

# **CASTLE HEIGHTS CRIME REPORT – July/August 2006**

(Information provided by the Los Angeles Police Department)

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NB: Street numbers represent block numbers, not actual house number!

## **ALERTS!**

1. There have been recent reports of a suspicious white mini-van in the Castle Heights and adjacent neighborhoods. The van has been seen leaving the area of several auto burglaries, and driving up and down streets and alleys in the late evening and early morning hours. Please be on the lookout for this van and report anything suspicious to the West LAPD or APS, if you are a subscriber.
2. A neighbor recently found a number of unendorsed checks in the parkway of her street. The checks were from a neighbor who lives a few streets away. Our good neighbor alerted the owner of the checks, who advised that she had written the checks and placed them in her mailbox, which is located right up by her front door, and not very visible from the street. It appears that someone had removed the checks from the mailbox. We should be very aware of the possibilities of fraud resulting from mail and identity theft, when leaving mail for the postman to collect.

## **Home Invasion:**

- 3000 Castle Heights: Occurred on 8/4/06 at 8:00 AM. Suspect followed victim, grabbed her and demanded money. Suspect struck victim across the face. Victim's husband shot at suspect. Suspect fled location without taking any property. Unknown if suspect was injured. Suspect described as: Male, Black, 6'0", slim build, short hair, about 20 years of age, wearing dark clothing. Suspect's vehicle was either a van or SUV grey/green.

## **Burglaries/Break-in's:**

- 9100 National BI: Occurred on 8/2/06. Unknown suspect opened unlocked door and removed property.

## **Stolen Cars:**

- 2200 Canfield Ave: Occurred between 8/5 and 8/6/06. Unknown suspect stole a '90 Toyota Camry from the street.
- 8900 National BI: Occurred between 7/22 and 7/24/06. Unknown suspect stole a '01 Nissan Altima, white in color. Car was taken from an alley.
- 9500 National BI: Occurred on 7/25/06. Unknown suspect stole a '95 Acura Legend, burgundy in color.