



The Source

Keeping you informed on what's happening in the world of Crime Stoppers.

FROM THE TIPS LINE

REPORT A GROW – BE ELIGIBLE FOR DOUGH!

Once again, Crime Stoppers is looking for your help to stop illegal narcotic operations. With summer finally here, now is the time for illegal marijuana crops to be transplanted outdoors.

Marijuana requires good sunlight and an adequate water supply to grow. This means that it is often planted along side creeks or on the south side of fields. Marijuana can also be found near other legitimate crops (such as corn), along fence lines or in wood lots. Many times illegal crops are planted on property without the landowner's knowledge or consent.

Marijuana is a bright green plant that has an odd number of leaves in clusters. Plants are usually around six inches to eight inches tall when planted outdoors and can grow to reach heights of five to ten feet at maturity. Marijuana plants emit a distinct pungent odour and are tacky to the touch.

If you come across an illegal marijuana crop or a crop that you think looks suspicious, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER

STATS INCREDIBLE!

2003 was another great year for Crime Stoppers of Haldimand, Norfolk and Tillsonburg. Our statistics speak for themselves....

Category	Since Inception	
2003		
Number of Arrests	1492	101

Number of Charges	4022	384
Property Recovered	\$ 3,419,530	\$ 219,530
Narcotics Recovered	\$27,745,882	
	\$2,545,882	
Number of Reports	5926	567
Rewards Authorized	\$166,235	\$ 16,900

SPRING GALA "COMING UP ROSES"

The 3rd annual Crime Stoppers Spring Gala was held in Fisherville on May 6, 2004 in conjunction with Erie Mutual Fire Insurance Company. This event was a huge success raising approximately \$13,000 for Crime Stoppers. Guests at the gala evening experienced a gourmet meal, complimentary wine tasting, a silent and live auction and door prizes. Crime Stoppers would like to thank Erie Mutual Fire Insurance for their continued partnership as well as local merchants and members of the community for their contributions and support.



JAIL AND BAIL

Jailbirds raised more than \$35,000 for Crime Stoppers at their first annual "Jail or Bail" fundraiser at the Simcoe Town Centre Mall on Thursday, May 20th.

Almost 60 participants were charged with a variety of offences – from "assaulting pastry" to "fabricating a fabricating business" – and then summonsed to appear before celebrity judges who set bail fines after hearing arguments from both defense and crown lawyers. Jailbirds were then "sent to jail" to make phone calls to arrange for this bail money.

Some jailbirds came dressed in prisoner costumes or as their favorite characters (The Lone Ranger, Aunt Agatha and Martha

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Stewart) and some even brought their own props (including a cake with a file in it!!). As a result, court officials faced many challenges throughout the day including rowdy prisoners, attempted jailbreaks and bribery with sausage, chicken wings, donuts and lingerie.

Crime Stoppers would like to extend a huge thanks to everyone who kept the "fun" in fundraising and helped make this day a huge success. Check out www.helpsolvecrime.com for all the details and some great pics!

2003 SERVICE CLUB SUPPORTERS

A special thank you to the following service clubs and individuals who have generously shown their support this year by donating to Crime Stoppers.

- Grace United Church
- Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Br 154
- Cayuga Lioness Club
- Royal Canadian Legion, Br 154
- Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Br 159
- Caledonia Knights of Columbus
- Delhi Kinsmen
- Delhi Belgian Club Ladies Auxiliary
- Delhi District German Home
- Delhi Catholic Women's League
- Delhi Rotary Club
- Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Br 125
- Royal Canadian Legion, Br 142
- Fisherville Lions Club
- Kohler Women's Institute
- Dunnville Optimist Club
- Forward Rebekah Lodge, Hagersville
- Oddfellows - Jarvis Lodge
- Langton Women's Institute
- Langton Catholic Women's League
- Langton Lions Club
- Silver Lake Rebekahs, Br 150
- Long Point Lioness
- Long Point Lions
- Oddfellows - Simcoe Lodge 161
- St Williams Lions
- Vittoria Women's Institute
- Simcoe Optimist Club
- Simcoe Kinettes
- Royal Canadian Legion, Br 79
- Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Br 79
- Simcoe Lions Club
- Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Br 123
- Tillsonburg Kinettes
- Kiwanis Club of Tillsonburg
- Rotary Club of Tillsonburg

- Royal Canadian Legion, Br 153
- St Mary's Catholic Women's League
- Mr William Findley
- Mr Richard Ireland
- Mr Willy Mertens

STUDENT NEWS

MOUSE PADS GALORE

In the fall of 2003, Crime Stoppers partnered with the Norfolk and Haldimand Community Policing Committees to provide mouse pads for every computer in all area high schools. Thanks to both Community Policing Committees for making this venture possible!

W.R. COURTNAGE BURSARY

Crime Stoppers is pleased to announce that Heather Jorna and Alyssa Goodlet, both of Hagersville Secondary School, have been chosen as this year's recipients of the W.R. Courtnage Community Service Bursary. This bursary was established in 1999 in commemoration of the late William Robert Courtnage - the founding chairperson of the local Crime Stoppers program. Each bursary is valued at \$1000 and is awarded to graduating students who have actively participated in their Student Crime Stoppers program. Congratulations to both our winners!

FUNDRAISING FLAPIJACKS!

Congratulations go out to Cayuga, Dunnville, Hagersville and McKinnon Park on hosting very successful Student Crime Stoppers fundraising breakfasts throughout the 2003-04 year. These breakfasts are a great way to generate revenues for student programs and also foster wonderful community involvement. Keep up the great work!

APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Crime Stoppers was able to show their thanks to students and teachers who were involved in their school's Student Crime Stoppers program in March when they hosted a very successful Student Meeting and Appreciation Luncheon. Thanks to everyone for attending and making a difference. A tentative meeting has been scheduled for

September 28 to kick off the 2004-05 year.
Stay tuned for more details.

COMING UP...

IT'S TEE TIME AGAIN!

The 13th annual Crime Stoppers Charity Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, August 19, 2004 at Pine Valley Golf Club. Registration is \$90.00 and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, steak dinner and a chance to win some really great prizes. For more information, contact (519) 426-3434 ext 4241. This tournament sells out every year so get your registration in today!



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