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**TAKE A BITE OUT OF
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**November 2005 Postage
Donations Update**

This year Neighborhood Watch needs to raise \$20,000 to cover postal costs through the end of the year. At the end of September, we received a total of \$15,595 from our subscribers and advertisers. So we have another \$4,405 to raise in order to have enough money by the end of the year.

A \$5 donation puts your name in the newsletter as a contributor. A \$20 donation or more will put your name in the newsletter and you will receive a Neighborhood Watch sticker and a Surf City Key Chain. Make your check out to **HB Neighborhood Watch** and send to **HB Neighborhood Watch, P.O. Box 5667, HB, CA 92615** or **HBPD, 2000 Main Street, HB 92648**.

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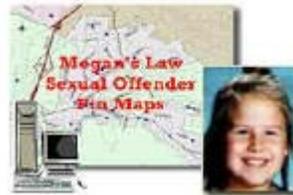
**No Board Meeting
In December**

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**



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**HOW TO
PROTECT
YOURSELF AND
YOUR FAMILY**

One of the major reasons why it is important to be informed about sexual assault is so that you can take steps to prevent it. And, there are indeed steps you can take to reduce your risk of sexual assault, your child's risk, or the risk facing others.

For Parents:

- Inform children that it is wrong for adults to engage children in sexual activity.
- Stress to your child that he or she should feel comfortable telling you anything, especially if it involves another adult. If your child does not feel comfortable being completely honest with you, then together you should find another trusted adult you child can talk to in confidence.
- Make an effort to know the people with whom you child is spending time.
- Knowledge is power. This is especially true for protecting children from sexual assault. Teach your children about their bodies, give them the correct language to use when describing their private parts. Emphasize that those parts are private.

- Make sure you know where each of your children is at all times. Know your children's friends and be clear with your children about the places and homes they may visit. Make it a rule that your children check in with you when there is a change in plans. You should also let them know when YOU are running late or if your plans have changed so that they can see the rule is for safety purposes and not being used to "check up" on them.



- Never leave children unattended in an automobile, whether it is running or not. Children should never be left unsupervised or allowed to spend time alone, or with others, in automobiles, as the potential dangers to their safety outweigh any perceived convenience or "fun." Remind children NEVER to hitch-hike, approach a car or engage in a conversation with anyone in a car who they do not know or trust, or go anywhere with anyone without getting your permission first.

- Be involved in you children's activities. As a active participant, you will have a better opportunity to observe how the adults in charge interact with your children. If you are concerned about anyone's behavior, take it up with the sponsoring organization.

- Listen to your children. Pay attention if they tell you that they do not want to be with someone or go somewhere. This may be an indication of more than a personality conflict or lack of interest in the activity or event.

- Notice when someone shows one or all of your children a great deal of attention or begins giving them gifts. Take the time to talk to your children about this person and find out why the person is acting in this way.



- Teach your children that they have the right to say NO to any unwelcome, uncomfortable, or confusing touch or actions by others. Teach them to tell you immediately if this happens. Reassure them that you are there to help and it is okay to tell you anything.

- Be sensitive to any changes in your children's behavior or attitude. Encourage open communication and learn how to be an active listener. Look and listen to small cues and clues that something may be troubling your children, because children are not always comfortable disclosing disturbing events or feelings. This may be because they are concerned about your reaction to their problems. If your children do confide problems to you, strive to remain calm, non-critical, and nonjudgmental. Listen compassionately to their concern and work with them to get the help they need to resolve the problem.



- Be sure to screen babysitters and caregivers. Many states now have public registries that allow parents to screen individuals for prior criminal records and sex offenses. Check references with other families who have used the caregiver or babysitter. Once you have chosen the caregiver, drop in unexpectedly to see how your children are doing. Ask you children how the experience with the caregiver was, and listen carefully to their responses.

- Practice basic safety skills with our children. Make an outing to a mall or a park a "teachable" experience in which your children can practice checking with you, using pay phones, going to the restroom with a friend, and locating the adults who can help if they need assistance. Remember that allowing your children to wear clothing or carry items in public on which their name is displayed can bring about unwelcome attention from inappropriate people who may be looking for a way to start a conversation with your children.

