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# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

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## JULY 2003 Postage Donations Update



This year we need to raise \$20,000 to cover postal costs through the end of the year. At the end of May we received a total of \$14,451 from our subscribers. So we have another \$5,549 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

**NO BOARD MEETING**

In July or August



## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

**August 5, 2003—7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

On Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, Huntington Beach residents are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out.”

A crime/drug prevention event, National Night out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored by police departments all over the nation.

On August 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., Huntington Beach residents are asked to turn on their porch lights and go outside to spend some time with their neighbors. Talk about starting a Neighborhood Watch Program or scheduling your second meeting to meet new neighbors. At your meeting, we will inform you about home security, auto theft/burglary, and identity theft.

Even though crime is down, we need to be alert and aware so that we won't become victims. Another thing to discuss with your neighbors are drug houses—if you suspect a drug house on your street, call the Narcotics Unit at (714) 536-5981 and give them the address and information. If you have a problem house with other possible criminal activity, you can contact Team C.O.P.

North area officer is Officer Domingo at 375-5095, or south of Talbert is Officer Warden at 375-5140. Working and communicating with your neighbors and police can make a big difference in your neighborhood, but it takes getting involved and some time and effort.

The theme, back by popular demand, is “Give Neighborhood Crime and Drugs a Going Away Party.” To schedule a Neighborhood Watch meeting, call 536-5993. Remember, it is everyone’s job to keep crime out of their neighborhoods. Call today and do your part to keep Huntington Beach a safe place to live.

- Recipient of Chamber of Commerce Award of Valor -
- Recipient of Disneyland Community Service Award -

## CANADIAN LOTTERY SCAM

By Detective David McCain  
High Tech Crimes Investigator



Recently, the Huntington Beach Police Department has been getting phone calls from residents who have received a telephone call or a very authentic looking letter from Canada.

The caller/writer has informed the recipient that they have won the Canadian Lottery. All the recipient has to do is send money to them to claim the prize. **The letter or phone call will then go on to advise the recipient that** due to tax or custom laws, **they need** to send the money in order to claim the prize.

The Huntington Beach Police Department wants to remind you that if you really are lucky enough to win a prize such as the California Lottery, you do not have to send any money to claim it. In addition, most lotteries require a ticket purchase.

Most of these phone calls and letters are being sent to senior citizens who have a limited income and could use the extra money. The letter or phone call tells the recipients to send their money to Western Union and **they** are told to keep the fact of their winning a secret. Instead, once this money is sent, it is gone and they are never able to get it back.

You can check the Internet for Canadian Lottery scams for additional information.

## HUNTINGTON BEACH YOUTH SUMMIT



By Rachel Clark  
Police Community Services Specialist

The Huntington Beach Youth Summit is back! This year’s event is scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> and will be held at the California National Guard, Camp San Luis Obispo. Fifteen high school students from each Huntington Beach Union High School will be invited to the Summit to learn leadership skills for planning and addressing solutions to underage drinking, tobacco and other drug use at their schools and in their communities.

Through a series of workshops, Summit participants will develop leadership skills, while at the same time learn how to utilize media, plan events, understand and advance public policy, speak with city officials and key decision-makers, conduct social norms marketing campaigns, and market their ideas to others. Each participating school will develop alcohol and other drug prevention action plans to bring back to their schools and implement into the community.

The Summit Committee is seeking the community’s assistance in funding this event. We are also recruiting adult chaperones to help with supervision during the event. All donations should be made payable to the P.R.I.D. E. foundation and sent to:

Please tell your friends about this article, and to beware of sending money to strangers who claim you have won a prize. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Huntington Beach Youth Summit  
2000 Main St.  
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Please contact the Huntington Beach Police  
Department Community Liaison Team at (714) 536-5246  
for more information.

**Hot Weather Summer Safety Tips**

Summer is on its way and so is the hot weather! Even though we live in a very safe city and crime is down, we still have crime that occurs on a daily basis. Most crimes happen because the criminal was given the opportunity. Remove the opportunity, and you lessen your chance of becoming a victim of crime. The Crime Prevention Unit wants to remind you to be extra careful about closing and locking all your windows and doors, including both garage doors. Don't be tempted to leave windows open for a cool house and come home to find it's been cleaned out.

Living at the beach, we enjoy those ocean breezes, but you take a risk by leaving your window open at night. Install a key lock and you can leave the window open a few inches. This will prevent someone from pushing/lifting the window to get in while you're sleeping. Take these precautions and have a wonderful safe summer!



