

## **Parking lot, Boat Burglaries Up at ABM**

There has been an increase in burglaries and vandalism in Alamitos Bay, both on the boats and in the parking lots, BOA has learned from sources in the Marine Bureau.

The Marine Patrol is asking for your help by reporting any suspicious activity or persons you see or hear in the marina and parking lots. To report call Police Dispatch at 562-435-7751 or 911 or 9-911 if using a dock phone, and ask to have a Marine Patrol Officer dispatched. Do not call the marina office.

Also a letter has been sent to all the ABM liveaboard permit holders asking them to keep a sharper eye.

By nature of the liveaboard program, all liveaboard permittees are by agreement part of an unofficial "Dock Watch" program. This is not an organized program, with meetings or lines of communication, but an agreement to report all suspicious persons and activities, along with boats in danger of sinking, spills etc.

We here at BOA are in the process of organizing a formal Marina Watch Program along the same lines as the Neighborhood Watch in many neighborhoods. The program is being run by ABM liveaboard Karl Weimer, BOA's VP for Liveaboards and Security. He can be reached via email at [karl.weimer@lbmboa.org](mailto:karl.weimer@lbmboa.org).

Please send Karl a line and show your interest and support of the program, which in turn will help keep your boats and valuables safe.