- Remember that there is no substitute for your attention and supervision. Being available and taking time to really know and listen to your children helps build feelings of safety and security.

- Also remember that in the vast majority of cases (up to 90%), children are molested by someone they know. Your efforts at keeping your child safe must be informed by this fact and not focused exclusively on the danger that strangers may present.

HBI—CRIME FIGHTER IN THE SKY

Flight time for the month of September was below normal due to a number of mandatory training sessions for water survival training attended by unit members.



Officers Reed and Wersching observed a driver traveling E/B in the W/B lanes of Heil. Units were requested Code 3 due to the eminent danger to other traffic. Before units could respond, the vehicle crashed into another car. The driver was arrested for DUI, this was one of 6 DUI's arrested by aircrews during the month.

HB1 responded to a vessel in distress near the bluffs. Due to darkness, Officers Catalano and Ramsey utilized the FLIR and located the boat. City lifeguards were notified along with the OCSO rescue boat. HB1 remained and provided light until all occupants were safely rescued.

Officer Wersching began flight training this month and is progressing well.

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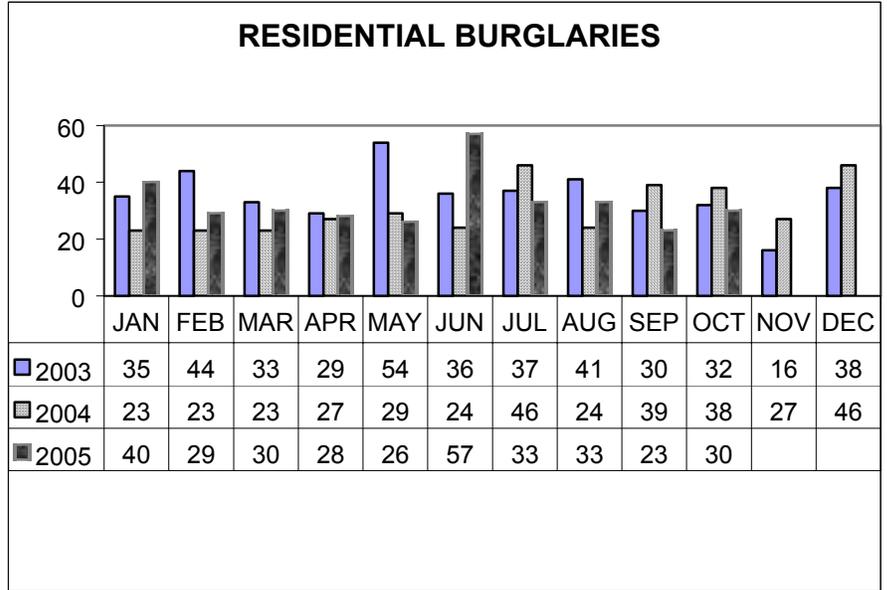
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Huntington Beach Senior Services needs drivers for Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day holiday meal delivery. Volunteers pick up the festive meals in the morning from Norm's Restaurant on Beach Blvd. And are completed with their route by noon. On New Year's Eve, volunteers are needed for the dance at Rodgers Seniors' Center. Volunteers decorate, serve and/or clean up. Call Diane Swarts at 374-1544 if you would like to help.

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

**30 REPORTED IN OCTOBER
23 REPORTED IN SEPTEMBER**

Nine of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors, or 30% of the entries reported.

Further breakdown reveals 5 garage entries out of 30 burglaries, or 17% of the entries reported in October.

Fourteen of the entries reported to have occurred during daytime (6:00 am. to 6:00 pm.). Sixteen entries occurred during night (6:00 pm. to 6:00 am.).

