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Donations Update



This year we need to raise \$20,000 to cover postal costs through the end of the year. At the end of July we received a total of \$14,674 from our subscribers. So we have another \$5,326 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.

A \$5 donation puts your name in the newsletter as a contributor. A \$20 donation or more will put your name in the newsletter and you receive a Neighborhood Watch sticker and a Surf City key chain. Make your check out to **HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** and send to:

HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
P O BOX 5667
HUNT. BEACH, CA 92615

Or:
Neighborhood Watch
Huntington Beach Police Dept.
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach CA 92648

BOARD MEETING

9/14/04 @ 6:30 PM

Huntington Beach Police Dept.
2ND Floor Conference Room

OAK VIEW COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION



We are preparing for the fifth annual Oak View Community Halloween Celebration. This year we would like to give each child who attends Oak View Elementary School a bag of candy, a police coloring book and a stick-on police badge. Children will be able to sit in police cars that will be brought to the school and they will get to meet McGruff The Crime Dog. This is a unique experience for these children, as many do not have the same opportunities as other children.

There are over 800 children attending Oak View Elementary School and your financial support is needed to make this event happen. With your support, last year's Halloween Celebration was a huge success. We hope we can count on you again for your generous donation of candy or financial assistance. This event promotes goodwill between the police department and the people living in the Oak View Neighborhood.

Anyone making donations will be provided the tax-exempt number for Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch. Please make your checks out to Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch—Oak View Halloween event. Contact Suzie Wajda at (714) 536-5933 or send your donation to: ATTN: Suzie Wajda, Huntington Beach Police Department, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648.

Safety lessons save lives

"It's Fire Prevention Week: Test Your Smoke Alarms" — that's the theme of FPW 2004, the annual national fire safety campaign. Testing smoke alarms may sound like basic advice, but this lesson can save lives. All too often the presence of a working smoke alarm can mean the difference between life and death. But despite the fact that smoke alarms are now widely popular, roughly 70 percent of home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. Because fire can spread through a home so quickly, it is essential that everyone in your family be able to recognize the sound of the alarm, and has a plan for getting out safely. Smoke alarms are the fire safety success story of the 20th century, but they can't save your life if they're not working. Test your smoke alarm today. It could make all the difference.



For more information go to www.firepreventionweek.org.

WEST NILE VIRUS

Glorria Morrison, Huntington Beach Fire Department

We can now add California to the list of states being impacted by West Nile Virus. With the two reported deaths in Orange County, California has the second highest number of confirmed cases of West Nile Virus with Arizona having the most. The elderly and persons with compromised immune systems are the most vulnerable. Please do your part in preventing West Nile Virus.

The best way for us to help our community is to educate residents on how to prevent West Nile Virus. Please share this information with your family members and neighbors.



Avoid Mosquito Bites

✓ **Apply Insect Repellent Containing DEET**

Look for: *N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide* and apply to exposed skin when you go outdoors. Even a short time being outdoors can be long enough to get a mosquito bite.

✓ **Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites**

When possible, wear long-sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors. Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing, so spraying clothes with repellent containing permethrin or DEET will give extra protection. Don't apply repellents containing permethrin directly to skin. Do not spray repellent containing DEET on the skin under your clothing.

✓ **Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours**

The hours from dusk to dawn are peak mosquito biting times for many species of mosquitoes. Take *extra* care to use repellent and protective clothing during evening and early morning -- or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home

✓ **Install or Repair Screens**

Mosquitoes like to come indoors. Keep them outside by having well-fitting screens on both windows and doors. Offer to help neighbors and the elderly whose screens might need repaired.

✓ **Drain Standing Water**

Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by getting rid of items that hold water. Drain standing water from around your home

**Be a good neighbor!
Help elderly neighbors repair
screens and eliminate any
standing water.**

Help Your Community

✓ **Clean Up**

Mosquito breeding sites can be anywhere. Neighborhood clean up days can be organized by neighborhoods to pick up containers from vacant lots and parks, and to encourage people to keep their yards free of standing water. Mosquitoes don't care about fences, so it's important to control breeding sites throughout the neighborhood.

