female bartender at a club on the 400 block of Broadway was assaulted by 4 females in their 20's. The victim was punched in the face and possibly suffered a broken ankle from the assault that took place in the club's restroom. At 2 AM Officers were dispatched to 500 block of Jackson regarding a fist fight. A witness pointed out 2 males walking from the area and Officers Joe Porta and David Serrano detained the individuals. One of the suspects was subsequently identified as the person responsible for punching a victim male in the face until the victim lost consciousness. The victim was transported to SF General Hospital for observation and treatment for contusions to his face, nose and mouth.

On 8/12/06 the corridor was described as "Very Active" with large crowds in the area beyond 3 AM. There were 4 Felony arrests made, 5 moving citations, 21 parking cites issued and 2 drunk related arrests made. Just after midnight, Officers Keith Matthews and Sean O'Brien were flagged down at Broadway and Stockton by people who pointed out that a group of suspects had just assaulted their friend. The Officers saw the victim sitting on the sidewalk with cuts and blood on a young woman's face and ordered an ambulance to respond. The Officers made arrests of 4 young female suspects from Vacaville, California for conspiracy and aggravated assault. The victim was treated for injuries from being kicked and punched in the face and body.

Crimes of Note:

Help from above:

On 8/9/06 at 1100 AM, a woman came home to find a suspect fleeing her apartment on the 900 block of Taylor with a backpack filled with her property. Once she realized that the white male 26 year old suspect had burgled her apartment, she gave chase to California and Jones. Luckily, 2 deacons from a

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nearby church on Bush Street saw her plight and joined in the chase, helping capture the suspect. All property was recovered.

On 8/9/06 at 11:45 PM a suspect posing as a pizza delivery man entered a bar on Mark Lane and made his way to a safe where he attempted to empty the contents into his pockets. A suspicious manager discovered the act, and with the aid of another employee, wrestled the suspect to the ground. The suspect brandished a hammer that he carried in his pocket but was unable to injure the two restaurant employees.

On 8/10/06 at 11:30 PM, Bob Clevidence, a former Central Station Sergeant, while off-duty, observed a suspect attempting to steal a bicycle from a lock at Jefferson and Mason Streets. Clevidence called police and watched the suspect use tools to break the lock. Officers responded and arrested the suspect and returned the Trek bike to a very grateful employee from a nearby business. This is the second substantial arrest made by our former Sgt. in 2 weeks at the Wharf.

On 8/11/06 at 9 PM, Officers Martin Garay and Debra King responded to Jefferson and Mason Streets regarding a fight at a street performance. A witness described that a 19 year old male and another male interrupted the performance several times and drank from a bottle of liquor. When he approached them, they resisted violently and produced a handgun. The victim wrestled the gun from one suspect and the suspects fled on foot. Officers arrived on scene and searched the area when Officers Al Ciudad and Alane Baca detained one at Taylor and Bay and Officers Nick Discenza, Brian Oliver and Paul Doherty detained the other near 500 Francisco Street. Suspects were booked at County Jail and the gun was preserved for CSI processing.

On 8/13/06 just before midnight in Huntington Park, Officers Jesse Heredia and Alane Baca detained an individual who was reported to be following women in the park. The suspect was determined to be drunk and upon transport, was found to be in possession of marijuana.

Finally, on 8/13/06 at 6:35 PM, unexplainably, on the Embarcadero near the foot of Broadway, a black male 36 year old 'runner' ran down several people along his route before being halted by police. At least one 53 year old male was seriously injured by the suspect who was described as running through groups of people, leading with his elbow as a football running back would in a different situation. Four separate others were knocked into each other or the ground by the suspect, who was detained by Officers Jesse Serna and Gary Moriyama near Pier 38. The suspect was booked on several counts of aggravated assault. The victim was treated for a head injury after his head hit the cement sidewalk from his fall

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EMERGENCY: 911

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

Web: <u>www.sfgov.org/police</u>

(For Crime Stats, Internet reports, etc.)

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Anonymous Tip-Line 392-2623 SF SAFE 553-1984

Graffiti Abatement 278-9454 Grafitti 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 Gillen

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

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)

Phone numbers and web sites:

San Francisco Police Department Emergency 9-1-1 or non-emergency (415) 553-0123

Web site: www.sfgov.org/police

Central District Police Station main phone. # 415-315-2400

Central Station's web page: www.sfgov.org/police, and link to "Central Station".

Captain Dudley's e-mail address: james.dudley@ci.sf.ca.us Central District Anonymous Tips Hotline: (415) 392-2623

Note: We continue to develop the e-mail list for our newsletter. Anyone wishing to receive copies is welcome. Please e-mail james.dudley@ci.sf.ca.us with your request and comments.

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