

# Central Police Station



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## *Weekly Newsletter*

Tuesday, September 30, 2008  
Captain James I. Dudley

**“Arm yourself....with knowledge!”**

### **Captain’s Comments**

**Burglary, Robbery and Auto Burglaries** occur in the district in varying patterns. After a review of the crimes for the months of July and August, some patterns are evident. Daytime before 5 PM are the highest times for a **burglary** to occur. Residences are by far the most frequent, although construction sites are next highest at nearly 30%. I spoke recently regarding such incidents and recalled that one afternoon, while canvassing North Beach construction sites, we found 10 locations where tools and equipment were left unattended. The theft of opportunity can easily be avoided by securing equipment and tools in locked containers when they are unattended or otherwise not in use.

In cases of **robbery**, there are a few precautions that one can do to protect themselves. Maintain situational awareness while out and about. Know your surroundings and your travel routes. Travel with a friend or co-worker. Don’t over burden yourself with packages or bulky items. Be wary of purses, backpacks and laptop bags. These are the most taken items along with wallets, watches and Ipods in robberies.

In the northern area of the Central District, in concentrated tourist areas, **auto boostings** are the most often reported crimes. Parking garages are the most frequently hit locations. **Indra Murdoch at the Anchorage Shopping Center** has experienced success in lowering their auto boosts significantly in the past few months. She launched a campaign in education to her security staff, attendants and to the parking public. She placed large signs in the garage advising parkers to lock up their valuables out of sight or to take them from the parked vehicles. Indra gets a Captain’s Complimentary Citation for outstanding crime prevention.

### **Broadway Corridor**

# Friday September

# 26,2008

# Saturday

# September 27,2008

Felony Arrests 2

Misdemeanor Arrests 2

Drunk Related Arrests 1

Moving Citations 56

Parking Citations 9

Vehicles Towed 6

Felony Arrests 0

Misdemeanor Arrests 3

Drunk Related Arrests 1

Moving Citations 42

Parking Citations 11

Vehicles Towed 10

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**Traffic Company Violence Reduction Unit:** 56 citations issued, 2 vehicles towed, 10 arrests made. A felony assault arrest was made at Broadway and Columbus at 2:11 AM on 9/27/08. In this case, the suspect was from North Highlands, Ca and the victim was from Galt, Ca.

### **Crimes of Note**

**9/20/08** at 5:35PM Officer Milan Kangrga responded to an unlawful entry at Columbus Avenue and Green Street where he encountered the victim who explained that he saw the suspect walking out of the establishment's back door. The witness asked his work colleagues whether anyone gave this individual permission to gain entry and learned that no one had allowed this entry. Upon further investigation, these workers found that their respective wallets were missing from their backpacks. The witness claimed to have seen the suspect and that he's known as the neighborhood panhandler. The burglary and unlawful entry was duly noted and reported.

**9/23/08** at 10: 58 PM Officers Rene Nielsen and Martin Garay were in plain clothes and in an unmarked vehicle in the area of Bush Street and Larkin Street patrolling an area known for a high incidence of prostitution activity. A suspect was noticed walking and waving calling to passing motorists in attempts to gain their attention. After some time viewing the suspect's activity, she was detained and cited for loitering for the purpose of prostitution and released.

**9/23/08** at 11:00 PM Officer David On was dispatched to Green Street and Powell Street regarding a robbery. Upon arrival at the scene he was met by the victim who stated that she allowed the suspect into her apartment after he had shown her some identification claiming to work for the City's Water Department and that he needed to gain entry to check the water. When the suspect left the apartment the victim found that money and jewelry were missing. The burglary and unlawful entry report was completed and filed.

**9/23/08** at 9:52 AM Officers Monteverde, Cunnane, and, McLaughlin were dispatched to California Street and Pine Street regarding a theft in the retail building. Two suspects had stolen an iPod from an office desk; the two suspects were located in the building and 'pat pocket. A witness, a stores' representative identified the iPod as hers as the one taken from her office. The suspects were arrested for burglary and unlawful entry and booked.

**9/23/08** at 10:58 PM Officers Rene Nielsen and Garay were in plain clothes and in an unmarked vehicle patrolling and area of Bush Street and Larkin Street known as an incidence of prostitution. The suspect was noticed walking, waving and shouting at the passing motorists in attempts to gain their attention. After observing her behavior for some time, the officers detained her, cited her for loitering for the purpose of prostitution and released.

