



THE SOURCE

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

You Wanted to Know

In the Know? Be eligible for Dough!

Crime Stoppers needs your help to put an end to illegal marijuana crops in the Haldimand, Norfolk & Tillsonburg areas. Crime Stoppers is looking for your anonymous tips to help stamp out this illegal crop.

Marijuana plants...

- are bright green
- have an odd number of leaves in clusters
- can range in height from six inches to ten feet at maturity
- emit a distinct pungent odour
- are tacky to the touch

Where Can Marijuana Plants Be Found

- because it needs an adequate supply of water to grow it is often planted along the sides of creeks
- because it needs good sunlight it is sometimes is planted on the south side of fields (and sometimes without the landowner's knowledge or consent)
- near other legitimate crops (such as corn)
- along fence lines
- in woodlots

These illegal crops have negative effects on us all, so if you know the location of an illegal marijuana crop or a crop that you think looks suspicious, call Crime Stoppers.

**Find out how to harvest your reward by calling
Crime Stoppers of Haldimand, Norfolk &
Tillsonburg at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).**



**Report a Grow.
Be Eligible for
Dough!**



Since our Last Bulletin

2007 Crime Stoppers Gala Great Success

Attendees at the 2007 Crime Stoppers Annual Spring Gala were able to raise more than \$15,000 at the 6th annual fundraising evening held on May 3 at the Fisherville Lions Hall making the event one of the best on record.

Guests bid on concert tickets, tortellini, gnomes & many other items coming from local artisans, craftsmen and businesses in both live and silent auctions throughout the evening which showcased a gourmet meal catered by The Belworth House of Waterford & impeccable wines compliments of Peller Estates Winery.

Crime Stoppers of Haldimand, Norfolk & Tillsonburg would like would to thank everyone who supported this fundraising event including donors, guests and volunteers. Crime Stoppers would particularly like to thank Erie Mutual Fire Insurance for the generous and continued support of this fundraising initiative.

Jailbirds Visit Alcatraz to Raise Bail!!!

Jailbirds – in the form of gangsters, flappers and bootleggers – raised almost \$20,000 for Crime Stoppers at our fourth annual "Jail or Bail" fundraiser at the Simcoe Town Centre Mall on Thursday, June 7. This year's theme was the 'Roaring 20's' and participants did not disappoint when it came to having fun!

More than 40 participants were charged with offences such as "Blatant disregard for the 'cat's pajamas'" contrary to the "Yes, We Have No Bananas" Act and "Digging for gold without a licence, public spifflication and indecent exposure of gams" in accordance with the "Ain't She Sweet" Act. Jailbirds were brought before celebrity judges who set their bail after hearing arguments from both defense & crown lawyers and were then "sent to Alcatraz" to make phone calls to arrange for their bail money. Thanks to all for your support!

Program Honored Provincially

Crime Stoppers of Haldimand, Norfolk and Tillsonburg recently returned from the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers training conference once again bearing several awards.

Topping the list of achievements; Past Chairperson Ken Schaus was honored with the "Civilian Achievement Award" – the highest award a civilian volunteer can achieve provincially in Crime Stoppers. The award recognizes excellence & commitment to Crime Stoppers & Schaus was nominated for the outstanding work that he does year after year.

Crime Stoppers was also honored by receiving the top provincial award for program achievement—the coveted "Marla Moon Memorial Award of Excellence." This award celebrates the overall excellence of the program.

The Haldimand Press was also recognized for their commitment to Crime Stoppers throughout 2006. After being nominated for one of their many Crime of the Week features, the Haldimand Press was awarded a "Best Crime of the Week in Print" plaque.

Around the Corner....

16th Annual Golf Tournament

Mark August 16 as the day you will work to keep criminals in the sand trap at the 16th annual Crime Stoppers Charity Golf Tournament at The Greens at Renton. Registration is \$95 per person. Call 519-426-3434 ext 4241 for more information.

Alcatraz Coming to Tillsonburg

Stay tuned for more details!

Student News

Students Awarded Bursary

Crime Stoppers of Haldimand, Norfolk and Tillsonburg has awarded two area students with the prestigious 2007 Crime Stoppers William Robert Courtnage Community Service Bursary. Ms. Kaitlin Burns from Glendale High School in Tillsonburg and Mr. Andrew McKellar from Hagersville Secondary School were both selected to receive a \$1000 bursary in recognition of the contributions that they have made to improving and developing the concept of Student Crime Stoppers in their respective schools. Congratulation to both our winners and many wishes for continued success!!!

National Appeal for Assistance

The Canadian Crime Stoppers Association is joining the world wide appeal to help find Maddy McCann, the four-year-old girl who was abducted while on vacation with her parents in Portugal just over a month ago.

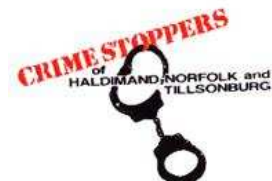
Ralph Page, Chair of the Canadian Crime Stoppers Association, said all Crime Stoppers programs across Canada are being asked to issue media appeals and place information about the missing girl on their web sites. "There is always the possibility that someone somewhere has information that will help solve a case," Page said. "The Canadian Crime Stoppers Association wants to make sure that everything possible is being done to find this girl."

He said the Crime Stoppers organization in the United Kingdom (Crimestoppers UK) has already mounted a campaign to assist police in taking tips from people across Europe and Crime Stoppers programs in other parts of the world are being encouraged to provide whatever assistance they can.

Madeleine (Maddy) McCann was abducted from the bedroom of the hotel where she was sleeping on May 3 with two siblings while her parents had dinner on a nearby patio.

Page said investigators are asking people to look closely at Maddy's right eye which is the most distinguishing feature if anyone sees this girl. "There is a dark line on the iris of her right eye resembling a little teardrop," he said. "That's something anyone might notice and could be instrumental in identifying the girl."

Please check the following web site www.findmadeleine.com for additional information and photographs of the missing girl.



Many Thanks

Crime Stoppers would like to thank our many sponsors, supporters and volunteers. We wouldn't be the success we are without the continued support of this great community.

"Working together for a safer community"

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