**HB-1—CRIME FIGHTER IN THE SKY**

May was another busy month for the crews of HB-1, the Huntington Beach Police helicopter. Police Officer pilots Reed and Pappas assisted in the surveillance of a suspect who was wanted for an attempted murder of a California Highway Patrol Officer. The suspect was confronted and fled into a nearby wooded area. HB-1 used its FLIR (Forward Looking Infrared) system to locate the suspect who was taken into custody by ground units.



While working the day shift, Police Officer pilot Paholski and Sgt. Tom Arnold observed a large oilslick a quarter of a mile off shore near Golden West Street. Lifeguards responded and took samples and the Coast Guard was notified.

Police Officer pilots Lynn and Catalano responded to a burglary in progress. Upon arriving, they observed the suspect vehicle leaving the area and directed ground units to the area. Ground units stopped the suspect vehicle and it was determined all three suspects in the vehicle were involved and were taken into custody for burglary.

The Aero Unit was also responsible for the arrest of ten DUI (Driving Under the Influence) suspects, as well as 81 traffic citations. HB-1 responded to 655 calls and had a flight time of 216 total hours.

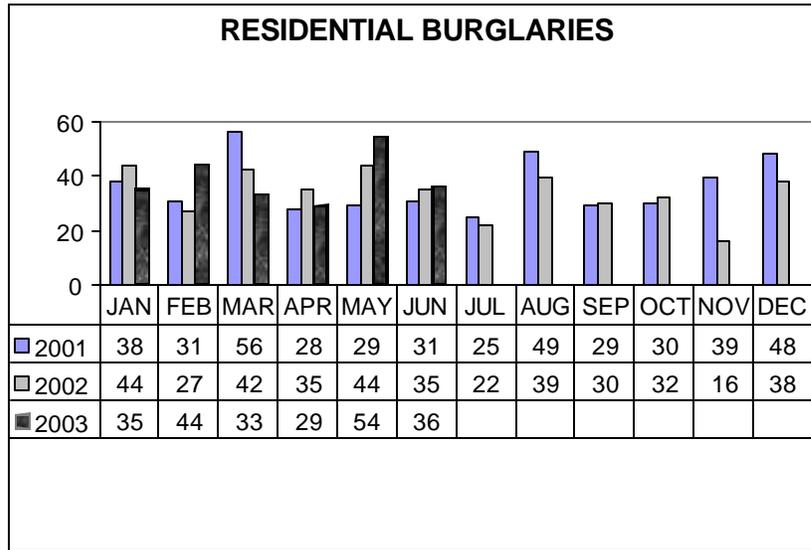
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**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

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**

**34 FOR JUNE  
 54 FOR MAY**

**RESIDENTIAL ROBBERIES**

**2 FOR JUNE**

Thirteen of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors, or 38% of the entries.

Further breakdown reveals 4 garage entries out of 36 burglaries, or 8.5% of the entries reported in June.

Eleven out of 36 entries reported occurred during daytime (6:00 am. to 6:00 pm.). Twenty-five entries occurred during night (6:00 pm. to 6:00 am.).

There were seven entries by force, three entries by passkey, one by open 2<sup>nd</sup> story, six attempts without entry, four entries by unknown means, one open because of construction, and one by window smash.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**

**86 IN JUNE  
 98 IN MAY**

**GRAND THEFT AUTOS**

**44 IN JUNE  
 64 IN MAY**

**BEAT 2**

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

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 475 – 2**



Streets: and Polynesian. Impala  
 There was one entry by force and one entry by passkey.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 476 – 1**

**Grand Theft Autos**

**RD 464 – 1 RD 475 – 1  
 RD 476 – 1**

**BEAT 3**

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

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 455 – 1 RD 457 – 1**

Streets: Chaucer and Beverly.  
**TWO ENTRIES BY UNLOCKED OR OPEN DOOR OR WINDOW.**

There was one garage burglary. Suspect described in Beverly unlocked sliding door entry (RD 457): Female white adult, 18 yrs., brown medium length hair, 113 lbs., 5'2".

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 447 – 1**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 447 – 1**

**BEAT 4**

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

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 432 – 1 RD 442 – 2  
 RD 452 – 1 RD 453 – 1**

Streets: Ariana, Detroit, Alicante, and two on Delaware.

**ONE ENTRY BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED DOORS OR WINDOWS.**

There was one entry by open 2<sup>nd</sup> story window, there was one attempt without entry, one entry by force, and one by unknown means.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 443 – 1 RD 452 – 1  
 RD 463 – 2 RD 473 – 1**

**Grand Theft Autos**

**RD 432 – 1 RD 452 – 1**

**BEAT 5**

**4 Residential Burglaries**

**6 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**0 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

**RD 425 – 1      RD 434 – 1**  
**RD 436 – 1      RD 437 – 1**

Streets: Waterbury, Albatross, Innsbruck, and Ascot.

