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AUGUST DONATION UPDATE

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 \$25,000 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 **\$1,420.99 in donations and newsletter advertisements - we have \$23,579.01 to go** by June 30, 2011. The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. A \$6 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.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics. Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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For more information please call (714) 536-5933.



***BACK TO SCHOOL
SAFETY TIPS***

The following safety tips for travelling to and from school are from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) (www.aap.org):

School Bus:

- * If your child's school bus has lap/shoulder seat belts, make sure your child uses one at all time when in the bus.
- * Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching it from the curb.
- * Do not move around on the bus.
- * Insure that no traffic is coming before crossing the street.
- * Make sure to always remain in clear view of the bus driver, do not stop to pick up something off the ground, or bend down where the bus driver may not see you.

Passenger Car:

- * All Passengers should wear a seat belt and/or an age and size appropriate car safety seat or booster seat.
- * All children under 13 years of age should ride in the rear seat of vehicles when possible.
- * Remember that many crashes occur while novice teen drivers are going to and from school. You should require seat belt use, limit the number of teen passengers; do not allow eating, drinking, cell phone conversations or texting to prevent driver distraction.

Bike:

- * Always wear a bicycle helmet.
- * Ride on the right, in the same direction as auto traffic.
- * Use appropriate hand signals.
- * Respect traffic lights and signals and walk your bicycle across an intersection
- * Wear bright color clothing to increase visibility.
- * Know the "rules of the road."

Walking to School:

- * Be realistic about your child's pedestrian skills. Carefully consider whether or not your child is ready to walk to school without adult supervision.
- * In neighborhoods with higher levels of traffic, consider starting a **"Walking school bus,"** in which an adult accompanies a group.
- * Make sure your child's walk or ride to school is a safe route.

Are You Ready?

Disaster Preparedness Seminar and Panel

September 25, 2010 - Council Chambers - 9AM to 12PM



Please join the City of Huntington Beach during National Disaster Preparedness Month

Listen to officials discuss key issues on preparing for disasters
Speakers include:

Mayor Cathy Green
Introductions

Patrick McIntosh
Fire Chief

What the city does to prepare for natural disasters and terrorism,
how we notify the public and what you can do to help.

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No registration required, but you may RSVP at
<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/cert>
Click Online Class Registration
Questions can be sent to bmettler@surfcity-hb.org





Identity Theft and Your Computer

Provided by the US Federal Trade Commission

Your computer can be a goldmine of personal information to an identity thief. Here are some ways to help you keep your computer and the personal information on it safe.

- Update your virus protection software regularly; install patches for your operating system and other software programs to protect against intrusions and infections that can lead to the compromise of your computer files or passwords. Ideally, you should set your virus protection software to update automatically. The Windows XP operating system also can be set to check for patches automatically and download them to your computer.
- Do not open files sent to you by strangers, click on hyperlinks, or download programs from people or companies you don't know. Be cautious about using file-sharing programs. Opening a file could expose your system to a computer virus or a program known as "spyware," which could capture your passwords or any other information as you type it onto your keyboard.
- Use a firewall program, especially if you use a high speed Internet connection like cable, DSL or T-1 that leaves your computer connected to the Internet 24 hours a day. The firewall program allows you to stop uninvited access to your computer. Without it, hackers can take over your computer, access the personal information stored on it or use it to commit other crimes.
- If you need to provide your personal or financial information through an organization's website, look for indications that the site is secure, like a lock icon on the browser's status bar or a URL for a website that begins "https:" (the "s" stands for secure). Unfortunately, no indicator is foolproof; some fraudulent sites have forged security icons.
- Try not to store financial information on your laptop unless absolutely necessary. If you do, use what experts call a "strong" password – a combination of letters (upper and lower case), numbers, and symbols. A good way to create a strong password is to think of a memorable phrase and use the first letter of each word as your password, converting some letters into numbers for example, "I love Felix; he's a good cat," would become 1LFHA6c. Don't use an automatic log-in feature that saves your user name and password and always log off when you're finished. If your laptop is stolen, it makes it harder for a thief to access your personal information.
- Before you dispose of a computer, delete all the personal information on it. Deleting files using the keyboard or mouse commands or reformatting your hard drive may not be enough because the files may stay on the computer's hard drive, where they may be retrieved easily. Use a "wipe" utility program to overwrite the entire hard drive.
- Look for website privacy policies and read them. The site should answer questions about maintaining accuracy, access, security and control of personal information collected by the site, how the information will be used, and whether it will be provided to third parties. If you don't see a privacy policy—or if you can't understand it—consider doing business elsewhere.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-13. 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

63 entries July 16 – August 15
43 entries June 16 – July 15

Twenty-seven of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Twenty of these burglaries were committed during the day, seventeen were committed at night, and twenty-six were committed at an unknown time.