The Fire Department Emergency Services Unit is taking a lead in the City of Huntington Beach on educating the public. We can use your help. We have printed flyers on How to Prevent West Nile Virus and placed them at City Hall, the Library and Community Centers. If you would like flyers to distribute to your neighborhood, come to the Police Department front desk and pick them up. As a leader in your community, you can make a difference. Educate your neighbors and make your neighborhood safer for everyone.

HB1—CRIME FIGHTER IN THE SKY

July provided a number of significant activities for the Air Unit. Along with 8 DUI arrests, HB1 assisted in apprehending a suspect who was driving his motorcycle in excess of 140 mph in the area of Garfield and Magnolia. The helicopter was able to maintain observation of the suspect and direct units to his location where he was taken into custody.



HB1 assisted undercover units with information of a pending gang fight. Suspects were seen entering a local park and the air crew watched as they began fighting. Units were directed into the park and suspects attempted to flee in vehicles. HB1 directed patrol officers to the vehicles and the suspects were taken into custody along with numerous weapons including a sawed-off shotgun.

The helicopter crew observed 2 swimmers caught in a rip current near Huntington State Beach. The rescue boat was notified and the swimmers were taken on board by lifeguard personnel.

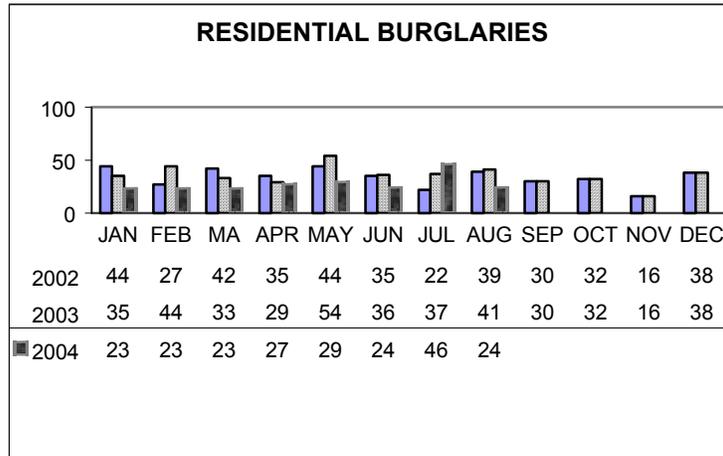
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RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES GRAND THEFT AUTOS

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

**24 FOR AUGUST
46 FOR JULY**

Twelve of the entries were due **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors, or 50% of the entries.

Further breakdown reveals 9 garage entries out of 24 burglaries, or 38% of the entries reported in June.

Thirteen entries reported occurred during daytime (6:00 am. to 6:00 pm.). Eleven entries occurred during night (6:00 pm. to 6:00 am.).

There were two entries by window smash, one entry by unknown means with the house being vacant, four attempts without entry, two entries by unknown means, three entries by force. Out of 24 residential burglaries, nine entries were garages or 36% of the entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

**62 IN AUGUST
102 IN JULY**

GRAND THEFT AUTOS

**45 IN AUGUST
64 IN JULY**

BEAT 2

- 2 Residential Burglaries**
- 3 Vehicle Burglaries**
- 5 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

RD 466 - 2

Streets: Two entries on Verde Mar in the Villa Pacifica complex. **ONE ENTRY WAS DUE TO OPEN GARAGE.** One entry by a window smash. Suspect described as a Male, white adult, 20's, approx. 5'9", approx. 165 lbs, ruddy complexion, strawberry blond hair cropped, last seen wearing dirty green or dark blue work pants. Poss. vehicle was a white Toyota pickup truck. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 476 - 2 RD 484 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 464 - 1 RD 465 - 1
RD 476 - 3

BEAT 3

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

Residential Burglaries

RD 444 - 1 RD 455 - 1

Streets: **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN DOOR.** One entry by unknown means in a vacant house (suspect in custody). There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 447- 1 RD 454 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 444 - 1

BEAT 4

- 1 Residential Burglary**
- 7 Vehicle Burglaries**
- 5 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

RD 442 - 1

Streets: Huntington. One entry by unknown means thru a garage.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 433 - 1 RD 442 - 1
RD 452 - 2 RD 453 - 1

