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Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

Captain James I. Dudley

Captain's Comments

This past weekend we had quite a turnover at Central Station. All four Lieutenants were transferred Saturday to various assignments. We wish a fond farewell and best of luck to **Lieutenant Jim Calonico, (Solo Motorcycle Traffic Detail), Lt. Al Yee, (Honda's and horses at Tactical Division), Lt. Henry Parra, (to Richmond Station), and Lt. Bob Moser, (Management Control Division)**. All four lieutenants did a great job here at Central Station. Four new replacement Lieutenants come from various locations in the department and we hope not to skip a beat in continuity of operations here in the transition. We welcome **New Day Watch Lieutenants will be Lynette Hogue and Larry Minasian. Night Watch Lieutenants will be Dave Smith and Jones Wong.**

Night Club Activity

The Entertainment Commission will be conducting a summit to discuss violence and other public safety issues on Thurs. Jan. 17, 2008 at 1400 hours. The summit will be held at Bill Graham Civic Auditorium on the 4th floor. You are invited attend this summit to hear about night club activity and recent acts of violence in connection with clubs. The discussion panel will include **Central Station Permit Officer Fred Crisp** and members of the Entertainment Commission.

Miscellaneous Musings

Last week I received yet another check payable to the indomitable Inspector Harry Callahan, the movie character made famous by Clint Eastwood. The check came in an envelope with a return address to an individual in Calgary, Canada. It was made payable to "Harry Callahan" in the amount of \$87,127.87. So, can any "numbers expert" out there tell me the significance of that?

A bat, (the flying kind), was found last week in the Marina District, wrapped in a towel. The bat was taken by Animal Care and Control and came back positive when tested for rabies. Despite being an urban environment, this is not such an unusual occurrence in San Francisco. The Department of Public Health advises to put up window screens to avoid bats from flying into your home. If you discover one inside, do not attempt to kill or catch it, but call Animal Care and Control. They will capture it and check it for rabies. The bat bite is very small and hardly noticeable.

Broadway Corridor

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Friday January 11, 2008:

Felony arrests made	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	1
Drunk related arrests made	2
Moving citations	9
Parking citations issued	17
Towed vehicles	10

Saturday January 12, 2008:

Felony arrests	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	0
Drunk related arrests made	2
Moving citations	15
Parking citations issued	16
Towed vehicles	10

Crimes of Note

On 1/7/08 at 5:35 AM, on the 1000 block of Kearny, Officers Matt Sullivan and Rene Nielsen responded to the scene of a robbery. Two suspects entered the business, and the male suspect pointed either a gun or a taser type weapon at the victim and demanded the money from the cash register. Another employee who was nearby witnessed the incident and was able to recognize the male suspect as someone with whom he has had contact with in the past. The suspects were described as follows: (1) Latin or Middle Eastern male, 35-45 years old, 6'0", 180 lbs., wearing a white ski mask, dark green hoody, blue jeans, and dirty white tennis shoes. (2) Unk. race female, wearing a black puffy coat, black jeans, and white shoes.

On 1/7/08 at 2:35 PM, on the 100 block of Jackson, Officer Kim Koltzoff responded to the scene of a shoplifting where the female suspect was fighting with security personnel attempting to take her into custody. Upon her arrival, Officer Koltzoff attempted to handcuff the combative suspect. The suspect resisted the Officer's efforts and, in the struggle, Officer Koltzoff fell to the sidewalk, but landed on top of the suspect. Officer Koltzoff quickly performed a carotid restraint hold on the suspect, which effectively allowed her to get the suspect handcuffed.

On 1/7/08 at 8:55 PM, at Francisco & Taylor, Officers Damien Fahey and Norm Rice met with the victim of an armed robbery. The victim was approached by the suspect who pointed a small black semi-automatic handgun at him and demanded his money. The victim surrendered his money, and the suspect fled on foot, E/B on Francisco toward Mason. The suspect was described as a black male, 20-30 years old, 6'0", 160 lbs., wearing a long black hooded overcoat, and dark jeans.

On 1/8/08 at 10:52 PM, at North Point and Larkin, Officers Lynn Pomatto and Terrance Saw interviewed the victim of a robbery. The victim was listening to his Ipod as he walked E/B on North Point. He was pushed from behind, fell to the ground, and was then punched in the face and kicked in the abdomen by two suspects. One suspect unzipped a bag the victim was carrying and stole his laptop computer. Both suspects fled on foot, W/B on North Point. The suspects were described as follows: (1) Black or Latin male, 15 years old, 5'9", 150 lbs., wearing dark clothing and a dark hat. (2) Black or Latin male, unk. age, 5'4" 140 lbs., wearing dark clothing and a black knitted cap.

