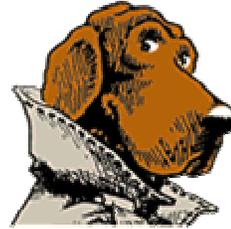




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## JUNE 2004

### Postage

### Donations Update

This year Neighborhood Watch needs to raise \$20,000 to cover postal costs through the end of the year. At the end of April we received a total of \$8,899 from our subscribers and advertisers. So we have another \$11,101 to raise in order to have enough money by the end of the year.

A \$4 donation from each subscriber will generate the money we need to continue to mail the newsletter directly to you.

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**NO BOARD MEETING  
 JULY OR AUGUST.  
 HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!!**

## Special thanks to the Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Volunteers

The Huntington Beach Police Department would like to thank all the Neighborhood Watch volunteers who have contributed to the program this past year. Their volunteer efforts and dedication to keep this program going has made Neighborhood Watch a valuable asset in the community. The meetings they conduct provide crime prevention information and the newsletter that is mailed out to the subscribers provides on going communication that has contributed to keeping our city one of the safest in America.

The volunteers involved in the Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Board of Directors attend monthly board meetings and help plan the direction of the program. They also conduct all the Neighborhood Watch meetings in the community and save the city money. The people involved on the board are: Cathy Stan, President; Kathie Liboon, Vice President; Ken Pollock, Treasurer; Kathy DePeri, Past President; David Shostak, Member At Large; Penny Lambright, and Wayne Wong.

The volunteers involved in the Newsletter Assembly Committee also known as the "The Mad Hatter Tea Party," collate, fold, label and assort newsletters by zip code for mailing. There are 13,000 newsletters printed and 10,000 are mailed directly to subscribers. These volunteers are dedicated to their project by attending monthly assembly meetings which take about 3 hours. We could not send out this newsletter without them. A special thank



you to everyone on the Newsletter Assembly Committee. They are: Phyllis Amati, Walt Baider, Bob Bechtold, Mae Benjamin, Thelmas Bisbee, Batoul Bodes, Nancy Busby, Martha and George Bustamante, Mid Call, Bonnie Carbonell, May Sue Chee, Jo De Santi, Ruby and Van Dunahoo, Pat Freyer, Shirley Ferguson, Don Griswold, Joan Hock, Mildred Hughes, Thelma Jamieson, Florence Jarvis, Ruth Jecter, Joe Jones, Kay Kerchenski, Tad Kiyomura, Marie Knoll, Blair Lenoir, Midge Martin, Kay Pekala, Ruby Pinkston, Charlene and Joe Saeman, Dorothy Short, Marie Slovacek, Marilyn Spreeman, Dee Sutherland, Janina and Ted Szbert, Arlynn and Dewayne Tedder, Cleo Turner, Mary Wajda, Evelyn Waters, Thelma Wegelin, and Betty Ziegler.

## THREE TRAGIC SECONDS

By: H.B. Fire Education Unit



Parents whose children have drowned say the day of the tragedy started out just like any other day. No matter how the drowning happened, one thing was the same for all these parents: the 3 tragic seconds that claimed their child's life slid by silently without warning, and can never be brought back.

Curiosity, rapidly changing skills, and an inability to understand danger place young children at high risk. Adults must establish and communicate responsibility for child supervision. The Huntington Beach Fire Department recommends using the following

action steps to prevent such a tragedy:

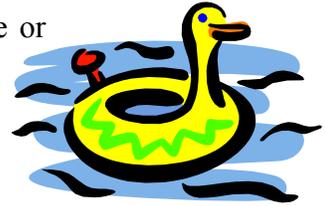
**FACT:...**Drowning is the leading cause of unintentional injury death to children under five years of age.

**FACT:...**A pool or spa is 14 times more likely than a vehicle to cause the death of a child under five.

**FACT:...**Drowning is a silent event. Children do not understand the danger of water and do not splash or cry out for help.

