

## OACS Training Conference

# Opportunities For Everyone in Niagara

*A big thanks to Stu Black, Niagara for this conference update and for hosting a great conference.*

A hearty thank you to all who attended this year's OACS Training Conference in Niagara Falls. Our small band of volunteers really enjoyed hosting the event and we hope that you found the experience to be rewarding.

We also want to remind you that several of the training sessions were recorded and are available to your local program. Just choose from the list below and give me an email at [stu@humourincorporated.com](mailto:stu@humourincorporated.com).

Sessions that are available include:

- \* Planning for Success – Chonee Dennis
- \* Fundraising Ideas that Work - Ken Koekstat
- \* Know Your Responsibilities – Harry Mc Murtry
- \* Media Relations Panel – Sal Basilone, Andrea Kriluck, Cal Millar, Lorne Simon
- \* Video Excellence – Jamie Saunders
- \* Your Extraordinary Edge – Bob Koehler

Pictures from the Sunday cavalcade of CS vehicles by the Falls are available too. Please contact Greg Mulvihill at [greg@edlearnford.com](mailto:greg@edlearnford.com) to have a picture emailed to you.

Special thanks to Pat Gillie and Fred Hicks for their strong show of support and encouragement and for their advice and patience as we prepared for this year's conference. And a big thank you to Lisa Wies & Donna Harms for spreading the word to you on our behalf.

Our team will be putting together some guidelines that we think will be of help to programs planning to host future conferences and we'll be more than happy to share our experiences with you.

We look forward to seeing you in Hamilton next year & include our best wishes to the entire gang in Hamilton.



*Pictured above are the President of Niagara Crime Stoppers Stu Black (left) and Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, The Honorable Robert Nickolson at the 2007 OACS Conference.*

### **Editor's Note:**

Attendees from across Ontario were invited to Niagara Falls from June 14 – 17, 2007 to “capture the opportunities” and capture them they did! From the welcoming meet & greet right through to the awards brunch, over 150 delegates were treated to four days of learning, networking & friendship & Niagara Crime Stoppers should be congratulated for hosting a first class training conference.

Classes touched on the “meat and bones” of Crime Stoppers and included things such as media relations, fundraising, newcomers school and board responsibilities.

Of special interest was motivational speaker Bob Koehler who challenged each of us to “live above the line.” He added, “It's about making a difference in what you do and how you live” - something we can all practice on a daily basis.

All in all, a big congratulations goes out to everyone in Niagara on a great job & a big thanks to them for “stepping up to the plate” and hosting a first class conference.

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## President's Message

"Capture the Opportunities!" The 21st Annual Training Conference held in Niagara Falls this past June was a great success. Congratulations to Crime Stoppers of Niagara for planning and hosting the 2007 conference. The venue and program offered a good balance of fun and informality with leadership and learning. Every aspect of the conference demonstrated something that could be used by other boards. The plenary speaker, Bob Koehler, motivated us to "find our extraordinary edge in spite of all the stuff that gets in the way." Bob presented us with a unique perspective to guide us in our daily lives and keep us above the line of ordinary as much as possible. The conference concluded with an awards brunch, followed by the precision motorcycle team of the OPP Golden Helmets in front of the hotels.

Crime Stoppers of Niagara stepped up to the plate in the last inning and hit the ball way out of the park. On behalf of the OACS, thank you for a conference that will be remembered as AMAZING.

During the opening ceremony, Kim Craitor, MPP Niagara Falls & Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, brought greetings on behalf of the Minister and remarked on the impressive results achieved by Crime Stoppers. He commended the strength of the partnership with the police and the media and referred to the recent announcement of permanent funding from the Ministry by investing \$200,000 per year toward the after hours service.

The OACS did send a letter of thanks to Minister Kwinter acknowledging this investment. However, I also took the opportunity as President in my remarks to recognize this investment and to ask MPP Kim Craitor to convey the appreciation of the OACS to Minister Kwinter. Once again through this newsletter, I express our thanks. Recognition by the Ministry of the value of Crime Stoppers as an investigative tool that assists the police in solving crime is truly appreciated. Crime Stoppers works in partnership with the police, the media and the community. The announcement of permanent funding strengthens this partnership and enhances worldwide the leadership position of the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers in striving for exemplary programs.