RD 462 - 1 RD 463 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 432 - 2 RD 433 - 1
RD 462 - 2

BEAT 5

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

Residential Burglaries

RD 427 - 1 RD 436 - 1

Streets: Samoa and Adams. **ONE ENTRY BY AN UNLOCKED DOOR.**

One attempt without entry. There were no garage burglaries. Two suspects were seen in the Samoa unlocked door entry:

- # 1. Female white adult, early 20's, skinny, blond long hair.
- #2. Male white adult, 6 ft., 170 lbs, thin, late 20's dark short hair, last seen wearing khaki colored shirt/pant and beige back pack.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 436 - 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 436 - 1

BEAT 6

- 2 Residential Burglaries**
- 11 Vehicle Burglaries**
- 4 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

RD 451 - 2

ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN DOOR.

One attempt without entry. There were no garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 338 - 1 RD 339 - 1
RD 349 - 2 RD 359 - 3
RD 451 - 4

Grand Theft Autos

RD 349 - 1 RD 441 - 1
RD 451 - 1 RD 461 - 1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS

BEAT 7

1 Residential Burglary
5 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 413- 1

Street: Libra.

ONE ENTRY BY AN UNLOCKED SLIDER. Possible suspects seen: Two white male adults, 20's, thin, both had straight brown hair, both were about 140 lbs, and 5'7". One male had several tattoos. There were no garage burglaries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 292 - 1 RD 293 - 1
RD 412 - 2 RD 413 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 292 - 2 RD 411 - 1
RD 421 - 1

BEAT 8

2 Residential Burglaroes
2 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 176- 1 RD 179 - 1

Streets: Pleasant, Cory. **THERE WERE TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN WINDOWS.** There were no garage burglaries. Suspect in Pleasant entry in custody.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 176 - 1 RD 179 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 176 - 1 RD 179 - 2

BEAT 9

3 Residential Burglaries
10 Vehicle Burglaires
9 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 273 - 3

Streets: Marken, two entries on Stanley Walk. **TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.** There was one entry by a window smash. There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 264 - 1 RD 271 - 1
RD 272 - 4 RD 273 - 1
RD 282 - 1 RD 283 - 2

Grand Theft Autos
RD 263 - 2 RD 264 - 1
RD 272 - 1 RD 273 - 1
RD 283 - 4

BEAT 10

5 Residential Burglaries
8 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 151 - 1 RD 153 - 2
RD 155 - 1 RD 173 - 1

Streets: Mariner, Dominica, Windspun, Poco and Pacific Coast Highway. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN DOOR.** There were three entries by force or pry tool, one entry by unknown means. There were five garage burglaries.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 153 - 2 RD 154 - 1
RD 164 - 2 RD 165 - 1
RD 173 - 1 RD 175 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 164 - 1 RD 173 - 2

BEAT 11

3 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 157 - 1 RD 166 - 2

Streets: Heil, Diamond and Chadwick. **ONE ENTRY BY AN OPEN DOOR.** Two attempts without entry. There was one garage door.

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 157 - 1 RD 167 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 158 - 1 RD 159 - 2

BEAT 12

1 Residential Burglary

4 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
RD 136 - 1

Street: McFadden. **THERE WAS ONE ENTRY THRU AND OPEN SLIDING DOOR.**

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 137 - 2 RD 146 - 1
RD 175 - 1

Grand Theft Auto
RD 136 - 1 RD 138 - 1
RD 147 - 1

BEAT 13

0 Residential Burglaries
7 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries
None

Streets: None

Vehicle Burglaries
RD 242 - 1 RD 252 - 3
RD 261 - 2 RD 262 - 1

Grand Theft Autos
RD 241 - 1 RD 242 - 1
RD 252 - 1 RD 262 - 1

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

Milton Eugene Vaught

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES



Milton was born in Pasadena, California and graduated from San Diego State University in 1971 with a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Physiology.

He has been married to Kendall for 25 years and is the father of 2 daughters. Teresa is a 1st Lieutenant in the Army serving in Mosul, Iraq with the 101st

Airborne Division. His other daughter, Becky, is a senior at the University of Michigan, studying communication and public relations. His wife, Kendall, teaches middle school science for the Los Alamitos School District.