**FACT:...**Most of the children who drowned or nearly drowned were last seen in the house or away from the pool or spa.

**FACT:...**Children can drown in the time it takes to answer the phone or door—children have drowned during surprisingly short breaks in visual contact.



### Protection and Preparation

- **Alarms on doors and windows** leading to the water (at least 5 feet high so the child cannot reach them). Secure and lock all doors and windows when not in use.
- **A non-climbable 5 foot fence** that separates the pool/spa from the residence with openings no more than 4" wide. Place items that can be climbed on away from the fence.
- **Self-closing and self-latching fence gates** with latches above 54" high. The gates should open outward.
- **Mount secure equipment by the pool** (lifesaving ring, shepherd's hook, CPR sign). Many float-type toys are thought to be lifesavers, but they are not. They are only toys!
- **Never leave toys** in or around the pool/spa area.
- **Post 9-1-1 emergency phone number on your phones.** Have a phone near the pool area.

### Supervision

- **Assign an adult "water watcher"** to watch the pool/spa area, especially during social gatherings. "**Water Watcher**" tags available through the Fire Department Education Unit: (714) 536-5569 and 536-5419.
- **Never leave a child alone** near a pool/spa, bathtub, toilet, water-filled bucket, pond, or any form of standing water in which the child's nose and mouth may be submerged.
- **Don't rely on swimming lessons**, life preservers, or other equipment to make a child "water safe."
- **Don't allow** children to play in the pool/spa area.
- **Look in the pool area first** if a child is missing.
- **Communicate pool safety** measures with the babysitter.
- **Learn how to perform infant/child CPR.**
- **Learn how to swim and learn rescue techniques.**

### What to do if you find a child in a pool

- Yell for help and get the child out of the pool and onto the pool deck.
- If someone is with you, have them call 9-1-1. Determine if the child is breathing: tilt the head back—if you don't hear or feel breathing or see the chest rising begin CPR until emergency help arrives.
- If you are alone and the child is not breathing, start CPR. After one minute, call 9-1-1. Return to the child and continue CPR until help arrives.



HB1—CRIME FIGHTER IN THE SKY

The flight time for April was back to normal and the production of the unit reflected the increased flight hours. A number of very important arrests were made by aircrews and traffic enforcement returned to high levels.



Officers Reed and Paholski assisted investigators in a surveillance of a suspicious truck from Viewpoint. The helicopter followed the vehicle to Riverside County where, after stopping the car, a homicide victim was located in the bed of the truck. Four were taken into custody for 187 PC.

Units went in pursuit of an assault suspect who had threatened to kill officers. Officers Catalano and McNaughton called the pursuit to a successful termination and the suspect was taken into custody without injury to officers or the public.

Officer McNaughton and Sgt. Arnold assisted Oak View units in a foot pursuit of a parolee wanted in connection with a number of robberies and burglaries. The suspect, Estoban Cordoza, had escaped officers on three previous occasions. On this occasion, however, HB1 was overhead and called the foot pursuit, which ended with the suspect being apprehended.

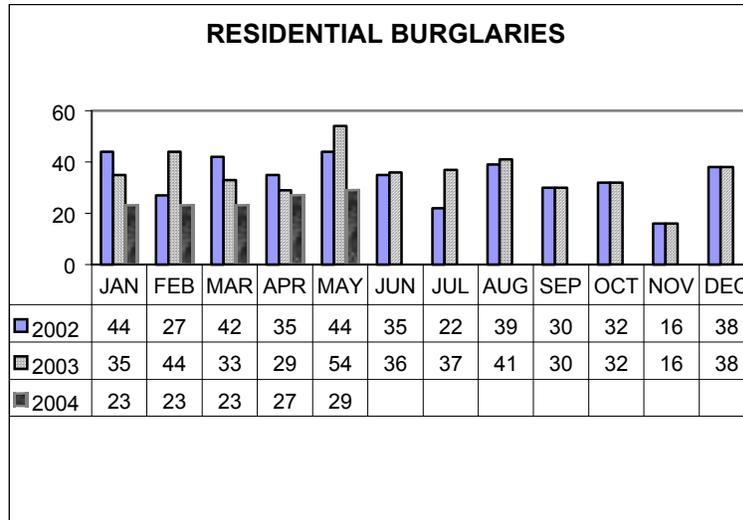
Crews were also responsible for the arrest of a bank robbery suspect from Five Points, six DUI's, and a HAZMAT response to a possible leaking oil tank.

