PACIFIC AREA NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

November 2010

Captain's Message

Experience tells us that the criminal population traditionally relies on the element of surprise to help facilitate their unlawful acts. As a result, it is critically important for community members to be intently aware of what is occurring around them as they go about their daily activities and be prepared to take appropriate action. Each one of us should have a personal security plan. Your personal security plan should include the securing of your business or residence as well as being physically and psychologically able to defend yourself. Be alert and observant and learn to recognize signs of criminal behavior. Your personal security plan should be tailored to your own individual skills and your available resources.

In addition, you should report all crimes, even if it they are only an attempt. Crimes involving injuries and crimes in progress should be reported to 9-1-1. All non-emergency crime should be reported to 877-ASK-LAPD (275-5273) or Pacific Station front desk, at 310-482-6334, if the crime occurred in this area. Crime cannot be suppressed or prevented if it is not reported. By reporting crimes and suspicious activities you can protect yourself as well as others. Observe as much as you can about the person committing the crime; their description, clothing, behavior and direction of travel if they have left the location. This information will be important and useful for the officers and detectives during their investigation.

Pacific Area continues to help make your community a safe place to live and work. The more you know about crime, the more you can do to avoid being an easy target. Knowledge, as well as your personal security plan, can help you protect your property, avoid injury and assist police by helping them identify suspects.

Sincerely,

Jon F. Peters, Captain
Commanding Officer
Pacific Community Police Station

District News

Note: The crime statistics quoted are taken from a report published weekly by the City

Of Los Angeles' Information Resources Division. These statistics are the most current available and represent the period of September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010.

<u>Basic Car 14A11 Venice Beach District</u>
Senior Lead Officer Peggy Thusing - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3968
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - # (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	4
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	23
Robbery	3
Burglary (Residential/Business)	7
Grand Theft Autos	9
Sexual Crime	0
Homicide	0
Theft	27

- During this rating period Theft (Petty) has become a major problem in the Venice Beach Marina Del Rey Peninsula areas. Petty theft is the taking of property without the owner's consent. Usually petty theft suspects take small hand held items they locate unsecured. Lock and secure all yard items in a garage or storage box. Teach your children to place toys, bikes, etc. in their proper place to guard against theft. Install sensor lights around your property, it will help deter theft suspects. Lock all doors, windows and outside storage areas for additional security. Join your local Neighborhood Watch Program it is still the best tool we have against crime. Contact your local police if you observe a crime in progress

Safety Tips

- Party fee safety tips:

  It is unlawful for any person in the City of Los Angeles to host a party at a private residence and to charge participants an admission fee of any kind.

Reminder

Pacific Reserve officers Meeting
Thursday, November 11, 2010 @ 8:30 a.m.
Pacific Station CRO Trailer
12312 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles

Basic Car 14A13 Oakwood District
Senior Lead Officer Teresa Skinner Cell Phone # (310) 622-3970
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano – (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	3
Burglary / Theft from Vehicle	22
Robbery	4
Grand Theft Auto	7
Burglaries (Residential/Business)	5
Sexual Crime	1
Homicide	0
Theft	7

- During this rating period Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BFMV) and Theft (Petty) has become a problem in our area. Although we reduced crime in all categories BFMV and Theft has continued to be a problem in our area. Both crimes primarily have to be committed via our carelessness. Leaving items of value in plain sight inside your vehicle and not placing items around your home in a secure place only tempts thieves to take our property. All items of value must be placed out of sight, either under your seat or in the truck of your vehicle. Storage areas are also a good solution for security. Attempt to park in well-lit areas, ample lighting helps deter BFMV suspects. If you observe any suspicious activity or see a crime in progress call the police right away.

Safety Tips

- Party make-up safety tips:

  Always test make-up in a small area on your face or body first checking for irritation to your skin. Remove all make-up and body paint before bedtime to prevent skin, eye and other body area irritation.

Reminder

Pacific Reserve Meeting
Thursday, November 11, 2010 @ 8:30 a.m.
Pacific Station CRO Trailer
12312 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles

Basic Car 14A25 Mar Vista District
Senior Lead Officer Tom Wicks - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3973
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	2
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	26
Robbery	3
Burglary (Residential/Business)	9
Grand Theft Auto	9
Homicide	0
Sex	0
Theft	15

During this rating period Theft (Petty)) has become a major problem in 14A25 area. Overall crime in several categories remained the same this period but one Theft. Petty theft is the taking of a person's property without their permission. In our diverse communities we often leave all types of items all around our property that a petty theft can pick up and keep going with little chance of being seen. Teach your family the importance of placing items in their proper secured place. Also teach them to be cognizant of their surrounding and not leave items of value unsecured. Join your local Neighborhood Watch program it is still our best tool against crime.

Safety Tip

- Party guest safety tips:

Make sure all guest to your residents understand just because they are on private property they cannot do whatever they want. Disturbing the peace is illegal on private as well as public property.

