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**HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BOARD MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2008 AT 6:30 PM  
HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

***Blue Ribbon Week*  
IS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK  
MAY 11 THRU MAY 17**

According to the national Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) Organization, in 2007, the line-of-duty deaths will be close to 200. This means that 200 families have lost a husband/wife, dad/mom, son/daughter, or grandfather/grandmother. Two hundred brave men and women made the ultimate sacrifice to protect us and our families.

Police officers often miss holidays, birthdays, and anniversaries with their families so we can be with ours. National Police Week allows us the opportunity to show our support and gratitude to the officers for all they have done to make our community a safer place in which to live, work, and play. All in all, it is one week during the year when law enforcement honors their fallen officers and makes the citizens of America aware of those that have given up their lives for perfect strangers.

Please show your support by wearing a blue ribbon during this week--decorate your windows, tie blue ribbons on your car antennas, and/or mail a thank you card to show your support for law enforcement officers who have given their lives in the line of duty for the citizens they have served. Additionally, this will be a show of support for those who continue to work the streets 24 hours-a-day, every day of the year. National Police Week activities must continue to grow nationwide.

**HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2008**

**10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**





# Home Security Reminder

SPRING IS HERE AND BEFORE LONG IT WILL BE SUMMER AGAIN. THIS IS THE TIME OF YEAR WE OPEN OUR DOORS AND WINDOWS, STEP OUT TO GARDEN, VISIT WITH NEIGHBORS, OR TAKE THE CHILDREN AND DOGS OUT FOR A WALK. THIS ALSO SEEMS LIKE THE TIME OF YEAR WE TEND TO LET DOWN SOME OF OUR DEFENSES SUCH AS LEAVING WINDOWS OPEN AND FORGETTING TO LOCK OUR VEHICLES. WELL, WE SHOULDN'T. WE MUST ALWAYS STAY ALERT BY BEING AWARE OF OUR SURROUNDINGS AND THE PEOPLE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. REMEMBER, A GOOD NEIGHBOR IS THE BEST CRIME PREVENTION TOOL WE HAVE.

**HERE ARE A FEW CRIME PREVENTION TIPS:**

- KEEP DOORS LOCKED, EVEN WHEN YOU'RE HOME.
- UNLESS YOU'RE INSIDE YOUR GARAGE, YOU SHOULD KEEP THE DOOR CLOSED AND LOCKED.

- DON'T THINK BECAUSE A WINDOW IS ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> STORY THE BURGLAR CAN'T GET IN--THEY CAN, SO **CLOSE AND LOCK IT.**
- USE MOTION DETECTORS OR DUSK-TO-DAWN SENSORS TO TURN THE PORCH LIGHT ON EVEN WHEN YOU'RE HOME.
- USE TIMERS TO TURN LIGHTS AND/OR A RADIO ON AND OFF IN YOUR HOME.
- IF YOU HAVE AN ALARM SYSTEM, BE SURE TO ACTIVATE IT WHEN YOU'RE OUT AND BEFORE RETIRING.
- DO NOT OPEN YOUR DOOR TO STRANGERS; TEACH YOUR CHILDREN TO **NEVER** OPEN A DOOR WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION.
- NEVER GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION OVER THE PHONE OR IN PERSON UNLESS YOU INITIATED THE BUSINESS.



## CHAT ROOM AND PHONE TEXTING ABBREVIATIONS

So many of our youth seem to be either chatting in a chat room or texting phone messages. Do you know what your child and their friends are saying? It seems to be another language and, for most of us, it is. Take this little quiz and see how you score. Do you know what these abbreviations mean?

- |           |                  |
|-----------|------------------|
| 1) 121    | 6) CUL or CULBER |
| 2) B4N    | 7) DIKU          |
| 3) A/S/L? | 8) BWTHDIK       |
| 4) BBML   | 9) ARE           |
| 5) CID    | 10) AFK          |

(Answers will be in next month's Newsletter)

# Cyber-Bullying

“BULLYING IS REPEATED EXPOSURE, OVER TIME, TO NEGATIVE ACTIONS FROM ONE OR MORE OTHER STUDENTS. NEGATIVE ACTIONS CAN INCLUDE PHYSICAL, VERBAL, OR INDIRECT ACTIONS THAT ARE INTENDED TO INFLICT INJURY OR DISCOMFORT UPON ANOTHER.” BY DAN OLWEUS, BLUEPRINTS FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION, BULLYING PREVENTION PROGRAM

