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OCTOBER 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 **\$5,819.95 in donations and newsletter advertisements-- we have \$19,180.05 to go** by June 30, 2012. 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.



**VACATION
HOUSE CHECK
SERVICE**



When you go on vacation, let the Huntington Beach Police Department's RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) provide you with a little piece of mind. When on duty, RSVP's drive throughout the community and check homes for people who are on vacation and send you a report upon your return.

We do ask that you try to provide at least 10 days advance notice. If for any reason that is not possible, please be sure you call the RSVP office at 714-374-1402 to confirm we will be able to accommodate your request. The RSVP's try their best, but sometimes due to scheduling there may be a conflict without sufficient notice.

Due to safety issues, if you are having your home tented for termites or other pests we cannot provide a vacation house check. Before you decide to have your home tented it would be a good idea to be sure your Neighborhood Watch Block Program is active. **Remember one of the best crime prevention tools available are good neighbors.** For more information, call Nilda Berndt at 714-536-5933 to host a Neighborhood Watch Block Meeting.

When tenting your home, be sure you work with a reputable company (including employees) that is licensed and bonded. Also, don't forget to check references. Find out if their trucks will be clearly marked with the company name and that the employees are identifiable. You should also try to get an idea of their schedule so you will know more or less when their employees will be at your property or returning to air out your home. Share this information with your trusted neighbors so they will be more aware of any suspicious activity and can report it to the Police Department.



Alert OC

Q: What is AlertOC?

A: AlertOC is a mass notification system used by the County of Orange and participating OC cities to issue government related messages to residents and businesses. The system has the capacity to send thousands of messages within minutes via phone, e-mail and text. Only authorized officials are allowed access to the system. Currently, 33 OC cities use the AlertOC System.

Q: How do I register?

A: Your home is already included in our 911 database. You can register your cell phone, text and e-mail at www.alertoc.org (click on Huntington Beach on the map) or call 714-536-5978 and leave a message with your full name, address and the phone numbers you wish to add.

Q: What if I want my number removed from the call list?

A: If you registered through the AlertOC website, you can remove that information by going the alertoc.com website. However, AlertOC contains residential and commercial landline phone numbers of Orange County's entire geographic population. In accordance with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), landline numbers were acquired from AT&T and Verizon's 911 telephone database. The use of the 911 database is regulated by the CPUC code sections 2872 and 2891.1. The code states that information contained in the 911 database is confidential, proprietary and shall not be disclosed or used except by authorized personnel for the purpose of emergency notifications. Residential and commercial landline phone numbers cannot be removed from the e911 database.

Q: What if I want to speak to an official city representative?

A: You can email AlertOC@surfcity-hb.org and leave your contact information and a representative will contact you.

Q: I am on a do not call list, how did you get my number?

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Q: Where can I get disaster education information?

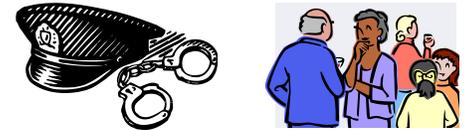
A: Visit www.ReadyOC.org or the Huntington Beach CERT Website at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/cert

AlertOC Message Line: 714-536-5978

AlertOC Email Address: AlertOC@surfcity-hb.org



Volunteer Opportunities



The Neighborhood Watch Board is looking for energetic and dependable people to share your creative talents with them!

HB Neighborhood Watch Program is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting the Police Department and educating the general public about crime prevention, assisting at special events, conducting Neighborhood Watch Block Meetings, and much more. The Board members meet once a month at the Huntington Beach Police Department 2nd floor conference room at 6:30 p.m.

The Neighborhood Watch Newsletter Assembly team meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in the City Hall (training room adjacent to the) Council Chambers. There are approximately 25 to 40 people that join us to collate and prepare 14,000 newsletters for mailing and distribution each month. The group can always use another pair of hands.

Both of these volunteer opportunities are a great way to meet new people throughout the community; you may also come with friends. Volunteer and help your community take another step in crime prevention.

For more information please call the Community Liaison Unit at (714)536-5933 or contact one of your Neighborhood Watch Board members.