During the conference, the OACS was pleased to welcome a representative from Hydro One to speak with us about the theft of metals and copper. Chris Price, Director of Corporate Security Services spoke about the problem of metal theft. Copper conductor is used by the company

# President's Message *continued*

on its power lines and at its transformer and or distribution stations across the province.

Hydro One estimates copper theft has increased for the utility by approximately 1,150 percent from 2005 to 2006 and cost the company about \$1 million. According to numerous Ontario policing agencies, copper theft has become one of the fastest growing forms of crime in the province of Ontario.

Contact with an energized power line can result in serious injury or death from electrocution. "This is becoming a very serious problem," said Chris Price, Hydro One's Director of Security. "These thefts threaten the safety of the general public and Hydro One staff and could negatively impact electricity reliability. We expect our partnership with Crime Stoppers, and working closely with local law enforcement will help reduce this criminal activity." Chris Price presented a cheque for \$10,000 to the OACS to support this partnership.

The Annual General Meeting was held on Friday, June 15th. The following Director's were acclaimed for new three year terms: Dan Nairn (Oxford Crime Stoppers), Eileen Harrison-Lickorish (London Crime Stoppers) and Dean Rutherford (Grey-Bruce Crime Stoppers). Maggie Beda (Thunder Bay and District Crime Stoppers) and Karen Whitehead (St. Thomas Crime Stoppers) were appointed by the board to the one year civilian appointed positions. Congratulations to each of these members and our appreciation to their respective boards for their support of these members.

The Executive was appointed following the AGM. The new Executive is as follows: President, Pat Gillie (Hamilton Crime Stoppers); First Vice-President, Mike Blythe (Wellington Crime Stoppers); Second Vice-President, Gary Murphy (CSI President); Treasurer, Dan Nairn (Oxford Crime Stoppers); Secretary, Tricia Hoban (Hamilton Crime Stoppers); Past President, Fred Hicks (Waterloo Crime Stoppers).

There was one bylaw change approved by motion at the AGM. The Ontario Legal Fund was approved by an overwhelming affirmative vote of the change in the bylaw. The new bylaw is as follows: "In Good Standing", means any member that has paid his annual dues to the Corporation and Canadian Crime Stoppers Association or to Crime Stoppers International, and to the OLF as may be required at a given point in time;" and "OLF"

means the Ontario Legal Fund;" be added to the Interpretation section of by-law No 1.

I want to "capture the opportunity" in this message to recognize Detective Sergeant Alex Williamson, OPP Crime Stoppers Coordinator, Crime Prevention Section, OPP Investigation Bureau for his continuous excellent service, development and leadership to Crime Stoppers since 1988. Alex was presented with the President's Award at the 2007 OACS Training Conference. He started as the coordinator for Haldimand, Norfolk and Tillsonburg in 1988 and in 1995 became the Crime Stoppers Coordinator for the OPP for Ontario. Alex has contributed to Crime Stoppers in many ways. He has been a developer of programs such as the original Scholastic Crime Stoppers and Seniors Crime Stoppers. He has been a trainer of call takers, a presenter at Crime Stoppers conferences and an ambassador for Crime Stoppers, including with the Ministry of the day for policing. His ability to engage people into understanding the value of Crime Stoppers as a crime fighting tool has strengthened the relationship of the OACS with its many partners across Ontario. Det/Sgt Alex Williamson's dedication has contributed remarkably to the growth and development of the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers.

In closing, I extend best wishes for an enjoyable summer. Take some opportunities to join with your community and share information about Crime Stoppers during summer festivals and fall fairs. I look forward to meeting again in the fall at the upcoming round of zone meetings.



## Presidents of the OACS (OAB)

1988 - 1989 Colin Kennedy - Brant-Brantford  
1989 - 1990 Kevin Vincent - Timmins  
1991 - 1992 Marg Illman - Chatham Kent  
1993 Marla Moon - Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka  
1993 Harry Coulson - Toronto & Regional  
1994 - 1997 Vern Houston - St Thomas  
1997 - 2000 Ed Lemont - Waterloo Regional  
2000 - 2003 Bill Sulston - Waterloo Regional  
2003 - 2006 Fred Hicks - Waterloo Regional  
2006 - present Pat Gillie - Hamilton

# What's happening around the province...

## **Kingston Crime Stoppers**

*Thanks to D/Cst Shirley Steward, Kingston for bringing this to everyone's attention.*

The following situation, is a stellar example of the need for consistency in tip dissemination as well as information given to tipsters.