ACCORDING TO THE INTERNET SAFETY ORGANIZATION, [I-SAFE.ORG](http://I-SAFE.ORG), 58% OF CHILDREN WHO ARE VICTIMS OF CYBER-BULLYING DO NOT TELL THEIR PARENTS OR ANY OTHER ADULT WHEN SOMETHING MEAN OR HURTFUL HAPPENS TO THEM ONLINE. THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT PARENTS AND TEACHERS ARE UNABLE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT CYBER-BULLYING. THE REALITY IS THAT THE INTERNET HAS BROUGHT US AN EXCITING, BUT POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS, NEW WORLD. REMEMBER TO APPLY THE SAME RULES FOR CYBERSPACE AS YOU HAVE FOR REAL-LIFE SITUATIONS.

IF YOUR CHILD USES AN INSTANT MESSAGE PROGRAM, YOU SHOULD SIT DOWN AT THE COMPUTER WITH THEM AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- WHAT IS/ARE THEIR SCREEN NAME(S)? DON'T BE SURPRISED IF THEY HAVE SEVERAL. IF THEY DO, YOU SHOULD ASK THEM WHY. KIDS ARE TRYING ON DIFFERENT PERSONAS IN CYBERSPACE THAT THEY WOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD. ARE THEY PORTRAYING THEMSELVES WITH TOO MUCH INFORMATION, I.E., AGE, NAME, INTERESTS? OR PERHAPS CHOSEN A SCREEN NAME THAT SOUNDS TOO PROVOCATIVE? DOES THE SCREEN NAME INDICATE A NEGATIVE SELF-VIEW?
- WHAT IS IN THEIR PROFILE(S)? IF THEY HAVE MULTIPLE SCREEN NAMES, DO THEY HAVE A PROFILE ASSOCIATED WITH EACH ONE?
- WHO IS ON THEIR BUDDY LIST? ARE YOU COMFORT-ABLE WITH THE NUMBER AND THE SCREEN NAMES?
- DO THEY KNOW EACH AND EVERY PERSON ON THE LIST PERSONALLY? DO YOU, AS THE PARENT, KNOW EACH ONE PERSONALLY?

## Tips to Help Prevent Cyber-Bullying

- ✓ KEEP YOUR HOME COMPUTER(S) IN EASILY VIEWABLE PLACES, SUCH AS A FAMILY ROOM OR KITCHEN.
- ✓ TALK REGULARLY WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT ON-LINE ACTIVITIES HE OR SHE IS INVOLVED IN.

- ✓ ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO SHARE PROBLEMS WITH YOU WITH THE ASSURANCE THAT IT IS NOT TATTLING.
- ✓ TALK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT CYBER-BULLYING AND ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU OR A TRUSTED TEACHER, COUNSELOR, OR PRINCIPAL IMMEDIATELY IF HE OR SHE IS THE VICTIM OF CYBER-BULLYING, CYBER-STALKING, OR OTHER ILLEGAL OR TROUBLESOME ON-LINE BEHAVIOR.
- ✓ EXPLAIN THAT CYBER-BULLYING IS HARMFUL AND UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR. OUTLINE YOUR EXPECTATIONS FOR RESPONSIBLE ONLINE BEHAVIOR AND MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR.
- ✓ ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU IF HE OR SHE IS AWARE OF OTHERS WHO MAY BE THE VICTIMS OF SUCH BEHAVIOR.
- ✓ PRAISE AND ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD - A CONFIDENT CHILD IS LESS LIKELY TO BE BULLIED.
- ✓ HELP YOUR CHILD DEVELOP NEW FRIENDSHIPS - NEW FRIENDS CAN PROVIDE A NEW CHANCE.
- ✓ MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL. KEEP A DETAILED RECORD OF BULLYING EPISODES AND COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOL.
- ✓ ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS OR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY TO IMPROVE ESTEEM.
- ✓ TELL YOUR CHILD NEVER TO RETALIATE OR GET ANGRY— RESPOND EVENLY AND FIRMLY OR SAY NOTHING.
- ✓ IF THREATENED, AVOID UNSUPERVISED AREAS OF SCHOOL AND TAKE A DIFFERENT ROUTE TO AND FROM SCHOOL.
- ✓ ENCOURAGE THEM NOT TO BRING EXPENSIVE ITEMS TO SCHOOL.
- ✓ ALTHOUGH ADULTS MUST RESPECT THE PRIVACY OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH, CONCERNS FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY MAY SOMETIMES OVERRIDE THESE PRIVACY CONCERNS. TELL YOUR CHILD THAT YOU MAY REVIEW HIS OR HER ON-LINE COMMUNICATIONS IF YOU THINK THERE IS REASON FOR CONCERN.
- ✓ CONSIDER INSTALLING PARENTAL CONTROL FILTERING SOFTWARE AND/OR TRACKING PROGRAMS, BUT DON'T RELY SOLELY ON THESE TOOLS.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

