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JULY 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 **\$1,914 in donations and newsletter advertisements-- we have \$23,086 to go** by June 30 2010. The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. Your \$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; a \$25 donation or more 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 citizen 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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The Huntington Beach Police Department's Police Volunteer programs (Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Volunteers In Police Services (VIPS), and the Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program) want to thank the businesses that gave donations towards making our participation in the 105th Huntington Beach 4th of July parade a success. This marks our 11th year the volunteer organizations have entered a float in the parade. A big thank you to **Albertsons, Boeing Company, Home Depot, Ideal Pallet Systems, and Target Stores**. Also, a special thanks to the **Lutheran Church of the Resurrection** for providing the chairs on the float, Jim Dwyer of **Tarbell Realtors** for donating the US flags, and Paula Milhalow, president of the Placentia Neighborhood Watch Program, for making our banner. We could not succeed without the support of these fine organizations giving back to the community.

Hot Weather Precautions

(from the State of Washington Dept of Health)

Severe heat may cause illness or even death. When temperatures rise to extreme highs, reduce risks by taking the following precautions.

Hot weather precautions to reduce the risk of heat exhaustion and heat stroke:

- Stay indoors and in an air-conditioned environment as much as possible unless you're sure your body has a high tolerance for heat.
- Drink plenty of fluids but avoid beverages that contain alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar.
- Eat more frequently but make sure meals are balanced and light.
- Never leave any person or pet in a parked vehicle.
- Avoid dressing babies in heavy clothing or wrapping them in warm blankets.
- Check frequently on people who are elderly, ill or may need help. If you feel you might need help, arrange to have family, friends or neighbors check in with you at least twice a day throughout warm weather periods.
- Make sure pets have plenty of water.
- Salt tablets should only be taken if specified by your doctor. If you are on a salt-restrictive diet, check with a doctor before increasing salt intake.
- If you take prescription diuretics, antihistamines, mood-altering or antispasmodic drugs, check with a doctor about the effects of sun and heat exposure.
- Cover windows that receive morning or afternoon sun. Awnings or louvers can reduce the heat entering a house by as much as 80 percent.

If you go outside:

- Plan strenuous outdoor activities for early or late in the day when temperatures are cooler; then gradually build up tolerance for warmer conditions.
- Take frequent breaks when working outdoors.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat, sun block and light-colored, loose-fitting clothes when outdoors.
- At first signs of heat illness (dizziness, nausea, headaches, muscle cramps), move to a cooler location, rest for a few minutes and slowly drink a cool beverage. Seek medical attention immediately if you do not feel better.
- Avoid sunburn: it slows the skin's ability to cool itself. Use a sunscreen lotion with a high SPF (sun protection factor) rating.

- Avoid extreme temperature changes. A cool shower immediately after coming in from hot temperatures can result in hypothermia, particularly for elderly or very young people.

If the power goes out or air conditioning is not available:

- If air conditioning is not available, stay on the lowest floor out of the sunshine.
- Ask your doctor about any prescription medicine you keep refrigerated. (If the power goes out, most medicine will be fine to leave in a closed refrigerator for at least 3 hours.)
- Keep a few bottles of water in your freezer; if the power goes out, move them to your refrigerator and keep the doors shut.

Social Networking Sites: Safety Tips for Tweens and Teens

(from the US Federal Trade Commission)

You've probably learned a long list of important safety and privacy lessons already: Look both ways before crossing the street; buckle up; hide your diary where your nosy brother can't find it; don't talk to strangers.

The Federal Trade Commission, the nation's consumer protection agency, is urging kids to add one more lesson to the list: Don't post information about yourself online that you don't want the whole world to know. The Internet is the world's biggest information exchange: many more people could see your information than you intend, including your parents, your teachers, your employer, the police — and strangers, some of whom could be dangerous.

Social networking sites have added a new factor to the "friends of friends" equation. By providing information about yourself and using blogs, chat rooms, email, or instant messaging, you can communicate, either within a limited community, or with the world at large. But while the sites can increase your circle of friends, they also can increase your exposure to people who have less-than-friendly intentions. You've heard the stories about people who were stalked by someone they met online, had their identity stolen, or had their computer hacked.