There were fourteen garage entries. There were seven attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

77 reported July 16 – August 15
59 reported June 16 - July 15

GRAND THEFT AUTO

31 reported July 16 – August 15
28 reported June 16 – July 15

BEAT 2

6 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 475-1 RD 476-3
RD 485-2

Streets: Neolani Dr. Brookhurst St., Landfall Dr., Seaside Ln., Malibu Ln., and Christine Dr.

In RD 485, Malibu Ln; Suspect(s) remove items from unlocked vehicle located in open garage.
In RD 485, Christine Dr.; Suspect(s) are in custody. They were also linked to other burglaries.

There was one garage entry.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 465-1 RD 475-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 476-2

BEAT 3

1 Residential Burglary
2 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 454-1

Streets: Sierra Cr.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 445-1 RD 446-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 457-1

BEAT 4

7 Residential Burglaries
9 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 432-1 RD 433-1
RD 443-1 RD 452-3
RD 453-1

Streets: Yorktown Ave., Hurstwell Dr., Lake St., Frankfort Ave., Indianapolis Ave., and California St.

In RD 432, Yorktown Ave; Suspects are possibly known.

In RD 443, Lake St.: Suspect(s) enter unlocked garage and steal unlocked bicycle.

In RD 452, Frankfort Ave.; suspect enters unlocked garage and steals unlocked bicycles. Suspect is known.

In RD 452, Indianapolis Ave.; Suspect(s) enter the unlocked garage and steal a 2005 Harley Davidson Ultima Softtail that had the keys in the ignition.

In RD 452, California St.; Suspect(s) enter an unlocked or opened garage and steal 5 bicycles from the garage and side yard.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 432-2 RD 442-2
RD 453-2 RD 462-1
RD 463-2

Grand Theft Auto
RD 432-1 RD 442-1
RD 443-1 RD 452-1
RD 462-2

BEAT 5

2 Residential Burglaries
1 Vehicle Burglary
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 425-1 RD 427-1

Streets: Cindy Ln., and Kamuela Dr.

There was one attempted entry

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 436-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 426-1

BEAT 6

12 Residential Burglaries
13 Vehicle Burglaries
7 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 329-1 RD 337-1
RD 349-3 RD 441-1
RD 451-6

Streets: Surfdale Dr., Shadowbrook Cr., 12th St., 16th St., 18th St., 19th St., Lake St., and Main St.

In RD 337, Shadowbrook Cr.; Suspect(s) enter open garage and steal a bicycle.

In RD 349, 16th St.; Suspect(s) enters open garage and steals 2 Trek Bicycles.

In RD 349, 18th St.; Suspect(s) enter open garage and steal bicycles.

In RD 441, Lake St.; Suspect(s) enter open garage and steal a bicycle.

In RD 451, Lake St.; Suspect(s) removes window screen and enters through an open window.

In RD 451, 12th St.; Suspects(s) removes window screen and enters through an open/unlocked window to steal property while victim sleeps.

In RD 451, Main St.; Suspect is in custody.

In RD 451, Lake St., Suspect is in custody.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 339-1 RD 348-1
RD 349-2 RD 359-1
RD 431-1 RD 451-7

Grand Theft Auto
RD 329-1 RD 348-1
RD 359-1 RD 441-1
RD 451-2 RD 461-1

BEAT 7

3 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

Residential Burglaries

RD 293-1 RD 411-1
RD 421-1

Streets: Gulf Ln., Arcadia Dr., and Garden Glen Ct.

In RD 293, Gulf Ln.; Suspect(s) remove screen & enter open window.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 412-1 RD 422-1
RD 423-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 292-1 RD 421-2

BEAT 8

3 Residential Burglaries
7 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 176-1 RD 178-1
RD 179-1

Streets: Dunbar St., Treehaven Ln., and Rook Dr.

In RD 178, Treehaven Ln.; Suspect is interrupted and flees in a red truck.

In RD 179, Rook Dr.; attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 176-1 RD 177-3
RD 178-1 RD 198-1
RD 281-1

Grand Theft Auto

None reported

BEAT 9

4 Residential Burglaries
4 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 263-1 RD 273-2
RD 282-1

Streets: Lancaster Dr., "A" Ln., Valencia Dr., and Liberty Ave.

