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NEWSLETTER**



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JUNE POSTAGE UPDATE

We need \$20,000 again this year to cover the expenses of newsletter postage, labels and return newsletters. For the past 27 years, we have been able to raise this money through generous donations from our subscribers and the newsletter advertisers. We hope we can continue to do this in 2006. At the end of April, we received \$ 9,759. We have \$10,241 to go! A \$4 donation pays for each subscriber's postage. A \$5 or more donation puts your name in the newsletter as a contributor. A \$ 20 will put your name in the newsletter and you will receive a Neighborhood Watch sticker and a Surf City key chain. Make your check out to:

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**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE 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 provide crime prevention information and the newsletter provides ongoing 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. The people involved on the board are: David Shostak, President; Wayne Wong, Vice President; Ken Pollock, Treasurer; Penny Lambright, Member at Large; Kathie Liboon, Past President; and Kathy DePeri, Speaker.

The volunteers involved in the Newsletter Assembly Committee collate, fold, label and assort newsletters by zip code. 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 Batoul Bodes, Nancy Busby, Martha and George Bustamante, Mid Call, May Sue Chee, Pat Freyer, Don Griswold, Mildred Hughes, Florence Jarvis, Ruth Jecter, Kay Kerchenski, Tad Kiyomura, Marie Knoll, Blair Lenoir, Kay Pekala, Charlene and Joe Saeman, Dorothy Short, Marilyn Spreeman,, Dee Sutherland, Janina Szbert, Arlynn and Dewayne Tedder, Cleo Turner, Mary Wajda, Thelma Wegelin, Carol Waggoner, Carol Waidner, Bev Krueger, Mike Seth, Sue Bessho, Carrie Hogue, Joe Tom, Flo Pach, Jim Townsend, Verna Carvounas, Marie Ferguson, Edith Drake, James Chester, Amy Wada and Carol Newman.



Thank You



FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

Huntington Beach Police Department **INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC** **DISTRACTION BURGLARIES TARGETING SENIORS**

There have been recent cases of distraction burglaries targeting seniors at their residences. These suspects tend to use the ruse that they "Used to live there" or that "They are your neighbors." Suspects can also have teenage children with them.

These suspects target seniors befriending them with conversation and compliments by either contacting them in the front yard or actually knocking on the victim's door. The suspect knows that the victims are home alone.

Once a bond is formed, the suspect may ask to use the bathroom or in some way distract victims within their residences. Suspects look for cash and jewelry and then leave residence.

Suspects have been described as:

- Female, White, 5'3", 140 pounds, 45-50 years old, shoulder length gray hair and an olive complexion.
- Female Samoan, 35 years old, heavysset with a teenage female age 15, thin build.

This flyer is for information only in order to warn potential victims of these tactics. If you have experienced a similar crime and have not reported it, please contact the police department at the number listed below.

REFER: Non-Emergency Number (714) 960-8825
DETECTIVE DIVISION (714) 536-5951
06-08595 / 06-08049

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GARAGE BURGLARIES UP IN MAY

While reviewing the residential burglaries in May, the reports revealed an increase of garage burglaries throughout the city. Most of the entries were through open or unlocked doors. Items taken were bikes, tools and golf clubs. Also items from unlocked vehicles in the garage.

Remember you have to take the opportunity away from a thief to make his /her work harder. Get into the habit of closing your garage door whenever you leave or retire for the night. If you see your neighbor's garage door open, knock on their door and advise them to close it. Take away the opportunity, and you will probably prevent the crime.

HBI—CRIME FIGHTER
IN THE SKY



April appeared to slow somewhat in activity for our aircrew, possibly due to Spring Break attracting local students and families to other vacation destinations.

HB-1 aircrews assisted HB Fire Dept. twice. On April 13th, Officers Paholski and Wersching were requested at Perry School where a dumpster fire was reported adjacent to the school buildings. They checked for hotspots with the FLIR and found none. Then on April 16th, they observed a campfire to the rear of Action Boats, which threatened a potential wildfire. HB Fire was notified and the fire was extinguished.