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**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-13. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address-mailing label.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES**  
**29 FOR MAY**  
**27 FOR APRIL**

Thirteen of the entries were due **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors, or 45% of the entries.

Further breakdown reveals 7 garage entries out of 25 burglaries, or 24% of the entries reported in May.

Seventeen entries reported occurred during daytime (6:00 am. to 6:00 pm.). Twelve entries occurred during night (6:00 pm. to 6:00 am.).

There were six entries by force or pry tool, two entries by unknown means, one entry by passkey, one entry with house vacant unlocked, four attempts without entry, one entry by a dog door, one entry by force with house under construction. Out of 29 residential burglaries, seven entries were garages.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**  
**109 IN MAY**  
**94 IN APRIL**  
**GRAND THEFT AUTOS**  
**56 IN MAY**  
**54 IN APRIL**

**BEAT 2**

- 4 Residential Burglaries
- 5 Vehicle Burglaries
- 6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
 RD 475 – 1      RD 476 – 1  
 RD 485 – 1      RD 486 – 1

Streets: Regatta, Brookhurst, Ialander, Cape May. **TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** Two entries by force or pry too. One entry was thru a garage.

Vehicle Burglaries  
 RD 476 - 5

Grand Theft Autos  
 RD 466 – 2      RD 467 - 2  
 RD 474 – 1      RD 476 - 1

**BEAT 3**

- 1 Residential Burglary
- 2 Vehicle Burglaries
- 1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries  
 RD 456 – 1

Street: Saline. **ENTRY THRU AN OPEN GARAGE.**

Vehicle Burglaries  
 RD 444 – 1      RD 445 – 1

Grand Theft Auto  
 RD 445 – 1

**BEAT 4**

- 6 Residential Burglaries
- 11 Vehicle Burglaries
- 4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
 RD 432 – 1      RD 433 – 1  
 RD 443 – 1      RD 442 – 1  
 RD 452 – 1      RD 463 – 1

Streets: Delaware, Weems, Los Arbolitos, Beach, California, Atlanta. **THREE ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by unknown means, one entry by a passkey, one entry by unlocked window house vacant. Three entries were thru garages.

Vehicle Burglaries  
 RD 432 – 5      RD 442 – 1  
 RD 452 – 1      RD 463 – 4

Grand Theft Autos  
 RD 432 – 1      RD 433 – 1  
 RD 452 – 1      RD 462 – 1

**BEAT 5**

- 2 Residential Burglaries
- 3 Vehicle Burglaries
- 1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries  
 RD 437– 2

Streets: Cutty Sark and Trenton. **TWO ENTRIES BY AN UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** No garage burglaries.

Vehicle Burglaries  
 RD 425 – 1      RD 427 – 1  
 RD 437 – 1

Grand Theft Autos  
 RD 436– 1

**BEAT 6**

- 4 Residential Burglaries
- 7 Vehicle Burglaries
- 5 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries  
 RD 328 – 1      RD 339 – 1  
 RD 451 – 2

**THREE ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.**  
 One entry by a force. One garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries  
 RD 326 - 1      RD 349 - 1  
 RD 359 – 2      RD 451 - 3

Grand Theft Autos  
 RD 349 – 2      RD 359 – 1  
 RD 451 – 2

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

**BEAT 7**

2 Residential Burglaries  
20 Vehicle Burglaries  
4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 412 – 1      RD 422 – 1

Streets: Park Meadow and Pompano.  
Two attempts without entry. No garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 292 – 2      RD 293 – 5  
RD 411 – 2      RD 412 – 3  
RD 413 – 3      RD 421 – 1  
RD 422 – 4