*Happy Thanksgiving from
HB Neighborhood Watch*



Help Keep Our Roads Safe

This Holiday Season:

Keep Impaired Drivers off the Road

The holidays are a time to spend with your loved ones. Make sure you're doing your part in keeping the roads safe. According to the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, alcohol impaired driving is one of America's most often committed and deadliest crimes. Nationally, on average, ONE life is LOST every 48 minutes as a result of drinking and driving (*Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Association*).

Fortunately, much of the tragedy that comes from impaired driving crashes can be prevented.

If you see an impaired driver on the road, call 911 immediately to place an anonymous tip. Five minutes of your time could save someone's life. Provide the license plate number, a description of the car, the location and direction of the car, and a description of how the car is being driven. Do NOT try to follow or stop the car yourself.

Here are some other tips on ways to protect yourself and your loved ones while you are out celebrating this holiday season:

- Plan ahead
- Designate a SOBER driver
- Keep enough money for a taxi
- Get the keys from someone who is drinking
- And remember, NEVER ride with an impaired driver

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!!

For more information on PATH DUI prevention efforts in Huntington Beach, please contact Camille Coronel at (949) 757-1096 x289 or ccoronel@cspinc.org.



Police arrested over
17,000
 impaired drivers
 in Orange County last year.

Thank You
 for keeping us safe.



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 Alcohol and Drug Education and Prevention Team (ADEPT)

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

30 reported 09/16/11 – 10/15/11

28 reported 08/16/11 – 09/15/11

Seventeen of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Fourteen of these burglaries were committed during the day; four were committed at night, and twelve at an unknown time.

There were five garage entries.

There were five attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

38 reported 09/16/11 – 10/15/11

47 reported 08/16/11 – 09/15/11

GRAND THEFT AUTO

24 reported 09/16/11 – 10/15/11

28 reported 08/16/11 – 09/15/11

BEAT 2

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

Residential Burglaries

RD 465-1 RD 466-1

Streets: Tidewater Cir, Lemontree Ln.

In RD 465, Tidewater Cir., It appears suspect(s) entered through an unlocked rear sliding glass door. Victim stated a burglary may have occurred two weeks earlier but was not reported.

In RD 466, Lemontree Ln., Suspects stopped to speak to victim about buying his car. Female suspect gained entry to house by asking to use the bathroom. Suspects in custody.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 484-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 485-1

BEAT 3

**1 Residential Burglary
4 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto**

Residential Burglaries
RD 446-1

Streets: Bay Meadow Dr.

In RD 446, Bay Meadow Dr., Victim locked and secured their bedroom when they left for the day. When victim returned, they discovered an unknown person had burglarized their bedroom. Suspect may be known.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 446-2 RD 447-1
RD 455-1**

Grand Theft Auto
RD 447-1

BEAT 4

**4 Residential Burglaries
0 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto**

Residential Burglaries
**RD 442-1 RD 452-2
RD 462-1**

Streets: Delaware St., Alabama St., Detroit Av., Seabreeze Dr.

In RD 442, Delaware St., suspects entered residence through an unlocked door. Suspects in custody.

In RD 452, Alabama St., suspect(s) entered residence while it was under construction. During this time anyone could have entered from where the house is open due to construction.

In RD 452, Detroit Av., suspect(s) entered the open/unlocked garage and steal various items.

In RD 462, Seabreeze Dr., suspect is known and was a prior resident in victim's home.

There was 1 garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
None reported

Grand Theft Auto
RD 452-1

BEAT 5
**0 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto**

Residential Burglaries
None reported

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 153-1 RD 434-2

Grand Theft Auto
RD 434-1

BEAT 6

**3 Residential Burglaries
9 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto**

Residential Burglaries
RD 349-2 RD 359-1

Streets: 20th St., 18th St., 13th St.

In RD 349, 20th St., it appears the suspect(s) may have entered the residence through an open/unlocked window.

In RD 349, 18th St., suspect(s) may have entered through an open back sliding door. Suspect(s) may be known.

In RD 359, 13th St., suspect(s) shattered a single pane window next to the front door to enter residence. No property was missing.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 348-3 RD 359-2
RD 451-4**

Grand Theft Auto
None reported

BEAT 7

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

Residential Burglaries
**RD 291-1 RD 412-2
RD 413-2 RD 421-1**

Streets: Ellis Av., Florida St., Palin Cir., Demion Ln., Crimson Cir., and Yorktown Av.