Reminder

- **MAR VISTA BLOCK CAPTAINS MEETING**
  Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
  3838 Centinela Av., Los Angeles

<u>Basic Car 14A27 Palms District</u>
Senior Lead Officer Juan Ceja - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3975
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30,
  2010:

Aggravated Assaults	1
Burglary / Theft from Vehicle	32
Robbery	2
Burglary (Residential/Business)	11
Grand Theft Auto	13
Sexual Crime	0
Homicide	0
Theft	22

- During this rating period Grand Theft Auto (GTA) and Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BFMV) has become a major problem in the Westside Village area. Crime has increased in two categories this period BFMV and GTA. Again your attitudes and actions are the keys to preventing BFMV and GTA. Take all items of value and place them out of sight inside your vehicle. Do not leave items of value inside your glove-box inside your vehicle; it is not a traveling safe that can protect any property. Lock and secure your vehicle anytime it is unattended. Attempt to park in well-lit areas, criminals detest ample lighting for fear of being seen committing their crimes. Do not hide spare keys inside or outside your vehicle thieves know all the hiding places. If you observe any suspicious activity be a good neighborhood and call the police right away. Join your local Neighborhood Watch Group it is still the best tool we have against crime.

Safety Tips

Party drugs safety tips:

Do not allow guest to use dangerous drugs or marijuana. A firm warning from the host that drug abuse will not be tolerated at the party will prevent serious problems later on.

- **Westside Village/Palms Area Neighborhood Watch Meeting**
  Wednesday, November 3, 2010 @ 6:30 p.m.
  I.M.A.N. Cultural Center Auditorium
  3376 Motor Avenue, Los Angeles

<u>Basic Car 14A45 Marina District</u>
Senior Lead Officer Heidi Llanes - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3971
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	1
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	18
Robbery	4
Burglary (Residential/Business)	12
Grand Theft Auto	11

Homicide	0
Sex Crime	1
Theft	15

During this period we had a Rape (Acquaintance) occur in our community. There is no typical rapist they come in all forms, ethnic and economic backgrounds. Most rape victims know there rapist but often will not report them for fear of retaliation, low self esteem, depression or just the simple loss of trust in people. If you are raped do not shower, go to a hospital emergency department, and call your local police. Remember, your goal during an attack is survival, if that means cooperating or fighting back do not blame yourself. Rape is never the victims fault. Join your local Neighborhood Watch it is still one of the best tools we have to combat crime. Report any suspicious activity to the police as soon as possible.

Safety Tip

- Designated driver safety tips:

If you invite large groups to a party or function be sure to inquire who will be the designated driver for the evening. The goal of the designated driver program is to encourage one individual to abstain from drinking alcohol so he or she can be responsible for transporting the other drinking members of the group home safely.

Reminder

- **LaVILLA MARINA HOMEOWNERS ASSC. N/W WATCH MEETING**
  Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ 7:30 a.m.
  Chase Burton Park

Basic Car 14A49 Mar Vista District
Senior Lead Officer Drake Madison - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3972
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - Cell Phone # (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	2
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	9
Robbery	1
Burglary (Residential/Business)	4
Grand Theft Auto	5
Sex Crimes	0
Homicides	0
Theft	6

During this rating period Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BFMV) has become a problem in our area. In several categories crime was reduced through hard work and paying attention to details. BFMV is usually a crime that could be prevented with self control and attention to detail. We must stop leaving items of value in plain sight inside your vehicles. Lock all items of value inside the truck of your vehicle or place them out of site underneath your seats. Do not use your vehicle glove-box as a traveling safe; it is the first place a BFMV suspect looks when he/she enters your vehicle. Join your local Neighborhood Watch Program it is still the best tool we have to combat crime.

Safety Tip

- Driving safety tips:

  During this time of year people are thinking of family coming to town or which party they may be attending this weekend and not paying attention to the job at hand DRIVING. Be attentive to the laws of the road, as my father used to tell long ago "drive for yourself and others".

Reminder

- **SLAUSON NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING**
  Wednesday, November 10, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
  Pacific Community Police Station
  12312 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles

Basic Car 14A67 Century Corridor
Senior Lead Officer Ruben Garcia - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3976
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano - # (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	4
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	22
Robbery	6
Burglary (Residential/Business)	9
Grand Theft Auto	18
Sexual Crime	0
Homicide	0
Theft	11

- During this rating period Grand Theft Auto (GTA) has become a problem in our area. In the majority of the incidents this period the victims left their vehicles unsecured. Your attitudes and actions are the keys to preventing GTA. Never leave your vehicle

unsecured when it is unattended, it only takes a professional GTA suspect a few seconds to enter and remove your vehicle. Attempt to park in well-lit areas with plenty of passer-by traffic. Turn your wheels sharply left or right and set the emergency brake. This makes it harder for a GTA suspect to tow your vehicle. Join your local Neighborhood Watch Group or start one it is still the best we have against crime.

