

Central Police Station



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Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, February 27, 2007

Rain, rain, go away..... I spent all morning at the rock slide that began out back of the 400 block of Vallejo Street. Several tons of rock crashed down on rear facing structures on the even side of Broadway Street. At the time of this report, we ran a unified command with the Department of Building Inspections and helped evacuate and secure approximately 85 apartments and businesses. The American Red Cross was on hand from 3:30 AM and set up a shelter for displaced residents at the Chinatown Rec Center at 1199 Mason Street. A meeting is scheduled for tomorrow 2/28/07 at noon at 440 Broadway for the community to hear from City Agencies on what will be happening over the next days to week.

Another fun-filled week in the Central District included three community meetings and a Crab Festival at Union Square. Next week we have at least two community meetings and two events on March 2nd -Dr. Seuss's Birthday. Officers will read to kids in the district in Chinatown and in North Beach.

Of course the big event of the year in Chinatown will be the **Chinese New Year's Parade on Saturday evening March 3rd at 5 PM. The staging area will be Market and 2nd Street, winding up Market to Geary, to Union Square, across Post Street and up Kearny to the big finish in front of Portsmouth Square.** It should be a lot of fun with several thousands of spectators enjoying the festivities. The **Chinatown Community Fair** will go Saturday and Sunday along Grant Avenue, Columbus and Stockton, from California to Broadway.

On a somber note, **Officer Bryan Tavera's** name will be added to the Wall of Honor, dedicated to Officers who have fallen in the line of duty on Friday March 2, 2007 at 2 PM at the Hall of Justice, 850 Bryant Street.

Protests are expected **Monday February 26-Thursday March 1st** From the Mission District, through the Northern District to the Federal Building and from 11 AM-1 PM each day in front of **the INS building at 630 Sansome Street.** 50-75 protesters are expected each day.

Do you want to be a positive change agent in our community?

Want a career in Community Organizing? Do you know someone who does? We are looking for someone to:

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- Participate in and encourage the participation of community residents in City planning efforts affecting the long and short-term well-being of the neighborhood;
- Work with youth and staff at local middle school, high school, and North Beach Place to plan and implement violence prevention activities;
- Work in collaboration with the Central Station and the District Attorney's office to improve police-community relationships and support crime reduction and safety initiatives;
- Work in collaboration with staff at North Beach Place and the North Beach Place Tenant Association to support community development efforts.
- Recruit, screen, train, support, and recognize 35-45 volunteers for all Tel-Hi's programs and special events;
- Maintain the volunteer database and paper file (including background checks);
- Organize trainings for staff members to assist them in working with volunteers.

Desired Qualifications:

The ideal candidate must have a strong commitment to social justice, experience in community organizing and volunteer management, and excellent interpersonal and communication skills, both written and verbal. He/she must have the ability to work as part of a team, as well as independently when needed. Self-motivation, initiative, flexibility, problem solving, organizational, and multi-tasking skills are essential. The ability to work well with a diverse constituency and excel in a multi-cultural environment is required.

Interested applicants should mail or e-mail cover letter and resume to: Tim Daniels, Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Center, 660 Lombard Street, San Francisco, CA 94133 tdaniels@tel-hi.org. For additional information please visit our website at www.tel-hi.org.

Fraud Scam Alert:

There have been several variations of fraud schemes throughout the City. Sometimes the suspect contacts the victim in person, sometimes by phone, letter or the Internet. Recently, a friend told me that her son was bilked out of cash when a 'broker' from NY via Nigeria sent him a check and asked for cash up front on sale.

RULES OF THUMB:

- If someone you never met asks you to send them cash up front for services, refuse and go to another dealer.
- If the deal sounds too good to be true, it probably is.
- Beware of offers or deals that promise something for nothing.

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-Reputable service workers who come to your door have identification and an office phone for you to check if need be. If in doubt, call the police for help.

The San Francisco Police Department has received several reports from elderly City residents who have received phone calls from people claiming to be their relative. The caller goes on to say that they were stuck in Phoenix, Arizona, that they lost their wallet or had car problems, and asked that money be sent by Western Union in the amount of \$450.00. In all cases the suspects did not know the grandson's name until the names were given by the victims. They have taken advantage of victims too polite to question them.

The suspects asked that the money be sent to Robert Bailey or Ronald Bailey since they had no identification to claim the money. The ages of the victims range from 81 to 93.

Be highly suspicious of phone calls from people claiming to be relatives in need of money or of strangers at your door claiming that their vehicles have broken down and that they are in need of money. You may certainly refuse their requests and call 911 to report the activity.

Broadway Corridor:

Efforts to manage the corridor continue with excellent results. Recently, one club closed operations and we hope to see a new tenant soon at Broadway near Columbus. Thanks to efforts of the Night Watch and the City Attorney Deputy Jill Cannon.

Friday February 23, 2007:

0 Felony arrests made
2 Misdemeanor arrests made
3 Drunk related arrests made
36 moving cites issued
22 parking citations issued
17 towed vehicles

Saturday February 24, 2007:

0 Felony arrests made
0 Misdemeanor arrests made
3 Drunk related arrests made
21 moving cites issued
25 parking citations issued
17 towed vehicles

Crimes of Note:

Officers Lynn Masetti and Sam Yuen responded on 2/19/07 at 1 AM to an adult entertainment club on the 500 block of Broadway. One employee of the club said she was assaulted by three other young women employees, one of whom she said, hit her over the head with a metal tip box. The reportee sustained a laceration to her head and an injury to her hip.