It is currently the policy at most Eastern Zone programs, not to divulge the reward amount to the tipster over the phone, when making arrangements for a payout. This has saved the coordinator having disagreements with the callers as well as potentially, the following situation.

I received a phone call from a person in mid-April, claiming to be a tipster in a recent case involving baby food tampering. She claimed not to have received the amount she was told she would, when she picked up her reward. As there hadn't been any recent payouts, I thought maybe she had called the wrong program.

She was adamant that she had called the Kingston program (the case as well as the accused, were both in our program jurisdiction). My first clue that something was amiss, was that she had "thrown out her tipster number." The second clue, was that the pick-up location was in a small hamlet where we have never made a reward payment. As our program won't even confirm to a tipster whether or not we even received a tip about a particular case, and especially if the tipster has 'lost' or 'thrown out' their number, this person was told to call back if they were able to locate their tipster number.

I double-checked with the policing service to make sure it was not one of their informants, which it wasn't. At the end of the day, good practices saved Crime Stoppers from being scammed by someone.

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## **Grey Bruce Crime Stoppers**

*Congratulations to everyone at Grey Bruce on a successful tournie. Thanks to Cst Dean Rutherford for this submission.*

The 15th Anniversary Crime Stoppers Golf Tournament was once again a great success raising \$20,000 for the Grey Bruce program.

Special guests included former Montreal Canadien great - Peter Mahavlich. Thanks to Trillium Insurance and Evan Hayter formerly of Formosa Brewery a Brick Brewing Co. and everyone who supported the tournament making the day a huge success.

## **Mississippi Tay Crime Stoppers**

*Thanks to Cst Steve Stresman, Jeff Macquire and everyone at Mississippi Tay for sharing this DVD. Great work.*

Mississippi/Tay Crime Stoppers recently circulated a scholastic DVD complimentary to all boards in Ontario. This project was started more than a year ago and is proof positive of the great work coming out of programs across the province. After realizing that schools are subject to the same criminal issues and problems as the community at large, MT were committed to introduce Crime Stoppers into their school system.

Coordinators Aemilia Jarvis and Constable Steve Stresman brainstormed to come up with the idea of a DVD focusing on a gun crime and with the help of the Art Department at Perth and District Collegiate Institute (PDCI), created a DVD titled "Intervention." The story focuses on how a seemingly "small crime" can very quickly spin out of control and lead to something extremely sinister and dangerous.

The production is top notch and because of the generic appeal and the support of MT, the DVD has now been made available to all programs in Ontario with a view of nation wide distribution as well.

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## **Toronto Crime Stoppers**

*Thanks to Toronto for this information and for working to make sure criminals end up in the sand trap.*

Mark your calendars for September 13 for the Toronto Crime Stoppers Golf Tournament. The tournie will be held at Richmond Hill Golf Club. For information on how you can tee up, contact Toronto Crime Stoppers.



*Pictured above are some of the Niagara Crime Stoppers team at the Caribbean theme night at the 2007 OACS training conference .*

# What's happening around the province...

## Huron County / Perth Crime Stoppers

*Thanks to Cst Shawn McFalls for forwarding this information. Kudos to everyone who made this unique idea happen.*

Thirty-three players from both the Exeter Fury and the Stratford Enterprise soccer teams came out to Exeter for what would become a world record event on May 12 and 13, 2007. They were attempting to play the longest continuous soccer match, a record that was currently at thirty hours and ten minutes. This event was a fundraiser for both the Huron County Crime Stoppers & the Perth County Crime Stoppers & was spearheaded by joint coordinator, Shawn McFalls.

Both teams started off at a torrid pace, which slowed after several hours of play. At the twelve-hour mark, cheers were heard on the field, marking the occasion. When the sun went down a couple of hours later, the temperature dropped! It continued to drop until it was near freezing. Players played in their sweatshirts and track pants, trying to run to keep warm if their legs would allow such movement!