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**

16 entries/attempts in April  
33 entries in March

Six of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors.

Further breakdown reveals 1 garage entry out of 16 burglaries. Five entries were reported to have occurred during the day (6:00 am to 6:00 pm); two entries were reported to have occurred during night (6:00 pm to 6:00 am); and nine entries occurred during an unknown time span.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**

39 reported in April  
73 reported in March

**GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

18 report in April  
37 reported in March

**BEAT 2**

2 Residential Burglaries  
1 Vehicle Burglary  
0 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 465-1 RD 466-1

Streets: Lawton Drive & Cocoana

One was an attempted entry—sliding door and window screens were removed.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 476-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

None

**BEAT 3**

0 Residential Burglaries  
0 Vehicle Burglaries  
0 Grand Theft Autos

**Residential Burglaries**

None

**Vehicle Burglaries**

None

**Grand Theft Auto**

None

**BEAT 4**

5 Residential Burglaries  
0 Vehicle Burglaries  
2 Grand Theft Autos

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 442-2 RD 443-1  
RD 452-1 RD 462-1

Streets: Florida, Huntington, Delaware, Beach, and Waterfall.

One was an attempted entry. There was one garage entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

None

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 442-1rd 462-1

**BEAT 5**

0 Residential Burglaries  
2 Vehicle Burglaries  
1 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

None

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 424-2

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 427-1

**BEAT 6**

1 Residential Burglary  
3 Vehicle Burglaries  
1 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 359-1

Street: 16<sup>th</sup> Street

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 451-2 RD 461-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 451 – 1

**BEAT 7**

1 Residential Burglary  
3 Vehicle Burglaries  
5 Grand Theft Autos

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 319-1

Street: Rockinghorse

**Two suspects arrested on 3/31 are responsible for a total of 9 residential burglaries (that we are aware of) in various RD's.**

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 292-1 RD 411-1  
RD 412-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 292-1 RD 293-1  
RD 411-1 RD 423-2

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS

BEAT 8

0 Residential Burglaries  
4 Vehicle Burglaries  
2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
NONE

Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 178-1 RD 179-1  
RD 189-2

Grand Theft Auto  
RD 178-1 RD 179-1

BEAT 9

1 Residential Burglary  
7 Vehicle Burglaries  
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries  
RD 272-1

Street: Slater

Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 263-1 RD 264-1  
RD 272-2 RD 273-1  
RD 283-2

Grand Theft Auto  
RD 272-1

BEAT 10

2 Residential Burglaries  
6 Vehicle Burglaries  
0 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
RD 165-2

Streets: Ranchview and Green

TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.

Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 155-1 RD 165-5

Grand Theft Autos  
None

BEAT 11

1 Residential Burglary  
5 Vehicle Burglaries  
0 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
RD 167-1

Street: Greenview

ONE ENTRY BY OPEN DOOR OR UNLOCKED WINDOW OR DOOR.

Suspects talk their way into resident's home, then one suspect distracts victim while the other suspect slips away into bedrooms.

Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 158-4 RD 159-1

Grand Theft Autos  
None

BEAT 12

2 Residential Burglaries  
1 Vehicle Burglary  
0 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
RD 139-1 RD 148-1

Street: Goldenwest & Milton

ONE ENTRY BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOOR.

Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 146-1

Grand Theft Auto  
None

BEAT 13

1 Residential Burglaries  
6 Vehicle Burglaries  
6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
RD 262-1

Street: Viewpoint

ONE ENTRY BY OPEN DOOR OR UNLOCKED WINDOW OR DOOR.

