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Lafayette Police Blotter

Gone Missing

Someone lifted the words right off the pages of the Lafayette Police Incident Summary Report. The report, which used to include a paragraph or two outlining information from each call (on which we built our police blotter columns) has been streamlined to include only a time, call number, location and two-word incident description. Those wishing to investigate matters further must now file a Public Records Request, include their name and birth date, submit proof of ID (business card, California driver's license, letter of authorization) and declare ("under penalty of perjury") that this request is for scholarly, journalistic, political, governmental or private investigator purposes.

Battling deadlines for this issue, we can only tell you that during the week of June 5 to 11, there were 30 alarm responses (4 silent), 18 "suspicious" calls, 69 traffic stops (including 8 suspicious vehicles), 11 "disturbances" (including 4 verbal altercations, and 2 calls from the same block of Rahara Dr. about loud music), 4 welfare checks, a dozen instances of service to citizens, 1 grand theft, 1 reported battery, and a few reports of vandalism, identity theft, suspicious persons, and parked cars blocking driveways, among other things. There was one incident, which took place late in the evening of June 10 (the last school day of the year), listed only as "Shooting - Promiscuous" ...intriguing, however in this usage it means firing a gun randomly or indiscriminately.

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