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On 2/19/07 at 10:45 AM, Officer Mary Godfrey responded to Clay and Stockton to meet a young Asian male who said that he was robbed. The man said he got off MUNI and began walking when he was approached by two Black males 20-25 years old 5'8" 160, one was wearing a grey and red plaid jacket black knit cap and blue jeans. One suspect walked in front of him and the suspect behind him pushed him forward and demanded his wallet. The victim complied and the suspects ran East on Clay Street.

On 2/19/07 at 11 AM Officer Ed Robles responded to Pier 35 on a call of a suspect fraudulently taking cash from people using the self-pay parking lot. The suspect, a Black male 54 years, 6' 140 pounds wearing a black leather jacket and blue jeans is a repeat offender of this scam. He was arrested and found to have two outstanding criminal warrants for the same offense.

On 2/20/07 at 1:10 AM Officers Damien Fahey and Kevin Worrell responded to an adult entertainment club on the 1000 block of Kearny on a call of security holding a prisoner. They took the suspect into custody and noticed blood around his mouth. They learned from security that he was denied entrance into the club because he was drunk. He continued to hang out in front of the club and spit on the security officer who then attempted to hold him for police. While restraining the suspect, the guard was bitten severely on the forearm by the suspect.

On 2/2/07 at 9 AM, the manager of a coffee shop on the **400 block of Battery** saw two suspicious people, a White male and White female who had attempted to pass counterfeit \$20 bills in that store and another in the area on the previous day. On this second date, the same two suspects attempted to pass another phony bill when the police were called. **Officer Darryl Fong** responded and took the two into custody and called the Secret Service. The suspects were booked for felony counterfeit charges and conspiracy.

On 2/20/07 at 6:30 PM, Officers Nico Discenza and Noah Mallinger responded to **Pier 39's** parking garage where security was holding two suspects and a recovered stolen car used in a Burglary. The security officers explained that they saw the vehicle being driven by the suspects at a high rate of speed through the lot. One officer motioned for them to stop but he was struck by the car and rolled over the hood. He radioed for help and the car was stopped before it could exit the garage.

A 24 year old Asian female told officers that as she walked at **Kearny near Market Street**, she was surrounded by 3 Black females 16-18 years old on **2/21/07 at 3:30 PM**. One suspect punched her above the eye and forcibly took her IPOD that she was wearing. The suspects ran towards Montgomery Street on Post.

On 2/24/07 at 2 AM near Pacific and Jones a man and woman were walking home when two Black males walked up and brandished a handgun and demanded their purse, cell phones and wallet. The suspects were wearing 'hoodie' sweatshirts in an attempt to cover their faces. They are described as aged 20-25 5'10" 200 and 5'10, 180 wearing dark hooded sweatshirts and dark pants and a "SF" baseball cap.

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On 2/24/07 at 5:43 AM Officers Jared Lovrin and Christina Pena responded to an alarm at **Tillman and Grant Avenue**. The officers observed a ladder leading to an open window and saw a flashlight being shone about a closed café. Officer Pena spotted a suspect hiding under a stairwell in the basement. The White male suspect 36 years old with a SF address was booked for Burglary and possession of Burglary tools.

On 2/25/07 at 3 AM Officers Sam Yuen and William Toomey responded to the **200 block of Geary** on a broken window call. As they approached they saw three Black males walking from the shattered window and one went back inside the building through the hole in the window. As they detained the man inside, the other suspects ran towards Union Square. After a brief chase, Officer Toomey and other officers detained the suspects at Union Square and also found expensive handbags from the store along the escape route. A backpack with merchandise, a bb gun and evidence linking the suspects was also found. In total, 3 suspects were booked for Burglary and approx. \$5,000 worth of merchandise was recovered. 5 suspects were detained but two were released at the scene.

Central Station Resource List

EMERGENCY: 911
Non-Emergency: 553-0123
Cell phone 911: 553-8090
Central Station: 315-2400
Web: www.sfgov.org/police
(For Crime Stats, Internet reports, etc.)

Captain James I. Dudley	315-2480	james.dudley@sfgov.org	
Anonymous Tip-Line	392-2623	SF 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:	298-0903	Officer Kim Koltzoff	
Homeless Issues:	850-6416	Off. Jay Shastri, Off. Bob Cebalo, Off. Cathy Daly and Vic Silveira	
Chinatown Beat:	315-2400	Off. Leon Sorhondo & Jonathan Tong	

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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 & Mike Kangrga
Community Liaison: 421-6443

The Police Community Meeting is held on the third Thursday of Each month at 6 PM at a site to be announced.

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 San Francisco Citizen's Police Academy

For more information, including application process, please call Ms.Lula Magallon at (415) 401-4720, or Officer Maria Oropeza at (415) 401-4701. You can also email us at sfpd_citizenspoliceacademy@yahoo.com or visit our website: http://www.sfgov.org/site/police_index.asp?id=20182.

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