Grand Theft Autos

RD 412 – 2      RD 421 – 1  
RD 423 – 1

**BEAT 8**

3 Residential Burglaries  
7 Vehicle Burglaries  
3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 177– 1      RD 179 – 1  
RD 199 - 1

Streets: Brannen, Golden View, Lakeview. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW.** One by force or pry. One entry thru a dog door. One garage entry. Suspicious vehicle seen during the burglary on Brannen described as: dark green or blue SUV. Suspect in custody in Golden View entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 176 - 1      RD 178 - 3  
RD 179 - 1      RD 199 - 1  
RD 281 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 179– 3

**BEAT 9**

1 Residential Burglary  
15 Vehicle Burglaires  
5 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 282 - 1

Street: Georgetown. Entry by pry tool with house under construction. No garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 264 – 2      RD 272 – 10  
RD 273 – 1      RD 282 – 2

Grand Theft Autos

RD 264 – 1      RD 272 – 3  
RD 273 – 1

**BEAT 10**

3 Residential Burglaries  
10 Vehicle Burglaries  
9 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 152 – 2      RD 153 - 1

Streets: Countess, Bounty and Montego.  
Two entries by force or pry tool. One entry by unknown means. One garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 155 – 4      RD 164 – 3  
RD 165 - 1      RD 173 – 1  
RD 174 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 151 – 1      RD 153 – 1  
RD 155 – 2      RD 164 – 1  
RD 165 – 4

**BEAT 11**

1 Residential Burglary  
7 Vehicle Burglaries  
4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 158 – 1

Street: Springdale. **ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW.** No garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 158 – 2      RD 168 – 3  
RD 169 – 2

Grand Theft Autos

RD 166 – 1      RD 167- 2  
RD 169 – 1

**BEAT 12**

0 Residential Burglaries  
8 Vehicle Burglaries  
6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

None

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 117 – 1      RD 118 – 2  
RD 137 – 1      RD 138 – 2  
RD 148 – 2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 116 – 1      RD 128 – 1  
RD 136 – 1      RD 139 – 1  
RD 146 – 1      RD 149 – 1

**BEAT 13**

2 Residential Burglaries  
14 Vehicle Burglaries  
8 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 253 – 1      RD 262 – 1

Streets: La Paz and Southlake.  
Two attempts without entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241 – 2      RD 242 – 3  
RD 252 – 3      RD 253 – 2  
RD 261 – 1      RD 262 – 3

Grand Theft Autos

RD 241 – 2      RD 242 – 1  
RD 251 – 1      RD 252 – 2  
RD 262 – 2

Neighborhood Watch meetings are conducted on Tues., Wed., or Thurs. evening, usually starting at 7 pm and ending around 8:30 pm. We need a home to have the meeting in and your neighbors to attend. Call 536-5933 to schedule a date for your meeting. It will give you peace of mind to know your neighbors are working together to keep crime out of your neighborhood.

## VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

### VIPS

#### Jim McLaughlin

#### VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES



Jim was born in Cleveland, Ohio and graduated from John Carroll University in 1956. He married his wife Teresa in 1956 and they had five children and eight grandchildren. In 1956 he moved to Cincinnati, Ohio and worked for Goodyear Tire Corporation. While working for Goodyear sales department, he was transferred to Akron, Ohio; Dallas, Texas, and New York. In 1976 after twenty

years of marriage, Jim and his wife were divorced.

In 1980 Jim moved to Marina del Rey, California. In 1982 Jim moved to Huntington Beach and has lived here for 21 years. He became a realtor in 1989 and currently works for Tarbell Realtors. He was President of the Huntington Beach/Fountain Valley Board of Realtors. Jim was also a State Director and a Delegate to the National Association of Realtors. He is currently on two committees for the Orange County Realtors Association.

