

# CRIME STOPPERS REPORT

## This Month's Meeting Sponsor is:



On The Buffet from R.L. Gay Catering:

Country Style Ribs - Baked Beans,  
Potato Salad - Rolls - Chocolate Cake

## Student Crime Stoppers Showing Results

Jerry Tabatt

Lt. Andy Smith, SRD supervisor, said that the SRD's, the administrators and most of all the students are all very excited about the Student Crime Stoppers program. The SRD's and the students really have established a feeling of trust between them. Since this communication has been established, the students are letting the SRD's know about things happening at the schools. Much of this information is about school issues which are handled by the SRD's in a low key manner. Lt. Smith said it makes it very easy to handle right at the school.

We are also expanding the program by having a poster in all of the buses to keep that awareness going to and from school. Student Crime Stoppers are making the schools a safer community.



Chemical  
Addictions  
Recovery  
Effort, Inc.

Jude Gross  
Community Development Liaison for C.A.R.E.  
and  
Tangi West  
Counselor for C.A.R.E.

Chemical Addiction is a progressive and terminal disease, but it CAN be treated successfully, especially when the disease is identified and treated at an early stage.

CARE Inc. is a non-profit agency dedicated to providing prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery services to assist individuals and their families change unhealthy behaviors, reduce the stigma, and improve their lives. CARE includes family members because we realize chemical addiction can be as devastating to those close to the substance abuser as it is to the one who has the disease.

CARE offers a full range of licensed services for all age groups. Our trained and dedicated staff is available to help individuals and their families evaluate their need for treatment. Involvement with Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.), Narcotics Anonymous (N.A.), and other support groups is an integral part of the treatment process at CARE. Services are also coordinated with other community organizations. CARE provides services to six counties: Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson and Washington. CARE is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors and funding for services is provided through a number of sources including the Florida Department of Children and Families, local agencies, patient fees, Medicaid, donations, and contracted work with other agencies. The agency is licensed and operates in accordance with the Florida Department of Children and Families' regulations and guidelines. CARE abides by all Federal and State confidentiality laws. CARE is a program member of the Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association, Florida Association of DUI Programs, and is proud to be an associate agency of the United Way of Northwest Florida. CARE continues to be committed to establishing partnerships to enhance community services.

Are Your Crime Stoppers Statistics Up To Date and Accurate?

By K. Scott Abrams, CPA

Crime Stoppers statistics are a very important aspect for your organization, Crime Stoppers USA (CSUSA) and Crime Stoppers International (CSI). Statistics tell the story of how successful our organizations have done in solving outstanding crimes, getting criminals off the streets, recovering stolen property and removing illegal drugs from the streets. Why are these statistics important? The best way to tell a success story is by having accurate and up to date statistics. Sometimes local Crime Stoppers programs, state Crime Stoppers programs and CSUSA receive calls from the media asking how effective Crime Stoppers have been. We want to put our best foot forward with how successful Crime Stoppers is in a community!

Does your organization conduct presentations to local service clubs? This is an excellent opportunity to share your success story through your statistics. Do you conduct fund raising activities? Donors love to hear that their donations are being used appropriately and are going to an organization that makes a difference in the community. All statistical comparisons indicate that Crime Stoppers is far and away more effective than all the other program combined! Still, many Crime Stoppers programs do not report accurately, regularly or not at all!

CSUSA and CSI request that every program report their program statistics at the end of each calendar quarter. The submitted statistics are to be cumulative for the reporting Crime Stoppers organization from inception, not just the current quarter information (a common mistake).

Statistics/information requested is:

- Date Statistics Reported Are through
- Arrests Made
- Cases Paid
- Arson Loss
- **Property Recovered**
- **Drugs Seized**

Together we can relate the great impact Crime Stoppers has in your community as well as around our country and the world. edited for space

**Note:** Panhandle Crime Stoppers has presented our statistics as outlined above except in the two areas highlighted. Your board, and our administrator, have made this an area of special interest. In the future we will do a better job of getting this information. We ask all law enforcement for your support.