There were three attempts without entry, nine entries by force or pry tool, six entries by unknown means, one entry by a passkey, one entry while house was under fumigation with windows open, one with house open due to remodeling.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

**60 REPORTED IN OCTOBER
50 REPORTED IN SEPTEMBER**

GRAND THEFT AUTOS

**55 REPORTED IN OCTOBER
57 REPORTED IN SEPTEMBER**

BEAT 2

- 1 Residential Burglary
- 3 Vehicle Burglaries
- 2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 465 – 1

Street: Fleet. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW.** There were no garage burglaries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 465 – 3

Grand Theft Autos

RD 464 - 1 RD 475 - 1

BEAT 3

- 2 Residential Burglaries
- 1 Vehicle Burglary
- 2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 446 - 2

Streets: Two attempted entries on Olympic. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 446 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 445 – 1 RD 447 – 1

BEAT 4

- 3 Residential Burglaries
- 4 Vehicle Burglaries
- 4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 432 – 2 RD 433 – 1

Streets: Delaware, Hess, Drybank.

ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW. Two entries by force or pry tool There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 433 – 1 RD 443 – 1
RD 463 – 2

Grand Theft Autos

RD 442 – 1 RD 452 – 1
RD 462 – 1 RD 473 – 1

BEAT 5

- 0 Residential Burglaries
- 1 Vehicle Burglaries
- 7 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 424 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 425 – 3 RD 436 – 2
RD 437 - 2

BEAT 6

- 6 Residential Burglaries
- 13 Vehicle Burglaries
- 7 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 339 – 2 RD 349 – 1
RD 451 – 3

Streets: Seabourne, Delaware, 18th St., 8th St., and two entries on Main St. **FOUR ENTRIES DUE TO OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by unknown means and one entry by force. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 348 – 3 RD 349 – 3
RD 359 – 2 RD 431 – 2
RD 451 – 2 RD 461 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 348 – 1 RD 359 - 2
RD 431 – 1 RD 441 – 1
RD 451 – 2

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS

BEAT 7

4 Residential Burglaries
 0 Vehicle Burglaries
 2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 293 – 1 RD 413 – 1
 RD 422 – 1 RD 423 – 1

Streets: Clay, Beach, Magic and Graziadio. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW.** Two entries by pry tool or force, one entry by unknown means. There were no garage entries. A suspect was seen in the Clay entry, he is described as: Male White Adult, late 20's to early 30's, 6 "3", 180 lbs, close buzzed brown hair, mustache/beard, a tattoo of "DINO" on back of neck. If you know who this could be, call police.

Vehicle Burglaries

None

Grand Theft Autos

RD 293 – 1 RD 413 – 1

BEAT 8

4 Residential Burglaries
 4 Vehicle Burglaries
 3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 176 – 1 RD 179 – 2
 RD 187 – 1

Streets: Lourdes, three entries on Warner. One entry by a passkey, two entries by unknown means, one entry with house under fumigation with open windows. There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 177 - 1 RD 179 - 1
 RD 199 – 1 RD 281 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 176 – 1 RD 187 – 1
 RD 199 – 1

BEAT 9

0 Residential Burglaries
 9 Vehicle Burglaries
 8 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 263 – 1 RD 272 – 3
 RD 273 – 1 RD 282 – 2
 RD 283 – 2

Grand Theft Autos

RD 263 – 1 RD 264 - 1
 RD 272 – 1 RD 273 – 1
 RD 282 – 3 RD 283 – 1

BEAT 10

3 Residential Burglaries
 6 Vehicle Burglaries
 4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 162 – 1 RD 163 – 2

Streets: Remora and two entries on Marinabay. One entry by force, one entry with remodeling of house that was open, and one attempt without entry. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 153 – 2 RD 155 – 1
 RD 165 – 1 RD 173 – 1
 RD 175 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 155 – 1 RD 165 – 1
 RD 173 – 1 RD 175 – 1

BEAT 11

1 Residential Burglary
 1 Vehicle Burglary
 0 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 157– 1

Street: Fairway with entry by unknown means thru the garage.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 158 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

None

BEAT 12

0 Residential Burglaries
 1 Vehicle Burglary
 6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 146 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 117 - 1 RD 126 – 2
 RD 139 – 1 RD 146 – 1
 RD 147 – 1

BEAT 13

6 Residential Burglaries
 17 Vehicle Burglaries
 10 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 251 – 1 RD 252 – 2
 RD 253 – 2 RD 262 - 1

Streets: Valentine, Parkside, Alhambra, Edinger, San Angelo, Viewpoint. **TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** Three entries by force or pry tool, one entry by unknown means. There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241 – 4 RD 242 - 1
 RD 252 - 5 RD 253 – 2
 RD 261 – 2 RD 262 - 3