Jim volunteers in the Hoag Hospital Emergency Room 16 hours a month and enjoys talking to the patients. He also is a volunteer with the Huntington Beach Department's Volunteers In Police Services Program. He volunteers time at the substations, helps at the annual Guns & Hoses Golf Tournament, and helps stock the police cars' first aid kits.

In Jim's rare spare time he especially enjoys golfing, bowling, and spending time out in Palm Desert.

Thank you, Jim, for all your volunteer work—and congratulations for being selected Volunteer of the Month.

### RSVP

#### Bill Small RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Bill was born in Washington, D.C. and lived there until he graduated from high school. He enlisted in the United States Navy and went to boot camp and electronics technician school in Grand Lakes, Illinois.

While in the Navy, Bill won a scholarship to attend the University of South Carolina where he majored in electrical engineering. He graduated with an engineering degree and commission in the Navy and went to flight training school in Pensacola, Florida. After training, he became a naval aviator and was assigned to Jacksonville, Florida, where he flew Navy jets for one year. While at the university, he met his wife Zella of fifty years. They have four children and eleven grandchildren.

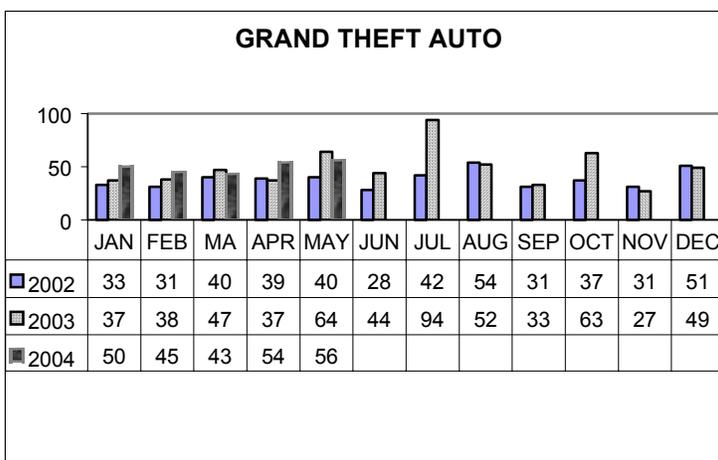
For medical reasons, he left the Navy and went back to school and attended UCLA and received his master's degree in business administration. He went to work at McDonnell Douglas, which is now The Boeing Company. He was a branch manager for Boeing's Engineering Laboratories and retired after 43 years.

In January of 2002, Bill joined the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and helps remove illegally posted signs and conducts vacation checks. He enjoys interfacing with the other volunteers. His favorite thing is patrolling down Main Street. He also dresses up in the "Uncle Sam" costume for the RSVP float for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.

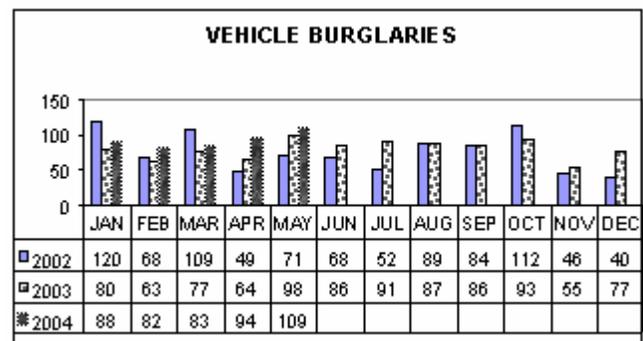
Bill's hobbies are collecting beanie babies and he has approximately 13,000 in his collection. He also collects baseball cards, stamps, and coins. He loves golf and makes sure he gets a game in once a week. Bill is very active in his church work and is a Baptist deacon, Sunday school teacher, and treasurer of the church.

Congratulations, Bill, for being selected volunteer of the month and for the wonderful experience you bring to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program!!!

