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Dear Community Members:

The UCSB Police Department exists to serve and protect the campus community. In order to be more effective, we strive to create and foster intentional and meaningful relationships. This connection is vital and I realize that there are no shortcuts when it comes to our community policing philosophy.

Though our police department strives to remain accessible, approachable and professional at all times, it would also be naïve to assume that everyone in our community feels comfortable interacting with law enforcement officers. You matter to me and the men and women of the UCSB Police Department and we want to get to know you. Your voice, your perspective, your opinions, and your experiences are vital in determining how we can continue to tailor our services to meet the needs of our community.

The following newsletter highlights just some of the ways that we have been active in building relationships and fostering respect and mutual trust. I personally maintain an open door policy and may be reached directly at dustin.olson@police.ucsb.edu. Feel free to contact me or the Community Resource Officer, Sergeant Bowman: Community@police.ucsb.edu. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Best Regards,

Dustin Olson
UCPD Chief of Police

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We value and rely on your feedback!
UCSB is a wonderful place to work but at times we forget there are thieves out there lurking and looking for easy pickings. We call them "office creepers" and after reading this article you’ll be able to spot one, and hopefully prevent a crime!

*Office creepers* will enter buildings and offices looking for small items to take, especially wallets, purses, etc. They usually strike around lunch time, early morning, or in the late afternoon for good reason. They know employees will often leave their offices to fetch a morning cup of coffee, leave for lunch, or take off early when the boss isn’t looking. It’s during these times that they hope you left something out for them to take.

Recently an *office creeper* was spotted in the Office of the Registrar. An alert staff member quickly challenged the individual and asked if he needed help. The man replied he was looking for the bathroom and was escorted towards the restrooms. This guy was about to walk into an area not usually open to the public.

At another building later that week, another *office creeper* was spotted hanging out. Later, a staff member reported his wallet with cash stolen from his desk.

What can be done to prevent and deter these thefts?

**#1:** Knowing about it is #1. Share this information with co-workers, discuss it at meetings and safety briefings. You can even reach out to UCPD and we’d be happy to come out and discuss general safety topics with your group.

**#2:** Don’t be afraid to challenge people. You don’t have to be rude about it, just be a helpful employee. When you see someone in an area they don’t belong ask them if they need help. Look them in the eye and sincerely care about what you can do to help them. A would-be thief does NOT want any attention and you looking them in the eye and addressing them will take the wind from their sails. They will think, “He/she saw me, I better not do this here...”

**#3:** Have solid access control. Have clear defined areas of where the public is expected to be, and where only staff are allowed. Signage or a physical door/barrier is best so there is no mistaking of fact. Check for locked doors and windows before you leave.

**#4:** Report suspicious people to UCPD immediately. Dial x3446 from any campus phone for UCPD dispatch.

Together we can deter and prevent these crimes of opportunity.
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The R.A.D. system will provide students with the knowledge to make an educated decision about personal defense. We provide information on physical and non-physical options, as well as insight into the attacker mindset.

Every student receives a manual for reference and practice. Once a student has completed a R.A.D. program, their signed manual becomes a ticket for free lifetime return and practice with any R.A.D. instructor in the US and Canada.

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Is it Illegal to Sit on a Curb?

By: Sergeant Greg Pierce

I will cut to the chase....No. It is not illegal to sit on the curb. But why do so many people believe this and where did this perception come from?

When asked this question I do what I assume most people do to illicit critical thinking and I ask a thought provoking question, “What exactly did you see/witness?” Usually the response I receive is, “I saw someone sitting on the curb in handcuffs.” Then as a follow-up I’ll ask what they saw before the handcuffs and the routine answer... “Well, nothing”.

Taking only what was seen above one could assume the person was arrested for sitting on the curb, however, if we rewind the tape a bit, let’s see why you would see someone sitting on the curb.

For the sake of this article, you the reader, just watched someone kick the mirror off of your parked car. Naturally, you call 911 and report the crime. With your description of the person responsible for breaking the mirror, Law Enforcement finds and stops the individual. You confirm that the person stopped by police as the subject responsible for breaking the mirror. In short, this person is arrested and placed into handcuffs.

Now the safest and most reasonable place to have the person wait to be picked up by a police car is, in fact, seated on the curb. Now remember the person walking by this scene only sees the individual who has been arrested. With no other information, one assumes the person arrested for breaking the mirror was simply arrested for sitting on the curb.

In closing, sitting on the curb is not illegal but is instead used by police to keep the individuals they are dealing with safe. So...the next time one of your friends says, “Hey, that guy got arrested for sitting on the curb”, you can drop some knowledge.
UCPD’s Library Substation

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COP. AND ISLA VISTA FOOT PATROL: WHAT DOES IT REALLY MEAN?

