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Captain Lazar's Message

9/11 Tribute

Let us remember the sacrifice of the brave First Responders who died in the line of duty on September 11, 2001 as well as the victims of this tragic event. I, along with Officers from Central Station have been invited to the Fisherman's Wharf Rotary Club tomorrow morning to honor 9/11.



Commanding Officer David Lazar of Central Station



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Special points of interest:

- ◆ Support Our K-9 foundation
- ◆ JOIN SFPD
- ◆ Police Commission Meeting coming soon to the Central!

The Police Commission is coming to the Central District

Please join me for a Police Commission meeting, in the Central District, on Wednesday, **September 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at **the Gordon J. Lau, 950 Clay Street**. I invite everyone to attend as I provide an overview of the Central District.

Central Station Community Meeting

This month's Central Station Community Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at 6pm at the North Beach Library. This month's guest speaker will be Lieutenant Paris Deshong of Central Station's Investigations Team. He will discuss the work he and his team perform. I look forward to providing an overview of the crime issues in the Central District and more importantly, hearing concerns from the Community.

New Lieutenants

A few weeks ago, I mentioned I would profile our two new Lieutenants.

Lieutenants Paris Deshong and Brien Hoo:

Lieutenant Hoo joined the San Francisco Police Department over 19 years ago. He trained at Mission Station and was on probation at Potrero Station (now Bayview Station). He stayed at Bayview Station for 10 years. Lt. Hoo was promoted to Sergeant in 2005, working at Ingleside and Mission Stations. In 2006, Lt. Hoo was a Sergeant on the SWAT Team until his recent promotion to Lieutenant.

Lieutenant Deshong joined the San Francisco Police Department over 19 years ago. He trained at Northern Station, was on probation here in the Central District, then transferred to Bayview, Park and Tenderloin Stations. In 2004, Lieutenant Deshong was promoted to Sergeant and returned here to his home at Central Station, the Tenderloin Station, then to Ingleside Station where I had the opportunity to first work with Lt. Deshong when he was on the first Station Investigation's Team there. Lieutenant Deshong was last serving as a Sergeant at Internal Affairs upon returning to his home assignment for the third time, Central Station, as a new Lieutenant.

These Lieutenants are excellent and we are fortunate to have them!

Chinatown Night Out!

Chinatown Night Out was a huge success. We estimate over 800 people from the community attended the event and had the opportunity to hear from the many City leaders including Mayor Lee, Assessor Recorder Carmen Chu, Police Commissioner Victor Hwang, and Amy Chan representing Supervisor David Chiu. We also heard from Frank Carruba from the District Attorney's Office and Mason Lee from SF Safe. This event happened because of SF Safe, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Community Youth Center and numerous non profit organizations including the Chinese Community Development Center, and Self Help for the Elderly to name a few.

The focus of the event was to warn residents about a recent Home Invasion Robbery series and to discuss ways to stay safe. We spoke about reporting all crimes and how there is language access available for everyone. We were also able to feed everyone at least twice, which was nice. This happened because of numerous donors for the event including the Far East and New Asia Restaurants.

Last, we introduced Chinatown's two night beat officers, Officers Howard Chu and Sam Yuen, along with Lt. Hoo.

Please take a look at the few photos we have included in today's newsletter!

Captain David Lazar

Central Station

A public education campaign to change driver, pedestrian and bicyclist behavior

SAFETY TIPS FOR DRIVERS



PLEASE SLOW DOWN:

1. Drive the speed limit or slower if conditions require it. The speed limit is set to allow for safe driving speeds and to allow enough time to stop when needed. Pedestrians are almost twice as likely to die if they are struck by a vehicle at 40 mph than at 30 mph.
2. Obey traffic control devices such as stoplights, stop signs, and crosswalks. They are placed at their designated locations to improve safety for drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists. But, they are only effective if you respect them.
3. Observe the right of way of other drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists.

KEEP YOUR ATTENTION ON DRIVING:

4. Never text or use other devices while driving.*
5. Avoid using cell phones even with hands-free options. Distractions of just a few seconds can result in accidents.**
6. Adjust mirrors, seats, radio, GPS, and other legal devices before driving off.
7. Keep your attention focused on the road, not on your passengers: secure passengers and pets and give children ways to occupy themselves before driving. Avoid arguments with passengers.
8. Don't eat, drink, read, shave, apply makeup, etc.

* Sending or receiving a text takes a driver's eyes from the road for an average of 4.6 seconds. A three second glance at freeway speed means a driver has traveled the distance of a football field.

** There is no difference in the risks between hands-free and hand-held cell phone conversations because they both result in "inattention blindness" that occurs when the brain isn't seeing what is clearly visible because over one-third of the driver's brain is focused on the conversation not on driving.

