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The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$5,765.00 in donations and newsletter advertisements- we have \$18,535.00 to go by June 30, 2017.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

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**Halloween Safety:
Tips For Trick-or-Treaters**



Make Halloween safety part of your holiday fun. Start with these practical Halloween safety tips.

By The Mayo Clinic Staff

Halloween can be safely enjoyed — especially when parents put extra care into planning and supervision. Talk with your children every year about safety concerns unique to this holiday, and review do's and don'ts before heading out to trick or treat. Follow these tips to keep your family safe this spooky season.

Carve safely

Before you start carving pumpkins, consider these Halloween safety rules:

- **Decorate with markers, glitter glue or paint.** Let young children draw faces on pumpkins with art supplies. Leave any carving to an adult.
- **Use candles with care.** Place candlelit pumpkins on a sturdy surface away from curtains and other flammable objects. Never leave candlelit pumpkins unattended. Better yet, light pumpkins with flashlights, battery-operated flameless candles or glow sticks instead.

Get clever with costumes

From furry animals to princesses and superheroes, choosing costumes wisely is an important part of Halloween safety. Follow these tips:

- **The brighter the better.** Whether you buy a costume or make one yourself, choose bright colors and flame-retardant materials. If your child will be trick-or-treating outdoors after dark, attach reflective tape to his or her costume or treat bag.

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- **Skip the masks.** A mask can obstruct your child's vision, especially if it slips out of place. Use kid-friendly, nontoxic makeup instead.
- **Limit accessories.** Pointed props — such as wands, swords and knives — might pose safety hazards. Carry flashlights or wear glowing wristbands instead.

Trick or treat with care

Before your children start trick-or-treating, review these basic Halloween safety rules:

- **Get in on the fun.** Accompany trick-or-treaters younger than age 12. Pin a piece of paper with your child's name, address and phone number inside your child's pocket in case you get separated. Encourage older kids to trick or treat with a group of friends, parents or older siblings. Make sure someone in the group has a flashlight with fresh batteries.
- **Set ground rules.** If your child will be trick-or-treating without you, plan and discuss a familiar route and set a curfew. Review safety rules, including staying with the group, walking only on the sidewalk, approaching only clearly lit homes, and never going inside a home or car for a treat. Have your child carry a cell phone for the evening so that he or she can contact you.
- **Inspect treats before indulging.** Don't let your child snack while he or she is trick-or-treating. Feed your child an early meal before heading out, and inspect the treats before allowing your child to dive in. Discard anything that's not sealed, has torn packaging or looks questionable. If you have young children, weed out gum, peanuts, hard candies and other choking hazards. If your child has food allergies, check candy labels carefully. Even hard candies may be manufactured in facilities that process nuts, milk, soy, wheat, egg or other allergens.
- **Ration the loot.** If your child collects gobs of goodies, dole out a few pieces at a time and save the rest. You might even ask your child if he or she would like to swap some — or all — of the candy for something else, such as a special toy, book or outing.
- **Plan a party.** Consider planning a trick or treat party with a couple of neighbors instead of house-to-house door knocking. Decorate the garages, have a costume contest, and plan games and prizes. Check local schools, malls and churches to find other safe celebration options.

Stay safe and sweet on the home front

Planning to hand out treats? To make sure you're ready for trick-or-treaters, follow these tips:

- **Clean up.** Put away anything trick-or-treaters could trip over, such as garden hoses, toys, bikes and lawn decorations. Clear wet leaves, snow or other debris from the sidewalk.
- **Turn the lights on.** Replace any burned-out bulbs to ensure good visibility at the walkway and front door.
- **Control your pets.** Take no chances that your pet might be frightened and chase or bite a child at your door.
- **Consider sugar substitutes.** Instead of handing out sugar-laden treats, try stickers, fun pencils, rubber insects or colored chalk.

If you'll be driving on Halloween, watch for children who might pop out between parked cars. Be especially careful entering or leaving driveways and alleys. Extra caution can help ensure Halloween safety for everyone.