Milton is a roofing contractor and also works part-time at the Huntington Beach Home Depot store. His hobbies and interests include fishing, traveling, hiking, gardening, and walks on the beach with his wife. Milton is a certified NRA pistol instructor and participates with the Single Action Shooting Society when time allows.

Milton has been a member of the Volunteers in Police Service program for over 3 years and recently logged 10 hours of volunteer time delivering Neighborhood Watch Newsletters to homes in the northern section

RSVP

Terry Winfrey

RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Terry was born in Huntington Park and lived in Los Angeles, Whittier and Manhattan Beach before moving to Huntington Beach in 1957.

She attended grade school at the MGM studio lot and worked in movies such as "Our Gang" and other comedies and some westerns. She studied violin for 9 years and attended Los Angeles City College and the University of California at Los Angeles.

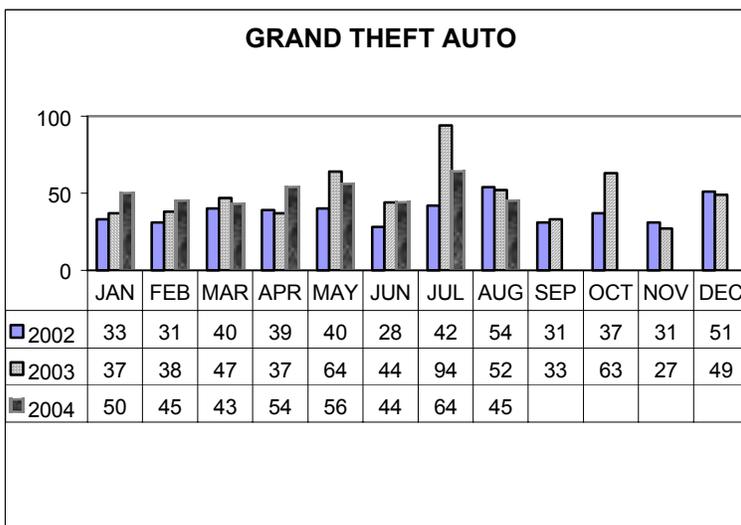
Terry also did synchronized swimming with Buster Crabb in a water show for about a year that traveled through Hawaii and Europe. When she returned from Europe she was hired to swim in a couple of Esther Williams movies. She also coached team swimming for the United States, Newport Beach, and Huntington Beach High Schools.

Terry worked as a Los Angeles County Sheriff Deputy for 8 years. She worked in the jail as rehabilitation officer for 2 of those years, then she worked at the headquarters office, the courts, with juveniles, warrant service, and the narcotics unit.

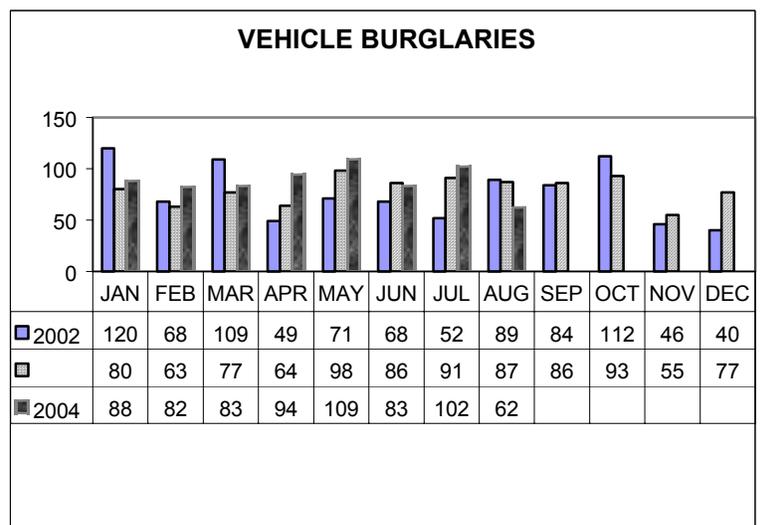
Terry enjoys golf, Dixieland music, gardening, and driving her Porsche around town. She has 2 grown children.