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Your Safety's at Stake

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The FTC suggests these tips for socializing safely online:

- Think about how different sites work before deciding to join a site. Some sites will allow only a defined community of users to access posted content; others allow anyone and everyone to view postings.
- Think about keeping some control over the information you post. Consider restricting access to your page to a select group of people, for example, your friends from school, your club, your team, your community groups, or your family.
- Keep your information to yourself. Don't post your full name, Social Security number, address, phone number, or bank and credit card account numbers — and don't post other people's information, either. Be cautious about posting information that could be used to identify you or locate you offline. This could include the name of your school, sports team, clubs, and where you work or hang out.
- Make sure your screen name doesn't say too much about you. Don't use your name, your age, or your hometown. Even if you think your screen name makes you anonymous, it doesn't take a genius to combine clues to figure out who you are and where you can be found.
- Post only information that you are comfortable with others seeing — and knowing — about you. Many people can see your page, including your parents, your teachers, the police, the college you might want to apply to next year, or the job you might want to apply for in five years.
- Remember that once you post information online, you can't take it back. Even if you delete the information from a site, older versions exist on other people's computers.
- Consider not posting your photo. It can be altered and broadcast in ways you may not be happy about. If you do post one, ask yourself whether it's one your mom would display in the living room.
- Flirting with strangers online could have serious consequences. Because some people lie about

who they really are, you never really know who you're dealing with.

- Be wary if a new online friend wants to meet you in person. Before you decide to meet someone, do your research: Ask whether any of your friends know the person, and see what background you can dig up through online search engines. If you decide to meet them, be smart about it: Meet in a public place, during the day, with friends you trust. Tell an adult or a responsible sibling where you're going, and when you expect to be back.
- Trust your gut if you have suspicions. If you feel threatened by someone or uncomfortable because of something online, tell an adult you trust and report it to the police and the social networking site. You could end up preventing someone else from becoming a victim.

For More Information

To learn more about staying safe online, visit the following organizations:

- Federal Trade Commission - www.OnGuardOnline.gov - The FTC works for the consumer to prevent fraudulent, deceptive, and unfair business practices in the marketplace and to provide information to help consumers spot, stop, and avoid them.
- GetNetWise - www.getnetwise.org - GetNetWise is a public service sponsored by Internet industry corporations and public interest organizations to help ensure that Internet users have safe, constructive, and educational or entertaining online experiences.
- i-SAFE - www.i-safe.org - Founded in 1998 and endorsed by the U.S. Congress, i-SAFE is a non-profit foundation dedicated to protecting the online experiences of youth everywhere.
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children - www.missingkids.com; www.netsmartz.org - NCMEC is a private, non-profit organization that helps prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation; helps find missing children; and assists victims of child abduction and sexual exploitation, their families, and the professionals who serve them.
- Wired Safety - www.wiredsafety.org - WiredSafety.org is an Internet safety and help group comprised of volunteers around the world.

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

40 entries in July
37 entries in June

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

There were thirteen garage entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

111 reported in July
75 reported in June

GRAND THEFT AUTO

33 reported in July
28 reported in June

BEAT 2

2 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 475-1 RD 466-1

Streets: Aloha Dr. and Green Spray Ln.

There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 467-1 RD 476-3
RD 495-1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 486-1 RD 466-1

BEAT 3

2 Residential Burglaries
0 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 446-1 RD 454-1

Streets: Running Springs Ln. and Modoc Cr.

In RD 446 Running Springs Ln.; Suspect is possibly known.
In RD 454 Modoc Cr.; Suspect is possible known.

Vehicle Burglaries
None reported

Grand Theft Auto
None reported

BEAT 4

9 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 432-3 RD 433-1
RD 442-3 RD 452-1
RD 463-1

Streets: Alabama St., Huntington St. Deepcliff Dr. Delaware St., England St., and Sailors Bay Ln.

In RD 442, England St., suspect described as: male, white, 14 – 16 years old, 5'3" to 5'5" height, straight collar length blonde hair, plaid backpack, blue shirt, and blue jeans

There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 432-1 RD 442-1
RD 462-4

Grand Theft Auto
RD 453-1

BEAT 5

5 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 426-2 RD 435-2
RD 437-1

Streets: Brookhurst St., Chesapeake Ln., Hyannis Port Dr., and Lexington Ln.

In RD 426, Brookhurst St.; suspect is possibly known.
In RD 426, Brookhurst St., suspect cut the lock off a storage shed.
In RD 435, Chesapeake Ln.; suspect is known.