When the sun came up on the 13th, the pace of the game quickened and spirits rose. As the record time drew nearer, both players and fans felt a buzz in the air. At 1:11 pm on May 13, these players broke the existing record, pausing for a few seconds for some congratulatory handshakes before resuming the game. The game was stopped for good at 1:30 pm after playing for thirty hours and 30 minutes.

All in all, over \$13,000 profit was raised to be split between the two Crime Stoppers boards in their initial joint fundraising venture. All of the documents have been sent to Guinness in England for authentication and there is no set timetable for when they will let McFalls know if it has been granted "Guinness World Record" status. McFalls summed it up by saying "We know that we did it. Now, if it was recognized by Guinness, that would make it all a little sweeter".

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## Crime Stoppers of York

*Thanks to York for notice of this event!*

York will be hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner on September 29, 2007 at the Holland Landing Complex. Appropriately coined "Till Death Do Us Part," the event promises to be a great time. For more information, contact 1-866-876-5423 ext 7167.

## Kawartha Haliburton Crime Stoppers

*Thanks to Cst Tammy Brydon, Kawartha Haliburton for keeping us up to date.*

The Kawartha Haliburton Crime Stoppers program would like to share the news of their success in obtaining a Trillium Foundation grant. Coordinator Constable Tammy Brydon began the process in 2006 with specific funding requests. At the time the program was struggling, but with the help of dedicated board members things have definitely turned around.

The grant application looked to purchase much needed equipment and also looked to hire a part time assistant to help promote the program & coordinate fundraising events.

Chairperson Bill Beatty and Constable Brydon proudly announced to the public in March 2007 that the program received \$32,000 from the Trillium Foundation. This grant has allowed the program to hire retired constable John Magee of the Peterborough/Northumberland program.

The grant also provided funds to produce two brochures (one informational and one focusing on grow operations) and purchase a new computer system giving Kawartha Haliburton the ability to utilize the e-transfer of tips.

Kawartha Haliburton is very proud of all the hard work members of this program have been able to accomplish in such a short period of time. The Kawartha Haliburton Crime Stoppers program received 288 tips in 2006, which resulted in 44 arrests and over \$5 million in illegal drug recovery. An impressive record given the size of our program.



*Cheers to the gals from Hamilton as they showed their "island spirit" at the Caribbean theme night at the 2007 OACS training conference in Niagara Falls.*



## Funding Announcement

*A special thanks to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services for their outstanding commitment to after hours Crime Stoppers tipsters throughout Ontario. This funding allows all Crime Stoppers lines to be answered after hours. This means that thousands of tips that would otherwise have been lost to after hours challenges will now end up in the hands of investigators making our streets safer for all! Since Crime Stoppers has contracted the services of an after hours answering service, thousands of after hours calls have been received by call takers.*

*Thanks to D/Sgt Alex Williamson and everyone who has been instrumental in obtaining this permanent funding for Crime Stoppers after hours call taking.*

Since 1997, the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers has sought funding from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to secure the services of Alternative Answers for Ontario Crime Stoppers programs. While the OACS has been successful in their approach to the Ministry for each of these years, it has always been less than a certainty that the Ministry would provide this very necessary funding.

Two years ago OACS Past Presidents Bill Sulston and Fred Hicks and OPP Detective Sergeant Alex Williamson met with Minister Monte Kwinter &, in addition to presenting the very necessary work that Ontario Crime Stoppers programs perform in their assistance to Ontario law enforcement agencies, articulated the need for annual funding for our after-hours answering service. It was clear that Mr. Kwinter became a big fan of Crime Stoppers at that time.

This year, the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services announced that the funding of our after-hours call processing will be permanent through an annual investment of \$200,000.

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## ID Kits A Plenty

Thanks goes out to Ken Birchall for all his hard work in distributing the Kids ID Kits throughout the entire province. If your program is interested in getting more of the kits for circulation in your area, please contact Ken ASAP.