In RD 412, Palin Cir., suspect entered through door left open for dog access. Suspect is known and in custody.

In RD 413, Crimson Cir., suspect(s) entered open/unlocked garage and removed unsecured bicycle. Property was also taken from victim's unlocked car parked in the garage.

There was 1 garage entry.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 412-1 RD 413-1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**Grand Theft Auto****RD 413-1 RD 422-1****BEAT 8****3 Residential Burglaries
0 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 178-2 RD 179-1**

Streets: Warner Av. and Pinehurst Ln.,

In RD 178, Warner Av., unknown suspect(s) smashed a bedroom window to gain entry.

In RD 178, Pinehurst Ln., suspect took item from an open/unlocked garage and fled. Suspect in custody.

In RD 179, Warner Av., victim locked and secured his storage unit before leaving home. Victim returned home to find garage storage unit standing open. Suspect may be known.

There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries**None reported****Grand Theft Auto****None reported****BEAT 9****2 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 263-1 RD 264-1**

Streets: Terry Dr. and Riverbend Dr.

In RD 263, Terry Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered through an opening for a window mounted fan. Suspect described as male, black, late 20's or early 30's, height 5' 11" to 6', weight 200 – 220 lbs., clothing yellow long sleeve shirt – baggy, red baggy shorts, and red angels baseball cap.

In RD 264, Riverbend Dr., it appears the suspect(s) climbed up to the outdoor balcony and entered through the unlocked sliding glass doors.

Vehicle Burglaries**RD 263-1 RD 272-3
RD 283-2****Grand Theft Auto****RD 263-1 RD 272-1****BEAT 10****2 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 155-1 RD 165-1**

Street: Rhapsody Dr., Redwing Ln

In RD 155, Rhapsody Dr., suspect(s) may have entered through an unlocked side door of residence.

Vehicle Burglaries**RD 153-1 RD 171-1
RD 175-1****Grand Theft Auto****RD 152-1 RD 173-1****BEAT 11****3 Residential Burglaries
0 Vehicle Burglaries
5 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 156-1 RD 168-1
RD 169-1**

Streets: Bolsa Chica St., Warner Av., Marjan Ln.

In RD 156, Bolsa Chica St., victim was at home when he saw suspect pull at the sliding door handle. **The door did not open because it was locked.** Suspect yanked hard but was unsuccessful when he saw victim and fled. Suspect described as white male, approximately 20-30 years old, weighing 180 pounds, 5'10" tall, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt.

In RD 168, Warner Av., suspect(s) kicked in front door of residence in possible attempt to commit theft. Suspect(s) is possible known.

In RD 169, Marjan Ln, a Realtor was selling a home but stepped outside to clean the rear of her vehicle when

5 people drove up in a black SUV. The 5 people exited the vehicle, one male offered to help the victim clean the vehicle and the others entered the house. They left approximately 5 minutes later. When the realtor returned inside the home she noticed items missing that had been there prior to the suspects entering the home. Suspects described as: one male, Hispanic/Indian, age 40's, height 5'6", weight 220 pounds

wearing a baseball cap, jeans and button up long sleeve shirt. Two females described as in their 40's, 5'5" tall, weighing 200 pounds with painted black eyebrows. Two children, no description.

There were two attempted entries.

Vehicle Burglaries**None reported****Grand Theft Auto****RD 156-1 RD 157-2
RD 159-1 RD 166-1****BEAT 12****3 Residential Burglaries
1 Vehicle Burglary
2 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 128-1 RD 148-2**

Streets: Briarcliff Dr., Carrie Ln., Calvin Cir.

In RD 148, Carrie Ln., it appears the suspect(s) entered a home during an open house and stole prescription medications from various areas of the residence. Victim noticed the medications were missing when they returned. They did not find any other property missing.

In RD 148, Calvin Cir., unknown suspect(s) may have entered victims' bedroom through an open/unlocked glass door that leads to the back yard and taken victim's property.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries**RD 132-1****Grand Theft Auto****RD 149-2****BEAT 13****1 Residential Burglary
9 Vehicle Burglaries
7 Grand Theft Auto****Residential Burglaries****RD 261-1**

Streets: Sabot Ln.

