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# COMING

 POLICE COMMISSION MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2013 AT 6:00PM

# INCLUDED IN NEWSLETTER

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- CRIME STATS
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### **NEWS AROUND BURBANK**

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### **SPOTLIGHT!**

## Males Arrested for Theft



Officers Mirakyan and Kay, while on patrol, observed a truck parked in the middle of the alley near a concrete enclosure at the rear of a Carl's Jr. The enclosure houses their used restaurant grease (referred to as 'inedible kitchen grease', or IKG). A male was standing near the driver's door of the truck. When the officers' patrol vehicle approached, he walked around the truck to the passenger side, and a second male

exited the concrete enclosure and got into the driver's seat of the truck. The officers observed 2 large white, grease-covered containers with attached hoses in the back of the truck.

As the truck left the alley, and the officers conducted a traffic stop for multiple vehicle code violations. The officers contacted the occupants and noted the odor of grease emitting from the vehicle. Officer Starkov arrived to assist. One of the tanks in the truck was approximately 1/4 full with what appeared to be used IKG. The males admitted they came to Burbank to collect grease (IKG) then sell it. Officer Starkov contacted an employee from Carl's Jr. who stated that no-one had permission to take the grease.



## Arrests Made for Possession of Drugs and Firearms



Officers Gunn, Totemwongs, Krivak, Lin, Downs, and Embleton responded to a possible domestic violence situation. When the officers arrived, they contacted two individuals in the parking garage of the complex, who they determined were the persons involved. The individuals stated they were upset and had been yelling because they

felt some friends had stolen a substantial amount of money from a bedroom in their residence. The officers offered to take a report, but the individuals refused. During the course of the investigation, the individuals provided officers with conflicting stories. They also admitted they were on probation for various violations.

The Officers conducted a search of the residence to ensure there were no other individuals. As the officers looked through the residence they observed, in plain sight, a paperclip with suspected heroin, a high capacity magazine (for firearms), and a submachine gun. Both individuals were placed under arrest.

## WEEKLY CRIME STATS - MAY 2013

CRIME:	May 5-11::	May 12-18:	May 19-25:	May 26-June 1	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	% Change
Robbery	0	3	0	3	27	49	-45%
Aggravated Assaults	5	0	6	1	48	30	+60%
Other Assaults	9	10	7	6	164	152	+8%
Burglary	5	3	6	2	139	137	+1%
Auto Theft	5	3	3	2	96	87	+10%
CALLS FOR SERVICE	890	842	867	906	18,331	18,728	-2%
RESPONSE TIMES:							
* Priority 1	5:17 mins	4:05 mins	5:05 mins	2:16 mins	3:36 mins	3:39 mins	-1%
** Priority 2	15:14 mins	13:39 mins	15:43 mins	14:10 mins	15:10 mins	20:18 mins	-25%

<sup>\*</sup> Life Threatening or violent crimes in progress

### PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS: ENCOUNTERING MOUNTAIN LIONS

As a result of the capture of a mountain lion in Glendale by California Department of Fish and Game personnel, the following safety tips are provided by the Burbank Animal Shelter as precautionary measures for residents and their

- Do not feed deer; it is illegal in California and it will attract mountain lions.
- Trim brush to reduce hiding places for mountain lions.
- Don't allow pets outside when mountain lions are most active—dawn, dusk, and at night.
- Bring pet food inside to avoid attracting raccoons, opossums and other potential mountain lion prev.
- Do not leave small children or pets outside unattended.
- Install motion-sensitive lighting around the house.
- Do not hike, bike, or jog alone.
- Avoid hiking or jogging when mountain lions are most active—dawn, dusk, and at night.
- Do not approach a mountain lion.
- If you encounter a mountain lion, do not run; instead, face the animal, make noise and try to look bigger by waving your arms; throw rocks or other objects. Pick up small children.
- If attacked, fight back. If a mountain lion attacks a person, immediately call 911.















Perhaps a sign you should pay attention to!!

<sup>\*\*</sup> Average time for all other calls



## Hazards of Excessive Heat: Keep your cool this summer





When the body heats too quickly to cool itself safely, or when you lose too much fluid or salt through dehydration or sweating, your body temperature rises and heat-related illness may develop. Heat disorders share one common feature: the individual has been in the heat too long or exercised too much for his or her age and physical condition.

