

# **Park Station Newsletter**

Monday, April 30 to Sunday, May 6, 2007

(Below is a sampling of incidents that occurred during the identified week)

## **Narcotics Enforcement/ 8 Arrests**

**Monday, April 30, 2007. 2:00 to 6:00 pm; Upper Haight and Alvard Lake**

Officers from Park Station, both in uniform and in plain clothes, conducted a targeted narcotic enforcement operation. They targeted the drug dealers in the Haight Street/Alvard Lake area. Eight arrests were made for selling and possession of drugs.

## **Fraud, Trick or Device**

**Tuesday, May 1, 2007. 6 pm, Hayes Street.**

Park Station Officers responded to Hayes Street to take a fraud report. They met the victim who explained to them that she had been notified by a "sweepstakes" company that she had won \$55,800. The sweepstakes letter included a cashier's check for \$2,750 and instruction to call the account representative right away. The victim called the account rep and was told to send \$2,600 in cash right away in order to preserve her "prize". The victim sent the money, deposited the cashier's check into her account and then waited patiently for her windfall. A short time later her bank notified the victim that the cashier's check was worthless and that she was overdrawn. The victim tried to contact the Sweepstakes Company but was unable to reach anyone. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!

## **Robbery with a Gun; Arrest made**

**Wednesday, May 02, 2007; 3:05 am; Geary & Steiner Sts.**

A truck driver was robbed while making an early morning delivery. He had not even left his vehicle when the suspect climbed up to the cab of the semi and pointed a gun at him. He handed over his cell phone and \$62.00, and got a good look at the bad guy. He was able to give responding officers an excellent description of the suspect including his prescription glasses, the writing on his t-shirt, and the color and type of the suspect's car. A second suspect remained in the vehicle, so he didn't really get a good look at him. A midnight shift sergeant spotted the suspect and his vehicle as he was still cruising in the area, apparently after dropping off suspect #2. Officers coordinated a "cold show", and the victim positively ID'd the suspect as the man who robbed him. Not surprisingly, the suspect is a parolee, and will head straight back to state prison. All for a lousy \$62 and a cell phone!

## **Theft from a person**

**Wednesday, May 2, 2007; 11:40 am; Grove and Central**

The victim was walking north on Central towards Grove. She had her wallet clutched under her left arm and was carrying grocery bags in both hands. A heavy-set white male suspect grabbed her wallet from under her arm and got into a red Toyota. Loss was her wallet, \$2 and her driver's license.

## **Robbery: Homeless vs Homeless**

**Wednesday, May 2, 2007; 5:59 pm; Hippie Hill, Golden Gate Park**

Police were called to "Hippie Hill" regarding a physical fight between several homeless fellows. Police interviewed the men involved, but no one was injured, and no one wanted to press charges. An hour later, one of the pugilists again called police, this time to report that two of his "sparring" partners came up to him and hit him in the head and stole his wallet. Loss: the wallet, a bus ticket, and \$45. All is not peaceful on "Hippie Hill".

### **Robbery by Force**

**Wednesday, May 2, 2007. 8:20 pm, 1687 Haight Street**

Park Station Officers responded to two different requests for police assistance at the same time. One caller claimed that he had been assaulted by store employees and the other that their store had been the victim of a robbery. When the Officers arrived at the "Cheap Thrills" variety store on Haight Street, two store employees were present. One employee had seen a male suspect take a feather "boa" from a rack and stuff it into his pants. When the suspect tried to leave the store, the female employee tried to stop the suspect. The employee could see the sales tag hanging out and simply asked the suspect to return the item. The suspect pushed the employee away and began to start a commotion. The second employee heard the struggle and came up from the back of the store to help. The suspect became even more violent, punching the second employee in order to make good his escape. Officers going to the second call for service quickly learned that their complainant was one and the same as the suspect who had robbed the store. The suspect was taken into custody and booked for robbery. The arrest would not have been possible had the suspect not called to complain about the store employees.