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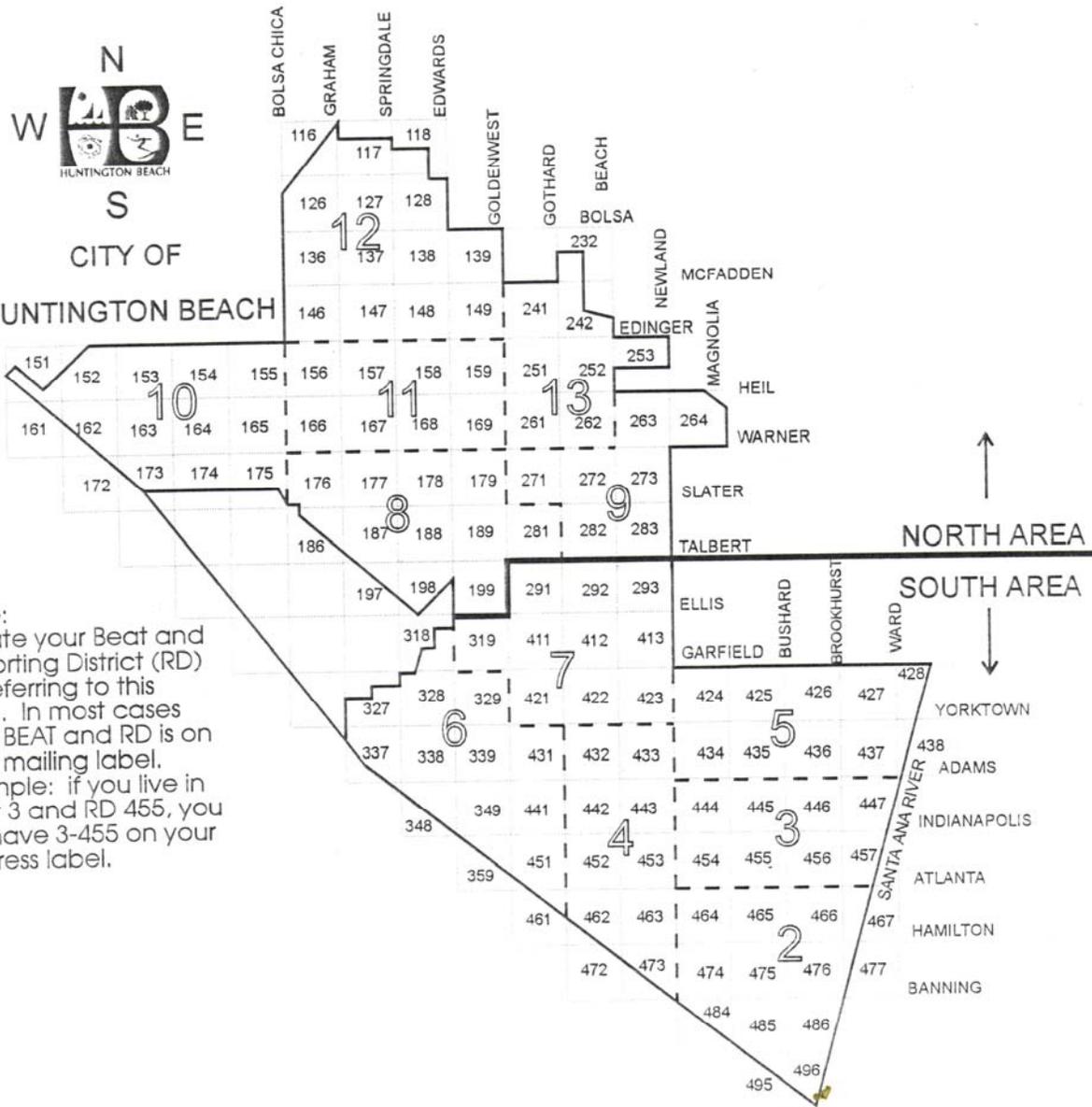


#### VEHICLE BURGLARIES





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Locate your Beat and Reporting District (RD) by referring to this map. In most cases your BEAT and RD is on your mailing label.  
Example: if you live in Beat 3 and RD 455, you will have 3-455 on your address label.