In RD 273, Valencia Dr.; Suspect(s) are possibly known.

In RD 282, Liberty Dr.; Suspect is known.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 272-1 RD 273-1
RD 282-1 RD 283-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 272-3

BEAT 10

7 Residential Burglaries
8 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 155-2 RD 162-1
RD 163-1 RD 164-1
RD 165-2

Street: Heil Ave., Hawaii Ln., Devon Cr., Bolero Ln., Edgewater Ln., and Sims St.

In RD 155, Hawaii Ln.; Suspect is in custody.

In RD 164, Edgewater Ln.; Suspect is in custody.

In RD 165, Heil Ave.; Suspect may have entered through an open window.

In RD 165, Sims St.; Suspect(s) removed the rear sliding glass door off it's track to gain entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 155-1 RD 162-4
RD 164-2 RD 165-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 173-1

BEAT 11

6 Residential Burglaries
1 Vehicle Burglary
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 156-4 RD 157-1
RD 168-1

Streets: Hendrickson Dr., Bolsa Chica St., Tomas Ln., Davis Ln., Heil Ave., and Busby Ln.

In RD 156, Hendrickson Dr.; Suspect is in custody.

In RD 156, Bolsa Chica St.; Suspects tell victim their grandmother is a neighbor and that she told them they should ask the victim to help them with their school project, so she allowed them in her home. Suspect #1 is described as male, Caucasian, approx 5'11", 17-18 years old, average build, short brown hair under a dark colored hat, wearing Khaki shorts, and a white shirt. Suspect #2 is female, Caucasian, slender build, 17-18 years old, dark black hair with a pony tail, wearing a white blouse with a black design on the front and unknown colored shorts.

In RD 157, Heil Ave., suspect is possibly known

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 167-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 168-1

BEAT 12

6 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 128-1 RD 138-2
RD 146-1 RD 148-2

Streets: Sherman Dr., Rice Cr., Cornell Dr., Hummingbird Ln., Milton Cr., Plymouth Ln.

In RD 138, Rice Cr.; Suspect arrested

In RD 138, Cornell Dr.; Suspect vehicle described as a white older model van with windows on the side. Suspect is described as a male Hispanic in his 30s with no facial hair.

In RD 146, Hummingbird Ln.; Suspect vehicle is described as a white possibly older model 2 door Toyota Celica with tinted windows.

In RD 148, Plymouth Ln.; Suspect(s) cut screen on open window to enter.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 117-1 RD 136-1
RD 139-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 139-1 RD 147-1
RD 149-1

BEAT 13

6 Residential Burglaries
24 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 252-1 RD 261-1
RD 262-4

Streets: Nancy Dr., Bartlett Ln., Warner Ave., Millpound Ln., Moonshadow Cr., Viewpoint Ln.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241-3 RD 242-7
RD 252-6 RD 253-3
RD 261-3 RD 262-2