### **Felony Hit & Run Traffic Accident**

**Wednesday, May 2, 2007 10:03 PM, Haight & Broderick**

Officers from Park Station responded to Haight & Broderick on a report of a serious traffic accident. Upon their arrival they located a female victim who was trapped in her car, was suffering from a broken leg and other injuries. The driver of one of the vehicles had fled the scene. The officers quickly were able to identify the suspect through his employer and conducted a search for him. The Officers were unable to locate the suspect at this time.

### **Aided Case**

**Thursday, May 3, 2007. 06:30 am, 160 Locksley Street**

Dispatch directed Park Station Officers to Locksley Ave. on the report of a man unconscious in his vehicle. When they arrived, they located the vehicle stopped in the middle of the Street with the driver slumped over the steering wheel. The vehicle was in "drive" and witnesses said that the car had stalled. Paramedics arrived and began rendering aid to the driver. The paramedics located suspected cocaine and pills in the "victim's" pants pocket. The rubber on the vehicle's right front tire was completely gone, indicating that the driver had gone some distance with a flat tire. The officers followed the gouge marks left by the damaged tire but were unable to find any accident scene that the driver may have driven away from. While interviewing the suspect at UCSF Hospital, the initial officers were approached by the UCSF Police. Apparently, several UCSF police cars had been hit by an unknown car earlier that evening, and those cars had been parked in the location of the gouge marks on the roadway. A comparison of damage to all the vehicles indicated that the "victim" had in fact hit the police cars, and then fled the scene. The UCSF police then took over the arrest and investigation.

### **Traffic Accidents**

**Thursday, May 3, 2007. ALL DAY, District Wide**

Officers spent most of the day handling a plethora of traffic accidents. For whatever reason everyone decided to play bumper car today. A total of 8 traffic reports were made.

### **Missing/ Found Person**

**Friday, May 4, 2007. 10:45 am, 1400 block Mc Allister St.**

Officers responded to a report of a missing person who is suffering from dementia. Officers are required to conduct an immediate and continual search in such cases. Fortunately the individual was located in short order.

### **Narcotics Enforcement/ 10 Arrests**

#### **Friday, May 4, 2007. 2:00 to 6:00 pm; Upper Haight and Alvord Lake**

Once again Officers from Park Station, both in uniform and in plain clothes, conducted a targeted narcotic enforcement operation. They targeted the drug dealers in the Haight Street/Alvord Lake area. Less than a week after the last enforcement action these Officers managed to arrest TEN more individuals for selling and possession of drugs.

### **Search Warrant Served**

#### **Friday, May 4, 2007; 10:00 p.m.; 100 Block of Steiner Street**

Officers received complaints from the community regarding the comings and goings from an apartment house on the block. They set up on the place for several hours and watched many people coming and going for very short periods of time. Based on the information-gathered officers worked to get a search warrant. They were successful and on this date executed the search warrant. They entered and found several people using and packaging drugs. While inside the apartment phone and doorbell rang non-stop. They ended up making four felony arrests and seizing various drugs and packaging materials.

### **Warrant arrest**

#### **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 9:36 am; 15<sup>th</sup> and Sanchez St.**

Officers observed the suspect sleeping on the sidewalk and stopped to investigate. The officer conducted a warrant check and found that the suspect was wanted. He was then provided with alternative sleeping quarters at City Prison.

### **Possession of Marijuana for Sale**

#### **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 11:31 am; Sharon Meadows.**

Officers observed a suspect known to be an active drug seller loitering in the area where marijuana is frequently sold. This individual had been advised that if he was not to frequent this area for the purpose of selling drugs. The Officers stopped to investigate and found that he was again in possession of a substantial amount of marijuana packaged for sale. This plague on the community was then booked,.....AGAIN.

