



## Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin

Crime statistics at a glance:

	8/19 – 8/25	8/26 – 9/1
Robberies	1 (1 arrested)	1
Residential Burglaries	1 + 1 attempted	4 + 2 attempted
Commercial Burglaries	0	0
Vehicle Burglaries	8	6 + 1 attempted
Stolen Vehicles	3 (all recovered)	2

**\*\*There was no bulletin the week of 8/19- 8/25, as I was away at training. This bulletin is for 8/26 – 9/1/2013.**

### Notable Cases

On Tuesday, 08-27-13 at 6:45 PM, Officer Tiffany Cook and Officer Ed Green were dispatched to the area of Hillside Boulevard and Mission Street on a report of an assault in progress. Officers met with female subject who had slight bleeding on her finger, a scratch under her eye and was bleeding from her mouth. The subject, a 43-year old San Francisco resident, said she was jumped by two “big” guys as she was walking down Mission Street. She said a Hispanic male pushed her and punched her in the face. While officers were speaking with this subject, other officers found the Hispanic male nearby. When other officers were interviewing that subject, they learned that the subject was walking on Mission Street and accidentally bumped into the female. After he apologized, he said the female started punching and biting him. During this altercation, the female bit the male on his upper chest, scalp, right forearm and left hand. The female was arrested for battery and was taken to jail. The male victim, a 33-year old Daly City resident, was taken to Seton Medical Center for treatment to his injuries.

On Tuesday, 08-27-13, detectives arrested a subject who robbed the Wells Fargo Bank in Serramonte on 08-20-13. With the assistance of San Mateo Police Department, the subject, a 28-year old transient, was arrested in San Mateo. In addition to Daly City, the subject admitted to robbing banks in Concord, Campbell and Saratoga.

On Wednesday, 08-28-13 at 5:17 PM, Officer Tiffany Cook and Officer Ed Green were on patrol and stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation on Hillside Boulevard and Cottonwood Drive in Daly City. Officer Cook smelled an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle and asked to search the vehicle. During the search, Officer Cook found a large amount of Hydrocodone, Percocet and Oxycodone pills, as well as marijuana. The passenger, a 24-year old Pacifica resident, was arrested for possessing, furnishing and transporting a controlled substance.

On Saturday, 08-31-13 at 10:00 PM, Officer Sean Hart and Officer Steven Woelkers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at Gellert Boulevard and Westborough Boulevard. After finding a

significant amount of suspected methamphetamine, officers arrested the driver, a 38-year old San Jose resident, for possession of a controlled substance for sales, transportation of a controlled substance for sales and driving with a suspended driver's license.

## Robberies

There was one robbery during the past week.

On 08-27-13 at 9:00 PM, Officer Noah Serbin was dispatched to the Classic Bowling Alley on a report of a robbery that occurred an hour earlier. The victim said she was walking on the elevated walkway above the lanes when she was approached by a subject described as being approximately 16 years old, 5'11", slim build, wearing glasses, a black hat with a silver brim, black hooded sweater with white writing, black jeans and white shoes. The subject asked the 68-year old victim if he could use her phone to call his sick mother, and the victim handed the subject her phone. The victim asked for the phone back, and the suspect told her to wait a second. The victim reached out and grabbed her phone back, and the suspect then forcibly pulled the phone from her hands and ran out the front exit and through the parking lot. The victim advised she would be able to identify the suspect if she saw him again. This case is turned over to the investigations division.

## Residential Burglaries

There were four residential burglaries and two attempted residential burglaries during this past week.

On Thursday, 08-29-13 between 7:15 AM and 7:15 PM, an apartment on the 300 block of Imperial way was burglarized. The suspect appeared to have gained entry to the apartment through an open/unsecured window and took cash and a laptop.

On Thursday, 08-29-13 between 9:00 AM and 9:00 PM, an apartment on the 300 block of Half Moon Lane was burglarized. The suspect pried the sliding glass door open and took several laptop computers.

