

Central Police Station



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Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

Captain James I. Dudley

Captain's Comments

Gung Hay Fat Choy!

Although it was a bit damp, the Chinese New Year's Parade was a success, with nary a hang up. Sgt. John Colla and Officer Dwight Lee had the event planning well in hand, having done it for several years in a row now. "How difficult can that be?" You may ask, in coordinating plans for the parade. There are plenty of things that need attending to, including diverse groups, hundreds of officers, barricades, yards of yellow tape, parking signs, tow away zones, troop management and shuttle logistics. As usual, despite it all, it was a job very well done. The guys get a few days off and then back to the drawing board for St. Patrick's day celebrations for the weekend of March 15th.

Entertainment Venue Meeting

On 2/21/08 at 6 PM, we held our monthly Community Policing meeting with a focus on Broadway and entertainment venues across the district. The meeting was well attended by approximately 65 people or more. Several issues were discussed including officer deployment, traffic management, club inspections, crime issues and planning issues. I spoke about where we were 2 years ago, what we've done and where we are headed. The Night Watch at Central Station is wholly responsible for the outstanding job and dedication towards enforcement around the problems and issues. We are now at a point where crime and incidents are significantly down. Although there is still a dedicated compliment of officers to the area, others can be freed up for work around the rest of the district. The Night Lieutenants will closely monitor and make adjustments to deploy additional troops as needed. Jordanna Thigpen from the Taxi Commission made a presentation regarding illegal cabs and limousines and spoke of a plan to establish two taxi zones on Broadway. Jill Cannon from the City Attorney's Office spoke about Code Enforcement. A good point was made to call 311 for various non-police related needs. Questions of services provided by other City agencies such as DPT, DPW, Rec and Park and others can be answered by calling 311 anytime.

Be a NERT!

Just a quick reminder that the San Francisco Fire Department will host their acclaimed Neighborhood Emergency Response Training (NERT) at the Fed starting in March. You and/or your tenants can learn hazard mitigation techniques, how to fight a fire, search and rescue, and disaster medicine all for FREE. The training will be held on March 5, 12, and 19 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. You must attend all three days to receive your certification. You can register on-line at www.sfgov.org/sffdnext or R.S.V.P. to sffdnext@sfgov.org or 415-970-2024.

Broadway Corridor

Friday February 22, 2008:

Saturday February 23, 2008:

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Felony arrests made	0	Felony arrests	0
Misdemeanor arrests made	1	Misdemeanor arrests made	1
Drunk related arrests made	0	Drunk related arrests made	2
Moving citations	4	Moving citations	10
Parking citations issued	22	Parking citations issued	32
Towed vehicles	20	Towed vehicles	18

Crimes of Note

It seemed to start last week when Lt. Dave Smith recovered a handgun from the trunk of the car with 7 pounds of marijuana. The run on weapons continued this week with thankfully, no officers, suspects or victims hurt.

On 2/22/08 at 7 PM, Officers Terrance Saw and John Ferrando were in the area of Hyde and Geary when they noticed 2 suspicious males appear to make a hand to hand drug exchange. One suspect reached into his waistband and turned and ran. The officers gave chase and recovered a **.38 caliber handgun** that the suspect attempted to throw away while running.

On 2/22/08 at 2 PM, Union Square Beat Officer Tom Cunnane approached a suspect on the corner of 500 Post on a complaint that he was an aggressive panhandler. Officer Cunnane asked the suspect to put down a newspaper that he held and heard a distinguishable “clank” that newspapers do not usually make when he put it down. Further investigation revealed **metal knuckles**, to be used as a prohibited weapon. The suspect was arrested for felony possession.

On 2/24/08 at 12:30 AM, Officers Dave Frias and Matt Sullivan pulled a car over at **Jefferson and Leavenworth** for a traffic violation. The suspect had no license and as a result was arrested and was to have his car towed when he claimed that he had a gun inside. The officers indeed located a **handgun** and loaded magazine with 9mm rounds in it.

Also on 2/24/08 at 9:20 PM, Officers responded to Bay and Columbus on a call of “shots fired.” Officers sorted out that there was an ‘eat and run’ situation when a waitress chased 2 male patrons from a restaurant on the **200 block of Jefferson** regarding the bill. One suspect pulled a handgun and fired a shot at the woman, missing her. **Officers John Norment and Kevin Worrell** responded and immediately broadcast the description of the two black male suspects. Officers on the perimeter began a canvas search of the area. **Officers Monica Macdonald and Jesse Ortiz** spotted the suspects at Northpoint and Hyde and told them to stop at gunpoint. The suspects refused to comply and instead ran away on foot, with officers in pursuit. A short while, one suspect slowed down and pulled the **.40 caliber handgun** from his waistband area. The gun flew out of the suspect’s hand and hit a scaffold

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as the officers quickly moved in to restrain him and recover the gun. Both suspects were identified and booked.

Prostitution Activity

On February 19th, **prostitution were made in a decoy operation by the** Vice Detail along our western border at Larkin Street. Four men were arrested and one vehicle was towed.

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	
		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	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.

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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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