

Park Station Newsletter

Monday Dec. 25th to Sunday Dec. 31st, 2006

(Below is a sampling of police incidents that took place during the identified week)

Assault with a Chair; Arrest Made

Tuesday, December 26, 2006; 8:44 a.m.; 900 Block Buena Vista West Avenue

Victim resides in the same facility as the suspect. The victim told responding officers that he had merely asked his housemate to "not make too much noise". The suspect (black male, 47 years old) responded to the request in a very 'reasonable' manner. He picked up the closest, heaviest object he could find (a chair) and struck the victim over the head. The suspect then jumped on a MUNI bus and left the area. The suspect later returned. Officers responded and arrested him without incident. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment of his head injury.

Felony Drug Arrest

Wednesday, December 27, 2006; 2:14 p.m.; 730 Stanyan Street

A uniformed officer was in McDonald's when he saw a kid (17 year-old, Asian male) that he knew. He knew him because he had arrested him several times in the recent past for drug sales. He had been admonished against returning to the area. As soon as the kid saw the officer he tried to leave the restaurant. The officer stopped him outside in order to arrest him for the loitering in a known drug area charge. Upon searching the guy, the officer found marijuana packaged for sale in his pocket, and lots of it. Though he was somewhat of a regular in the area he hadn't been seen over the last couple of months. He told us that he had been moved to Sacramento by his parents to get him away from the Haight. He told me that he was back because it had been a "rough Christmas". Back to YGC he went.

Hot Prowl Burglary (means someone was home)

Wednesday, December 27, 2006; 2:30 p.m.; 1600 Block of Fulton Street

The victim heard her front door open and went to see who it was. As she peered down her front steps she saw two strangers (two black males, 14-15 years old, wearing dark clothing) entering her home. When they saw her, one told the other "oh, run". And both ran back down the stairs and out the front door. She told the officer that she had left the front door unlocked.

If you live in an area that has seen break-ins (and that includes just about every neighborhood in the City) never, never leave your door, windows, etc. unlocked. Most criminals are opportunists looking for easy opportunities to commit crime(s). The walk neighborhoods looking for unlocked doors, open windows/garages, etc. Make your property less attractive, secure it!

Vandalism

Thursday, December 28, 2006; time unknown; Shrader and Haight Streets

The Department of Parking and Traffic reported that sometime during the early morning hours of the above date an unknown suspect damaged 73 parking meters. The subject used a drill to drive a hole through the LCD display of the 73 meters. The damage estimate was \$16,000. of our tax dollars. The suspect(s) is(are) still outstanding. There was no money taken so the crime was purely one of vandalism.

Methamphetamine/ Warrant Arrest

Thursday, December 28, 2006; 11:16 p.m.; Ashbury and Waller Streets

A distraught woman called the police to report that a man had just tried to open her brother's car door. The car was parked on Ashbury Street and she could see it from her apartment window. The woman gave a complete and exact description of the suspect, which was immediately relayed, to Park Station patrol officers. Two officers were nearby and arrived within a minute. Based on the description given by the witness, the officers located the suspect and checked him out. As the officers approached the suspect, he threw a partially empty beer can to the ground. The woman identified the suspect as the man who had tried to enter the car, but had never actually gained entry. A computer check revealed that the suspect had an outstanding warrant for his arrest out of San Jose. The suspect was taken into custody for the warrant. At Park Station, the suspect was searched and found to have methamphetamine (a narcotic) as well as drug paraphernalia on his person. Thanks to the diligence and watchful eye of the citizen, a drug fiend auto burglar with an outstanding arrest warrant was brought to justice!

Burglary; Arrest Made

Thursday, December 28, 2006; 6:35 p.m.; 1700 block Turk Street

Park Station Officers responded to Turk Street on the report of a male trying to pry open a window to an apartment. When they arrived, they met several witnesses who all saw the same suspect at different times earlier that day trying to pry open windows to a neighbor's apartment. The witnesses knew the apartment owner and told the officers that the person was out of town. During the process of getting the suspect information, another Park Police unit stopped by to see if they could assist. When they heard the suspect description, they realized that they had in fact arrested the same suspect a short time earlier for domestic violence. The witnesses were transported to Park Station where the suspect was still in custody. The witnesses all agreed that the person in custody was indeed the same suspect that they had seen trying to burglarize their neighbor's place. The suspect was given additional charges for burglary and sent to the county jail.

Threats to life

Friday, December 29, 2006 1:15pm 1400blk. Haight St.

While at work a nice young lady noticed a well-dressed older man carrying flowers come into her store and sit down. He was listening to his IPOD and as the nice young woman walked past him, he asked her to listen to it. She sat down beside him and put on the earplugs to listen. The man then started to gently rub her back. The nice young lady told him she was uncomfortable with that. So the man squeezed her in toward him and whispered in her ear, "If you get up! I'll kill you!" In fear of her life, she did not move, or alert her co-workers. She just sat there and started to cry. The man then got up and left the store.

Home Invasion

Saturday December 30, 2006 5:00 pm 1700blk. Eddy St.

A young man was at his apartment when he started to do his laundry. He placed a load in the laundry room and returned to his apartment. He left the front door open and went to his bedroom to lay down for a bit. Four men placed masks over their faces and entered the apartment. They placed a sheet over the young man's head and demanded money. The young man removed the sheet and seen that the men were armed with sticks and frying pans. The men ransacked the apartment while the suspect with the

stick kept the victim in the bedroom. After approx. 10min. the suspect took property and left the apartment. The victim was not hurt.

Armed Robbery w/ Gun

Sunday, December 31, 2006 7:12 am Albertson's, Fulton & Masonic

As employees were opening up the store for the day, 4 masked robbers, (3 black males and 1 black female) entered the store and made the employees lie on the floor. They stole the money from the Starbucks kiosk, and, at gunpoint, made the clerk open the office and the safe. They then ran out the front doors as employees in the back of the store were calling the police. At this writing, CSI and our Video unit were assessing the surveillance videos from the store's security cameras. Loss was a whopping \$15,000! It is also interesting that Saturday night at about 10:15 pm, a passerby called police to report that he saw 4 men dressed in black with duffel bags trying to get into the Albertson's store, but the store had already closed for the evening!

Grand Theft Auto: Arrest Made

Sunday, December 31, 2006 10:00 am, 971 Page Street

Park Station Officers received a call of a suspect attempting to steal a motorcycle. As they responded to the area, a description was broadcast of the suspect. Within minutes the officers spotted the suspect and detained him. The motorcycle's owner arrived and confirmed that they had the right person in custody. The victim had looked out his window and saw the suspect riding the stolen motorcycle down the street. The victim had run out and chased the suspect, who in turned had dropped the motorcycle over and began to run away. A computer check on the suspect revealed that he is on parole and had just been released from San Quentin three weeks ago.

Theft from Locked Auto: Arrest made

Sunday, December 31, 2006 10:37 am, 100 Anza Vista

The victim was visiting a friend and saw the two suspects eyeing his Mercedes. He left the apartment to watch the suspects and saw one of them reaching in his car. When they saw him, they tried to flee the area, but the suspect followed them in his vehicle with the newly broken window. He called police while he was following them, and we were able to intercept the 2 suspects, based upon his description. The 2 little boosters were juveniles who were cited and released to their parents.