There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries**RD 241-1 RD 242-2
RD 253-5 RD 262-1****Grand Theft Auto****RD 241-4 RD 261-1
RD 262-2**

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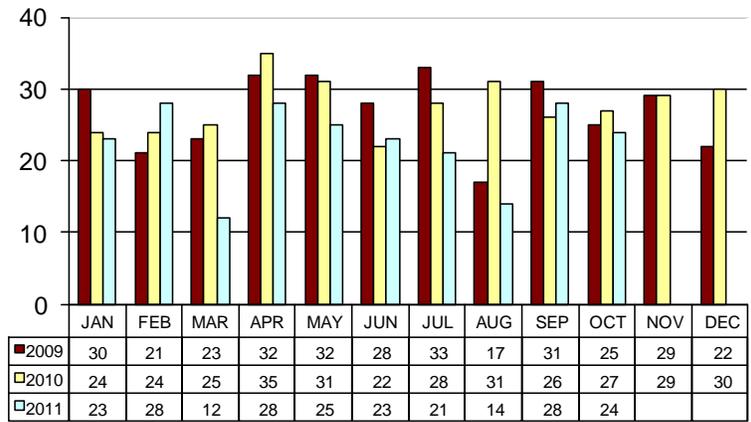
HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS



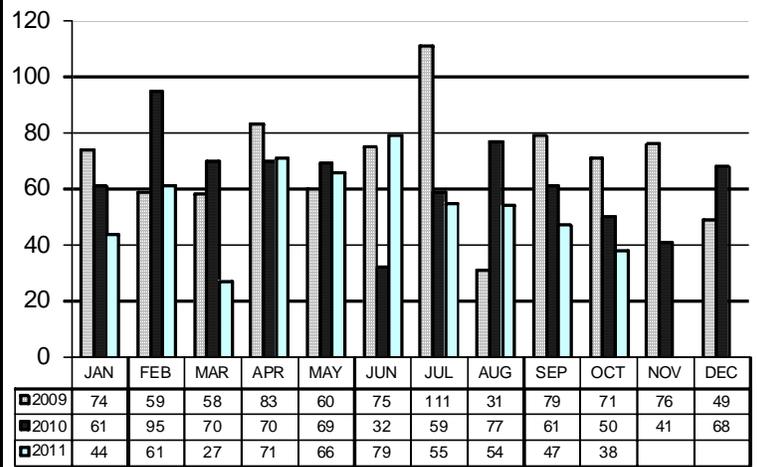
Even though this is a special time of celebration and good cheer for many, it is also a time when thieves may strike to make you a victim of a burglary, robbery, scam, auto theft, etc. Here are a few helpful reminders that can help prevent you from being their target this holiday season:

- Don't display gifts under your tree in view of your windows or doors.
- Be extra careful about locking all doors and windows (even a bathroom window) when you leave your home, even if you just plan on being gone a couple of minutes.
- Use automatic timers, dusk to dawn light sensors, motion sensors, etc. for outside and inside lights and radios. These should be used all the time; not just when you are away.