## Tour de Crime Stoppers!

*Thanks to Molly Kaye and Detective Gary Gold, Halton for providing this article. Congratulations on a fantastic idea and partnership. What a great way to showcase Crime Stoppers as a united front!*

Halton Crime Stoppers, with the assistance and partnership of Windsor Crime Stoppers, London Crime Stoppers & Oxford Community Police Crime Stoppers undertook a fundraiser and awareness venture.

The event entitled "Tour de TIPS," was a bike ride that included police personnel, Crime Stoppers board members and volunteers. The group left Halton Region on June 8, 2007 and arrived in Windsor on June 10, 2007. The distance travelled was just over 300 kilometres or 100 kilometres per day.

Support vehicles (Crime Stoppers vehicles) travelled the entire route along with the riders to ensure safety and high visibility. Every rider wore an identifying T-shirt. The goal was to raise funds and awareness for the program.

Deputy Chief of Halton Michael Kingston and Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers President Pat Gillie were on hand to provide words of encouragement to the riders.

The riders included Halton Crime Stoppers Coordinator Detective Gary Gold; former Halton Crime Stoppers Coordinator Staff Sergeant Ray Bruce; Halton Major Crimes Detective Sergeant Al Frost; Halton Police Constables Tracy Holmgren and Tara McLorn; Mr. Chris Richinson & Nanni Bucci, owner of Brant Cycle - Burlington.

Halton Crime Stoppers would like to acknowledge & thank the sponsors that made this event possible: Boston Pizza, Brant Cycle and Tetragon Police Equipment.



*Pictured above (l-r) are Ron Funkenhauser and Barry Horrobin (Windsor Crime Stoppers), Chris Richinson (Halton Civilian), Halton Constables Tracy Holmgren and Tara McLorn, Halton S/Sgt Larry Masson, Nanni Bucci (Brant Cycle), Pat Gillie (President OACS) and Halton Deputy Chief Mike Kingston*

# Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka Update

Thanks to D/Cst Jennifer Kinsella, SDM for this update into all the latest coming out of her area.

Summer has arrived at last and with it, Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka (SDM) has developed a "Raising Awareness Initiative" for the summer of 2007 to showcase the program throughout its coverage area.

SDM started its trek into the outdoors with the Wing Ding in Cookstown on June 2. This event has been a tradition in Cookstown for over 20 years and this year Crime Stoppers joined the folks of Cookstown by setting up a promotional booth on the main street. The program also attended Wasaga Beach on July 3 and plans to attend other events including Kempenfest in Barrie, Carrotfest in Bradford & the Huntsville Fall Fair.

Another project that is well underway is a partnership with several hydro companies in the SDM area. Barrie Hydro, Orillia Power, Innisfil Hydro, and Collus (Collingwood Hydro) have all partnered with Crime Stoppers of SDM to inform the public of the hazards of residential drug grow operations. These flyers will go out in hydro bill envelopes in August.

The program's next project will be to set up a partnership with a local restaurant chain for the production of food tray liners. The liners will have specific information regarding the SDM program. Stay tuned for more.

## Roaring 20's Alive in HN&T



Pictured are Ann Musselman (left) and Judy Malpass, two of HN&T's supporters, in their "roaring 20's" garb as they prepared for HN&T's Jail or Bail fundraiser. "The Roaring 20's" theme added lots of fun and resulted in numerous flappers, gangsters & bootleggers before the courts. Close to \$20,000 was raised at this year's event in June.

## Hydro One Lights Up Crime Stoppers

Thanks to Gary Murphy for input into this summary and thanks to Hydro One for the fantastic support of Crime Stoppers.

The OACS and Hydro One (HO) entered into a partnership in May 2007 to combat the theft of copper conductor from its power lines and transformers. This program is for one year and will be reviewed in March 2008.

The following is a brief summary of the protocol.

- 1) Upon receipt of information regarding copper theft or other metal theft, the respective participating Crime Stoppers program will process the tip in a manner consistent with existing OACS policy.
- 2) Once the information has been determined to have assisted in an investigation, resulted in an arrest, or resulted in the seizure of property of Hydro One, the Crime Stoppers coordinator may proceed with the determination & distribution of an award for the caller.
- 3) Once an award has been paid out to a caller, the respective Crime Stoppers program may request reimbursement of this award at a rate of 150%.