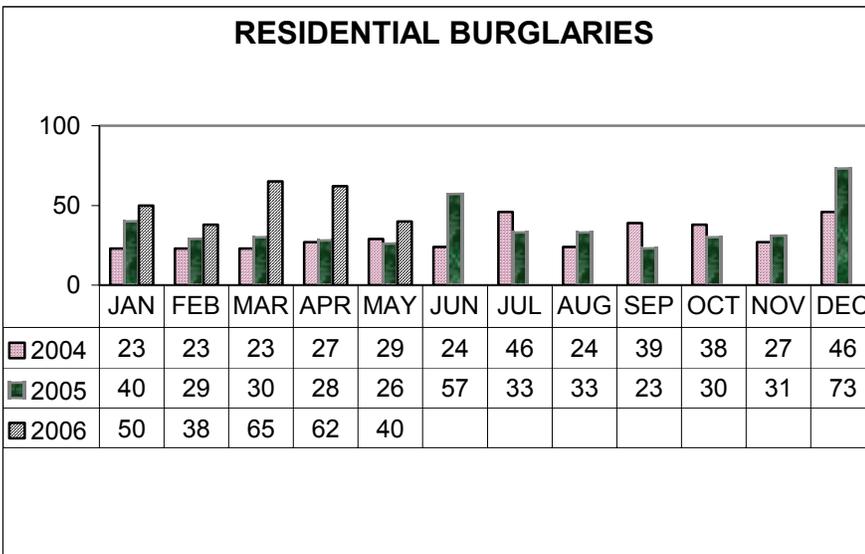
Twice this month, HB-1 aircrews were asked to help honor fallen heroes. On April 13th, Sgt. Tallman and Officer Meschau were asked to assist with a funeral fly-over for a deceased Placentia PD sergeant, who died in a traffic collision. Then on April 19th, Officers Paholski and Reed assisted in a hearse procession for an HB local Marine killed in Iraq.

On April 19th Officers Wersching and McNaughton responded to an early morning flight call downtown that escalated to approximately 100 people surrounding the downtown footbeat officers. HB-1 directed the several code-3 units to the call for help, which resulted in two arrests.

On April 27th, at Beach/Atlanta, Officers Paholski and Reed were targeted by a laser device, which could have blinded the crew. Reed directed responding officers to the suspect's location and he was arrested at Tumbleweeds Bar.

Finally on April 29th, Wersching and McNaughton spotted a strong-arm robbery suspect fleeing a business at 7171 Warner and directed units to the parking lot where the storeowner was fighting with the suspect. The suspect was arrested for robbery.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES



Special thanks to members listed below for their donations.

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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

**40 REPORTED IN MAY
62 REPORTED IN APRIL**

Twenty-one entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors, or 52% of the entries reported.

Further breakdown reveals 15 garage entries out of 40 burglaries or 37% of the occurred during daytime (6am to 6 pm). With 17 entries reported to occur at night (6pm to 6 am).

One entry was by a passkey, six entries were by unknown means, three attempts without entry, one entry by an open window with house vacant, one entry by an open window while house under construction, six entries by force or pry tool, and one entry by a window smash.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

**62 REPORTED IN MAY
104 REPORTED IN APRIL**

GRAND THEFT AUTOS

**51 REPORTED IN MAY
46 REPORTED IN APRIL**

BEAT 2

**1 Residential Burglary
4 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries
RD 475 – 1

Street: Hanakai, entry by an **UNLOCKED WINDOW.** There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 474 – 1 RD 475 –1
RD 476 – 2

Grand Theft Autos
None

BEAT 3

**1 Residential Burglary
1 Vehicle Burglary
0 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries
RD 454 – 1

Streets: Lauderdale with entry by a passkey. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 446 – 1

Grand Theft Autos
None

BEAT 4

**8 Residential Burglaries
14 Vehicle Burglaries
8 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries
RD 432 – 4 RD 442 – 1
RD 452 – 1 RD 462 – 1
RD 463 – 1

Streets: Wichita, California, Delaware, Huntington, Atlanta, Utica, two entries on Alsuna. **FOUR ENTIRE BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by unknown means, two attempts without entry and one entry by an open window with vacant house. There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 432 – 5 RD 433 – 1
RD 442 – 2 RD 452 – 1
RD 453 – 3 RD 462 – 1
RD 463 – 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 433 - 3 RD 442 – 1
RD 452 - 2 RD 453 – 1
RD 473 – 1

BEAT 5

**1 Residential Burglary
2 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries
RD 424 – 1

Street: Bass with entry thru an **OPEN GARAGE DOOR.**

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 425 – 1 RD 434 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 434 – 1 RD 435 – 1
RD 436 – 1

BEAT 6

**8 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries
RD 338 – 1 RD 349 – 1
RD 441 – 4 RD 451 – 2

Streets: Cloverwood, 14th St., 10th St., 11th St., Lake, Palm 7th St., Olive. **THREE ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by an open window with house under construction. Two entries by unknown means, one entry by force, and one entry by a window smash. There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 339 – 1 RD 349 – 2
RD 441 – 1 RD 451 – 1
RD 461 – 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 339 – 1 RD 359 – 1
RD 431 – 1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS

BEAT 7

4 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
7 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 292 - 3 RD 413 - 1

Streets: Ellis, Alberta, Yukon and Garfield. **TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by force and one entry by unknown means. There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 292 - 2 RD 413 - 1
RD 422 - 2