**ONE ENTRY BY UNLOCKED OR OPEN DOOR OR WINDOW.**

There were two entries by passkey and one attempt without entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 425 – 4      RD 427 – 1**  
**RD 435 – 1**

**BEAT 6**

**BEAT 7**

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

Residential Burglaries

**RD 293 – 3      RD 413 – 1**

Streets: Patterson, Sterling, Forelle, and Demion..

**TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED DOORS OR WINDOWS.**

There was one entry by unknown means and one attempt without entry. There was one garage burglary.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 291 – 1      RD 411 – 1**  
**RD 412 – 2      RD 421 – 2**  
**RD 422 – 1      RD 423 – 1**

Grand Theft Autos

**RD 413 – 1      RD 422 – 2**  
**RD 423 – 1**

**BEAT 8**

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

Residential Burglaries

**RD 189 – 1**

Street: San Roque

There was one entry by pry. Suspects described as #1: male Asian, 20's, 145

**7 Residential Burglaries**

**22 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**3 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

**RD 328 – 1      RD 339 – 1**  
**RD 349 – 1      RD 359 – 1**  
**RD 451 – 3**

Streets: Braddock, Scenic Bay, 18<sup>th</sup> Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Street, and two on Pacific Coast Highway.

**THREE ENTRIES BY UNLOCKED DOORS OR WINDOWS.**

There were two entries by unknown means, one attempt without entry, and one open house under construction. There were two garage burglaries.

lbs., 5'10" wearing dark baseball cap, khaki pants, short selleve blue shirt. #2: male Asian, spiked dark hair, 165 lbs., 5'7" late teens. Car described as white 2-door Honda Accord late 90's, possibly lowered. Possible license plate: 4BZY154.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 177 – 6      RD 178 – 1**  
**RD 199 – 1**

Grand Theft Autos

**RD 176 – 2      RD 179 – 1**  
**RD 189 – 1**

**BEAT 9**

**0 Residential Burglaries**  
**10 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**5 Grand Theft Autos**

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 263 – 1      RD 264 – 1**  
**RD 271 – 2      RD 272 – 2**  
**RD 273 – 1      RD 282 – 2**  
**RD 283 – 1**

Grand Theft Autos

**RD 272 – 2      RD 273 – 1**  
**RD 282 – 2**

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 337 – 1      RD 348 – 1**  
**RD 349 – 4      RD 431 – 2**  
**RD 441 – 7      RD 451 – 5**  
**RD 461 – 2**

Grand Theft Autos

**RD 348 – 1      RD 359 – 1**  
**RD 461 – 1**

**BEAT 10**

**2 Residential Robberies/Burglaries**  
**2 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**5 Grand Theft Autos**

Residential Burglaries

**RD 163 – 1      RD 164 – 1**

Streets: Humbolt and Trumbull.

**TWO ENTRIES BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOWS OR DOORS.**

Suspect described as: late 20s, early 30s, 5'9" male African-American, approximately 175 lbs. Medium height wearing dark clothing. In one robbery garage door was left open. Suspect came inside and confronted victim. In the second robbery, suspect knocked at the door, victim opened door, suspect asked landscaping questions, suspect forced way in brandishing a gun.

Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 175 – 2**

Grand Theft Autos

**RD 151 – 1      RD 163 – 1**  
**RD 165 – 1      RD 173 – 1**  
**RD 175 – 1**

**BEAT 11**

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

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

Residential Burglaries

RD 159 – 1      RD 166 – 1

Streets: Marjan and Redrock.

**ONE ENTRY BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED DOOR OR WINDOW.**

There was one entry by force.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 158 – 1      RD 168 – 1  
RD 169 – 1

Grand Theft Autos

RD 158 – 2

BEAT 12

5 Residential Burglaries  
9 Vehicle Burglaries  
5 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 118 – 1      RD 128 – 1

RD 138 – 1      RD 148 – 2

Streets: Briarcliff, Northridge, Cornell, Mayflower, and Hughes.

There was one entry by window smash, three entries by force, and one attempt without entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 117 – 3      RD 127 – 1  
RD 136 – 1      RD 138 – 1  
RD 139 – 2      RD 147 – 1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 117 – 2      RD 128 – 1  
RD 138 – 1      RD 148 – 1

BEAT 13

2 Residential Burglaries  
11 Vehicle Burglaries  
10 Grand Theft Autos

Residential Burglaries

RD 261 – 1      RD 261 – 1

Streets: Elk and Viewpoint.