BY: SERGEANT MATT BLY

It would be difficult to find a UCSB or SBCC student, past or present, who has not heard of the “Isla Vista Foot Patrol.” Similarly, it would be difficult to find a police officer, past or present, who is not familiar with the term, “Community Oriented Policing (C.O.P.)” What most people at times can forget is that the Isla Vista Foot Patrol and the term “Community Oriented Policing” go hand in hand. In fact, the Isla Vista Foot Patrol was literally one of California’s first community oriented policing models.

As a graduate of UCSB, and having now been employed as a police officer within the IV community for nearly 10 years, I have heard the worst of the worst and the best of the best when it comes to perspectives on law enforcement within IV. There are a number of theories one can concoct to rationalize these different perspectives, but usually it simply comes down to an individual’s interactions with law enforcement: Was it a positive interaction (receiving help from a police officer), or a negative interaction (receiving a citation or being arrested by a police officer)?

A common theme you will hear from alumni of UCSB is, “IV used to be different,” or “We never had those problems when I went to school there.” What most people don’t take time to recognize is that most folks have a high degree of nostalgia when it comes to reliving their college years or reflecting on “Good vibes” from the past. I have read a ton of articles on problems in Isla Vista which are frequently followed by a number of commenters who justify or condone illegal activity they participated in during their college years, while criminalizing similar conduct of students in the present and demonizing Isla Vista in general. In reality, students living in Isla Vista today love their community just as much as folks who frequented the Unicorn bookshop in the 60’s or watched movies at the Magic Lantern Theater in the 70’s. And just as past students living in Isla Vista broke the law and dealt with the repercussions from law enforcement, today’s community members are held to the same standards.

When most people hear “Isla Vista” and “Riots” in the same sentence, they think of 2014 and the Deltopia Riot. I have heard a lot of people remark about how Isla Vista is changing, or needs to change. What people may decline to acknowledge is that, Isla Vista IS changing, and has been changing since the University moved to its current location in 1954.

So, what led to the formation of the Isla Vista Foot Patrol, and what is it?

Old timers will often refer to a dark period of Isla Vista’s history as the “bad times,” which can be synonymous with the term, “the riots.” Both of these terms refer to a period of demonstrations, riots, civil unrest, mistrust of police, and the eventual healing process directly associated with the Vietnam War era in Isla Vista. One target of protest within Isla Vista during this timeframe was the Bank of America branch which currently houses Embarcadero Hall. During the Vietnam era, students related the B of A branch as a symbol of capitalism and what was wrong with American society. This branch building became the target of vandalism and attempted arson. In April of 1970 a fire and riot broke out at the Bank of America. Kevin Moran, a 22 year old UCSB student and Isla Vista resident responded to the burning bank and attempted to protect the building from further damage. Moran was tragically shot and killed outside of the bank when an officer’s weapon accidentally discharged, striking Moran. Moran’s death was followed by a chaotic series of riots and in response, public officials requesting mutual aid from Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and other outside agencies.

As a result of Moran’s death and the civil unrest of 1970, Ronald Reagan commissioned a report on what to do about Isla Vista. The recommendation that came of this report was that the Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Office and the University of California Police Department should work together. The Isla Vista Foot Patrol Office was then established and staffed by both Deputys Sheriff’s and University Police Officers. The overall model of the Foot Patrol foundation was similar to the model we have today... Get officers out of patrol cars and on foot or bicycle to have more positive interactions with community members. Officers assigned to the Foot Patrol Office are frequently tasked with becoming liaisons between law enforcement and groups within the community such as property managers, business owners, Greek community members, athletic teams, and youth organizations. Isla Vista Foot Patrol is staffed by two different agencies; Sheriff’s department and University Police. This leads to Foot Patrol personnel wearing the two different colored uniforms: Sheriff in tan and green and University police in navy blue. The California Highway patrol also frequently patrols Isla Vista and they can be identified by their all tan uniforms.