There were three garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 434-1 RD 437-2

Grand Theft Auto
RD 427-1

BEAT 6

7 Residential Burglaries
9 Vehicle Burglaries
10 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries
RD 349-1 RD 431-1
RD 441-1 RD 451-4

Streets: 16th St., Lake St, 10th St., 8th St., and 14th St.

In RD 451 8th St.; suspect enters unlocked door in rear of house while owner is in front house.

There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 349-1 RD 451-8

Grand Theft Auto
RD 348-1 RD 349-3
RD 359-1 RD 431-1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

Grand Theft Auto, cont.

RD 441-1 RD 451-2
RD 461-1

BEAT 7

2 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 292-1 RD 411-1

Streets: Parkview Dr. and Stratton Ln.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 293-2 RD 422-2
RD 423-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 422-1

BEAT 8

3 Residential Burglaries
1 Vehicle Burglary
0 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 179-1 RD 188-1
RD 189-1

Streets: Golden West St. and Jardines Dr.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 281-1

Grand Theft Auto

None reported

BEAT 9

1 Residential Burglary
15 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 264-1

Streets: Ross Ln.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 263-2 RD 271-1
RD 272-8 RD 273-3

Vehicle Burglaries, cont.

RD 283-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 272-2 RD 273-1

BEAT 10

2 Residential Burglaries
26 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 164-1 RD 165-1

Streets: Saybrook Ln and Lynn St.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 153-1 RD 155-1
RD 163-2 RD 164-2
RD 165-1 RD 173-19

Grand Theft Auto

RD 155-1 RD 163-1

BEAT 11

1 Residential Burglary
3 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 166-1

Streets: Heil Ave

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 156-2 RD 166-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 159-1 RD 169-3

BEAT 12

2 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 138-1 RD 139-1

Streets: Capetown Ln., and Cumberland Dr.

In RD 138, Capetown Ln.; It is believed suspect(s) were only looking for U.S. currency.

There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

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

Grand Theft Auto

RD 128-1 RD 136-1
RD 139-1 RD 149-1

BEAT 13

4 Residential Burglaries
34 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 251-1 RD 261-1
RD 262-2

Streets: Wishingwell Ln., Heil Ave., and Viewpoint Ln.

In RD 251, Wishingwell Ln.; The only item taken was a loaded hand gun.

There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 242-9 RD 252-5
RD 253-8 RD 261-3
RD 262-9