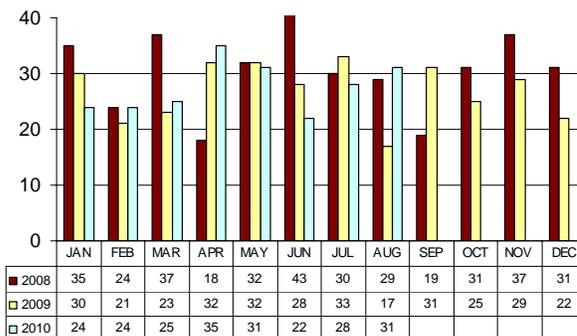
Grand Theft Auto

RD 232-1 RD 242-1
RD 252-1

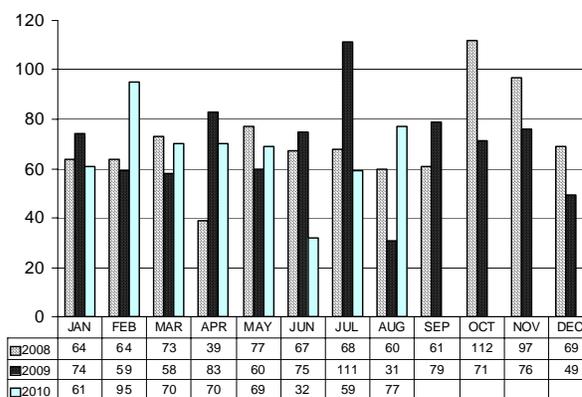
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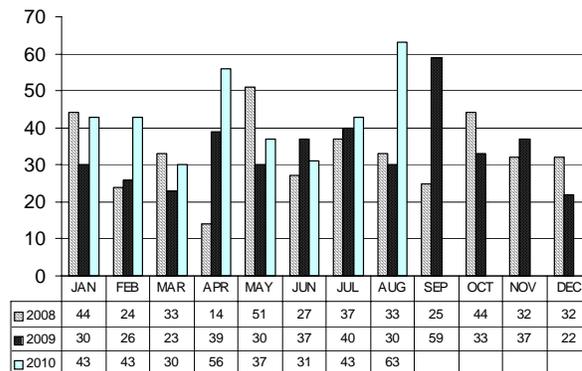
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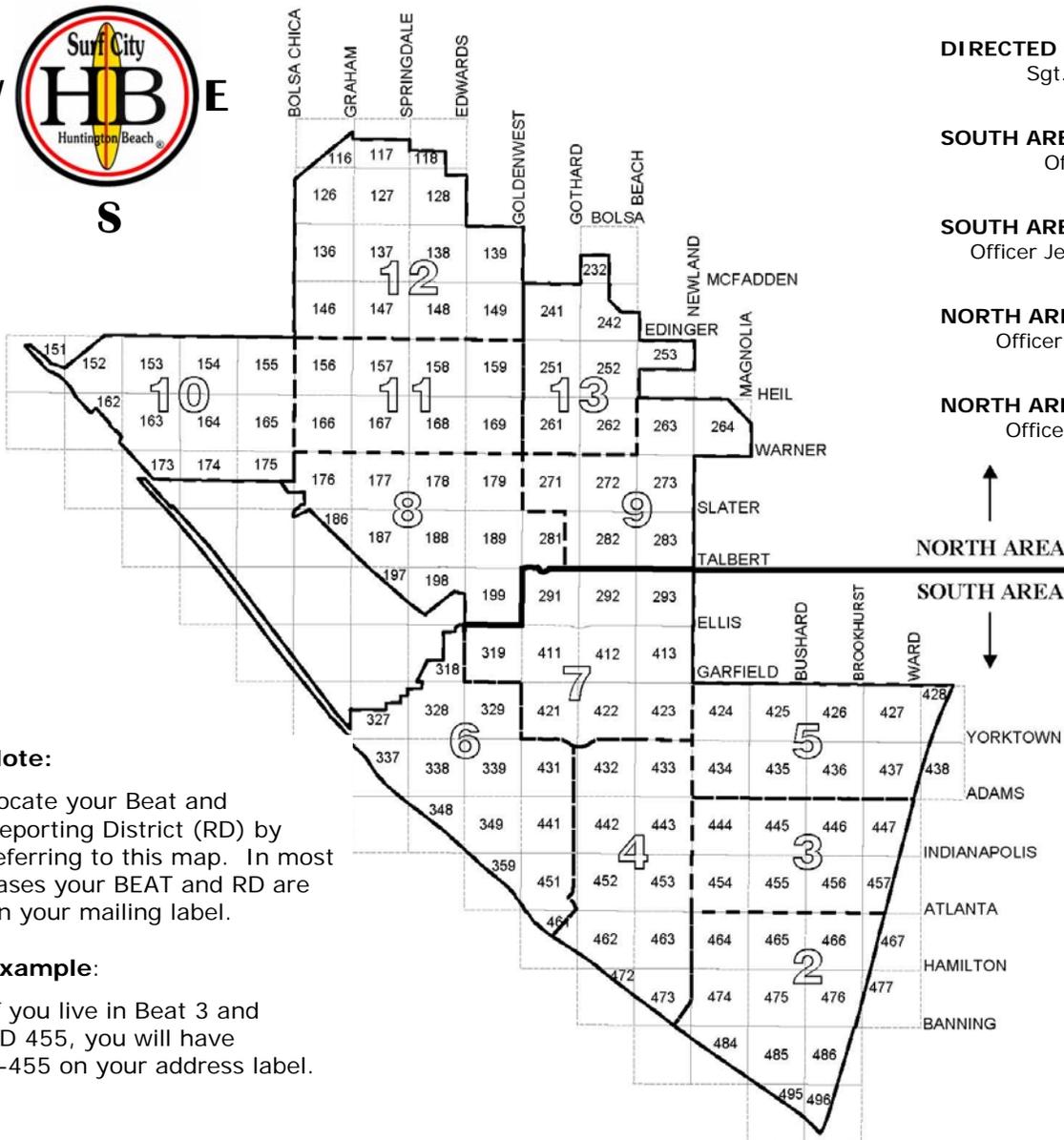
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