Safety Tips

- Party safety tips:

  Remember only time will eliminate alcohol from your body, know your safe limit and never every drink and drive.

Reminder

- **Ladera Civic Center Association Meeting**
  Thursday, November 18, 2010 @ 7:30 p.m.
  LASO Sub-Station
  Ladera Shopping Center

Basic Car 14A73 Westchester District
Senior Lead Officer Tony Ramos - Cell Phone # (310) 622-3978
Basic Car Coordinator Sergeant Pompano- # (310) 482-6334

Crime Trends

- The following are the crime statistics representing September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010:

Aggravated Assaults	2
Burglary / Theft from vehicle	27
Robbery	4
Burglary (Residential/Business)	9
Grand Theft Auto	12
Sexual Crime	0
Homicide	0
Theft	21

- During this rating period Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BFMV) has become a problem in our area. WE cut our burglary problem this period in half, excellent job but our BFMV problem increased. STOP leaving items of value inside your vehicle in plain sight. Take all items and place them in the truck of your vehicle. When you return to your resident take all items out of your vehicle for added security. Attempt to park in well-lit areas with heavy pedestrian traffic. Join your local neighborhood watch group it is still the best weapon against crime. Install sensor lights around your property, ample lighting helps deter burglary suspects.

Safety Tip

- Driving safety tips:

  Be cognizant of your surroundings while driving. If you know a particular neighborhood has several kids living in it then it is a safe bet during Holiday Season there will be kids playing all over the place. Drive slowly, keep your eyes open and put down that cell phone for extra precaution.

Reminder

Reading Rangers Neighborhood Watch Meeting
Wednesday, November 2, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
Reading Avenue, Los Angeles

Pacific Area Upcoming Events 2010

Note: All event and meeting information is subject to change. To confirm dates, times, and locations call your Senior Lead Officer at (310) 202-4515. Events will be added or updated as new information is received.

HOTEL SECURITY DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 @ 9:00 a.m.
Loc. TBA
SLO Garcia

PALMS/ WESTSIDE VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 @ 6:30 p.m.
I.M.A.N. Cultural Center Auditorium
3376 Motor Avenue, Los Angeles
SLO Ceja

SLAUSON NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING
Wednesday, November 10, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
Pacific Station Roll Call Room
SLO Madison

PACIFIC RESERVE OFFICERS MEETING
Thursday, November 11, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
Pacific CRO Trailer
12312 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles
Sgt. Merlo

GLASGOW NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

Tuesday, November 16, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
7128 Glasgow Av., Los Angeles
SLO Garcia

COMMUNITY POLICE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING (C-PAB)
Wednesday, November 17, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
6200 Playa Vista
Sgt. Merlo

LADERA CIVIC CENTER B/W ASSOCIATION MEETING
Thursday, November 18, 2010 @ 7:30 p.m.
Ladera Sheriff's Sub-Station
SLO Garcia

READING RANGERS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING
Wednesday, November 24, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
8218 Reading Av., Los Angeles
SLO Garcia

MAR VISTA BLOCK CAPTAINS MEETING
Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.
3838 Centinela Av., Los Angeles
SLO Wicks

La VILLA MARINA HOMEOWNERS ASSC. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING
Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ 7:30 p.m.
Chase Burton Park
SLO Llanes

Wisdom for the month of November

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention."

Mark Twain

PACIFIC YOUTH PROGRAMS

The Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Area Station has two thriving youth programs DAP's (Deputy Auxiliary Police) and Explorers. The DAP's program covers ages 9-13 helping boys and girls to develop a positive relationship with the police as well as installing integrity, leadership skills, positive communication and community involvement. We achieve these goals through participation in sports, field trips, craft activities and personal tutoring.

Our Explorers program develops leadership and discipline in young people between the ages of 14-21. These young men are interested in serving the community by assisting the

police and learning basic police skills and procedures. The young men and women of the Explorers program are also assisted with becoming police officers, attending college and becoming valued members of our community.

Our youth programs are growing by leaps and bounds all over the city and especially here in Pacific Station. Pacific Area Boosters annual supports our efforts with the youth programs by providing the funds needed for trips, material and food. The majority of our kids are under privileged and the assistance they receive through our youth programs is invaluable to them. Pacific Area Boosters also supports our youth programs by funding our shoe program for kids, tutoring, swimming lessons, educational scholarships, Christmas toy drive for the needy children and much more.

Pacific Area Boosters Association needs your help in the form of a tax free donation. Please send all donations to Pacific Area Boosters Association, Inc. Los Angeles Police Department, Pacific Area P.O. Box 1529 Venice, and CA. 90294. For additional information on Pacific Area Boosters Association contact President Diane Barretti at (310) 529-1294, Fax (310) 414- 1112 or email *sbpress7@ yahoo.com*