

Park Station Newsletter

January 9, 2006 to January 15, 2006

Stolen Vehicle, Possession of Tar Heroin

Monday, January 9, 2006; 7:15 a.m.; 199 Museum Way.

Officers responded to a call from Rec and Park regarding a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot of the Randall Museum. Upon arrival the officers detained the two occupants of the vehicle and conducted a computer check, which revealed that the car was stolen. The two suspects were then placed under arrest. The subsequent search of the car and their person revealed a small quantity of tar heroin, a replica semi-automatic handgun, a wig, and burglary tools. Thanks to the alert Rec and Park employee two car thieves were arrested and a possible crime spree averted.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Hate Crime and Resisting Arrest

Monday, January 9, 2006; 8:10 a.m.; Noe and Beaver Streets.

Officers responded to a report of an assault in progress. When they arrived they found a victim clutching her head and another uninjured victim pointing the direction the suspects had just fled. One of the responding officers placed the victims in the patrol car and attempted to locate the suspects. While searching for the suspects the victims told the officer that two "street people" confronted her, called her a "Dyke" and attacked her with a liquor bottle, striking her in the head. When the second victim came to her aid, he was told "back off nigger" then one of the suspects attempted to strike him with the bottle. In the area of 17th and Castro the victims observed the suspects and notified the Officer. The lone officer exited his vehicle and confronted the suspects. One of the suspects attempted to resist the officer but was quickly subdued. Other officers responded and helped quell the situation. After aid was rendered the officers conducted a record check of the suspects. Both suspects had violent felonious backgrounds, including robbery. The quick response and alert actions of the officers involved stopped two potentially deadly individuals.

Battery

Monday, January 9, 2006; 5:00 p.m.; 2200 O'Farrell Street.

Police were called when a suspected shoplifter knocked a security officer to the ground. A third party told a store clerk that she had witnessed a woman stealing baby items. The clerk informed store security who then approached the suspected thief. The woman, with a very large purse, refused to have anything to do with the security guard. He followed her outside the store, still not knowing if anything was missing. Somehow the security guard was knocked to the ground where he struck his head. He was not seriously injured, the suspected thief was never seen again.

Commercial Robbery with a Gun

Monday, January 9, 2006, 7:30 p.m.; 1301 Divisadero Street.

A woman (described as: a black female, 25-30 years, 5'5", 160lbs., wearing a black T-shirt and a beige/black stripped baseball cap) entered the gas station at the above location and purchased some candy. When the clerk opened the register the suspect pulled out a black handgun and demanded all of the money. The clerk complied and the suspect then demanded she enter a rear storage room. While in the room the suspect fled. No injuries and there was a loss of about \$300.

Burglary of A Vehicle/Arrest

Tuesday, January 10, 2006, 7:57 p.m.; Haight at Steiner Streets

Citizens standing at the corner of Haight and Steiner Streets saw a black male suspect peering into car windows. The suspect appeared to be looking over his shoulder for witnesses, and then the suspect leaned against a car window, shattering the window. The suspect then tried unsuccessfully to kick the car window in. The witnesses flagged down a passing police officer and pointed out the suspect. The officer followed the suspect as he walked down the street, looking into vehicles and trying car doors as he walked. The suspect was taken into custody and the owner of the damaged car located.

Investigative Detention

Wednesday, January 11, 2006, 4:27 p.m.; Buchanan St.

On 1/4/06 a suspect had walked into a restaurant on Divisadero Street, picked up a laptop, and then escaped in his car. Officers on patrol saw a vehicle matching the description of the get-a-way vehicle. The officers lost sight of the vehicle, and subsequently broadcast the car's description for other officers. Officers in the Northern District located the car and stopped it. The occupant fit the description of the thief. Officers at the scene contacted the original victim, who told them that he could not identify the suspect. Officers documented their information for later investigation and released the suspect at the scene.

Juvenile Driving Without A License

Wednesday, January 11, 2006, 23:49 p.m.; Haight at Central Street.

Officers saw a burgundy Subaru blow a STOP sign on Haight Street. When officers pulled the car over, they noticed that the driver seemed young. A records check showed that the youth was fifteen, and had taken the family car without permission. The car was towed, and the juvenile cited and released to his parents.

Identity Theft/Theft by Credit Card

Thursday, January 12, 2006, 1800 p.m.; Anza Street

The victim came into Park Station to report that an unknown suspect had stolen her identify, and then charged \$20,000 in debt. Approximately seven months ago, the victim began receiving calls from collection agencies for a Diner's Club account. The victim has never had a Diner's Club Card, but when she checked she found that someone had opened an account with her information several years ago. In this case however, the payments were made in a timely manner and the account well maintained until the credit limit of \$20,000 was reached. At that time, the account was charged to the limit and no further payment was made.