By and large, both in the present and in the past, personnel assigned to the Isla Vista Foot Patrol want to be here. We enjoy the positive, upbeat environment of Isla Vista as well as interacting with both the college community and permanent residents who make up the population of IV. Isla Vista has always had a unique and progressive culture and has also had its share of problems throughout the past six decades. And while the physical make up of Isla Vista continues to change and the population continues to increase, the one constant has almost always been the Isla Vista Foot Patrol. Hopefully the next time you hear the term “Foot Patrol,” you will now relate this name to its true meaning: a Progressive model of community policing in which officers are encouraged to patrol on “Foot” and bicycle... and that we’ve been “Keeping the peace” in Isla Vista since 1970.
Regulations for pedestrian, bicycle, motorized bicycle, skateboard, roller skate and in-line skate travel on UCSB campus are adopted pursuant to 21113(g) of the California Vehicle Code. Violators may receive a traffic citation and fine of about $197. Common violations include:

**Bicyclists Must:**
- Obey all vehicle laws including signs, signals, and bike registration.
- Not travel on walkways
- Make a complete stop at ‘Stop Signs’
- Not call or text with a cell phone unless using a hands free device.
- Ride at a safe speed
- Not wear earphones in both ears
- Be held to the same requirements as a motorist during a traffic accident

**Skateboarders Must:**
- Obey all the same laws of a pedestrian.
- Travel at a speed that is safe and maintain control at all times
- Not use/text with a cell phone unless using a hands free device
- Not wear earphones in both ears
- Not skate on bikeways, in tunnels, courtyards, covered walkways, parking lots/garages, on disability ramps, inside buildings or anywhere signs prohibit
- Ride on the right side of walkways
- Not “strike objects” (trick skate)

On February 20th Ruth Watkins came to UCSB to watch her granddaughter perform in “The Death of Kings” in Hatlen Theater. Like most people who have seen the play, Mrs. Watkins left thoroughly impressed with the quality and passion of the UCSB Theater and Dance Department.

A trip well spent and all was well until Mrs. Watkins later realized that somehow her wedding band had gone missing. “At that point, I was sure I would never see it again.” Mrs. Watkins recalled. Still, just to be safe, she picked up the phone and called UCSB’s Lost and Found and reported the ring missing.

Well after the play, Senior Custodian, Julio Gutierrez, was just getting started on his shift, when around 3am he located the ring while cleaning the restroom in Hatlen Theater. “When I found the ring, all I could think about is how sad I would be if I lost my wedding ring... I looked inside and saw the inscription in it, (Which turned out to be Mrs. Watkins and her husband’s initials), and I knew this ring didn’t just have monetary value, it was a special ring, it had sentimental value.” Mr. Gutierrez explained. “I have worked here for 10 years, I’m used to turning in things like wallets, water-bottles and phones, but the ring was special, I knew someone would come looking for it.”

Like everything he finds, Mr. Gutierrez wrapped the ring up in a brown paper towel and wrote the room number on it, and then turned it into the Theater and Dance Department in the morning.

After the Theater and Dance Department forwarded the ring to the UCSB Lost and Found, they immediately matched the ring to the report that Mrs. Watkins had filed. When they called to notify her, she was in disbelief and overjoyed. She longed to thank whomever found the ring, but at the time Julio’s identity was unknown, so she wrote the following letter, included a small cash reward, and requested that the Police Department track down the person who originally found the ring and deliver the letter and gift. The letter read as follows:

“To the kind person who found my wedding band and returned it.

Thank you so much for returning my wedding band. It is the wedding band with “with nine lives”

Many years ago while I was playing in our backyard (in New York) with my children, the band slipped off my finger, landed in the snow and couldn’t be found. We sold the house shortly thereafter and moved to California.

About 40 years later my husband and I were visiting back East, stopped in to see our next door neighbors, who still lived in the same house, and went to dinner with them. They told us that the couple who bought our house had found a wedding band in the backyard and had saved it. We were happy to get it back. That was the second life.

A couple of weeks ago while I was attending a play in which my granddaughter had a part, the ring again slipped off my finger. Thanks to you the ring now is in its 3rd life. Six more to go!! I had better be more careful!!

Thank you so much.”
After reading the letter I was even more motivated to deliver it to its rightful recipient. It took me a couple days but I was able to backtrack the ring from the Lost and Found office to Eric Mills, the Chief Administrative Officer of the Theater and Dance Department. Eric gave me Julio’s supervisors phone number, and also called Julio “The best custodian we’ve ever had.” Julio’s Supervisor, Joel Gonzalez, told me where I could find Julio at the end of his shift, but also said, “You might have to wait a little bit, even though he works from 2am, to 10am, He’s always the last one to clock out, he’s just that kind of worker.”

Mr. Gonzalez was right. As I eagerly awaited Julio’s return, I watched every single one of his co-workers clock out, and then, finally, with a huge smile on his face, in came Julio.

With his supervisor translating for us, I was able thank Julio for his hard work, get the back-story on how he found the ring and deliver all the items Mrs. Watkins intended for Julio. I informed Julio that I was writing an article about the ring, and then spent 5 minutes unsuccessfully trying to convince him to let me take his picture. Julio insisted that he was just doing his job, and did not want to take all the glory. The joy and humility he exhibited when I was talking to him was inspiring to say the least. He concluded by saying, “All I want is for you to let Mrs. Watkins know that I am very happy she was reunited with the ring, you never know all the special memories an item can have and I am very, very happy she got it back.”