**ONE ENTRY BY OPEN OR UNLOCKED WINDOW OR DOOR.**

There was one attempt without entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241 – 3      RD 242 – 1  
RD 251 – 1      RD 252 – 2  
RD 253 – 2      RD 262 – 2

Grand Theft Autos

RD 241 – 3      RD 242 – 1  
RD 251 – 1      RD 252 – 1  
RD 253 – 1      RD 261 – 1  
RD 262 – 2



**VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH**

**VIPS**

**Louann Murray**

**VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES PROGRAM**



Louann Murray graduated from the first Citizen’s Police Academy class in July 1994. When the VIPS formed in 1998, Louann signed up. Louann volunteers mainly at the Oak View Substation and for the Oak View Halloween party.

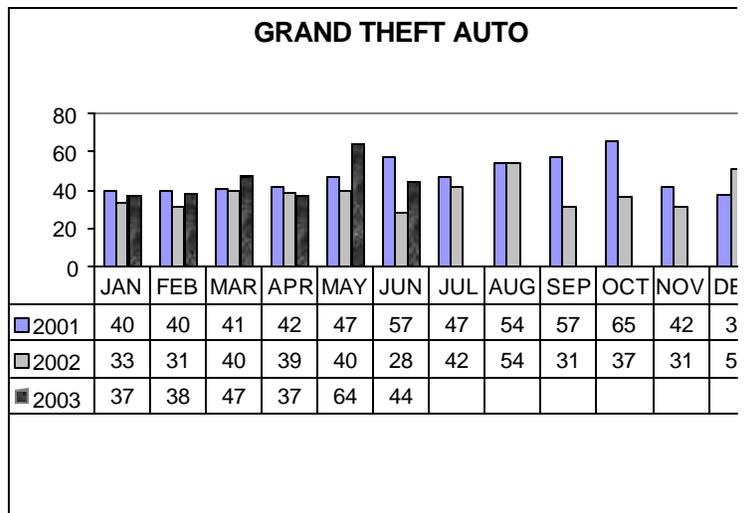
Louann moved to Huntington Beach in 1981 after earning her Ph.D. in Biomedical Science at the University of Connecticut Health Center. She was on the

faculty at the Harbor/UCLA Medical Center in Torrance before switching careers in 1990 to become a writer. Although most of her writing is medically oriented and targeted to physicians, she also writes for the general public. She has written articles about the Huntington Beach SWAT Team, K9 officers, and public safety issues that have included bioterrorism and West Nile Fever. Murray and her husband, former HB Mayor Vic Leipzig, publish a weekly column on environmental issues in the Huntington Beach Independent.

Before turning to the medical field, Louann earned a Bachelor’s Degree in environmental biology from the University of Colorado and has been active locally in environmental causes. Louann has worked in wetlands preservation and restoration, serving at one time as Research Director of the Bolsa Chica Conservancy. She

published a bird list for Huntington Beach and a trail guide for the Bolsa Chica, and has served as a wetlands consultant for various Bolsa Chica, Talbert Marsh, and Ballona Wetlands projects. Her hobbies are gourmet cooking, gardening, photographs, genealogy, camping, bird watching, and reading—especially blood-and-guts mysteries and thrillers.

**GRAND THEFT AUTO**



RSVP

## Jim Glasgow

### RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Congratulations Jim Glasgow – July RSVP of the Month! Jim is a member of RSVP class 5, which means he has been a volunteer with the police department for three years. Jim and his wife Rosie have lived in Huntington Beach for 31 years. They have two sons, Andy and Tom.

Before retirement, Jim was a mechanical engineer, working most recently and retired from Boeing, where he worked on the International Space Station. Prior to that, he worked for Santa Fe

International and Battelle Memorial Institute, where he was involved with marine and offshore engineering projects.

Besides being a great RSVP, Jim enjoys traveling in his motor home. He and Rosie have traveled across the country and up and down the western states and he often says how happy they are to return home to Huntington Beach. Jim also sings in a men's chorus and in a barbershop quartet! In extra free time, Jim enjoys small woodworking projects, and dabbles in genealogy research.

As an RSVP, Jim serves on patrol, helps with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July float and Oak View Halloween Festival. He is also available to help with weekend special events and has worked as a trainer of new members. He really enjoys the RSVP program because of the fellowship with the other members and his interest in serving the community. Jim is truly a wonderful person to have in the RSVP program!

### VEHICLE BURGLARIES

