

53 Division Community Bulletin June 2006



MESSAGE FROM Staff Inspector Larry Sinclair #88 UNIT COMMANDER OF 53 DIVISION

Greetings, and welcome to the June 2006 edition of our 53 Division Community Bulletin.

To date, reported incidents of crime in our Division, based on the seven major crime categories, continue to be down an average of 10% compared with the same period during 2005. The only two categories that have increased over the same period are sexual assaults which have increased to 28 from 22 and robberies which have increased to 62 from 51. Property damage and personal injury motor vehicle collisions are down 16%.

I thank you the residents and business people of our Division for your continued interest in and support of our initiatives to maximize our community's safety, security and quality of life.

On April 27th, the Toronto Police Service held its annual Volunteer Appreciation Night at Police Headquarters. Chief William Blair hosted the event and paid tribute to the many volunteers who have supported the Toronto Police Service in so many ways throughout the years. Four members of our Community Police Liaison Committee were acknowledged for their 10 years of service to the community: Patricia Garnett-Smith – Moore Park North-East quadrant, Margot Grant – Lawrence Park/Bayview Ratepayers' Association, Elizabeth Mason – Deer Park Ratepayers' Group Inc. and Paul Newbigging – South Eglinton Ratepayers'/Renters' Association. In addition, Auxiliary Police Constable Chris Peschier was recognized for his 15 years of service. On your behalf I would like to congratulate these recipients and thank them for their outstanding efforts.

As the summer approaches I hope everyone has an opportunity to relax and spend some time with family and friends. Remember, if you are going to be away for an extended period of time, secure your residence and ask a neighbour or a friend to keep an eye on your property. And please - drive carefully.

Regards

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CRIME PREVENTION TIP OF THE MONTH POLICE CONSTABLE RICK LANGSTONE #6281 416-808-5337

Holiday Season Safety

We all have the potential to be victims of crime. Each of us can REDUCE THE RISK of our homes or property being victimized by eliminating the opportunity.

Outdoors

- Tell others where you're going and when you are expected to return
- Walk the safest route possible
- Avoid over burdening yourself with parcels – carry your purse close to you but DO NOT wrap the purse strap around your neck or wrist. Forcible removal can cause serious injury

While shopping

- Carry only the cash and credit cards that you will need for the day
- Never leave your purse unattended in a change room or shopping cart – EVEN FOR A SECOND!

In your car

- Look inside the vehicle before entering and keep your doors locked at all times
- If you have car trouble, raise the hood, get back in your car and lock it. If someone offers assistance, remain in the car and ask that person to call the police
- Do not leave parcels and packages in plain view in your vehicle – lock all valuables in the trunk!

At home

- Arrange to have your driveway/walkway cleared of snow, especially when you are away from home
- Cancel all deliveries and arrange for a neighbour to pick up your mail when you are away from home
- Packaging from major ticket items should be discarded carefully – Cardboard boxes should be bundled to conceal the nature of the contents

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Helpful hints

- Keep a record of your valuables
- Identify your property by engraving an identifying mark - proper identification makes it easier for the police to return personal property
- When engraving, hold the engraver straight up NOT on a slant
- The identification should be readily visible without marring the appearance of the item
- Be a good neighbour and report any suspicious activity to the Police

If a crime has occurred

- DO NOT enter your home - the criminal may still be inside
- Use a neighbour's phone and call the police
- DO NOT touch anything or clean up until the police have inspected for evidence
- Note the licence number of any suspicious vehicles
- Note the description of any suspicious person(s)



MAJOR ARRESTS

On Wednesday May 17 2006 at approximately 2:30am, the accused was observed by plain-clothes officers on Cumberland Street in the City of Toronto.

The accused approached the door of a business threw a brick through the window and entered the store.

The accused searched the store and was observed leaving the store walking east on Cumberland Street.

Officers approached the accused, identified themselves as police and placed the accused under arrest.

The accused was transported to 53 Division for investigation. At this time it was learned that he was also responsible for a break & enter to another business on Bloor Street West between the 5th & 6th of May 2006.

The accused was also wanted on a Canada Wide Parole Warrant.

Charged with 2 counts of Break & Enter is Richard LAYTON 34 yrs of no fixed address. He was held for a show cause hearing at College Park Courts

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

On Friday the 5th of May 2006. Members of 53 Division along with Community partners, took part in the Services Spring Graffiti Eradication Campaign at the Duplex Parkette, located at Yonge Street & Chatsworth Dr.

The retaining wall was covered with Graffiti paintings. With the generous help from Para Paints, students from the Glenview Public School and Police Foundations College,

The wall went from this-----to-----this



The event was spear headed by former Staff Sergeant Heinz Kuck who was recently promoted to Inspector and transferred to 11 Division



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The event was also attended by Staff Supt. Michael Federico of Central Field Command, Staff Insp Larry Sinclair, Insp Brian O'Connor, Staff Sgt Tony Riviera, Sgt Rick Gibillini and members of the 53 Division Community Response Unit, Roberto Hausman of Police Foundations College & Mike Haydeman of Canadian Restorations.



A special thanks goes out the Councillors Karen Stintz & Jane Pitfield for coming out to show their support and pitching in to help paint the wall.



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"BOOZECAN" BUSTED

Around 3:00 am on Saturday the 6th of May 2006, members of the 53 Division Community Response Unit with the assistance of the Major Crime Unit, the Emergency Task Force, Police Dog Services and the Alcohol & Gaming Commission executed a Provincial Offence Act Search Warrant at an address on Yorkville Avenue.

Two parties were arrested for drug related offences and four parties were charged under the Liquor Licence Act.

Charged with Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Cocaine for the Purpose & Possession of Proceeds of Crime were Rohan SINGH and Paul DELACRUZ. Both were held for a Show Cause Hearing at the Old City Hall Courts.

Charged with 4 counts of Unlawfully Keeping Liquor For Sale, 4 counts of Posses Proceeds of Offence, 4 counts of Unlawfully Selling Liquor, 4 counts of Unlawfully Offering Liquor For Sale and 4 counts of Unlawfully Keeping Liquor For Sale were Kyla SCHMED, Alberto SCIARAFFA, Samantha KRVIS and Melissa FAWCETT. All were released to appear at the Old City Hall Courts on a later date to answer to the charges.

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53 DIVISION COMMUNITY POLICE LIAISON COMMITTEE

The 53 Division Community Police Liaison Committee (CPLC) is a group of volunteers from your community. We represent resident and business associations, schools, houses of worship, and a wide range of community-based organizations. Our mandate is to work with the police and our members to assist in crime prevention initiatives, resolve relevant issues and keep our community safe.

The CPLC has the unique and important opportunity to collaborate with a wide variety of stakeholders in our community to resolve issues. We are always looking for new members to assist us in our endeavors.

If you would like to make a difference and represent an organization in 53 Division such as a resident's association, school, house of worship, community centre etc. and would like to learn more about the 53 Division CPLC, please call Shirley Elliott at 416-808-5319.

Thank you,
Adrian Richter
Co-Chair



**Next CPLC meeting
53 Division
Tuesday June 13th 2006
7:00pm – 9:00pm
75 Eglinton Ave West
416-808-5319**

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Here is a list of activities for the month of June.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 CPLC MEETING 53 DIVISION 7:00 - 9:00 PM	14	15	16	17
18 FATHERS DAY	19	20 NEIGHBOURS NIGHT OUT 7PM - 9PM	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD?

The School Crossing Guard Co-ordinator for 53 Division is
Police Constable Joseph Moncada

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