Mrs. Watkins was very pleased to know Julio had received her letter, and she again expressed how unbelievable it was that she had her ring again.

This whole story put a huge smile on my face, and I had a blast being a small part of it, but at the end of the day, all I can think about is how I want to be more like Julio; Hard working, honest, joyous and humble. Julio Gutierrez found a ring, I found a role model.

- Ariel T. Bournes
Public Relations Specialist
UCSB Police Department

You can reach the Lost and Found by calling (805) 893-3843, or e-mail: lost.found@police.ucsb.edu.

LOSE SOMETHING???

Campus Lost and Found is located at North Hall #1131

Hours:
Monday — 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM
Tuesday — Closed
Wednesday — 12:30AM to 4:00 PM
Thursday — 12:30AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, Saturday & Sunday — Closed

If you have lost an item, you may report it by email at lost.found@police.ucsb.edu. Alternatively, Campus Lost and Found can be reached by telephone at: 893-3843
When on-duty as a police officer, it’s obvious to me that when I see something that doesn’t look right—or that may lead to something harmful—it is my duty to investigate. There’s rarely any harm in me checking the safety of two couples arguing, speaking to someone fearfully hustling down the street, or encouraging a person to get to safety who’s consumed a bit too much alcohol. I do these things without reservation or hesitation and not because it’s my job, but because it’s the right thing to do and because I care.

Off-duty, however, it gets trickier for me. Even though I still care I’m vulnerable and have barriers. I lack the same capabilities and perceived authority in civilian clothes as I would in uniform. I also don’t want to be embarrassed when I’m wrong, and this is especially the case if my actions involve my friends or family. I’m sure you’ve experienced this too. You’re a good person who always wants to do what’s right, but every once in a while when you’ve noticed something that looks wrong there was something inside you keeping you silent, even when your gut is telling you to speak up. It doesn’t make us morally deficient... it just makes us human.

Most people agree that a good norm for our community is that violence will not be tolerated. Yet, every time we receive a Clery Act alert on our phones we’re reminded about the violence in our communities and places of work, and how it impacts all demographics of people. Violence continues despite most of us having a friend, family member or loved one who has been, or is currently being effected, by violence. It’s confusing because if so many people are against violence, then why is violence continuing?

What if you could step in and change incidences of violence in our community starting today? Would you do it knowing that a few of your seconds could save another person from experiencing something so painful that they carry it for a lifetime?

I was inspired to write this article by Gretchen, a UCSB student, who a few weeks ago visited a booth on campus announcing a revolutionary bystander intervention program called “Green Dot.” Gretchen (photo middle) took the Green Dot Bystander pledge promising to be the type of person who will DO SOMETHING to decrease the likelihood that something bad will happen or get worse when she sees it. Gretchen has committed to step in as a bystander because as she said it: “I’d rather be wrong than miss an opportunity to prevent violence.” Not only does Gretchen have the right perspective but she is both bold and courageous. She recognizes that even those who have nothing to do with creating violence have a role to play and can make a huge impact that lasts a lifetime for others. In other words the stakes are too high to not take steps to reduce potential violence when we see it.

Think about how you’ve reacted when hearing your neighbors arguing. Did you call the police or knock on their door? Most people don’t want to feel like a “snitch” or want to be in a position to get involved in something
that is “not my business.” It’s also not an easy thing for some of us to risk friendships or “make a scene” if we’re shy. I know because I’ve experienced these barriers myself!

The trick is to find a way around your personal barriers. You may not feel comfortable calling the police when you hear your neighbors yelling but how about speaking with another neighbor who would be willing to call the police. Another option could be to sidestep face to face confrontation by calling your neighbor’s cellular phones to check in and ask if they’re okay. We have to do something.

The point I’m making is that we’ve agreed violence should not tolerated but we have yet to figure out how to get everyone to do their part to end violence. It needs to be engrained in our culture that no one person has to do everything but EVERYONE MUST DO SOMETHING. This is why Gretchen’s stance on being a bystander is so important for us to emulate because she is willing to DO SOMETHING even at the risk of being wrong. We all have power as a bystander and even with our barriers (we all have them) we can make a huge impact the same way I know Gretchen is prepared to do right now.

As a police officer I have responded to nearly every type of violent call and I’ve worked hard at finding ways to reduce violence in our community. In my experience, Green Dot is the most promising program I’ve seen to reduce incidents of personal violence as it helps everyone become more capable of doing something to step in when they see high risk behaviors. Just imagine how many people are in a position every day at UCSB who could prevent violence from happening. Think of how many people are out there in the world who could preventing violence towards your friends, family, and loved ones.