**9/23/08** at 11:03 PM Officers Tina To and Cummings were in uniform and in a marked patrol vehicle driving eastbound on Bush Street approaching Hyde Street when the subject was spotted next to a white graffiti side of a building. When detained and 'pat searched' a white ink marker was found in his jacket pocket. After the suspect was arrested and transported to Central Station, he was booked and completely searched when 3 clear zip top bags containing green leafy substance was found. This substance was determined to be marijuana and with the suspect charged accordingly.

**9/23/08** at 10:55 PM Officers Brandon Thompson and Lam were dispatched to the San Francisco Fire Department Station at 530 Sansome Street regarding a purse snatch. The victim stated that she was walking southbound on Sansome when two females demanding her purse approached her. When the victim resisted she was punched knocked down and the purse snatched from her arm. A male witness nearby heard her screams and quickly pursued the suspects towards Embarcadero Center where he found one of the suspects; he demanded the purse whereby the suspect gave it up and hastily ran off. The stolen purse and wallet were returned intact to the victim.

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**9/24/08** at 12:25 AM Officers Martin Garay and Nielsen were in plain clothes and in an unmarked vehicle patrolling and area of Hyde Street and California Street known as an incidence of prostitution. The suspect was noticed walking, waving and shouting at the passing motorists in attempts to gain their attention. After observing her behavior for some time, the officers detained her, cited her for loitering for the purpose of prostitution and released.

**9/24/08** at 3:20 AM Officers Matt Sullivan and McWilliams were in full uniform and walking in the area of O'Farrell Street and Jones Street when they observed a group of males standing in a circle and looking at something in the middle; upon further observation, the officers saw that the suspect was holding what appeared to be rocks comparable to base cocaine. When the officer approached him and grabbed his hand holding the rocks, the suspect quickly closed his hand, broke the officers' grip and ran off on O'Farrell Street. The Officers in pursuit saw the victim throw the rocks on O'Farrell Street and promptly detained him and placed him under arrest. Although the disposed evidence was not found, upon searching the suspect, two rocks were found and seized as alleged base cocaine. The suspect was booked and held.

**9/24/08** at 7:20 PM Officer Robert Kellogg was dispatched to Mason Street and Jefferson Street on a report of two males assaulting a male. Upon arrival, the officer encountered a witness who promptly identified two suspects as well as the victim. The victim was holding his nose and exhibited a bleeding nose and a large gash on the bridge of his nose. The officer called in an ambulance to assist the victim. Ultimately the two suspects were positively identified by the victim as the assaulting males and were booked accordingly.

**9/24/08** at 1:39 AM Officers Rene Nielsen and Garay were in plain clothes and in an unmarked vehicle patrolling and area of Larkin Street and Sutter Street known as a incidence of prostitution. The female suspect was noticed walking, waving and shouting at the passing motorists in attempts to gain their attention. In addition, they noticed a known male for previous violation of prostitution related offenses yelling ate the female suspect to "stand on the other side of the street." After observing this male suspect continually guiding the female suspect in what appeared to be pimping and prostitution, they were both detained and cited.

**9/24/08** at 1:00 AM Officers Vien Lam and Thompson were dispatched to Broadway Street and Columbus Avenue regarding a theft. Upon arrival the officers encountered the male victim who described being assaulted by five males. The officers broadcasted the suspect's description over the radio resulting in Officers To and Cummings locating and detaining the suspects. Ultimately the victim was able to make positive identification of all the male suspects who were then transported to the Central Station. Upon booking for robbery withy force, the body search of the suspects uncovered the stolen as evidence of the robbery.

**09/26/08** at 8:10 AM 900 block of Sutter Street. A mother was walking her daughter to school when they came across a neighbor walking his 150-pound Great Dane. The mother asked if her daughter could pet the dog. The daughter went to pet the dog and the dog bit the girl on the arm. The young girl was treated at St. Francis Hospital and the owner cited for his dog biting a person.

