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Subject : **Woman Robbed in Broad Daylight****Contact :** Agent Dan Ryan, Palo Alto Police Department 408-406-1330
 Anonymous Tip Line, Palo Alto Police Department 650-329-2190**Palo Alto, CA** - Police responded to the report of a strong-armed robbery just after 10:00 a.m., on Sunday, September 14, 2008, in the 1000 block of Newell Road.

An 82 year-old woman was walking southbound on Newell Road when she was pushed to the ground from behind and knocked unconscious. Her assailant then ripped her purse from its shoulder strap and fled. The victim was treated for minor facial injuries and released from the hospital. She never saw her attacker, and could not provide any suspect description.

In the wake of several recent robberies, police advise pedestrians to always walk in groups and maintain an awareness of their surroundings. Police are increasing neighborhood patrols and they ask citizens to report any suspicious activity or loiterers in their neighborhoods.

Anyone who has any information about this incident, or the string of recent pedestrian robberies is asked to call our anonymous tip line at 650-329-2190.

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