DECEMBER 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 $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 $5,640.00 in donations and newsletter advertisements- we have $18,660.00 to go by June 30, 2016. 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. 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:

HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM
Send to: HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
PO BOX 5667
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92615

Or: HB POLICE DEPARTMENT
Attn: NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
2000 MAIN ST.
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648

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

Happy New Year
Happy 2016

HB Neighborhood Watch hopes you had a joyous Holiday Season and that the New Year has brought you all good cheer.

Our goal this year, as in years past, is to help you to be proactive in our fight against crime and to help bring you tools that can assist with this goal. Below are a few reminders and helpful tips that may help make this year a safer one for you, your family, and friends.

1. Check all your credit statements to be sure they are accurate. Report any errors immediately.
2. This is the time to order your annual credit report. Also order a report from one of the credit reporting agencies quarterly.
3. Write down the serial numbers of all your new and old electronics, bicycles, etc. Also walk through your home with a video camera to log all your items in case of a burglary. You should also take pictures of all your fine jewelry (place your items on a dark background with a yard stick next to them). Be sure to make 2 copies and keep them in a safe place.
4. Remember to always lock all doors and windows when leaving your home, even if you are just going to visit a neighbor.
5. When disposing of large boxes, be sure to break them down and place them inside the trash receptacle. Don’t advertise to everyone the new items you have in your home.
6. Keep valuable items like gifts, computers, I phones, etc. out of easy sight, away from windows or doors. If you're going out of town, keep the shades drawn.
7. Check fire-walls and anti-virus protectors on your computers, be sure they are updated.

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Huntington Beach Police Department

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

The Police Department has approximately 150 volunteers that assist with various duties throughout the Department and our Community. The three volunteer groups are the HB Neighborhood Watch Program, Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), and Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS). Some of their duties include, but are not limited to, working at Police substations, the Police Department front desk, conducting Vacation House Checks, and removing illegally posted signs. They also help conduct Neighborhood Watch Block meetings, prepare and mail approximately 12,000 Neighborhood Watch Newsletters monthly, conduct Police Department tours, school visits, and assist at various community events such as National Night Out, Halloween Downtown, and the Easter Egg Hunt at Central Park. They also assist various groups (helping with many of the clerical duties) such as the Detective Bureau, Records Bureau, Crime Lab, Budget Department, Traffic, and many others.

Recently HBPD held an appreciation luncheon at the Hotel Huntington Beach in their honor. Police Chief Robert Handy and Lieutenant Tim Martin were in attendance to thank them for their service. Below are a few pictures of the various groups and the Volunteers of the Year who were selected by their peers. The Volunteers of the Year for 2015 are Cheryl Tonic and Marty Smith (HBNW), Barbara Rier and Jeff Myer (VIPS), and Chris Masuzumi and Jess Diaz (RSVP) (Marty Smith and Jess Diaz were camera shy).
New Year’s Safety Tips

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8. Be sure your home address is easily visible from the street in case of an emergency.

9. Now that holiday lights have been removed, check all outside lighting and motion detectors to be sure they are operating properly.

10. Use timers for inside lighting and a radio so your home will always have that lived in look.

11. Just because the holidays are over does not mean we can let down our guard. Do not leave items visible inside your vehicle even when it is parked in your driveway.

12. Always lock your vehicle even when it is parked inside your garage.

13. If you are planning to go out of town, remember HBPD provides vacation house check services free of charge. This service is provided by our RSVP’s. For more information about or to schedule a Vacation House Check please call 714-374-1507 (remember we would like you to give us at least 2 weeks’ notice).

14. With all that has taken place around the world this past year, this is the time to seriously think about planning a Neighborhood Watch Block Meeting. There is no charge for this service. We will discuss security tips, the importance of knowing your neighbors, what is suspicious, and the crimes that are occurring in your neighborhood. You and your neighbors are the best judge of what is suspicious in your neighborhood. The Neighborhood Watch Program is not meant to change your lifestyle, but to empower you with tools to help you keep you and your family safer. To schedule a Neighborhood Watch Block meeting, please call Nilda Patiño de Berndt, HBPD Community Relations Specialist, at 714-536-5933, or contact one of your HB Neighborhood Watch Board Members.

How to Get the Most out of Mobile Payments

(Information provided by Consumer Action)

Secure it. Apart from fingerprint fortification, the best way to ensure that your mobile wallet is as safe as possible is to password-protect your phone.

Validate it. Android Pay requires you to enter a payment PIN (personal identification number) before you tap and pay. PayPal also uses a mobile PIN or four-digit code. Samsung Pay and Apple Pay use fingerprint verification or a PIN.

Turn it off. When not making a payment, disabling Near Field Communication (NFC) (under your phone’s Settings) will prevent others from accessing your device.

Register it. Register your mobile payment account with the account issuer to ensure that you qualify for all available consumer protections, such as loss limits for fraud and theft and the ability to address billing errors. If you use a prepaid card as an underlying payment source, this is especially important.

Know before you go. Check online before you shop to see if your mobile wallet is accepted where you plan to shop.

Reap rewards. Register your loyalty cards or coupon programs in your mobile payment account or app to receive discounts at retailers you frequent.

Check coverage. If you store funds in a mobile wallet, ask if that money is FDIC-insured. If it’s not FDIC-insured or otherwise protected from loss, consider other payment options.
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 11/16/15- 12/15/15
22 reports 10/16/15- 11/15/15

Fifteen of the entries were due to OPEN OR UNLOCKED windows or doors. Fourteen of these burglaries were committed during the day, eight were committed at night, and nine at an unknown time.