**09/26/08** @ 7:10PM 250 Stockton. The reportee was walking across the crosswalk when he and a driver became engaged in a verbal conflict. The altercation became physical when the driver-grabbed items from the pedestrians hands, (letters and four concert tickets) then grabbed him by the shirt. The driver then sped away dragging the pedestrian for "thirty to fifty feet" according to a witness. The pedestrian fell to the pavement, the car fled and police were called. Officer Scott Korte responded to the scene. Officer Korte interviewed the victim, who had suffered abrasions to his left knee, left elbow and pain in his jaw. The victim was transported to Kaiser for treatment. The suspect vehicle was described as a blue PT Cruiser with a partial license plate of "6AEG" and "EA695."

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Officer Korte ran various combinations of the license plate in a attempt to determine the registered owner. The investigation yielded no results.

**09/27/08 @ 1:50AM** Geary and Mason. Several witnesses saw two black males kicking and punching an Asian male then flee. Sgt Liu from Tenderloin Station was driving down Geary and was flagged down by the witnesses. The Sgt. saw the victim and noticed he had a swollen lip, blood on his face and a swollen left temple. The Sgt broadcast a description of the suspects and two men matching the description were detained by officers at 222 Powell. The witnesses were transported to Powell Street and positively identified the men as the suspects. Upon returning to Geary Street the officers found the victim had left the scene. The victim was contacted by telephone and refused to co-operate with the investigation. Officers Darwin Narvel and Jeffery Smethurst had no choice but to issue certificates of release to the suspects and file a report.

**09/27/08 @ 1:53AM** Lombard and Sansome. Officers Thomas McWilliams and Martin Garay were Westbound on Bay Street when they saw a red Oldsmobile Cutlass approaching them at a high rate of speed. The car swerved over the double yellow lane marker as it approached the officers. The officers made a U-turn and followed the vehicle. The Oldsmobile made a turn Southbound onto Sansome which is a one way Northbound Street at that point. The Oldsmobile made a U-turn back toward the officers at which time it was stopped as several units had been advised and responded. The driver was arrested for reckless driving and an inventory of the car made prior to being towed. A "small white brick" of suspected cocaine was found under the drivers seat. All four San Francisco residents involved were transported to Central station. At Central they were read their Miranda Rights. All waived their right to remain silent and were questioned regarding the suspected cocaine. All denied any knowledge of the package of cocaine.

The following auto break-ins were reported. Listed times are when the report was made. This is not a complete listing but it is provided in the hope that this will again re-enforce the idea of not leaving any item of any type in your car, ever.

**09/28/08 10AM** 800 Block of Broadway. Malicious Mischief to a parked car. Windshield smashed and door keyed.  
**09/28/08 10AM** California/Leavenworth. Windshield smashed, nothing taken.

**09/28/08 11: 55PM** Pier 3. Right rear passenger window smashed. Laptop computer taken.

**09/28/08 3:45PM** Sacramento/Taylor Right front window smashed, nothing taken.

**09/28/08 3:45PM.** Kearny/Bay Window smashed items taken, laptop, cell phone suitcase and contents, video camera, DVD player, currency, credit cards and miscellaneous items.

**09/28/08 10:30PM** Jackson/Drumm. Left rear window smashed, clothing,keys,and tennis bag taken.

### **September is National Preparedness Month, 2008**

In San Francisco we have several ways to get ready. Check out [www.sfgov.org](http://www.sfgov.org) and backslash police or fire for good tips. You can also check out [www.sfsafe.org](http://www.sfsafe.org) or [www.72hours.org](http://www.72hours.org) for more information. Be a NERT! Check out the SFFD web page for information on how/when and where you can join the free Neighborhood Emergency Response Team. For more information, citizens may also visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) and [www.citizen corps.gov](http://www.citizen corps.gov).

### **Central Station Resource List**

EMERGENCY: 911  
Non-Emergency: 553-0123

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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 <a href="http://www.sfsafe.org">www.sfsafe.org</a>
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:	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 Sam Yuen- Jonathon Tong- Nights
Union Square Beat:	315-2400	Officer Carl Payne & Tom Cunnane- Days Officers Scott Korte, Ed Carew- Nights
Wharf Beat:	315-2400	Officer Nick Rainsford & Bob Merino-Days Officer Tom Costello and Kevin Richins-Nt
North Beach	315-2400	Officer Mark Alvarez & Mike Kangrga
Community Liaison:	421-6443x16	Tel-Hi- Danika Choe

### 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.

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

**Join the SFPD Community Police 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