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On 1/10/08 at 11:45 AM, on the 400 block of Bay, Officer Noel Deleon was dispatched on a report of an auto burglary in progress. Working with a suspect description provided by police dispatch, Officer Deleon saw the suspect dash into a business on the 400 block of Beach St., where he arrested him. With the assistance of **Officers Seve Flores and Mary Godfrey**, the suspect was positively identified by a witness, and the stolen briefcase in the suspect's possession was identified by and returned to the owner of the victim vehicle.

On 1/10/08 at 10:07 PM, on the 1400 block of Sacramento, Officers Jason Gallagher and Chris Olson responded to a stabbing. Two women who share an apartment had been arguing all day. Things escalated to the point where one woman sprayed the other in the face with an unknown substance. The second woman retaliated by stabbing the first woman in the chest with a steak knife. The primary suspect was arrested at the scene by Officers Gallagher and Olson. The victim was taken to SF General Hospital where she was listed in guarded condition. This incident remains under investigation by our General Work Detail.

On 1/11/08 at 10:38 PM, on the unit block of Dashiell Hammett, Officers Nico Discenza and Zahid Khan responded to a call of an individual harassing passersby. Upon arriving, the Officers quickly located the subject and determined that he had recently been released on parole. A parole search of his hotel room revealed numerous items of stolen property, including personal checks, bank statements, and other documents belonging to 3 separate individuals. The search also uncovered several items used in the manufacturing of fraudulent California Department of Motor Vehicle licenses and identification cards. These items were seized and the suspect was charged with an assortment of felony crimes.

On 1/13/08 at 1:57 AM, on the 2800 block of Leavenworth, Officers Nico Discenza and Zahid Khan responded along with numerous other **Central Station officers** to a report of a large fight outside a nightclub. While enroute there, **Patrol Special Officer Robert Burns** reported hearing gunshots in the area of Beach & Leavenworth. When the dust settled, we were left with one individual who had been stabbed in the back, 4 empty .40 caliber shell casings in the intersection, and a discarded semi-automatic handgun found by officers inside a newspaper rack. 3 people were detained at the scene and later released, as they could not be connected to any crimes at the time. Physical evidence located and collected at the crime scene may yet help us solve this crime.

On 1/14/08 at 2:15 PM Officers responded to a call on the **800 block of Stockton Street** of a 5 year old child who had fallen from three stories above to the ground below. The child was transported to SFGH where she remained in critical condition. Fortunately, it is suspected that an awning on the ground floor broke her fall and saved her life.

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Prostitution Update

We continue to work with the Vice Crimes Unit to eradicate prostitution activity on the Polk Street corridor. Last week, **Officers Jessie Ortiz and Jason Gallagher** arrested a woman at around 3AM for loitering with the intent to engage in prostitution on the 1500 block of California. At around 2:20AM that same morning, Vice Crimes Inspector Steve Ravella arrested a woman for the same crime, as she was plying her trade at the intersection of Hyde & California. Central Station remains committed to meeting the prostitution problem head on and making our police district an even better one in which to reside.

Central District Events

The “Walk for Life” rally and march will take place on **Saturday, January 19, 2008**. This is an effort in opposition of the 1973 Supreme Court decision on Roe v Wade. Supporters will gather in Ferry Park Plaza beginning at 11AM in preparation for a noontime march to the Marina Greens. The route of the march is as follows: From Ferry Park Plaza, N/B on the Embarcadero to W/B Jefferson; W/B Jefferson to S/B Hyde; S/B Hyde to W/B Beach; W/B Beach to S/B Polk; S/B Polk to W/B North Point; W/B North Point to N/B Van Ness; N/B Van Ness to W/B McDowell Road; W/B McDowell Road to W/B Marina Blvd.; W/B Marina into the Marina Greens. A counter demonstration is expected, and permits have been issued for the counter demonstration and rally at Justin Herman Plaza. Well over 200 officers from throughout the SFPD will be dedicated to these events, including 45 officers from Central Station. We expect vehicular traffic along the Embarcadero to be impacted, so please plan ahead and bear with us as we do our best to keep things moving along.

In this and coming weeks, San Francisco has been or will be visited by Former President Bill Clinton, Congressional Majority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and presidential candidate and Congressman Barak Obama. All these visits will include stops in the Central Police District. Again, this will require the attention and presence of Central Station officers. Response time to calls for service (non-emergencies) may be impacted. Traffic will likely be affected as well, as these notables make their scheduled appearances across our District. Visits of this nature will undoubtedly increase as we move deeper into this Presidential election year.

Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY: 911

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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 Sgt. Steve Shanahan
Graffiti Fax 278-9456 steven.shanahan@sfgov.org .
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 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:

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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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