History of Red Ribbon Week:

Remembering DEA Agent

Enrique Camarena

Red Ribbon Week 2016- Oct 23 - 31



Many versions of the events surrounding the kidnapping and murder of DEA Agent Enrique Camarena have been told over the years. Recently, we met with representatives from the Enrique S. Camarena Foundation and asked them to review the materials on our site for accuracy. The information presented to you on the Red Ribbon Coalition website has been approved by the Foundation.

Red Ribbon Week began after the kidnapping, torture, and brutal murder of Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena in 1985. Agent Camarena had been working undercover in Guadalajara, Mexico for over four years. His efforts led to a tip that resulted in the discovery of a multimillion dollar narcotics manufacturing operation in Chihuahua, Mexico. The successful eradication of this and other drug production operations angered leaders of several drug cartels who sought revenge. As a result, they murdered key informants and then, on February 7, 1985, they kidnapped Agent Camarena and his pilot Captain Alfredo Zavala-Avelar (taken separately on the same day).

After DEA Agent Camarena and Captain Zavala-Avelar were kidnapped, the DEA launched a massive investigation. The agents found local law enforcement uncooperative at best. DEA Administrator Jack Lawn and US Attorney General Edwin Meese sought greater support from Mexican officials including the Mexican Attorney General but to no avail. Orders from US Customs Commissioner William von Raab effectively closed the US/Mexico border for days putting pressure on the Mexican government to assist.

Soon, representatives of the Mexican Federal Judicial Police (MFJP) presented a tip to DEA Agents claiming that Agent Camarena had been mistakenly kidnapped by a man and his three sons. The MFJP informed the agents that a raid of the man's ranch in Angostura would take place the following morning and invited them to come. However, the MFJP raided the ranch before DEA agents arrived. During the raid, they shot and killed five individuals. Not long after, a passerby discovered the bodies of both Agent Camarena and Captain Zavala-Avelar by the side of the road not far from the ranch.

The DEA's investigation revealed that Agent Camarena had been tortured extensively before he was murdered. Audiotapes of the torture showed that medical doctors actually kept Agent Camarena alive in order to continue the interrogation. Evidence collected revealed that both Agent Camarena and Captain Zavala-Avelar were initially buried in one location and then moved to the ranch where they were found.

The dramatic events that followed Agent Camarena's disappearance were chronicled in national media here at home. They exposed the dark world of drug trafficking including how far drug traffickers would go to maintain power and control.

In Agent Camarena's home town, Calexico, CA, the public outpouring of support turned in to an organized community response in which citizens donned red ribbons. They became a voice for prevention in order to reduce the demand for illegal drugs and illegal use of legal drugs in America. The following year the California State PTA adopted the **Red Ribbon Campaign**. Then, in 1988, **Red Ribbon Week** was recognized nationally with President Ronald and First Lady Nancy Reagan serving as the Honorary Chairs.

Today, the **Red Ribbon Celebration** brings millions of people together to raise awareness regarding the need for alcohol, tobacco and other drug and violence prevention, early intervention, and treatment services. It is the largest, most visible prevention awareness campaign observed annually in the United States.

Editor's Note: The above information is from: <http://www.redribbon.org/about>.

We have placed a basket in the Police Department front lobby area; please stop by and pick up a **Red Ribbon** for you, your family, and your friends. Wear them throughout Red Ribbon Week to show your support and "Just say NO to the use of illegal drugs or the illegal use of legal drugs." **This year's slogan is YOLO (You Only Live Once).**

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

HB police patrol areas are the North and the South. Patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

**31 reports 08/16/16- 09/15/16
37 reports 07/16/16- 08/15/16**

Thirteen of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Eleven of these burglaries were committed during the day, seven were committed at night, and thirteen at an unknown time.

There were six garage entries.

There was one carport entry.

There were two storage unit entries.

There were five attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

**49 reports 08/16/16- 09/15/16
47 reports 07/16/16- 08/15/16**

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**28 reports 08/16/16- 09/15/16
41 reports 07/16/16- 08/15/16**

BEAT 2

**2 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries
RD 463-1 RD 485-1**

Streets: Woolburn Dr. and Harwich Ln.

In RD 485, Harwich Ln., it appears unknown suspect(s) entered through an open garage door where they removed various items and fled.

There were two garage entries.

