

Central Police Station



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Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, May 20, 2008
Captain James I. Dudley

Captain's Comments

I have received a number of contacts regarding the Tuesday Newsletters. I have been tasked to work on our new Lieutenants Exam each Tuesday and Thursday from now until sometime in July. It is indeed a bit disruptive but I will make every effort to have the newsletter out by Wednesday of each week. Thanks in advance for your patience.

Summer seems to be here a bit early with the gust of warm weather we have recently experienced. Two things you should keep in mind: school will be out soon and open windows attract attention. In San Francisco, the public schools remain open for summer school until August. Usually this means an abbreviated schedule with early afternoon closings. That means more school aged kids out during the day and on the streets in traffic areas; please make sure to be aware.

As the weather heats up, those of us without air conditioning are inclined to keep windows and screen doors open to allow a breeze in. Remember to keep windows and doors shut if you are not around to monitor them as well. It is also a time of the year when we may leave a car window rolled down a bit, a bike lying out front for 'just a minute' or we even leave the backdoor open for a dog or cat to come back inside the house. It may also invite unwanted guests. Remember, if you live on a ground floor or near an accessible fire escape or deck, to lock windows and doors when you are not home or in the immediate area.

The reason for this reminder is because thefts of all kinds are our most reported crime in the Central District. Thefts from vehicles, burglary, robbery, shoplift and theft of opportunity are abundant. Enjoy the warm weather but remember to stay alert and safeguard your property.

Broadway Corridor

Friday May 9, 2008:

Felony arrests made	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	1
Drunk related arrests made	0
Moving citations	12
Parking citations issued	21
Towed vehicles	11

Saturday May 17, 2008:

Felony arrests	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	0
Drunk related arrests made	1
Moving citations	37
Parking citations issued	9
Towed vehicles	9

A success story is always nice to report. You may have heard at our Police Commission meeting last month, my frustration for businesses that open up and operate in a fashion that is not quite what they portrayed to be. It happens occasionally when a restaurant becomes a bar or club, out of compliance with their license, or in this case where a "lingerie modeling studio" becomes a service of a different

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kind. One business opened up several months ago as the retail sales/modeling site. A few weeks later it became a “Mini-theatre” where barkers on the sidewalk invited customers inside to view “live, naked dancers.” Central Station Officers worked with our Vice detail and after 2 prostitution arrests and a robbery of a customer report, the Planning Commission recently sent a letter to cease and desist of the illegal operations. This included removing an awning that claimed them to be a “mini-theatre.” We will continue to monitor the situation closely.

Crimes of Note

5/11/08 at 1 AM, a man walking home on the **2500 block of Larkin Street** said he was approached by 4 black male adults and one pointed a handgun at him. The loss was \$8 cash and a cell phone.

5/13/08 at 11:45 PM, a 42 year old man visiting from Santa Cruz said he ate at a restaurant near **Broadway** and met an Asian male by the name of “Kelly.” The two men left to purchase marijuana at a location near the **400 block of Pacific**. As they stopped to shout out to the ‘seller’, the victim was hit in the head and claimed he was relieved of \$2,000 cash and some keys.

5/13/08 at midnight on the 1000 block of Bush Street. **Officers Matt Sullivan and René Nielsen** responded to a call of a Burglary in progress. After a search of a neighboring apartment, the officer’s search was fruitful when they located the suspect hiding in a bathroom in the apartment. The 24 year old white male apparently climbed through an open window.

5/14/08 at 11:35 PM at Beach and Taylor. Officers made an excellent arrest of four individuals in a robbery of a young man who was waiting at a bus stop. The four suspects approached the victim and took his cell phone. When he attempted to resist, he was struck in the face and head by all three suspects. A video game and case and bag were also taken by the suspects. Officers searched the area and located the suspects at Chestnut and Van Ness. **Officers Eric Tapang, Chris Anderson, Norm Rice, Chris Olson and Sgt. Riskin** handled the case and recovered all the stolen property and located suspected narcotics on one of the suspects.

5/18/08 at 2 AM, Grant and Pacific Avenues. **Officers Jesse Heredia and George Perez** were on patrol when they were flagged down by an individual at Pacific and Columbus. The victim stated that an adult male walked up behind him, stuck something in his back and demanded money. The suspect pulled cash from the victim’s pocket and fled towards Beckett Alley. The victim pointed out the suspect to the officers at Pacific and Beckett where they arrested him.

Prostitution Cases

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5/13/08 at 10:30 PM 700 block of Post Street, a 22 year old female from Fresno was arrested by Officers Jeff Smetherst and Kevin Lee.

5/20/08 at 11 PM, two women were arrested by Officers Nielsen and Sullivan for loitering to commit prostitution.

5/21/08 at 1 AM at Polk and Post Streets, two San Francisco women were arrested for loitering for the purposes of prostitution.

Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY:	911		
Non-Emergency:	553-0123		
Cell phone 911:	553-8090		
Customer Service Center:	311		
Central Station:	315-2400		
Web:	www.sfgov.org/police		
Captain James I. Dudley	315-2480	james.dudley@sfgov.org	
Anonymous Tip-Line	392-2623	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:	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- 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 and Bob Merino	
North Beach	315-2400	Officer Mark Alvarez & Mike Kangrga	
Community Liaison:	421-6443 x37	Tel-Hi- Kelly Komasa	

Megan's Law Website Access:

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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 SFPD: 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

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

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