Fugitive Arrested for Burglarizing a Park Car

Friday, January 13, 2006, 12:05 P.M.; 949 Fell Street

A neighbor on the 900 block of Fell Street looked out his window and saw a very suspicious person walk back and forth looking into all the parked cars (what the plainclothes detectives refer to as "walking the curb line"). The good neighbor decided to call 911 when this interesting character smashed the rear passenger window and climbed into a parked Civic Honda's passenger door. The auto burglar had disconnected the Honda's stereo and ransacked the glove compartment when suddenly he had a change of heart and quickly exited the vehicle and proceeded to walk away. A very conscientious Park Station Officer who arrived in time to observe the thief burglarizing the poor Honda immediately greeted the booster, at gunpoint. The experienced auto booster assumed a prone position on the sidewalk at the suggestion of our Officer. The burglarizing booster was handcuffed and relieved of the bike messenger's bag he was carrying. The messenger bag had a fine collection of evidence

stolen from the parked Honda. The Officers investigating this crime found a knife in the boosted Honda believed to belong to the burglar, who was currently wanted on two felony warrants one for burglary bail set at \$35,000 and another for burglary and possession of burglary tools and narcotics bail set also at \$35,000. A dangerous criminal was captured and taken off the street by a good neighbor's concern and call to 911.

Homeless Man Arrested for Possessing Stolen Property

Saturday, January 14, 2006, 2:30 P.M.; 1301 Pierce Street Playground Kimball Park

A man and his friends were playing football in the park. The football player had before game time put his wallet, keys, cell phone, and tennis shoes under his coat by the side lines bench. During the game the player observed a homeless man and women near his property and decided to check and make sure his property was still safety under his coat. Well his property had been taken and he being a very suspicious victim confronted the homeless man pushing his shopping cart out of the park with the victim's tennis shoes sitting on top of the cart like a trophy on display. Now the victim and his fellow players sought justice and stopped the cart called the police and challenged the ownership of trophy shoes. Our beat officers quickly arrived and brought peace and justice to Kimball Park. The outraged victim just prior to the Officers arrival offered the possessor of his shoes \$100.00 for the return of his wallet, which the greedy cart pusher immediately produced from within the bowels of shopping cart. Our Officers' check on the credentials of the cart pusher resulted in determining that he was currently on probation with a search condition. A search of the suspect's property resulted in a full recovery of all the football player's property except for \$30.00 cash missing from his wallet. The homeless girlfriend of the arrested cart pusher was released at the scene as no one could say she was involved and she successfully protested her innocence and claim she had no knowledge of the missing \$30.00.

Public Nuisance Arrested for Being a Public Nuisance

Friday, January 13, 2006, 6:15 P.M.; Haight and Cole Street

Our Haight Street Beat Officer observed a known alcoholic sprawled out on the sidewalk in a drunken stupor with an abundance of unsanitary litter spread around him. The Officer after a great deal of effort was able to get the man to wake and it became apparent that he was unable to care for himself due to his intoxicated state. As this drunk was an extreme regular with numerous arrests he was charged for being a public nuisance, being drunk and for a misdemeanor warrant, where he failed to appear as promised. Thus our vigilant beat Officer improved the quality of life on Haight Street making the passageway for pedestrian a lot easier.

Recovery of a Stolen Vehicle and numerous Hit & Runs

Sunday, January 15th, 2006, 1040hrs. Turk & Baker.

As Officers from the Northern Police District exited the Safeway parking lot on Fillmore St, they noticed a beige colored Chrysler Mini Van travelling at a high rate of speed. The Officers managed to get the license plate and called it in. The Officers also started to follow the Mini Van, which was now westbound on Turk St. Computerized results showed that the van was stolen. As the Northern Officers got closer to the van, it accelerated and without any regard for public safety went through a red light at Divisadero St. The officers felt that a continued attempt to apprehend the villains was an unacceptable risk to the community and discontinued following the van. The driver of the van was now travelling at such a rate of speed that he was apparently unaware that the police cruiser was no longer following him. The villain continued W/B Turk St and at the crest of the hill, tried to make a left turn on Baker St. The crook ploughed into parked cars causing four of them to be considerably damaged. This crash brought many a neighbor out onto the street and they in turn witnessed our desperate villain

jump out of the Chrysler. Our suspect started to run down the hill on Baker St. More trouble followed as the dim-witted felon neglected to set the gear in park or set the emergency brake. The unoccupied Chrysler was now chasing the felon down the hill. The van traveled across Baker St striking more parked cars. It then continued through the intersection of Golden Gate Ave and collided with another three cars before coming to rest. Several neighbors followed the dimwit to Divisadero St and saw him get on a #24 bus and flee the area. Investigating officers summoned Muni to obtain a video of the suspect and C.S.I will be able to identify him.

Narcotics Arrest

Sunday, January 15th, 2006, 3:30hrs. 1343 Pierce Street.

Our Day Watch Beat Officers working the Violence Reduction program in the Western Addition area observed a man slumped over the steering wheel of a parked vehicle. The Officers being concerned that the man might have been a victim of violence or be in need of medical attention immediately checked on his wellbeing. They were able to awake the man after approximately one minute of knocking on the car window. The man on stepping out of his vehicle to talk to the Officers had hypodermic needles sticking out of his coat pocket and crack cocaine on the driver's seat. Other narcotics were also located. He had told the Officers he was waiting for the methadone clinic to open. Drug abuse and driving create a dangerous situation in an already violence prone area so the sleeper was given a better place to sleep off his drug stupor.