**Vehicle Burglaries
RD 454-2 RD 455-1
RD 463-1 RD 466-2**

**Grand Theft Auto
RD 476-1**

BEAT 3

**2 Residential Burglaries
4 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries
RD 443-2**

Streets: Bridgepoint Dr. and Portview Cir.

In RD 443, Portview Cir., it appears suspect(s) entered the residence by removing the screen from an open window by the front door. Suspect(s) rummaged through the home and stole various items.

**Vehicle Burglaries
RD 424-1 RD 444-1
RD 445-1 RD 446-1**

In RD 446, suspect is in custody.

**Grand Theft Auto
RD 433-1 RD 445-1**

In RD 433, vehicle was recovered.

BEAT 4

**3 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries
RD 327-1 RD 431-2**

Streets: Peachtree Ln., Lake St., and Park St.

In RD 431, Lake St., it appears suspect used an unlocked gate to enter the backyard, then used an unlocked side garage pedestrian door to gain access into the garage. The resident's dog seemed to be barking at something in the garage, which is attached to the residence. The owner opened the interior door of the garage and confront-

ed the suspect; shortly afterward the suspect fled.

Suspect is described as male white, age in his 40's, height 5'9", weight 180 lbs, with a muscular build, balding on top with short dark hair on the side. He was wearing a navy blue tank top and had several flame tattoos on his left arm.

In RD 431, Park St., suspect(s) gained access into the residence by smashing the glass French doors with an unknown tool. Once inside it appears suspect(s) ransacked the master bedroom, stole a 600 to 800 pound gun safe, numerous other items, and fled.

There were two attempted entries.

**Vehicle Burglaries
RD 348-2 RD 349-1
RD 451-1 RD 461-1**

**Grand Theft Auto
RD 431-1 RD 451-2**

BEAT 5

**6 Residential Burglaries
8 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries
RD 292-1 RD 319-2
RD 413-2 RD 432-1**

Streets: Ellis Ave., Hitching Post Cir., Pimlico Cir., Beach Blvd., Valley Cir. and California St.

In RD 319, Hitching Post Cir., suspect is in custody.

In RD 319, Pimlico Cir., it appears unknown suspect(s) had cut the front room window screen and tried to slide the window open. No entry was made.

In RD 432, California St., the resident walked into the kitchen from the garage and observed the suspect removing a screen from a side window. When the suspect saw the resident, he fled. Suspect is described as

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Hispanic or Caucasian male, height 5'9", weight 120 lbs., age 17 to 18 years old with long curly brown hair. He was wearing a green or grey beanie, light rainbow colored hoodie sweatshirt, and khaki pants.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 292-1 RD 319-1
RD 411-1 RD 412-2
RD 421-1 RD 422-2

In RD 412, suspect is in custody.

Grand Theft Auto

RD 292-2 RD 411-1
RD 412-3

In RD 412, one vehicle was recovered.

BEAT 6

1 Residential Burglary
1 Vehicle Burglary
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 283-1

Streets: Cameron Ln.

In RD 283, Cameron Ln., it appears the suspect(s) entered a laundry room, attempted to pry open four washer/dryer coin slots, but was unsuccessful.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 263-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 264-1 RD 282-1

In RD 282, vehicle was recovered.

BEAT 7

5 Residential Burglaries
15 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 159-1 RD 189-2
RD 251-1 RD 262-1

Streets: Walton Dr., Crista Palma Dr., Jardines Dr., Bluesails Dr. and Viewpoint Ln.

In RD 159, Walton Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered an

unlocked side gate, walked to the backyard, and opened the unlocked master bedroom window. Suspect(s) entered the residence through this window, ransacked the home, and fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 262, Viewpoint Ln., it appears the suspect(s) entered a storage unit by unknown means, removed various items, and fled.

There was one garage entry.

There was one carport entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 159-2 RD 169-2
RD 178-8 RD 251-1
RD 253-1 RD 262-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 252-3 RD 253-1

In RD 253 vehicle was recovered.

BEAT 8

10 Residential Burglaries
4 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 162-1 RD 165-1
RD 166-1 RD 174-1
RD 175-2 RD 176-3
RD 186-1

Streets: Tropez Ln., Algonquin St., Charlotta Dr., Edgewater Ln., Los Patos Ave., Oceanridge Dr., Glenstone Dr., Warner Ave., and Beck Cir.