UCSB is in the beginning stages of rolling out Green Dot and now is a good time for you to reconsider your role in violence prevention. I know you’re already contributing by not participating in violence, but consider what Green Dot has to offer you and UCSB. It is unlike any program you’ve ever participated in because it’s about developing actionable solutions that allow people to follow their own impulses and intervene when they see someone in harm’s way. It’s also about being proactive at communicating to others that violence is not okay and that they’re expected to help keep our community safe. For me it’s about ending violence.

Join me and learn more about Green Dot at UCSB by visiting https://www.facebook.com/GauchoGreenDot/

For information on how to get involved with Green Dot or to receive Green Dot training, email me at matt.stern@police.ucsb.edu or Lauren Gunther, Prevention Educator, CARE at lauren.guther@sa.ucsb.edu.
What Do “U” Know?

Identify the locations of these “U” landmarks and we’ll rate your observations skills. Good luck!

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Answers on Last Page…….

UCPD ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT
1/1/16 - 3/26/16

Arrests: 240
  Public Intoxication Arrests: 84
  DUI Arrests: 19

Total Number of Reports Taken: 496
  Theft related: 35 ($14,327.61 loss)
  Burglary Reports: 6
  Robbery Reports: 0
  Vandalism: 12

Total Violations Cited: 378
  Bike/Skate Citations: 145
  Vehicle Citations: 102
  Criminal Related: 122
  Vehicle Stops: 1265

Calls for Service: 2994
  Bicycle Accidents with injury: 12
  Medical calls: 108
  Fire alarm responses: 89
  Additional alarms: 9
Officers hear this phrase often! The University and Isla Vista community is a unique setting. With year round pristine weather, sunny and warm beaches, and a socially vibrant community, the area is attractive to both students and non-students alike. Because the community consists of predominantly college aged individuals, the community is also well known, in part, for its party atmosphere. With the party atmosphere comes public safety challenges. This article must be prefaced: The peace officers who work this unique community support and encourage the rights of the community members to assemble, party, and enjoy the "college experience" in a safe and responsible manner. Officers are not "anti-party."

The majority of public safety related incidents that occur within the Isla Vista community have one aspect in common: alcohol. Nearly every assault, accident, and medical aid have alcohol as a contributing or associated factor. From a crime prevention and reduction standpoint, the policing strategy involves analyzing trends and commonalities to determine the best approach. The approach to prevention and reduction of crime and adverse social issues within the community is two part; education and enforcement. Part of the analysis includes predication of when, where, and how crimes or incidents adverse to the community will occur, and then formulating appropriate responses to prevent the incidents from occurring.

When you see officers in the community regularly engaged in enforcement action regarding instances such as, but not limited to, open alcohol container violations, unruly parties, and public intoxication violations, the officers are engaged in prevention and mitigation of potential incidents that will progress to more serious crimes (assaults, cliff falls, medical aids, etc.) Officers often hear comments from those being arrested or cited that they will “be fine”, and are “not part of the big problems” within our community. The limitation that officers face is this: officers do not have the proverbial “crystal ball” that reveals the future. Officers simply cannot see into the future and determine in an instant if the person detained will be the next medical call, assault victim, cliff fall victim, or suspect in a crime. Officers utilize their training and experience, coupled with the totality of the circumstances of each incident, to determine their course of action. At times, that means taking enforcement action (arrest, citation, etc.), and other instances it means educating the parties involved.

Officers do not relish in the arrest of an overly intoxicated person, the dispersing of an unruly party, or the citation for an open container. Officers are simply engaged in actions that are proven and effective deterrents for more serious crimes and incidents. Officers also diligently work to address the more serious issues within the community as well, such as robberies, burglaries, thefts, and aggravated assaults. What community members often do not see or hear about, is the after action of many of these incidents; where officers and detectives develop leads, identify suspects, and bring those to justice who are responsible for committing these acts within our community.

In closing, to answer the question of, “Officer, do you have anything better to do?” the response is simple: “No.” Here is why: The officers and deputies who serve the University and Isla Vista community have a vested interest in maintaining a community where people can freely and openly exercise their rights, and one that is free from crime, the fear of crime, and socially adverse conditions that are detrimental this community. Part of that mission is preventing incidents before they progress, however minor or insignificant the issue at hand may seem.
A few years ago my younger brother, who lives in LA, called me up, upset that someone had broken his windshield and removed his Apple laptop from the front passenger seat. He was angry at the police because they are never seen in his neighborhood. After he calmed down I couldn’t help but ask why he thought to lay blame on the police and not himself. He said it was their job to protect him, and they weren’t doing a very good job.