On Friday, 08-30-13 between 7:15 AM and 11:15 AM, a residence on the 300 block of Crocker Avenue was burglarized by an unknown suspect who removed a kitchen window screen and climbed through the open window. The loss was a laptop, jewelry and miscellaneous currency.

Between 1:45 PM on Saturday, 08-31-13 and 11:30 PM on Monday, 09-02-13, a residence on the 200 block of Hillcrest Drive was burglarized. An unknown suspect pried the front door and ransacked the rooms in the residence. The suspect took jewelry, purses, an iPad and currency.

On Wednesday, 08-28-13 between 1:00 AM and 7:45 AM, a residence on the unit block of Westfield Avenue was the victim of an attempted residential burglary via a smash to the rear backyard window. There was no entry made.

On Friday, 08-30-13 at approximately midnight, a residence on the 200 block of Westridge Avenue was the victim of an attempted residential burglary via a tampered gate and pry to the back door of the residence. Later that morning, the victim phoned the Police Department to report this. The victim said he was watching television that night and heard what sounded like a garbage can or planter box fall over. The victim had previously made up a "barricade" in his backyard and noticed that it was knocked over. Subsequently, he stated that he observed what appeared to be pry marks to the rear door of his residence. There was no entry made to the residence.

## Commercial Burglaries

There were no commercial burglaries during the past week.

## Vehicle Burglaries

There were six vehicle burglaries and one attempted vehicle burglary during the past week. Please remember to keep your valuables out of sight.

- Palomar Stables—a purse containing cash, credit cards, cell phone and sunglasses was taken from a 2008 Lexus RX400H. The front passenger window was smashed. Occurred on 08-26-13 between 1:30 PM and 3:40 PM.
- Westlake Shopping Center parking lot near Chipotle—a backpack containing miscellaneous papers was taken from a 2011 Mazda 3. The front passenger window was smashed. Occurred on 08-26-13 at 4:06 PM.
- Office Depot parking lot—a suitcase containing a laptop, miscellaneous clothing and paperwork was taken from a 2011 Dodge Caravan. The rear window was sm. Occurred on 08-26-13 between 4:50 PM and 5:20 PM.
- 300 block of Half Moon Lane—a cell phone and a wallet containing a driver's license and credit cards was taken from a 2012 Volkswagen Jetta. The rear passenger window was smashed. Occurred between 11:55 AM on 08-26-13 and 8:06 AM on 08-27-13. \*\*On-line report.
- Callan Boulevard/Serramonte Boulevard—coins were taken from a console of a 2000 Acura TL. The method of entry is unknown. Occurred on 08-27-13 between 7:30 AM and 5:30 PM.
- 900 block of St. Francis Boulevard—headphones and a cell phone charger was taken from a 1998 Honda Accord. The method of entry is unknown. Occurred between 9:00 PM on 08-29-13 and 10:00 AM on 08-30-13.
- Serramonte Shopping Center parking lot #A5—the rear window of a 2004 BMW 745Li was smashed, but there was no entry made. Occurred on 08-29-13 between 4:45 PM and 5:05 PM.

## Stolen Vehicles

There were two stolen vehicles this past week.

- Carport in the 300 block of Half Moon Lane—a 2006 Acura TSX. Occurred between 8:00 PM on 08-29-13 and 8:52 AM on 08-30-13.
- Brunswick Street/Templeton Street—a 2003 Land Rover. Occurred between 10:30 AM on 08-31-13 and 8:00 AM on 09-02-13.