There were four garage entries.
There were two attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES
49 reports 11/16/15- 12/15/15
44 reports 10/16/15- 11/15/15

GRAND THEFT AUTO
38 reports 11/16/15- 12/15/15
28 reports 10/16/15- 11/15/15

BEAT 2
2 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 462-1  RD 474-1

Streets: St. Augustine Dr. and Newland St.

In RD 462, St. Augustine Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered a small bathroom window to gain entry into the residence, and left via the large sliding glass door in the dining room/kitchen area or the garage side door.

In RD 474, Newland St., it appears suspect(s) broke the glass to the locked front door to gain entry, stole three bikes from inside, and fled.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 452-1  RD 462-1
RD 465-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 462-1  RD 463-1
RD 472-1  RD 473-1

In RD 473, vehicle was recovered and suspect is in custody.

BEAT 3
7 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
9 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 426-1  RD 427-1
RD 434-1  RD 435-1
RD 436-1  RD 445-2

Streets: Sailfish Dr., Maikai Dr., Doremere Dr., Wardlow Ln., Woodland Dr., and Nautilus Dr. (2)

In RD 427, Maikai Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered the residence through the bedroom sliding glass door. The door was locked, however, the door handle's locking mechanism did not latch properly and the door could be opened with a forceful pull on the handle.

In RD 434, Doremere Dr., it appears suspect(s) gained entry through an open window. Various items were removed and the suspect(s) fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 436, Woodland Ln., it appears suspect(s) entered the backyard through an unlocked side gate. Once in the backyard, the suspect(s) ripped the screen away from the sliding glass door frame and left it on the ground. Suspect(s) then smashed the sliding dual-pane glass window and made entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 423-1  RD 433-2
RD 442-2  RD 444-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 427-1  RD 437-1
RD 442-3  RD 443-1
RD 444-1  RD 446-1
RD 472-1

In RD 443, vehicle was recovered and suspect is in custody.

BEAT 4
3 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 349-2  RD 441-1

Streets: 21st St. (2), and 13th St.

In RD 349, 21st St., it appears the suspect(s) entered an unlocked vehicle, and then opened the garage using the garage door opener found inside the vehicle. Suspect(s) took various items and fled.

In RD 349, 21st St., it appears suspect(s) gained entry into an open laundry room, removed various items, and fled.

In RD 441, 13th St., it appears suspect(s) entered an open garage, stole a bicycle, and fled in an unknown direction.

There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 348-1  RD 451-1
RD 461-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 431-2  RD 451-1

BEAT 5
5 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 292-2  RD 412-1
RD 413-2
RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

Streets: Danton Cir., Parkview Ln., Racquet Ln., Vallarta Dr., and Valley Cir.

In RD 292, Parkview Ln., suspect is in custody.

In RD 412, Racquet Ln., it appears suspect(s) attempted to pry open the sliding glass door, but were unable to gain entry due to a safety bar in the track.

In RD 413, Valley Cir., it appears suspect(s) attempt to gain entry into the residence. Suspects are in custody.

In RD 152, Bounty Cir., it appears suspect(s) entered the property through the backyard and broke the rear glass slider to enter the house. Suspect(s) gained entry by removing the window screen and forcing open the sliding glass door, but were unable to gain entry due to a side pedestrian garage door.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**
RD 291-1   RD 292-2
RD 413-1   RD 422-2

**Grand Theft Auto**
RD 412-1

**BEAT 6**
2 Residential Burglaries
12 Vehicle Burglaries
7 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**
RD 264-1   RD 272-1

Streets: Royer Cir. and Fir Dr.

In RD 264, Royer Cir., it appears suspect(s) entered the property through the backyard and broke the rear glass slider to enter the house. Suspect(s) stole various items and exited through the front door.

There was one garage entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**
RD 263-3   RD 264-1
RD 272-3   RD 273-2
RD 283-3   RD 284-1

**Grand Theft Auto**
RD 272-3   RD 282-1
RD 283-2   RD 293-1

**BEAT 7**
0 Residential Burglaries
7 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**
None Reported

**Vehicle Burglaries**
RD 189-3   RD 252-1
RD 253-1   RD 262-2

**Grand Theft Auto**
RD 169-1   RD 178-1
RD 251-1   RD 262-1

In RD 178 vehicle was recovered.

**BEAT 8**
10 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
5 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**
RD 152-1   RD 154-1
RD 163-1   RD 165-3
RD 171-1   RD 175-1
RD 177-2

Streets: Bounty Cir., Humboldt Dr., Sea Witch Ln., Lynn Ln., Hoskins Ln., Pearce Dr., 24th St. (Sunset Beach), Osterville Ln., and Apel Ln. (2)

In RD 152, Bounty Cir., it appears suspect(s) entered the residence via unlocked rear patio door, stole items, and was attempting to flee when the resident was awoken and observed the suspect outside the residence with his property. Suspect described as male, white or Hispanic, approx. 29 years old, height 5’9”, weight 220 lbs, with a shaved head.

**Vehicle Burglaries**
RD 156-1   RD 164-2
RD 165-1   RD 176-1

**Grand Theft Auto**
RD 155-1   RD 156-1
RD 163-1   RD 175-1
RD 177-1

**BEAT 9**
2 Residential Burglaries
7 Vehicle Burglaries
5 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**
RD 232-1   RD 242-1

Streets: Cascade Ln. and Edinger Ave.

In RD 242, Edinger Ave., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence via unlocked rear patio door, stole items, and was attempting to flee when the resident was awoken and observed the suspect outside the residence with his property. Suspect described as male, white or Hispanic, approx. 29 years old, height 5’9”, weight 220 lbs, with a shaved head.

**Vehicle Burglaries**
RD 128-1   RD 138-1
RD 139-2   RD 242-3

**Grand Theft Auto**
RD 139-1   RD 148-1
RD 241-3
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