I asked my brother if he should take any responsibility for what happened, seeing as how he left his laptop in plain view. He saw my point. If you get into the habit of always locking your car doors, locking your house up, and keeping things out of view, there is a high likelihood you won’t be victimized. Does that mean it will never occur? NO! But it does greatly increase your chances that it won’t happen.

I have walked through residence halls and past vehicles and bikes that are just screaming, “Take me!” We have such a safe community here at UCSB that Faculty, staff and students often don’t lock their office/residence doors when they leave, then wonder why someone took their laptop or cell phone. Bikes and cars are often left unlocked, leaving easy pickings for those who prey on opportunity. Almost all criminals gravitate toward easy targets. It’s simple, an unlocked car versus a locked one, which would you choose? Another favorite is when people unhook their phones from their car chargers but leave the charging cables visible in the center dash. I’ve taken many reports of broken windows where nothing was taken but the visible charging cable led thieves to believe there was a phone attached. Remember, they usually look for crimes of opportunity and if we provide them the opportunity we may become a victim no matter how safe our community is.

After a short discussion with my brother I realized some people don’t care if they are victims or not. Hey, insurance will cover it, right? Not necessarily. Some insurance companies won’t cover your loss if you show carelessness or negligence. Bummer, after all the trouble of calling the cops to come out and take a report too! A few months later my mother was a victim. She left her cell phone in the center console, visible to everyone when she parked her car in front of her house. Someone smashed the passenger window and took the iPhone. She thought she would come out victorious when she called police and told them the phone was activated in the Crenshaw area. Only problem was that the area where her stolen phone’s GPS indicated it was happened to be packed with apartment buildings. Unfortunately the GPS is only good for a few hundred yard radius and places like the Isla Vista area might show several apartments with dozens of potential suspects. Police can’t go door to door knocking away and asking if residents have any stolen cell phones because then the phone will just get turned off or even destroyed!

The bottom line is simple. Take responsibility for your belongings. Lock things up and don’t leave electronics out in public view unattended. As police, we do everything we can to restore people with their property but admittedly it can be a challenge from time to time. The world is full of shady characters who love to take advantage of others. Faculty, staff, and students are what make UCSB such a great place to be, let’s make it better. Lock up!
Congratulations UCPD for completing this year’s 120 mile Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay!
Every April, Isla Vista is subject to the unsanctioned event widely called Deltopia. With tens of thousands of visitors from around the state and country, it is up to local law enforcement to maintain peace and order, and to prevent major incidents. The University of California Police Department and the Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Office team up year after year to protect UCSB students and I.V. residents who might not have a proper say in who comes to party in their backyards.

Named after the street it largely takes part in—Del Playa—Deltopia’s roots trace back all the way to the late 1980s when it was still known as Floatopia.

Floatopia is widely remembered for its 2009 iteration, when close to 12,000 people gathered in I.V.’s beaches to celebrate the dawn of spring. In 2014, Deltopia made national headlines when a riot erupted after a police officer was assaulted after attempting to break up a fight. Fortunately, the subsequent year was relatively successful compared to 2014, and law enforcement is hoping to continue the trend.

UCPD Lieutenant Mark Signa has been with the department for 26 years, and has seen the event evolve since its inauguration. In an interview with the Gaucho Guardian, he recalled his Floatopia and Deltopia experiences and how much the I.V. landscape has changed over time.

“As soon as it is no longer a “local” event, there [are] no limits or controls,” Signa said.

After the massive turnout in 2009, the environmental ramifications the event had were evident to Signa. When he traveled to Campus Point one year after the event, he could still see garbage lying in the beaches from last year’s party.

“Emergency rescue teams attempting to help injured attendees were pelted by rocks and bottles from the cliffs above, emergency services were overwhelmed and the environment was trashed with all the debris,” Signa recalled.

After the county and university sealed the beaches in 2010 in an attempt to slow down Floatopia, attendees moved up to Del Playa, and Deltopia was born.

Little by little, the event grew. In 2013, a wooden balcony collapsed and dozens of cars were damaged from people jumping and dancing on them. Tragedy also struck when 18-year old California Polytechnic University San Luis Obispo student Giselle Esme Ayala was found deceased in a beach after falling off a cliff.

Signa was working as the dayshift sergeant at the Isla Vista Foot Patrol during the infamous 2014 Deltopia. While the daytime was relatively problem free, once nighttime fell, things started to go astray.

