



## Southwest Precinct Public Safety Newsletter

February 4, 2008

Dear Community Friends,

**By Detective Donald Henderson**

Weekly Crime Activity Report, 1/24/2008 9:23 AM

For the first three weeks of 2008, (January 2, 2008 to January 23, 2008), Southwest Detectives were assigned 38 cases for investigations.

Detectives have identified a few groups of individuals who they believe are responsible for a pattern of burglaries. Detectives have built cases on several of these individuals within these groups which has greatly interrupted the patterns.

21 of those cases have been cleared with arrests.

14 cases, where detectives have developed leads and/or have identified the suspects (filing pending).

3 cases have no leads at this time.

Detectives have noticed a substantial decrease in Residential and Commercial burglaries.

### Seattle Police Community Police Academy

- Do you want to learn about the role of police officers?
- What is CSI (Crime Scene Investigation)?
- How about having the opportunity to ride-along with a police officer patrolling Seattle neighborhoods?

The Seattle Police Department is now taking applications for the Spring Community Police Academy to start Thursday, March 13, 2008. Classes are held once a week for 10-weeks from 5:30 pm to 9:15 pm.

The Community Police Academy is designed to provide Seattle residents an opportunity to learn first hand about how the Seattle Police Department works. Classes focus on patrol operations and procedures, narcotics, SWAT, CSI, use of force, domestic violence, arson/bomb, arrest procedures, and criminal law, including ride-alongs with patrol officers. Graduates benefit from the facts and best practices of policing, and receive a program certificate upon completion of the course.

Space is limited, so you are encouraged to apply early. The deadline to submit your application is February 8, 2008. To apply, go to

<http://www.seattle.gov/police/programs/policeacademy/default.htm> or call 206-684-8672 for more information.

### Is there a Nuisance on your Block Or In Your Neighborhood?

Below are some steps that can help to resolve nuisance situations and/or on-going problems:

- Residents willing to work together to resolve nuisance problems with one or two taking lead.
- Residents willing to document the problems and keep a written record of steps to resolve the nuisance problems to be ready for court.
- Residents willing to call or email various city departments to resolve the nuisance problems.
- Residents willing to write a letter detailing the nuisance problem to the offending property owner or meet face-to-face as a group with the offending property owners at the Southwest Precinct or another neutral location.
- When meeting, all parties should communicate in a respectful, open and honest manner.
- The residents and the offending property owners should listen to the concerns and interests of the other side.
- It sometimes can help to ask the City Attorney's Office and/or Seattle Police Officer (CPT) explain the legal penalties, both civil and criminal, faced by the offending property owners.
- Offending property owners need to be willing to except responsibility for correcting the nuisance problems caused by the misuse of their property.
- Residents should provide the offending property owner reasonable time to correct the problems.
- Offending property owners should take effective steps to correct the nuisance problems in a timely manner.

### Police Blotter, Megan Sheppard, West Seattle Herald

<http://www.westseattleherald.com/news/police%20blotter/>  
This web page is update every week on Wednesday.

### West Seattle Blog, Tracy Record, Editor

[http://westseattleblog.com/blog/?page\\_id=4988](http://westseattleblog.com/blog/?page_id=4988)  
This web page is update multi-times a week.

### Seattle Police Department main web page

<http://www.seattle.gov/police/>

### Southwest Precinct Web-page

<http://www.seattle.gov/police/Precincts/Southwest/default.htm>

### Seattle Police Crime Statistics

<http://www.cityofseattle.net/police/crime/stats.htm>

For **More Information** Call: **Benjamin Kinlow**, Crime Prevention Coordinator, (206) 684-7724 or email [benjamin.kinlow@seattle.gov](mailto:benjamin.kinlow@seattle.gov). Check out <http://www9.seattle.gov/police/precincts/southwest/prevention.htm>