To do this, the Crime Stoppers coordinator must submit in writing, a summary of the case including location and the reward amount paid out to Mr Chris Price, Director of Corporate Security, Hydro One Networks Inc by way of email at [chris.price@hydroone.com](mailto:chris.price@hydroone.com) (no confidential information is to be included in this summary). Mr. Price will ensure the respective Crime Stoppers program is reimbursed, within 30 days, following the request.

If you have any other questions, please contact the OACS for more direction.



Pictured above are Pat Gillie, OACS President; and Gary Murphy, CSI President accepting a cheque for \$10,000 from Chris Price, Director of Corporate Security, Hydro One (centre) at the OACS Training Conference in Niagara Falls. The donation of \$10,000 is to be used in a manner, consistent with the policies of the OACS and at the discretion of the OACS.

# Canadian Crime Stoppers Association Update



*Thanks to Ralph Page, Canadian Crime Stoppers Association President for this input and for keeping everyone up to date on the latest Canadian news.*

It's finally here! Summer - the time for family and friends, time to relax, vacation and get to all of that outside work we have been putting off. Unfortunately, Crime doesn't take a vacation! Our programs will continue to be busy right through the summer months.

Crime Stoppers International celebrated its 30th anniversary last year. A lot has changed over the past 30 plus years. Our world is much smaller now due to technology, law enforcement techniques have changed, and the nature of crime has changed.

The big challenge facing us as Crime Stoppers now is to make sure we have changed and continue to change to respond to the new realities of the society we are living in.

One of the biggest problems facing some of our boards today is "no term limits" - which means nothing changes because we tend to hang on too long. New ideas, new ways to approach challenges, fresh enthusiasm are all lost when we hang on too long. If your program doesn't have term limits for officers built in to your operating procedures or bylaws, we recommend you take a good hard look at this for the near future.

We also recommend you make sure your board represents the makeup of your community. For example if a particular ethnic group is present in your community, is it represented on your board in the same proportion as it is in the community? This does help to make the programs much more effective and completely relevant to all in the community. We also learn a lot from each other about the cultural differences we are living with.

Crime Stoppers world wide are seeing a much different role for our organization emerge and here in Canada we are no exception either. We are being sought out by law enforcement and other organizations to assist in solving crime and in some cases preventing crime. This is our new reality and we are having to develop protocols to deal with this information in a timely manner.

CSI is developing an international global communication system which will allow information from anyone, anywhere, about any crime to end up on the desk of the appropriate local Crime Stopper coordinator anywhere in the world. We are working very hard at the National

level to implement this system here in Canada.

Ontario Crime Stopper programs collectively continue to produce significant results. Over 50% of the national statistics come from Ontario. That is tremendous production & speaks well to your effectiveness. Please continue to change and adapt to the changes faced by law enforcement. Regular discussion with your local police representatives can keep you working on solving the most relevant crime in your communities. This will also help us to continue to make our communities safer places.

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## Near North Mascot Up For Adoption

In 2000, world-renowned cartoonist Lynn Johnston of 'For Better For Worse' fame created "Nipper©" the Crime Stopping Dog as the Near North Crime Stoppers mascot. Lynn Johnston Productions, along with local cartoonist, Dave Palangio, with input from the Near North Crime Stoppers board (NNCS) developed a 40 page coloring book. The story within the coloring book explains the history of how "Nipper©" became the Crime Stopping Dog.

In 2005, Near North Crime Stoppers was successful in its application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation and received a \$35,000 grant to print and distribute over 20,000 copies of this first-class project. The grant enabled NNCS to hire a student intern who made over 100 presentations to primary and elementary school-aged children throughout Nipissing and Parry Sound Districts. The coloring book's message fell in line with the Ontario school curriculum and was exceptionally well received by educators.

NNCS would like to offer other boards in the province that don't have their own mascot the opportunity to adopt "Nipper©" and the coloring book project.

It has been suggested by Trillium officials that any other Crime Stoppers program wishing to apply for a grant in relation to this project to make reference to the NNCS application and subsequent grant approval. Because this project was a resounding success, any future applications tied to this one would be looked upon very favorably by the Foundation.

For further information contact Near North Crime Stoppers at (705) 497-5555 ext 507.