LOOK FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS:

9. As a driver, remember that you may encounter pedestrians and bicyclists anytime and anywhere, even in unexpected places.
10. Pedestrians can be very hard to see, especially in bad weather, at night, or during the late afternoon when the sun is setting. Keep a lookout and slow down if you can't see clearly.
11. Stop for pedestrians who are crossing the street, whether in a crosswalk or at an unmarked intersection.
12. When you stop for a pedestrian in a crosswalk, stop well back so that drivers in the other lanes can also see the pedestrian in time to stop.
13. Cars stopped in the street may be stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross. Do not pass if there is any doubt!
14. Don't assume that pedestrians see you, or that they will act predictably. They may be physically or mentally impaired, unfamiliar with how to cross the street safely, distracted, or using poor judgement.
15. When you are turning, you often will have to wait for a "gap" in traffic. Beware while you are watching for that "gap," that pedestrians or bicyclists may have moved into your intended path. Look to the right again to check that the crosswalk is clear, before proceeding to turn.
16. Be especially attentive around schools and in neighborhoods where children are present.
17. Slow down in neighborhoods! Expect that children or pets may dart out into the street without warning, and drive accordingly.

Remember: how you drive is a reflection of the respect you have for this community

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CRIMES OF NOTE

ROBBERIES

9/4	5:10pm	Robbery, Commercial 200 block of Post	An unknown suspect entered the store and stole belts. An employee chased the suspect outside of the store and the suspect punched the victim in the face.
9/4	11:15pm	Robbery, Attempt Geary/Stockton	An unknown suspect punched the victim in the face and stole the victim's backpack. Witness nearby chased the suspect and retrieved the backpack.
9/6	1:55am	Robbery, W/ Gun 100 block of Bay	An unknown suspect pointed a gun to the victim's head and demanded the victim's properties. Two other suspects punched the victim and took the victim's backpack and cell phone.
9/6	5:45am	Robbery, Street 900 block of Sutter	An unknown suspect threw the victim to the ground and stole the victim's cell phone from the victim's pocket.
9/6	3:37pm	Robbery, Commercial 2600 block of Mason	Two unknown suspects entered the store and stole beers. The suspects were confronted by an employee and the suspects pushed past the employee.
9/6	6:46pm	Robbery, Commercial 200 block of Post	Two unknown suspects entered the store and stole a shirt and a jacket. Securities tried to stop the suspects outside of the store, but were pepper sprayed by the suspects.
9/7	1:40am	Robbery, W/ Force Kearny/Sutter	A group of unknown suspect approached the victim as the victim exited the bus, punched the victim in the face and took the victim's backpack.
9/7	11:25pm	Robbery, W/ Force 400 block of Geary	An unknown suspect stole the victim's cell phone on the table and the victim chased after the suspect and the suspect punched the victim on the back of the head.
9/9	6:24pm	Robbery, Street Kearny/Jackson	An unknown suspect pointed an object at the victim and stole the victim's wallet and its contents.
9/9	9:49pm	Robbery, W/ Gun Powell/Francisco	An unknown suspect pointed a gun at the victim's head and demanded money. The victim complied.

Assault/Battery/Violent Crimes

9/5	1:10pm	Battery 100 block of California	An unknown suspect opened the victim's vehicle door and punched the victim in the face and the ribs.
9/5	3:00pm	Battery Powell/Sutter	An unknown suspect pushed the victim in the shoulder when the victim confronted the suspect about the long dog leash the suspect had.
9/6	11:50pm	Battery 700 block of Post	The suspect was causing a disturbance and when the victim went to speak with the suspect, the suspect punched the victim in the face. Arrest made.
9/7	2:24am	Battery 400 block of Mason	The suspect pushed the victim to the ground when the victim tried to stop a scuffle between two groups. Arrest made.
9/8	1:15pm	Battery 400 block of Sutter	The suspect punched the victim in the face during a road rage incident. Citation issued.
9/9	8:45am	Assault, Non-Aggravated Unit block of Drumm	The suspect spat at the victim and punched the victim on the shoulder. Citation issued.