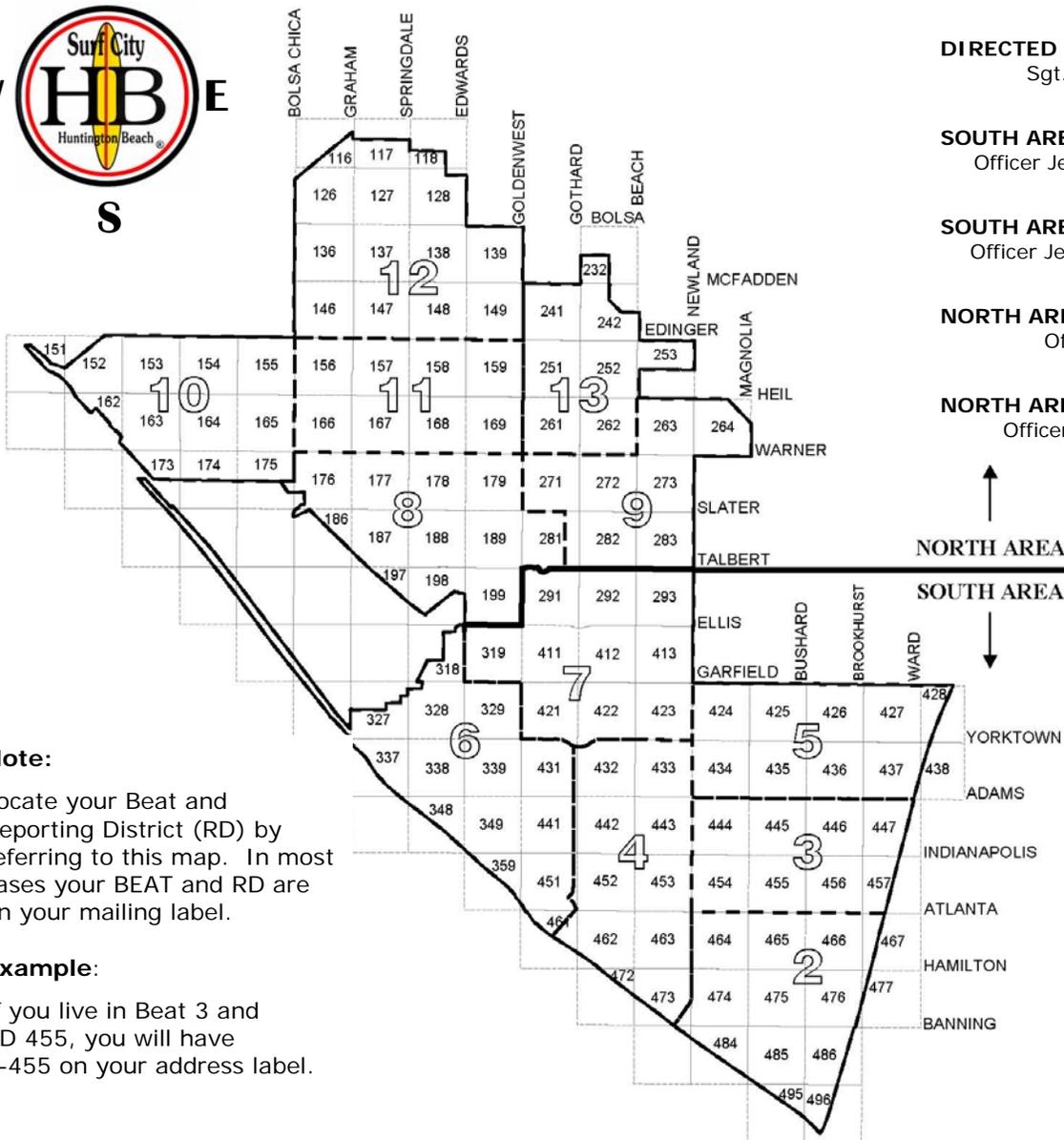
Vehicle Burglaries  
RD 242-1 RD 261-1  
RD 262-4

Grand Theft Autos  
RD 241-2 RD 242-2  
RD 252-1 RD 262-1

IF YOUR STREET WAS LISTED AS HAVING A RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY, IT WOULD BE WISE TO SCHEDULE A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (714) 536-5933.





**Note:**

Locate your Beat and Reporting District (RD) by referring to this map. In most cases your BEAT and RD are on your mailing label.

**Example:**

If you live in Beat 3 and RD 455, you will have 3-455 on your address label.

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