Grand Theft Autos

RD 241 – 3 RD 242 - 2
 RD 251 – 3 RD 261 – 1
 RD 262 - 1



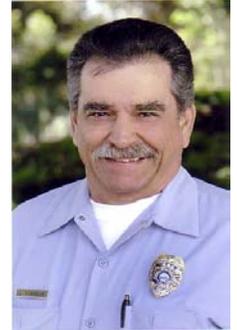
**BILINGUAL
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

The Police Department is looking for volunteers with an emphasis on bilingual Spanish speakers. As part of our community outreach, a substation was established at a storefront near the intersection of Beach and Slater many years ago. The substation serves as a location where officers can write reports, conduct follow-up investigation and interact with the public. The office is usually staffed by volunteers during the day and evening.

The Sub-station is located near an area that is predominately Hispanic. In an effort to improve the area, we try to encourage communication with the residents and ask them to report criminal activity. Unfortunately, we are lacking in volunteers who are able to speak both English and Spanish. Duties for volunteers include answering basic questions, providing directions and assisting residents. Training will be provided. Hours are flexible and volunteers may work as little or as much as they like. Assisting one day a week or even half a day would be helpful. If you have an interest in assisting the Police Department as well as the community, please contact Sergeant Gary Faust at 608-6032.

**VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH
RETIRED SENIOR
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
JOHN STAMBUK**

John Stambuk was born in San Pedro, California in 1944 and lived there for 42 years. He attended San Pedro High School and Harbor Jr.College.



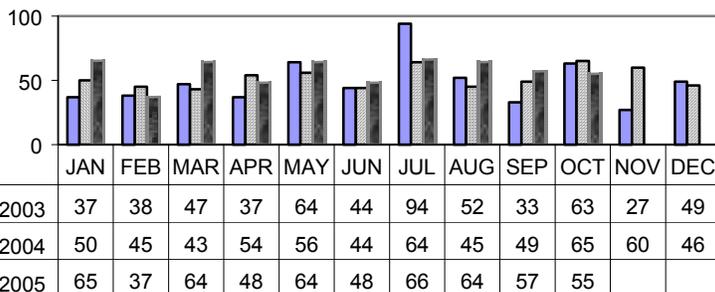
He thought about becoming a police officer, but he followed his father's footsteps and got into the graphic arts field. He started working for a large electric sign company at about 15 years old and continued working for them until the company sold in 1975. John had numerous freelance jobs until he went to work the Disney Company in 1985.

John has been married to his wife Michelle for 20 years. He has a stepson named Paul. John and his wife have lived in Huntington Beach for twelve years. He had a part-time job as traffic control officer escorting traffic for funerals and private events.

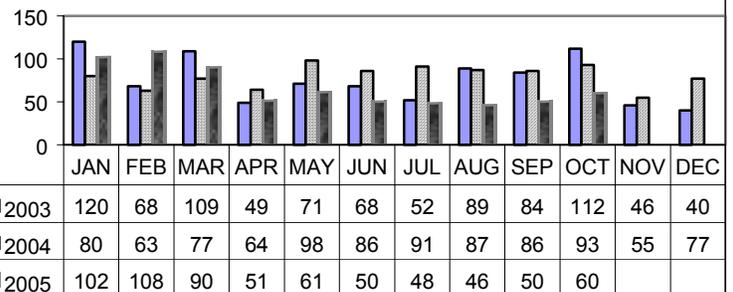
John has been lucky to do a lot of fun things in life. In 1972, he received his pilot's license. He had driven racecars at over 200 mph. He has over 123 parachute jumps and also loves to ride motorcycles. John hopes he will be able to fly in a jet fighter plane someday. He has two black cats that adopted him four years ago and became part of the family.