### **Warrant arrest, drunk in public**

#### **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 9:31 pm 1700 block Haight**

Park Station foot beat Officers observed the suspect climbing some construction scaffolding and made contact with him. During the contact they could tell that the suspect was under the influence of alcohol. Prior to placing him in the police vehicle they searched him for weapons and found a small amount of marijuana on his person. After talking with the suspect they learned that he climbed the scaffolding to hide the marijuana for a friend to recover later. The suspect gave the Officers permission to search his vehicle where they found more marijuana. The suspect was booked at Park Station due to him not being able to care for himself because of his intoxication.

### **Warrant Arrest**

#### **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 12:21 pm Divisadero and Hayes**

Park Station Officers observed the suspect crossing the street against a red light interfering with traffic flow. The Officers stopped the suspect and cited him for jaywalking and later found that he had a no-bail probation warrant out of Sonoma County. The suspect was taken to Park Station and booked, awaiting his return to Sonoma County.

### **Malicious Mischief; Investigative Detention**

#### **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 13:00 pm; 457 Waller St.**

Park Station Officers responded to a call of an individual crashing a shopping cart into parked cars. The officers located the suspect and noted the damage to several vehicles,

however an arrest could not be made as the reportee/witness refused to make a citizens arrest. The suspect was positively identified and released at the scene.

### **Marijuana Incident/ Drunk Arrest**

**Sunday, May 6, 2007; 4:11 a.m.; 1500 Block of Cole Street**

Officers were called to a house on the above block on the report of someone ringing the doorbell and banging on the door (Oh joy!). Upon officers arrival they detained the only person staggering (let alone awake) down the middle of the street. The guy told officers that he had been celebrating a friend's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday and that he had been drinking (it was very apparent) all night (he was 20 years old). He was arrested for public intoxication. He told officers that he was just trying to get into his friend's house at 35<sup>th</sup> and Taraval; he had no idea where he was. Upon booking him for the intoxication they found a small baggie of marijuana in his pocket for which he was issued a ticket. He was released once he regained his wits.

### **Felony Warrant Arrest**

**Sunday, May 6, 2007; 10:15 p.m.; Haight Street and Masonic Avenue**

A Park Station sergeant was patrolling in the above area when he noticed that a truck towards him had no front license plate (violation). He pulled it over and got the necessary identification in order to issue a traffic ticket. A computer check showed that the driver had an outstanding felony drug warrant for his arrest out of Marin County. He was arrested for said warrant.

### **Aggravated Assault/Malicious Mischief/Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Knife**

**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 10:51 pm; 1300 blk Page Street**

A long and involved night started when Park Station Officers responded to a call of a fight in progress involving 4 individuals; 2 males and 2 females. When they arrived at the scene they observed one of the combatants bleeding from a human bite to his finger. The other suspect had fled the scene in a grey Mercedes Benz. The officers determined that the fight broke out as a result of an ongoing parking dispute between the victim and one of his neighbors. After ensuring that the victim received medical treatment the officers went back in service. As luck would have it they responded to a reported stabbing, which they discovered was related to the original call. The officers pieced together information provided by this victim (the suspect in the first case) and determined that the sister of the victim in the first incident stabbed him during the fight on Page Street. They also found a grey Mercedes Benz parked a short distance away. After securing medical treatment for this second victim/suspect at a local hospital and discussing the case with members of the Inspectors Bureau, they again went back in service. And now to add insult to injury, these same two officers were called back to Page Street when the car windows of the original victims car were broken out. Witnesses described a Black Male suspect in a grey Mercedes Benz fleeing the scene. The officers filed their reports and hope that arrest warrants are forthcoming.

### **Robbery with Force**

**Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 02:30 am; Castro at 18<sup>th</sup> Street**

The victim was walking home when the suspect (BMA 25 years, 5' 11" thin build) approached him demanding money and his cell phone. The victim felt intimidated so he complied with the suspect's demands. The victim did not have any money but gave the suspect his cell phone. The suspect then fled east on 17<sup>th</sup> Street. The responding officers searched the area with the victim but could not find the suspect.