Narcotics Related

9/8	12:46am	Poss. Of Narcotics Paraphernalia 600 block of Geary	Possession of narcotics paraphernalia. Trespassing. Citation issued.
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THEFT/SHOPLIFTING

9/3	2:00am	Theft, From Building 700 block of Taylor	An unknown suspect stole the victim's satchel, containing a passport and books, from the hotel's unsecured storage area.
9/3	6:30pm	Theft, Vehicle 800 block of Broadway	Stolen vehicle.
9/4	7:47pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Unit block of Broadway	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side rear window and stole a backpack, containing passport, credit cards and personal items.
9/4	8:00pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Unit block of Bay	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side rear window and stole a luggage and a laptop bag, containing clothing, laptop and passport.
9/5	10:00am	Theft, From Person Stockton/Pacific	An unknown suspect stole the victim's purse that was placed on the vendor stand.
9/5	11:39am	Theft, Shoplifting Unit block of Jefferson	An unknown suspect entered the store and stole t-shirts.
9/5	3:00pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Lombard/Hyde	An unknown suspect shattered the driver side rear window and stole a passport, credit cards and money.
9/5	3:30pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle 500 block of Beach	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side rear window and stole a laptop bag, containing a laptop, passport, phone charger and books.
9/5	8:20pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle North Point/Grant	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side rear window and stole a backpack, containing a wallet and its contents, passport and electronics.
9/6	1:20am	Theft, Other Property 300 block of Powell	An unknown suspect stole the victim's cell phone that was placed on a cement step.
9/6	1:28pm	Theft, Attempt Unit block of Kearny	The suspect was caught trying to pry into the electrical box. Arrest made.
9/6	5:25pm	Theft, From Person North Point/Embarcadero	The suspect was playing "Three Card Monty" with the victim and when the victim lost, the suspect convinced the victim to take out more money to win the money back. When the victim took out more money from the wallet, the suspect grabbed the victim's money from the victim's hand. Arrest made.
9/6	9:00pm	Theft, Vehicle 1000 block of Leavenworth	Stolen vehicle.
9/6	9:30pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Grant/Pine	An unknown suspect shattered the driver side rear window and stole backpacks and a laptop case, containing electronics, passport and money.
9/6	11:00pm	Theft, Vehicle Dashiell Hammett/Bush	Stolen vehicle.
9/7	10:45am	Theft, Vehicle 700 block of Beach	Stolen vehicle.
9/7	2:45pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Grant/Greenwich	An unknown suspect stole a bag, containing passports, ID, social security card and money. No signs of forced entry.
9/7	4:00pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle North Point/Mason	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side front window and stole a backpack, containing electronics and personal items.
9/7	5:30pm	Theft, Pickpocket 300 block of Powell	An unknown suspect stole the victim's wallet and its contents from the victim's purse.
9/7	6:00pm	Theft, From Locked Vehicle Beach/Grant	An unknown suspect shattered the passenger side front window and stole a bag, containing electronics.
9/7	6:05pm	Theft, Pickpocket Columbus/Stockton	An unknown suspect stole the victim's wallet from the victim's rear pocket. The suspect tried to use the victim's credit card, but was declined.
9/7	7:00pm	Theft, From Building Unit block of Tillman	An unknown suspect entered the building through an unlocked door and stole money from the cash register.

Miscellaneous

9/3	2:00pm	Burglary, Residential 300 block of Vallejo	An unknown suspect pried open the front door of the apartment complex and entered the garage. The suspect stole a garage opener and money from an unlocked vehicle inside the garage.
9/3	11:00pm	Burglary, Commercial 700 block of Front	An unknown suspect climbed the exterior scaffolding, shattered the window and entered the office and stole laptops.
9/4	2:00pm	Warrant Arrest Unit block of Jackson	The suspect was yelling at passerbys and a computer check shows the suspect with an outstanding warrant. Arrest made.
9/4	8:34pm	Fraud Unit block of Drumm	An unknown suspect checked into a hotel room using a stolen identification card and credit card.
9/4	9:50pm	Burglary, Residential 2100 block of Leavenworth	An unknown suspect entered the garage and forced open the cabinet doors and stole a bag. The suspect also ransacked a vehicle parked in the garage. No signs of forced entry to the building.
9/4	10:02pm	Warrant Arrest Pine/Stockton	The suspect was stopped for driving with expired registration tab and a computer check shows the suspect with an outstanding warrant and driving on a suspended license. Arrest made.
9/5	4:02am	Warrant Arrest Washington/Drumm	The suspect was sleeping inside the park and a computer check shows the suspect with an outstanding warrant. Arrest made.
9/5	10:15am	Warrant Arrest Chestnut/Mason	The suspect was trespassing and a computer check shows the suspect with an outstanding warrant.
9/5	12:30pm	Fraud 1000 block of Grant	The suspect stole the victim's checkbooks and wrote a check to cash at the bank. Arrest made.
9/5	7:30pm	Trespassing 300 block of Powell	The suspect refused to leave after being told to leave. Citation issued.
9/6	12:55am	DUI Columbus/Mason	The suspect was riding a bicycle under the influence of alcohol and cutting in front of cars causing the cars to stop abruptly. Arrest made.
9/6	1:40am	Burglary, Commercial 700 block of Sansome	An unknown suspect entered the office through the fire escape and stole computers.
9/6	11:10am	Vandalism, Property 400 block of Columbus	The suspect pushed two plates onto the floor from a table outside the restaurant. Citation issued.
9/6	7:26pm	Recovered Vehicle 400 block of Stockton	Recovered vehicle.
9/7	12:00pm	Fraud Grant/Sutter	An unknown suspect made fraudulent charges to the victim's credit cards that were in the victim's lost purse.
9/7	3:00pm	Fraud Unit block of Drumm	An unknown suspect ordered food and used a credit card to pay for the food, but the credit card was declined. When the server returned to where the suspect was, the suspect was gone.
9/8	7:55am	Recovered Vehicle 1300 block of Mason	Recovered vehicle.
9/8	10:00am	Trespassing 500 block of Pine	Four suspects set up a homeless encampment in an empty lot enclosed with a high wire fence. Citations issued.
9/8	4:30pm	Malicious Mischief Filbert/Mason	An unknown suspect threw a firecracker at the victim as the suspect drove pass the victim.
9/8	10:36pm	Traffic Violation Hyde/Geary	The driver made a right turn from a non-turn lane and a computer check shows the driver was driving on a suspended license. Citation issued.