“Stabbings, an armed robbery and an assault with a deadly weapon all happened within a few minutes,” Signa said. “Then, with the assault on the police officer, the riot erupted.”

In order to prevent major incidents and massive damage to property, law enforcement must overcome a logistics goliath this year in order to have a safe weekend.

There are “hundreds and hundreds of hours” invested into this weekend, Signa said. UCPD is not the only organization preparing for Deltopia.
“Every agency, department, community group, and student organization all spend months preparing for this,” Signa said. “Literally the week after Halloween is over, we begin setting up plans for Deltopia.”

With over 300 officers expected to patrol I.V. between April 1 and 3, it takes tremendous effort to organize and coordinate such a large peacekeeping event.

“The logistics include not only just educational efforts, outreach, group meetings and discussions that go on for months, but logistically you are bringing in hundreds of officers … that need food, equipment, transportation, and other logistical support,” Signa said. “Add on the medical facilities, hospital preparedness, search and rescue teams, Fire Department personnel, Alcohol and Beverage Control enforcement teams, traffic plans, and the list goes on.”

Officers from all UC campuses will come this year to provide additional resources to the department.

“Over the last year, we have combined these events with training so as to make this a learning opportunity for all of the campuses, as well as addressing the needs of Isla Vista,” Signa said. “We could not do this without the extra help.”

Lieutenant Rob Plastino from the SBCSO has been the IVFP Station Sergeant for the past 2 and a half years, and is set to step down on June of this year. He witnessed the 2014 riot, and the following 2015 Deltopia, which resulted in a much quieter atmosphere. Deltopia 2016 will be his last major event, and he is optimistic that this year the community will help in keeping things safe.

“Last year was a great example of how locals have taken back Isla Vista from those who would use our town as their disposable playground,” Plastino said. “Working in such a positive environment is an absolute joy.”

For Deltopia 2015, UCSB and Associated Students orchestrated a concert known as the Warm Up exclusive to Gauchos in order to give the option of attending an alternative event. The Warm Up Volume 2 will take place this year as well.

In addition to that, UCIV—a group comprised of student and community member volunteers—patrolled the streets in an effort to prevent incidents. They are expected to come back this year.

“UCIV is a great example of IV residents, in this case students, coming together to make IV a welcoming and safe environment,” Plastino said. “They provided a buffer between law enforcement and residents, helping to remind residents of the festival ordinance or noise levels, while also providing water and information to people in the crowd.”

As Deltopia 2016 approaches, Signa and Plastino are sure that a community effort is key to maintaining I.V. safe.

“To see these amazing, busy, bright, young students make the decision to care for their community and actively participate in government to see these efforts come to fruition has been the highlight of my time in Isla Vista,” Plastino said.

“It is now the challenge of the community to not forget the results of out of control events and also remember that it’s the community that works together that determines the future of Isla Vista,” Signa said. “These are the lessons that need to be passed on from each I.V. Generation to the next. If that can be done, Isla Vista has a great future ahead of it!”
1. Instead of Deltopia, check out The Warm Up! A Gauchos only concert at the Thunderdome, roller skating at the Rec Cen, and entertainment all over campus. Check it all out at LifeOfTheParty.sa.ucsb.edu.

2. Always carry an official photo ID. If you're coming to campus, bring your student ID with you.

3. Close your parties – keep the door shut to your apartment/house and don't allow anyone you don't know in, even if they look like college students. Remember, overcrowding your residence, especially your balcony, can be dangerous. Roof tops are never safe - stay off!

4. Be aware that combining alcohol with other drugs, even prescribed medication, can lead to dangerously slowed breathing and heart rates and can be lethal. If you are concerned about your friend, don't hesitate to call 911.

5. Keep it legal to avoid citation or arrest. Remember, there is strict enforcement and zero tolerance during Deltopia weekend. There will be more than 300 Sheriff's, Police, and CHP officers in IV during Deltopia weekend.

6. If you're going to be outside all day, remember to wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water.

7. Move your car off the street. Buy a campus Night and Weekend parking permit for only $23.45 ($17.50 + $5.95 S&H). You can use it the rest of the school year. Apply online at http://www.tps.ucsb.edu

8. Direct, Defer, Distract are the three ways that you can safely intervene when you see something going down that just doesn't seem right. If you are comfortable intervening — then do it! Wouldn't you want someone to do the same for you?

9. Tell your out of town friends not to visit during Deltopia weekend; it's not worth it. Overnight guests aren't allowed in residence halls during Deltopia weekend. Friends won't be able to find parking in Isla Vista or Goleta.