## Scams/Other

### **IRS Telephone Scam**

This did not occur in Daly City, but I wanted you to be aware of this. Fremont Police Department reported several of their residents have contacted them regarding a new telephone scam. I would like you to please read this and share it with your friends and neighbors. Fremont Police Department said the suspect(s) contacted the victims via a telephone number that begins with a 202 area code. The suspects identify themselves as being with the IRS and tell the victim that he/she owes approximately \$9,000 to the IRS. The suspect tells the victims if they don't pay the money, their Visa or passport may be revoked. In some cases, the suspects call back stating that they are with the Sheriff's Office and that they may get arrested. The suspects instruct the victims to obtain a money exchange service to immediately wire them money. The suspects instructed the victims to use a money service called "Greencard" that they can obtain at stores such as Walmart. To protect yourself, we encourage you to contact the Police Department should you experience this type of incident. We recommend that you do not send any money to companies or persons you do not know or recognize without first verifying that it the company is valid.

### **Tire Scam**

This also did not occur in Daly City, but since it happened yesterday, I would like you to be aware of this as well. Yesterday afternoon in Burlingame, an elderly female was the victim of a theft via an elaborate ruse of a purse from her vehicle. The victim stated she was driving her vehicle, and a white van pulled alongside her and the occupants yelled to her that her vehicle was making "funny sounds", and that something was wrong with her rear tire. Two Hispanic males and a Hispanic female parked behind her. The two males got out of the van and met the victim near the front of her car. One male distracted the victim by attempting to assist her in "fixing" the non-damaged tire. The second male reached into the open passenger window and removed the victim's wallet from her purse. The two suspects then returned to the white van and drove away. The victim described the suspect's vehicle as an older (possibly 1990's) white van.

### **Community Events**

#### **National Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration**

Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM is the 11<sup>th</sup> annual National Hispanic Heritage Month celebration at the War Memorial Community Center at 6655 Mission Street in Daly City. This event features Latin-American inspired entertainment including music and dances, youth activities (bilingual story time from 4:45 – 5:15 PM and a piñata), representatives from Latin-American Consulates, culturally-centered information booths, and Latin cuisine food vendor booths. (There is a nominal fee for food purchases). For more information, please call (650) 991-8001.

#### **Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Drop-off**

Residents looking for a safe and environmentally responsible way to dispose of household hazardous waste are encouraged to make an appointment for a special collection in Daly City on Saturday, September 14, from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the main parking lot of City Hall at 333-90<sup>th</sup> Street. An appointment is required—if you do not have an appointment, you will NOT be allowed to drop off items. Appointments are available in 15-minute increments throughout the morning and may be made online at <http://smchealth.org/hhw>.

#### **Applicants Sought for Citizens Academy Six – Daly City's Local Government Class for Civically Minded Residents**

Daly City is accepting applications for its Sixth Annual Citizens Academy. Returning this fall, the nine-week course begins October 3 and continues through December 12. Classroom sessions will take place Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at City Hall. Optional field trips will take place on one or two Saturdays. City Manager Patricia E. Martel will kick off the course with an introduction to local government history and practices followed by a general overview of Daly City's municipal services. Applications for the Citizens Academy are available online at [www.dalycity.org/academy6](http://www.dalycity.org/academy6).

### **Nixle is here!**

"What is Nixle?" Residents can now receive important advisories, community updates, and official information from the Police Department by text message and email! There are several police agencies in San Mateo County already utilizing this service, and our Police Department just got the go-ahead to start publishing information. Please sign up on our website <http://www.dalycity.org/police> and learn more at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com). For those of you who cannot get enough of social media, the Daly City Police Department has a Twitter account (@DalyCityPD) and also a Facebook page. (Please "Like Us" on Facebook so you can receive updates about the Police Department!) This weekly bulletin will still remain.

### **iHelp**

The City of Daly City launched "iHelp", an innovative citizen's service request and civic engagement tool allowing residents to easily interact and stay connected with their local government. *Daly City iHelp* is a free mobile device application ("app") and is available from the Apple and Google app stores for immediate download. By utilizing this service, residents can access important City information, report issues (graffiti, garbage complaints, etc.), and track requests online and via mobile devices. Please take a moment to download the app or go to the city of Daly City website to see what requests have been already made on *iHelp*. For requests to the Police Department, please note the app is not maintained 24 hours per day, and service requests must be of a non-urgent matter.

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If you have any suggestions or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your concern for our community

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