In RD 165, Algonquin St., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence by removing the screen from the bedroom window. No items were removed, but damage was done to the interior.

In RD 175, Los Patos Ave., suspect is in custody.

In RD 175, Oceanridge Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered the backyard through an unlocked side gate and used an unknown object to break a rear glass

door. Numerous items were stolen and suspect(s) fled.

There were two garage entries.

There was one storage unit entry.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 164-1 RD 166-1
RD 171-1 RD 176-1

In RD 164 suspect is in custody.

Grand Theft Auto

RD 155-1 RD 157-1
RD 166-1 RD 171-1

In RD 155 and 166, vehicles were recovered.

BEAT 9

2 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 117-1 RD 149-1

Streets: Croupier Dr. and Sunburst Ln.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241-3 RD 242-3

Grand Theft Auto

RD 146-1 RD 232-1
RD 241-2 RD 242-2

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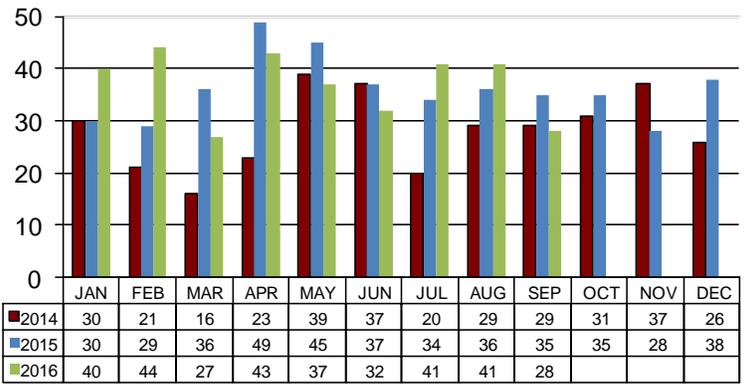
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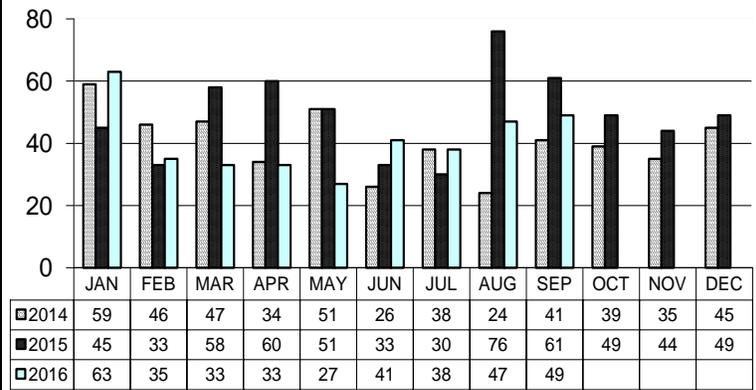
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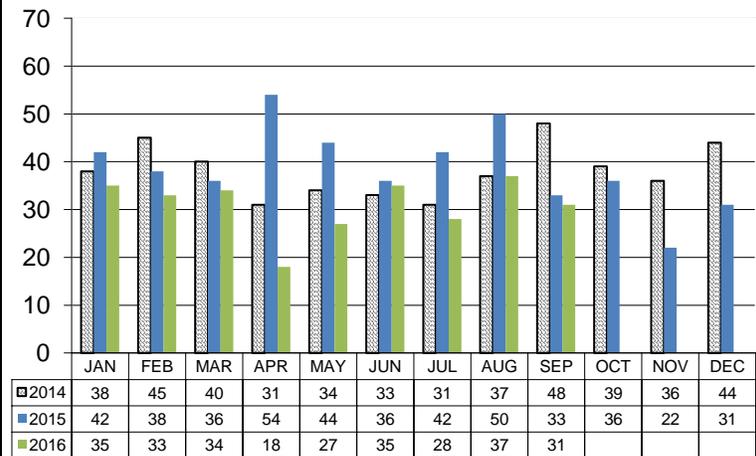
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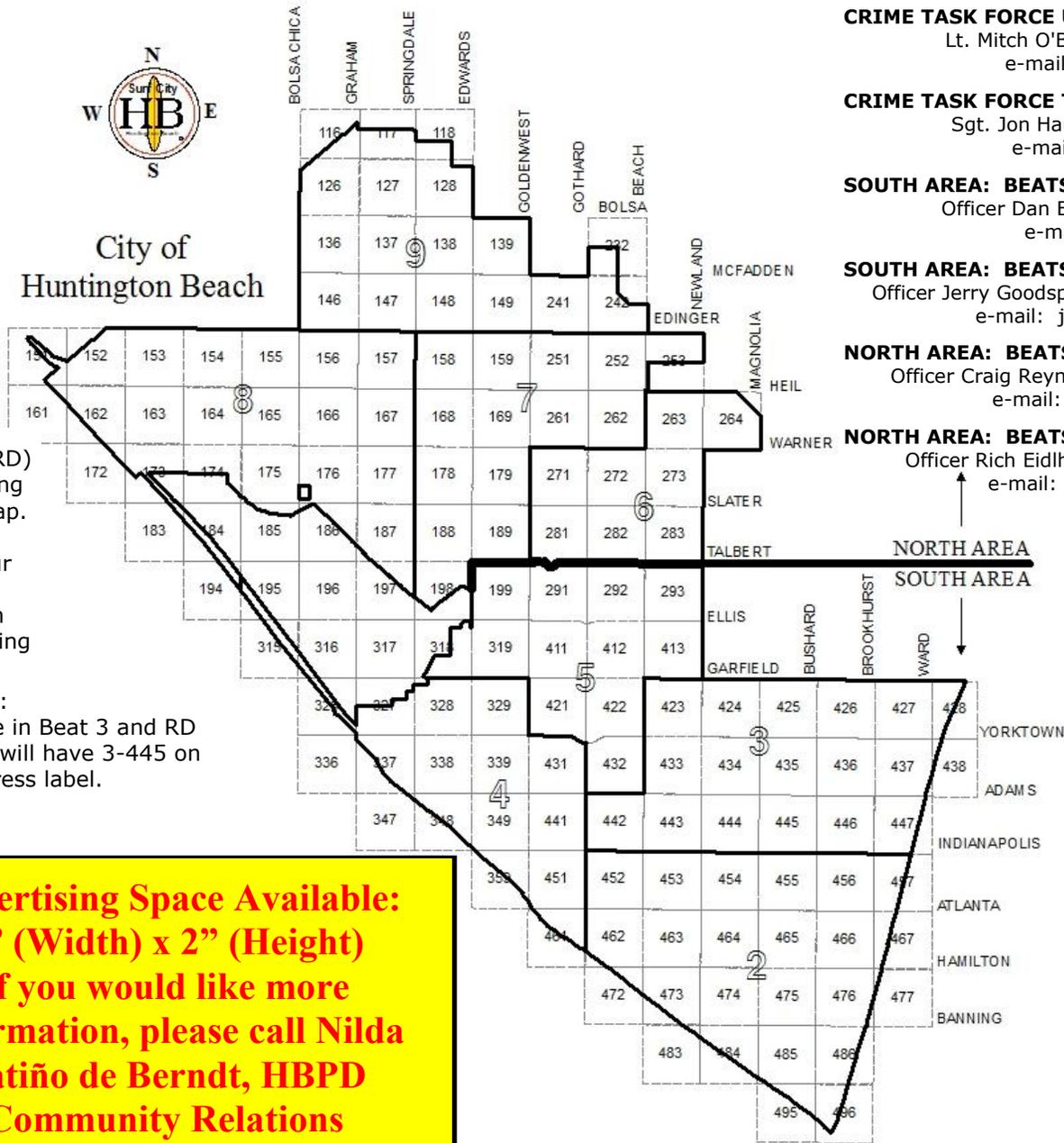
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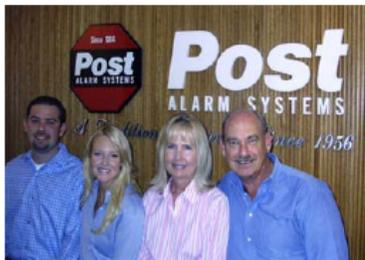
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