



Mid-Valley Community Police Council News Letter

January 2007

Well, we made it through another year and thanks to you, it was a great year. Mid-Valley Community Police Council is recognized throughout the police department as the leading police support group in the City.



Council President Ken Gerston welcomed everyone to the first meet of 2007 and spoke about the importance in increasing our membership. Membership is the key to any organization.

Ron Fienstein, Past President has agreed to chair the 28th Annual Citizen's Recognition Luncheon in October 2007. Ron has an outstanding history of organizing this event.



Jason Kent is heading up our first Cop's 'n Cowboys Golf Tournament. Yes, Cop's 'n Cowboys is back. We will host a golf tournament during the day and then have our dinner, auction and dance. This event will be fun for everyone. We will let you know the date and time of the event.



Captain Jim Miller spoke about surveillance cameras to be positioned on Ventura and Sepulveda Boulevards. These cameras will monitor the activity on the two boulevards and send a live feed to the Van Nuys Community Police Station in an effort to reduce crime and prostitution.

Captain Miller said the year ending 2006 crime stats were not what they had hoped. There was a 2% reduction in overall crime, however, that fell short of the desired 8%.

There was a Hot Prowl Rape in the area of Hazeltine and Van Owen. The victim was an 85-year-old woman. (A Hot Prowl is where the suspect enters the victim's residence while the victim is in the house)

This should act as a reminder to all of us to complete a security check of our residence. Ask your Senior Lead Officer to survey your residence and see what can be done to improve your security.



Paul Anderson, Acquisitions was give approval to purchase 2 GPS tracking devices (Approx \$650.00). These devices are placed on the vehicles of criminals to track their movement. 14 Tactical Shotgun Lights (Approx \$3050.00) and folding tables and chairs (Approx \$1,500.00) for the new Mid-Valley Community Police Council Community Room located at Van Nuys Community Police Station.

Employee of the Quarter

Captain Jim Miller, Van Nuys Area Commanding Officer presented the Employees of the Quarter for the 4th quarter of 2006.



Officer James Kim, M.A. I Nancy Balet, Sergeant Randy Holcombe and Detective II Kevin Stogsdill (not shown) were selected for their outstanding work ethic and commitment in making Van Nuys a better place to live and work. Congratulations!

Our website www.midvalleypolicecouncil.org is going through an updating process and should be ready the first part of February.

Coming Events:

February 6, 2007

MVCPC Meeting

Our regular monthly meeting will be, at 7:45 a.m., at Valley Presbyterian Hospital. Our speaker is Officer Kurt Garcia from Valley Traffic Division. Kurt will talk about the Photo Red Lights

Cop's 'n Cowboy's To be announced

Van Nuys Open House To be announced

28th Citizen's Recognition Luncheon (October 2007)

Informative Web Sites

Mid-Valley Community Police Council
The Los Angeles Police Department
City of Los Angeles
Mid-Valley Chamber of Commerce
Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce
Valley Traffic Advisory Board

www.midvalleypolicecouncil.org
www.lapdonline.org
www.lacity.org
www.midvalleychamber.com
www.shermanoakschamber.org
www.vtac-vtd.org

If you have anything that might be of interest to our members, or any questions you would like answered, please email me at, mvcpc@aol.com.

See you at the meeting.

Bring a Friend!

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Vice President, Acquisitions