Grand Theft Autos
RD 293 - 1 RD 411 - 1
RD 421 - 2 RD 422 - 2
RD 423 - 1

BEAT 8

3 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 177 - 1 RD 178 - 1
RD 179 - 1

Streets: Friml, Athena and Julip. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN WINDOW.** One entry by unknown means and one attempt without entry. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 177 - 1 RD 179 - 2
RD 189 - 1 RD 199 - 1
RD 281 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 179 - 1 RD 199 - 1

BEAT 9

5 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 272 - 1 RD 273 - 1
RD 282 - 2 RD 283 - 1

Streets: Slater, Marken, Bell and two entries on Slater. **FOUR ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by a pry tool. There were no garage entries. Suspect was arrested in Bell entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 272 - 2 RD 282 - 1
RD 283 - 2

Grand Theft Autos
RD 263 - 1 RD 271 - 1
RD 272 - 2 RD 282 - 1
RD 283 - 1

BEAT 10

5 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
2 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 153 - 2 RD 165 - 2
RD 175 - 1

Streets: Warner, two entries each on St. Croix and Blanton. **THREE ENTRIES WERE BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** There were two entries by force or pry tool. There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 151 - 1 RD 155 - 1
RD 164 - 1 RD 165 - 1
RD 173 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 155 - 1 RD 173 - 1

BEAT 11

0 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 158 - 1 RD 167 - 1
RD 168 - 2 RD 169 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 158 - 2 RD 168 - 2

BEAT 12

4 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 128 - 3 RD 138 - 1

Streets: Aspen, Briarcliff, Penfield and Cornell. **TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** One entry by unknown means, and one entry by force or pry tool. There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 128 - 1 RD 136 - 1
RD 138 - 1 RD 148 - 3

Grand Theft Autos
RD 117 - 1 RD 118 - 1
RD 136 - 1 RD 138 - 1
RD 147 - 1 RD 149 - 1

BEAT 13

0 Residential Burglaries
3 Vehicle Burglaries
10 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 253 - 1 RD 262 - 2

Grand Theft Autos
RD 242 - 1 RD 252 - 3
RD 253 - 1 RD 261 - 2
RD 262 - 3

New webcam gives a live view of Pier and Downtown

If you are thinking about heading to the beach, you can check out the current live beach conditions from the comfort of your home, on the City's website before you leave. The City of Huntington Beach has added a live webcam feature to its website. The webcam is attached to Tower Zero on the Huntington Beach Pier and provides a panoramic view to anyone accessing the site.



To access the webcam, go to the City's website, www.surfcity-hb.org. Click on the Surfcam button on the left side. This feature will allow anyone around the world with Internet access to observe downtown Huntington Beach, the entire Pier, and the surf. Viewers can control the camera's direction, and can also zoom in on a preferred location or scene.

Also, if you are interested in surf conditions and the weather, the webcam page on the website will now provide this additional information. The current water temperature, wind direction and speed, surf height, tides, and air pressure will be updated daily.

If you have any questions regarding the new live webcam, please feel free to contact us at webmaster@surfcity-hb.org or call (714) 536-5514.

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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH **J. Pat Davies** RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Pat Davis was born March 1, 1932 in Oakland, California. He lived in foster homes from the age of 4 years to 18 years. In 1950, he graduated from high school and joined the United States Marines. He was in Korea from 1951 to 1954 and was promoted to Sgt. during that time.

In 1954, he met his wife Maxine and they were soon married. They had four children, 3 daughters and one son, 13 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Unfortunately, after 50 years of marriage, Maxine passed away in 2004.



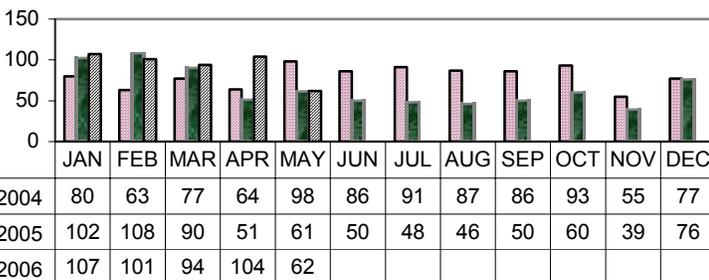
Pat worked for 38 years in papers and paper products for Georgia Pacific Corp. before retiring. He has lived in Danville, Antioch, Palm Springs, Durango and Pismo Beach before settling

in Huntington Beach in 2001.