10. If you see illegal, dangerous, or suspicious activity, just call 911.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS
Isla Vista Foot Patrol: (805) 681-4179
UCSB Campus Police: (805) 893-3446
CSO Escorts: (805) 893-2000
Campus Advocacy, Resources & Education 24/7: (805) 893-4613
Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center, 24/7: (805) 564-3696
Emergency 911 (off campus)
9-911 (on campus)
Santa Barbara County Jail: (805) 681-4260

JUST CALL 911
Know the warning signs for alcohol poisoning and drug overdose.

Symptoms of alcohol poisoning or drug overdose: Person cannot be awakened; cold, clammy, or bluish skin; slow and/or irregular breathing; vomiting while passed out. Turn the victim on his/her side to prevent choking in case of vomiting.

LIFE OF THE PARTY
Have fun, enjoy the weekend regret-free!
http://lifeoftheparty.sa.ucsb.edu or http://www.facebook.com/WeGauchoBack

CONFIDENTIAL ADVOCACY
CARE offers free, confidential advocacy for those affected by stalking, sexual assault, and dating/domestic violence. To reach a confidential advocate 24/7, call (805) 893-4613.
LifeOfTheParty.sa.ucsb.edu
PARKING INFORMATION – ISLA VISTA
All cars in following locations must be moved off the street by 7 a.m. on Sat., 4/2 until 7 a.m. on Sun., 4/3, or will be towed:
- 6500-6700 blocks of Del Playa
- 6500 block of Trigo
- Camino del Sur between Del Playa and Trigo
- Camino Pesadaro between Del Playa and Trigo
- El Embarcadero between Del Playa and top of loop
Cars parking in violation will be towed.

PARKING INFORMATION – UCSB
- Registered UCSB undergraduates with the Annual Night & Weekend (N&W) Parking Permit are eligible to park in designated campus lots or structures from 11 a.m. on Fri., 4/1 to 7:30 a.m. on Mon., 4/4.
- The cost for the undergraduate N&W parking permit is $23.45.
- Apply online for permit at www.tps.ucsb.edu. Select waitlist; once eligibility is approved, payment must be made to complete order and generate mailing of decal.
- You are encouraged to apply/order by 3/18 to ensure your permit arrives by mail prior to Deltopia weekend.
- Only one permit per registered student.

- Parking for Deltopia weekend is allowed only in specific campus areas: 22 Parking Structure, 18 (Mesa) Parking Structure, and Lot 16, with overflow parking in Lots 30 and 38. All other campus lots and areas will be closed to public parking.
- Individuals without a regular UCSB or N&W parking permit will not be allowed to park on campus; cars not displaying valid permits will be cited and towed.
- Temporary paper permits will not be honored; vehicles must display the Annual N&W decal, Faculty, Staff, IVA 22, or authorized special event permits to get past all check points on campus.
- IVA 22 permit allows you to store your vehicle in 22 parking structure. The permit does not restrict your ability to freely move your vehicle in and out of the parking structure.
- Community members, UCSB staff, faculty, and non-resident students are eligible to purchase the IVA 22 permit. Only 100 are available.

POLICE ROADBLOCKS
- Police roadblocks will be placed at six intersections by 7 a.m. on Sat., 4/2 through 12 p.m. on Sun., 4/3.
- The roadblocks will prevent vehicle access to Del Playa, Sabado, and Trigo roads, from 6500 through mid-6800 blocks.

You can use a N&W parking permit year round! Use it to park near the Library when you're studying late at night!

RB = Police Roadblocks (6)
= Porta Potties (8)
= Public Restrooms: Public restroom in Anisq’ Oyo’ Park
= Hydration Stations (3): Saturday 4/2
= Walk-up Medical Assistance: 12 p.m.-2 a.m. Saturday-Sunday (4/2-4/3)
### NUMBERS TO KNOW:

**UCSB**
**NON-EMERGENCY:** 805-893-3446:  
*For non-emergency issues or questions pertaining to UCSB.*

**MAIN CAMPUS INFORMATION**  
805-893-8000  
*For UCSB inquiries*

**ISLA VISTA CRIME:**  
805-681-4179:  
*Contact Isla Vista Foot Patrol (IVFP) if you are the victim of a crime in Isla Vista.*

**ISLA VISTA/SANTA BARBARA COUNTY:**  
805-683-2724:  
*Contact the Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Dispatch if no one is available at IVFP or if you are the victim of a crime in Goleta.*

**CHP / ISLA VISTA ROADS**  
805-477-4174:  
*Someone driving erratically on the freeway? Someone blocking your driveway in IV? Non-Injury traffic accident in Isla Vista?*

### “Your Department, Our Community”
**UCPD Community Resource Guide**

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Sincerely,

Corporal Matt Stern;
matt.stern@police.ucsb.edu

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