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SEPTEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 CHINATOWN NIGHT OUT	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 COMMUNITY MEETING	19	20
21	22	23	24 POLICE COMMISSION MEETING	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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Are you someone who is interested in disaster preparedness and wants to help out your community while working hand in hand with law enforcement? Then the ALERT program is for you!

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Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT)



What is the ALERT Program?

The San Francisco Police Department has developed a volunteer citizen disaster preparedness program. The Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) is modeled after and works in partnership with the San Francisco Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT). The ALERT program will train members of the public to assist law enforcement in essential tasks after a major disaster. Such tasks may include: traffic control, foot patrol of business and residential areas, and reporting criminal activity. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age and live, work, or attend high school in San Francisco.

Three steps to becoming an ALERT volunteer:

1. Complete NERT training and receive certification. To register for NERT training courses please visit www.sfgov.org/sfnert
2. Once NERT certified, forward a copy of your NERT ID card to the ALERT program. sfpdalert@sfgov.org
3. After clearing a basic background check the individual is eligible to register for ALERT training.

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Important Dates:

- An informational meeting about our program will be held on September 18th. at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held at the San Francisco Police Academy, in the parking lot bungalow. This is not a mandatory meeting for interested volunteers. Come have your questions answered!
- Our next training class is scheduled for August 9th, 2014, from 8:00am-5:00pm. This class will be held at the San Francisco Police Academy, in the parking lot bungalow.**

**To view a detailed explanation of the pre-requisites, please visit www.sanfranciscopolice.org/alert



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Central Police District Map

Central Station is centrally located in the northeastern part of San Francisco. The center of tourism, commerce, entertainment and civic events. The district is comprised of Chinatown, North Beach, Fisherman's Wharf, the Financial District and three famous hills: Telegraph Hill, Nob Hill and Russian Hill. Seven of the ten major tourist attractions in San Francisco are located in the Central District. The officers of Central Station take great pride in working in one of the most diverse districts in the City.



EMERGENCY:	911
Non-Emergency:	553-0123
Cell phone 911:	911
Customer Service Center:	311
Central Station:	315-2400
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Anonymous Tip-Line	575- 4444
S.A.F.E	553-1984 S
Website:	www.centralpolicestation.org
SFPD Tip Line	575-4444
Text a Tip:	847411 (Tip 411)
Graffiti Abatement	278-9456
Central Events:	315-2440 - Sergeant Dominic Panina
Central Permits:	315-2423 - Officer Steve Matthias
Code Abatement:	315-2417 - Sergeant Alex Takaoka
Deputy City Attorney:	554-3820 - Jill Cannon
Dept. Parking & Traffic:	553-1943
DPW Dispatch	695-2020
Homeless Issues:	315-2400 - Officers Joseph Siragusa & Eric Caracciolo
Chinatown Beat:	315-2400 - Officers Howard Chu, Sam Yuen , William Po David On
Union Square Beat:	315-2400 - Officer Tom Cunnane
Fisherman’s Wharf Beat:	315-2400 - Officers John Van Koll and Troy Courtney
North Beach:	315-2400 - Officers Mark Alvarez, John Torrise & Pete Schlegle



We, the members of the San Francisco Police Department, are committed to excellence in law enforcement and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of our City. In order to protect life and property, prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime, **we will provide service with understanding, response with compassion, performance with integrity and law enforcement with vision.**