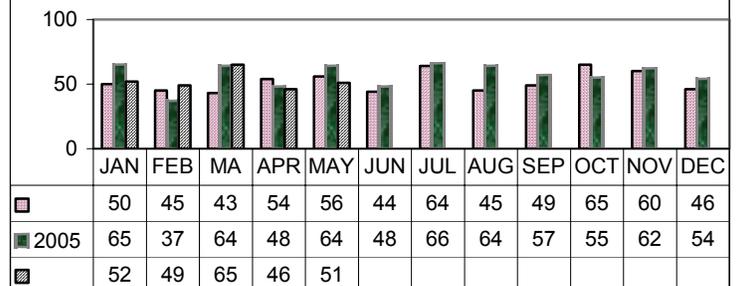
He enjoys his grand children, hunting, fishing, traveling and flying in his spare time.

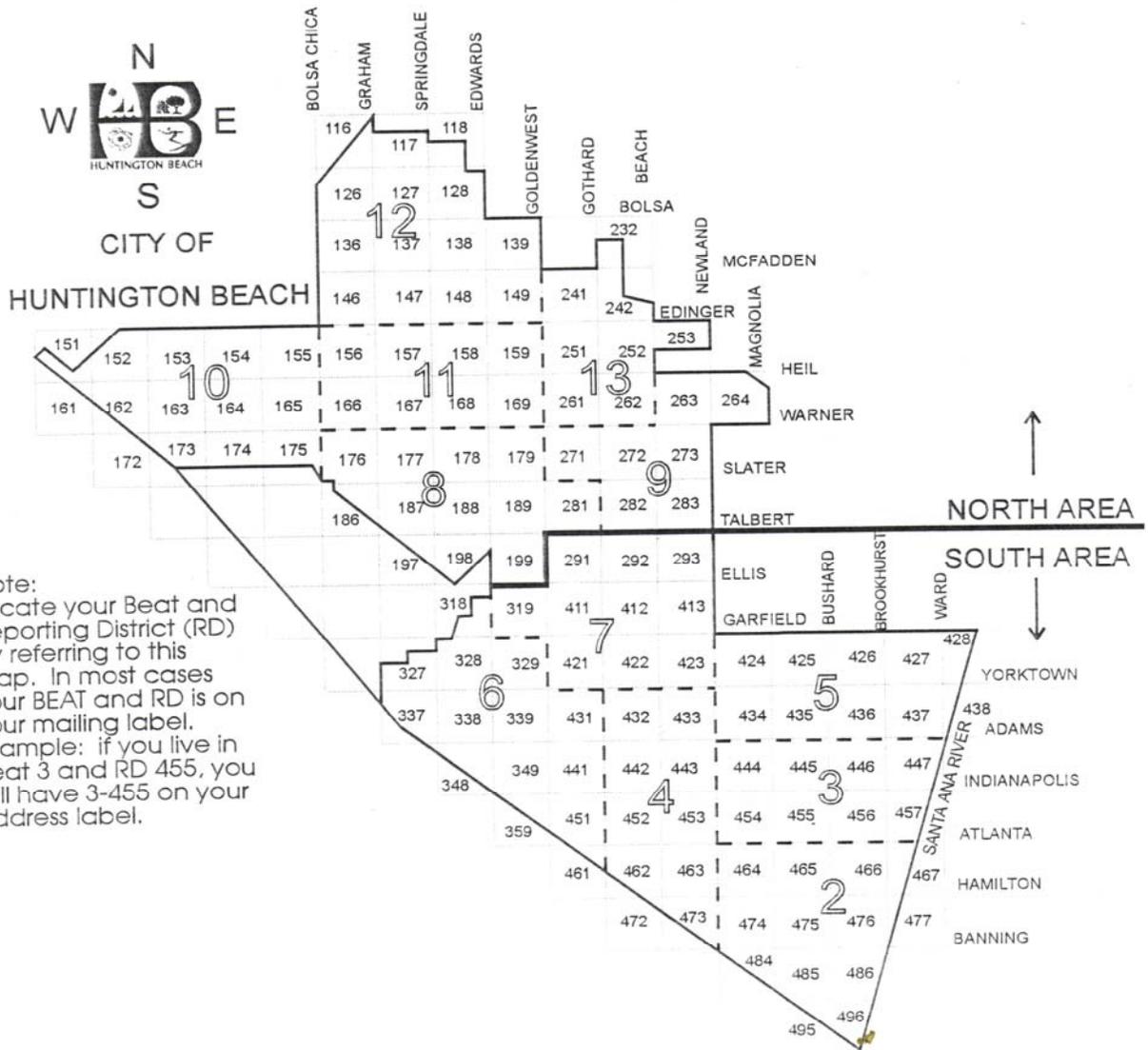
He joined the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in 2005 and works patrol conducting vacation checks and removing illegally posted signs. The Huntington Beach Police Department salutes Pat for his dedication to helping the community and for being selected volunteer of the month.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES



GRAND THEFT AUTO





Note:
 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.