A volunteer for 3 years, Terry helps the public at the Investigations Desk on a weekly basis, conducts vacation house checks and also takes down illegally posted signs throughout the city. She fingerprints children at special events and is always there to help in some way.

GRAND THEFT AUTO

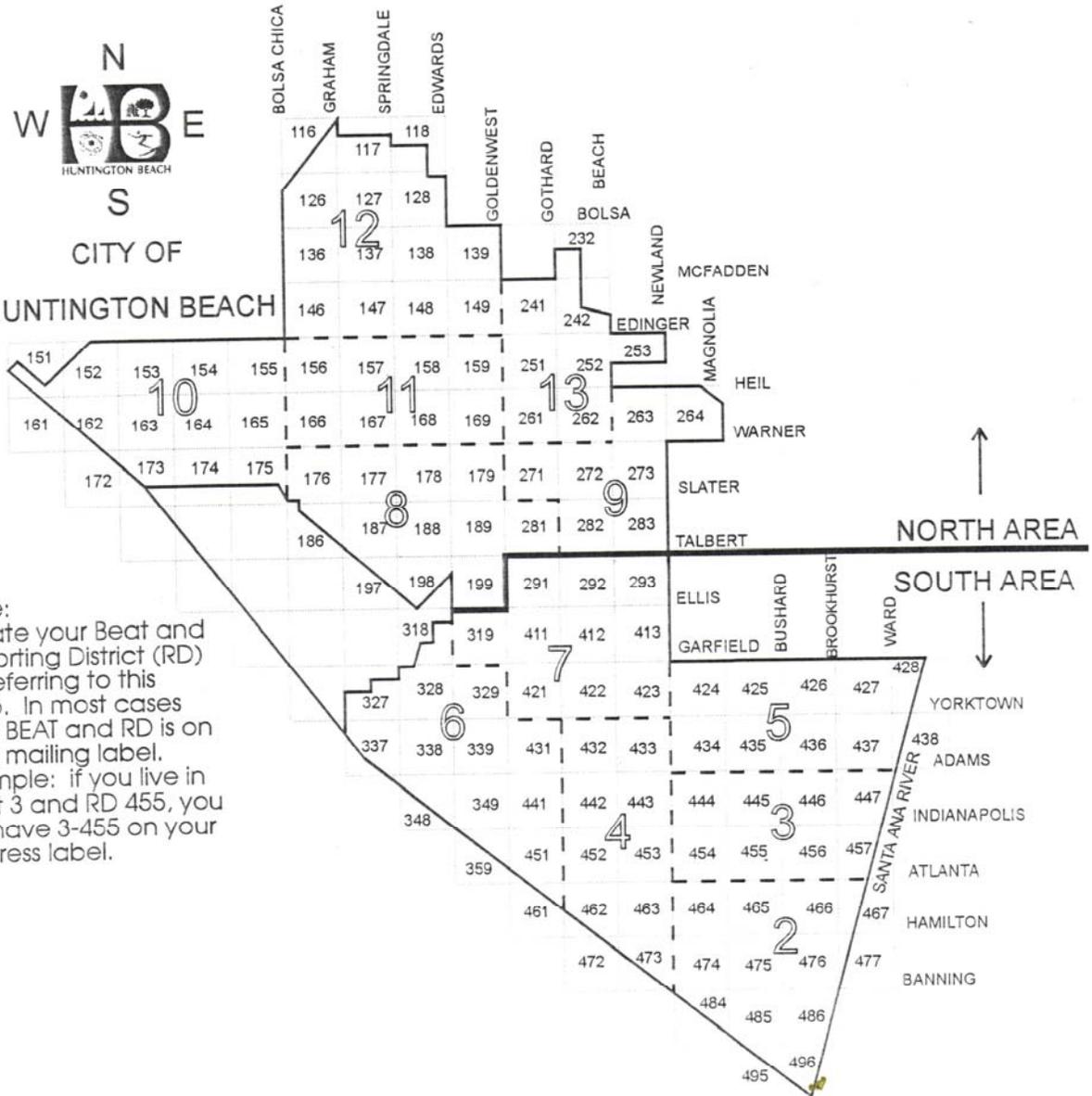


VEHICLE BURGLARIES





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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.