Grand Theft Auto

RD 242-1 RD 252-1
RD 253-1 RD 261-1
RD 262-2

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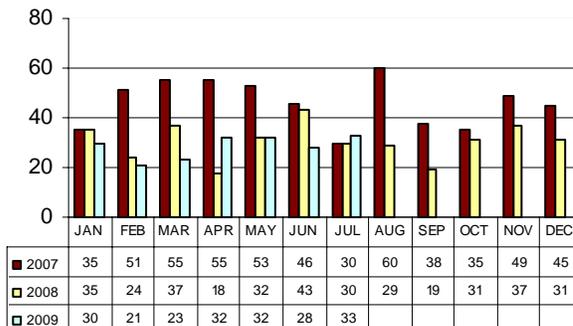
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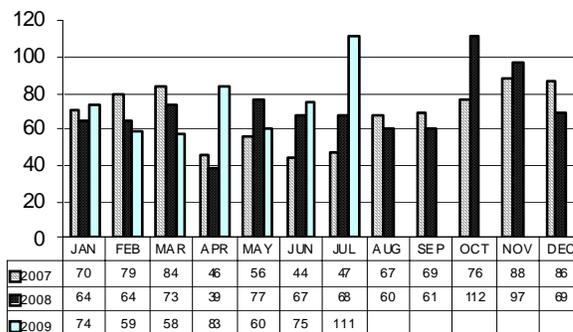
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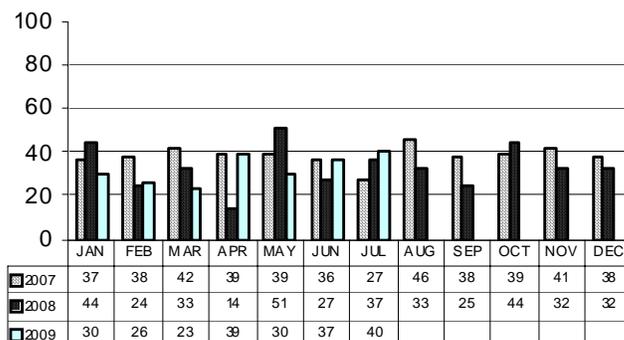
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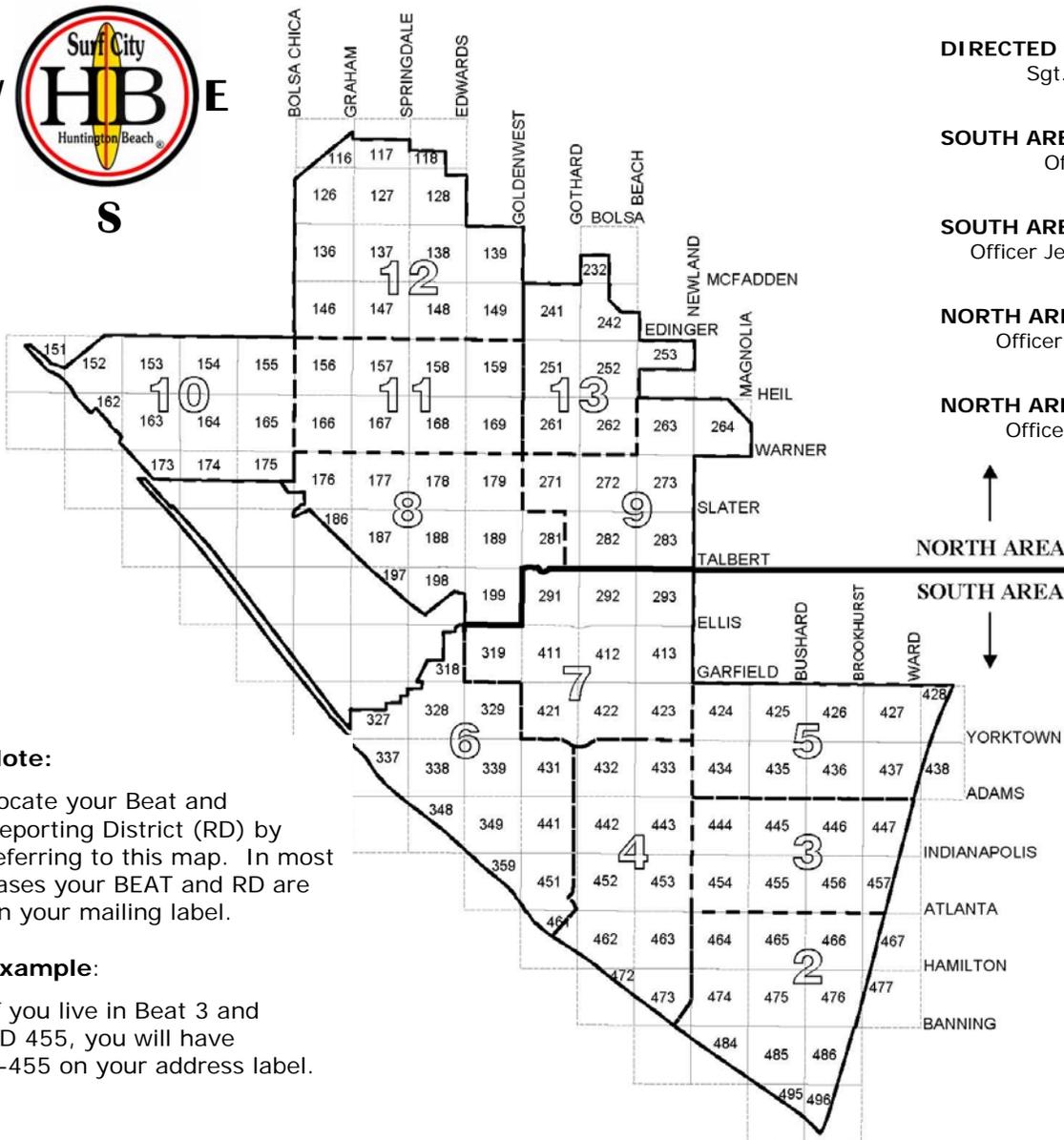
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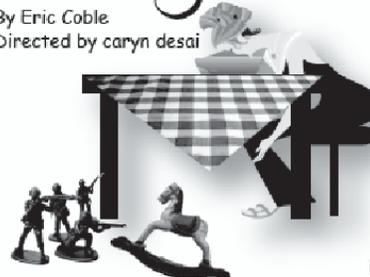
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