During excessive heat periods, spend more time in air-conditioned places. Air conditioning in homes and other buildings markedly reduces danger from the heat. If you cannot afford an air conditioner, go to a library, mall or other location with air conditioning for part of the day. Don't get too much sun.

#### **Child Safety Tips:**

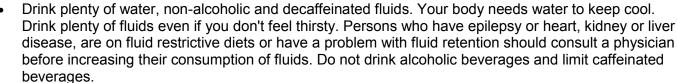
Each year, dozens of children left in parked vehicles die from hyperthermia. Hyperthermia is an acute condition that occurs when the body absorbs more heat than it can handle. Hyperthermia can occur even on a mild day. The temperature inside a parked vehicle can rapidly rise to a dangerous level for children, pets, and even adults. The effects can be more severe on children because their bodies warm at a faster rate than adults.



- Make sure your child's safety seat and safety belt buckles aren't too hot before securing your child in a safety restraint system, especially when your car has been parked in the heat.
- Never leave your child (or pet) unattended in a vehicle, even with the windows down.
- Teach children not to play in, on, or around cars.
- Always lock car doors and trunks--even at home--and keep keys out of children's reach.
- Always make sure all children have left the car when you reach your destination. Don't leave sleeping infants in the car—ever!

#### **Adult Safety Tips:**

- Slow down. Reduce, eliminate or reschedule strenuous activities until the coolest time
  of the day. Children, seniors and anyone with health problems should stay in the coolest available place, not necessarily indoors.
- Dress for summer. Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing to reflect heat and sunlight.
- Put less fuel on your inner fires. Foods, like meat and other proteins that increase metabolic heat production also increase water loss.



Don't get too much sun; sunburn reduces your body's ability to dissipate heat. If sunburn occurs, use
ointments for mild cases if blisters appear and do not break. If breaking occurs, apply dry sterile
dressing. Serious, extensive sunburn cases should be seen by physician.

#### Heat emergencies are of 3 types:

- Heat cramps (caused by loss of salt) First Aid: Firm pressure on cramping muscles or gentle massage to relieve spasm. Give sips of water. If nausea occurs, discontinue water.
- Heat exhaustion (caused by dehydration) First Aid: Get victim out of sun. Once inside, the person should lay down and loosen his or her clothing. Apply cool, wet cloths. Fan or move victim to air conditioned room. Offer sips of water. If nausea occurs, discontinue water. If vomiting occurs, seek immediate medical attention.
- Heat stroke (shock) First Aid: Heat stroke is a severe medical emergency—get the victim to a
  hospital immediately—delay can be fatal. While waiting for emergency assistance, remove the victim
  from the heat and have them lie down. Apply cool compresses, elevate the feet, and use a fan to blow
  cool air. If the temperature rises, repeat the process—do not give fluids.



# FEATURE OF THE MONTH

## The BPD's Records Bureau

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The Records Bureau is an integral part of the BPD and is responsible for many functions within the Department. The Bureau functions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is staffed by 1 civilian Records Manager, 3 Technician Supervisors, and 11 support staff members. They are responsible for processing and storing all written reports, field interview cards, and misdemeanor citations. These reports are prepared for detectives and prosecuting attorneys for court. They are also responsible for important entries into the Department of Justice (DOJ) database. These entries consist of all persons, vehicles and property that come to the attention of the BPD (e.g. when a person is reported missing, the Records staff will enter detailed information into the DOJ database so that all law enforcement agencies throughout the nation can aid in the search for the missing person).

Records personnel assist citizens at the front counter and telephonically by completing police reports for minor crimes, as well as accepting Public Records Requests, subpoenas, and restraining orders.

The Bureau acts as a liaison between the Courts and City/District Attorney Offices by ensuring all subpoenas are accurate, the officers are available for court appearances, and that all restraining orders are properly entered in the DOJ database for enforcement purposes.

The Bureau is responsible for the retention and purging of all PD documents. Strict guidelines imposed by the DOJ dictates this process, and compliance is crucial with these records.



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Our mission is to protect life and property, provide professional police services, and work in partnership with the community.

This is accomplished through adherence to core values:

RESPECT

Protect the rights and dignity of all people as determined by the United States

Constitution and the laws of the State of California

INTEGRITY

Commitment to ethical behavior and acceptance of individual responsibility and accountability for all our actions and decisions

EXCELLENCE

**Quality through continuous improvement**