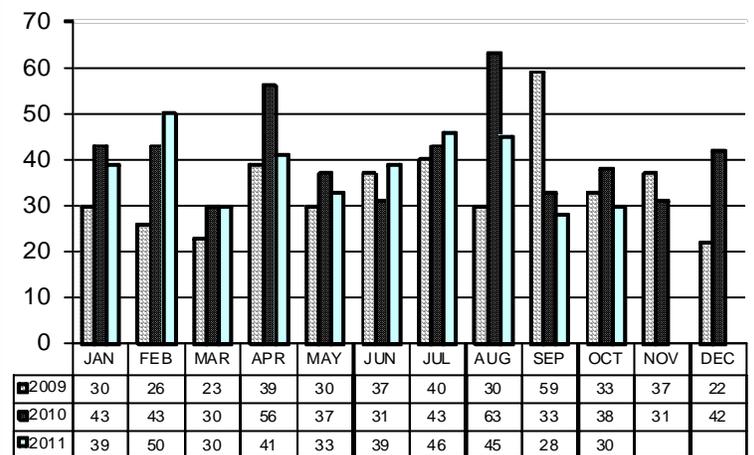
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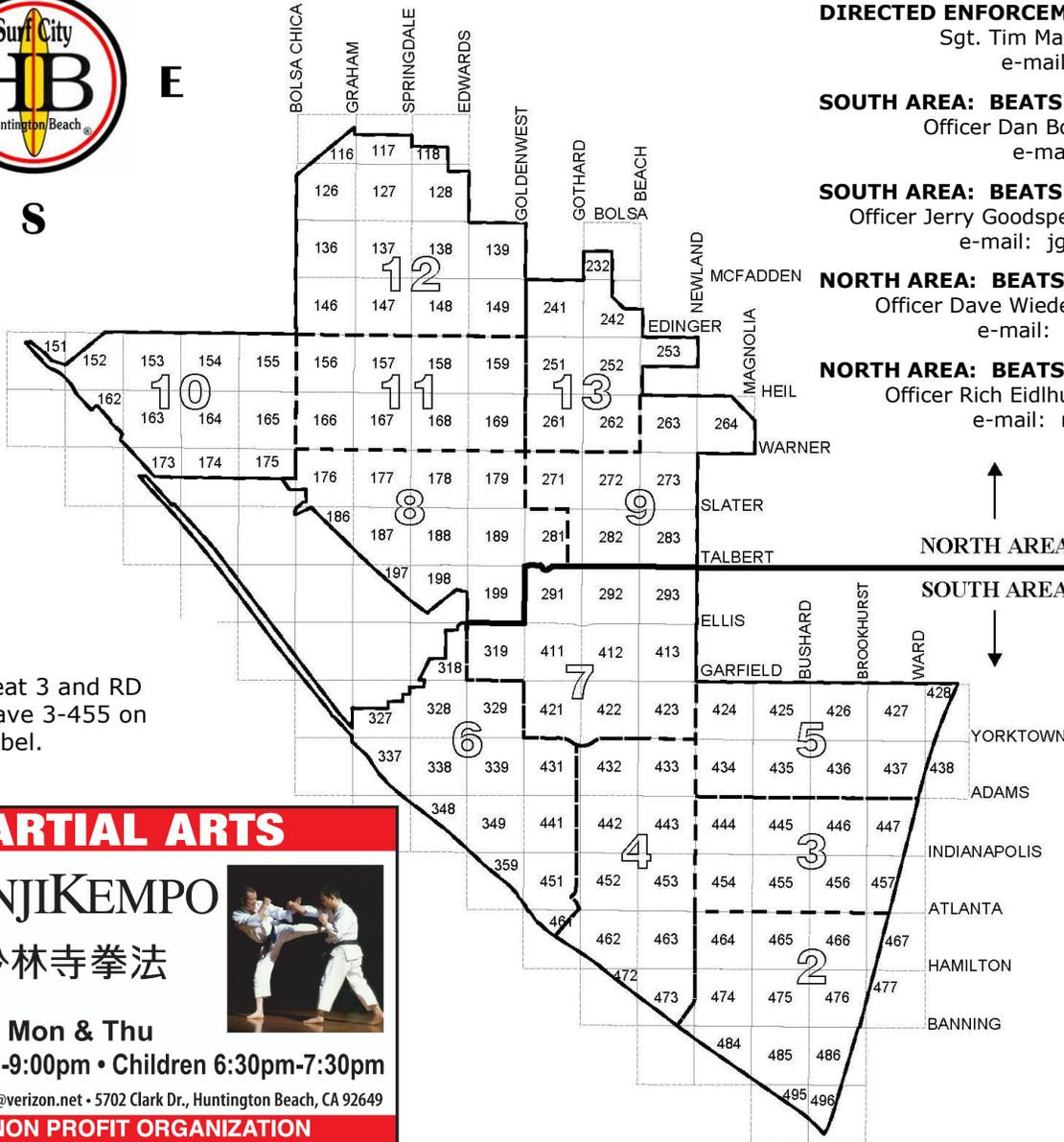


Note:

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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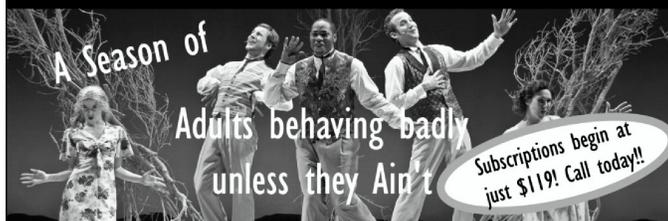
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