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**COMING
EVENTS**

- POLICE COMMISSION MEETING, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2013 AT 6:00PM
- OCTOBER IS: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH & BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**INCLUDED IN
NEWSLETTER**

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NEWS AROUND BURBANK

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SPOTLIGHT!

Male Arrested for Possessing Stolen Property



Officer McDonald was driving in an alley near Hollywood Way when she observed a male standing between several trash bins. He had 2 bags in his left hand and a box in his right hand. As she drove towards him, she saw him place the box on a trash bin and the 2 bags behind a blue bin.

In reviewing the items, Officer McDonald observed a new pair of shoes and a folder containing miscellaneous documentation in someone else's name. The male explained he had found the items in the trash while walking down the alley. Officer Burke arrived to assist with the investigation. In continuing their search, Officer McDonald located a bag containing other miscellaneous items that did not belong to the male. While this was going on, Officer Liscano located a vehicle that had been broken into not far from the alley where the male was contacted. Officer McDonald contacted the owner of the possible stolen property and the victim identified the belongings as hers; all contents were returned.

The suspect was arrested for possession of lost/stolen property.

**Suspect Arrested for Possession of
Controlled Substances**



Officers Murphy and Castro responded to the 600 block of N. Buena Vista regarding a trespassing in progress. During the investigation, they located a male hiding under some plywood near a storage container. The male admitted to using narcotics recently, and currently possessed some narcotics. During a search of the male, officers recovered suspected methamphetamine and heroin.

The male was arrested for unlawful possession of controlled substances

WEEKLY CRIME STATS - SEPTEMBER 2013

CRIME:	Sept 1-7:	Sept 8-14:	Sept 15-21:	Sept 22-28:	Sept 29-Oct 5:	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	% Change
Robbery	1	0	0	1	1	43	85	-49%
Aggravated Assaults	3	1	1	1	3	79	64	+23%
Other Assaults	5	7	9	9	8	284	268	+6%
Burglary	6	8	6	4	3	233	273	-15%
Auto Theft	7	3	4	3	5	169	157	+8%
CALLS FOR SERVICE	907	927	925	908	903	34,398	34,960	-2%
RESPONSE TIMES:								
* Priority 1	3:57 mins	4:16 mins	4:28 mins	4:30 mins	3:04 mins	3:42mins	3:40 mins	+1%
** Priority 2	15:58 mins	14:15 mins	15:50 mins	15:37 mins	14:50 mins	14:58 mins	19:36 mins	-24%

* Life Threatening or violent crimes in progress

** Average time for all other calls



HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS



It's the fall season which means, among other things, that it's Halloween. This is a fun night for young children and an important time to be extra vigilant for potential safety hazards. The Burbank Police Department wants everyone to have a happy, fun, and safe Halloween. Here are a few safety tips to make this an enjoyable event:

- Always escort your children and carry a flashlight
- Be familiar with the neighborhood where your children will be trick-or-treating
- Set a specific time for your child/children to be out
- Always know who is trick-or-treating with your children
- Walk on the sidewalks and not in the middle of the street
- Instruct your children NEVER to enter any homes
- Stay in well-lighted areas
- Inspect all treats before allowing children to eat them
- Choose fireproof comfortable costumes made of light colored material so they can be easily seen in the dark
- Consider placing reflective or glow-in-the-dark tape on your children's costumes
- Have children avoid wearing eye-makeup or masks, which will restrict their vision
- Avoid having children carry replica firearms, swords, or toys that can be mistaken for the real thing
- Give out only commercially-wrapped candy
- Teach your children their home and/or parent's cellular phone number in case they get lost
- Consider a Halloween party at your residence instead of going out to trick-or-treat



My friend has 6 locks on her door. She said her theory is to only lock 3. That way, if a thief tries to pick the locks, he'll always be locking three of them no matter how he does it.



What a novel idea!



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH and BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



Domestic Violence Awareness Month evolved from the first Day of Unity observed in October 1981, by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV). The intent was to connect battered women's advocates across the nation who were working to end violence against women and their children. The Day of Unity soon became a special week when a range of activities were conducted at the local, state, and national levels.

These activities were as varied and diverse as the program sponsors, but had common themes: mourning those who have died because of domestic violence, celebrating those who have survived, and connecting those who work to end violence.

In October 1987, the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month was observed. That same year, the first national toll-free hotline began. In 1989, the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month Commemorative Legislation was passed by the U.S. Congress. Such legislation has passed every year since, with NCADV providing key leadership in this effort.

In October 1994, NCADV, in conjunction with Ms. Magazine, created the "[Remember My Name](#)" project, a national registry to increase public awareness of domestic violence deaths. Since then, NCADV has been collecting information on women who have been killed by an intimate partner and produces a poster each October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month, listing the names of those documented in that year.



The National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF) was founded in 1991 by breast cancer survivor, [Janelle Hail](#). She was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1980 at the age of 34. At the time of her diagnosis, there was little information about the disease, and she was forced to make a decision about her health with few options. After her treatment, Janelle made a commitment to help women around the world by educating them about breast cancer and the importance of early detection.

NBCF is a stabilizing force in the lives of hundreds of thousands of women who have reached a crossroad in their lives and need a helping hand to get across the bridge. NBCF offers free, innovative programs that other organizations aren't providing to women facing breast cancer. These programs include:

[National Mammography Program](#)

[Beyond The Shock](#)

[Early Detection Plan](#)

[Breast Health Awareness](#)

[MyNBCF](#)

[BreastCancer.Net](#)

NBCF is one of the most recognized and respected breast cancer charities in the world. Since 2003, NBCF has received the highest 4-star rating by Charity Navigator, America's premier charity evaluator. Each year, over 80% of NBCF's revenue is directed to their life-saving programs, and because of that, the organization has grown by 20% each year since 2005.

FEATURE OF THE MONTH

The BPD's Internal Affairs Bureau



The Burbank Police Department maintains an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) to investigate allegations of possible misconduct of its employees. The primary goal of these investigations is to determine the truth, to correct behavior, protect the City from liability, protect officers from frivolous complaints, and review policies for necessary changes.

Complaints against personnel may be generated from an external source, such as a citizen, or internally from within the agency. Allegations can range from minor policy violations to serious violations of law. Investigations can be generated because of mistakes, intentional acts of misconduct, negligence, or false allegations. Consequences of sustained violations of policy can range from a verbal admonishment to termination of employment – or even criminal prosecution.

Complaint forms may be obtained at the Police Station, the City Clerk's Office, the Community Assistance Coordinator's Office at City Hall, from a Police Department Supervisor, or from the Department's website. The Police Department takes all allegations of misconduct seriously and thoroughly investigates each complaint. During the course of the investigation, all witnesses and involved personnel are interviewed and all relevant materials are reviewed. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department notifies the person who filed the complaint of the outcome.

To provide an additional layer of external oversight, the City has contracted with the Office of Independent Review (OIR) to examine use of force cases, internal investigations and other critical cases. The first report on the Burbank Police Department by the OIR is also available on the Department's website at www.burbankpd.org.



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