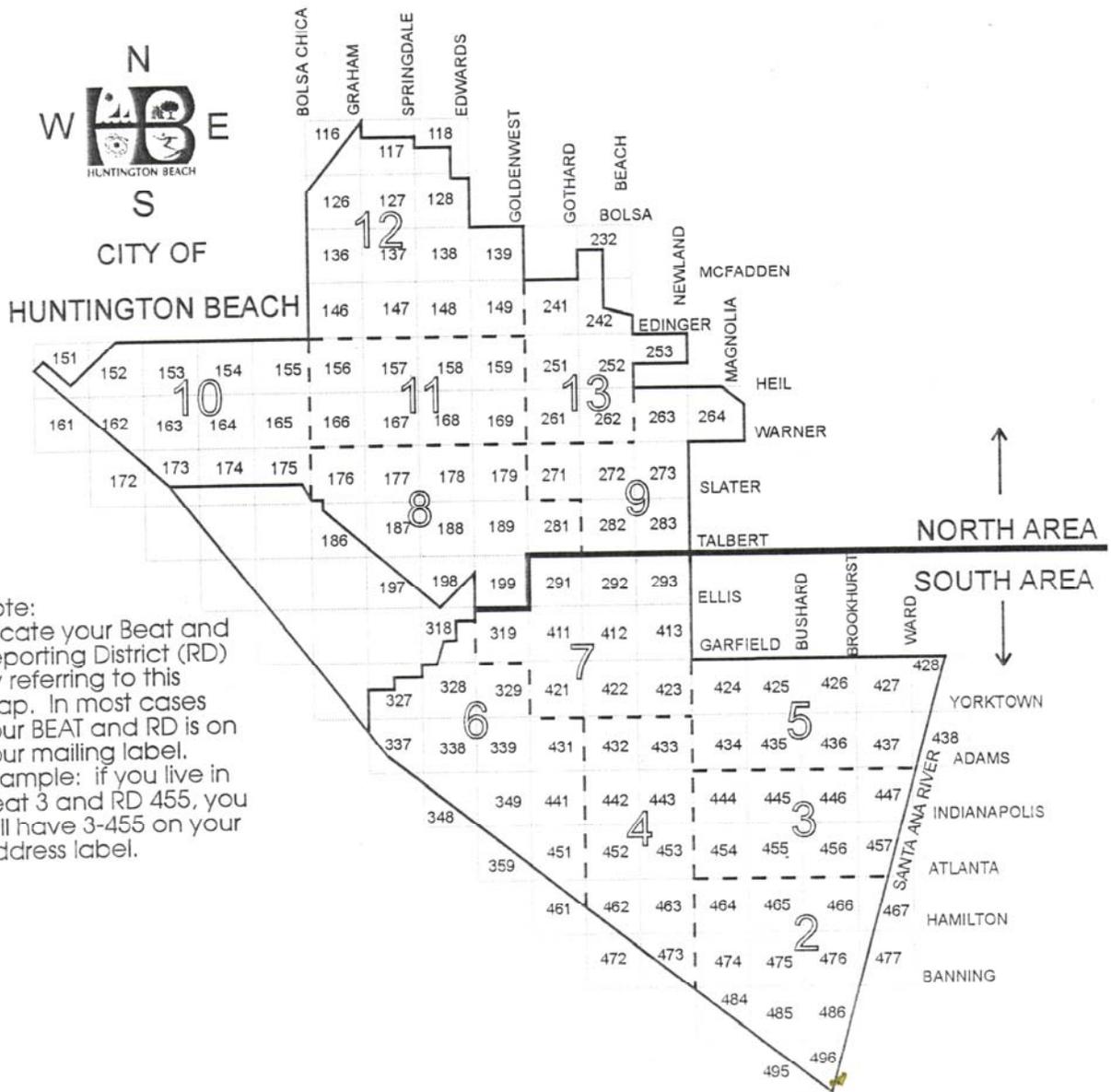
He tries to stay active and joined the R.S.V.P. Program in the beginning of the year. He works patrol and loves going to special events where he brings a police car for the children to see. The police department appreciates the time he donates at these special events and salutes him for being the volunteer of the month.

GRAND THEFT AUTO



VEHICLE BURGLARIES





Note:
 Locate your Beat and Reporting District (RD) by referring to this map. In most cases your BEAT and RD is on your mailing label.
 Example: if you live in Beat 3 and RD 455, you will have 3-455 on your address label.