

CRIME

February 7, 2011

## Vice-Chairman Report



Wishing this was winter!

John D. Lamb  
Vice-Chairman  
Crime Stoppers USA, Inc.

## I. Projects

### A. DataDots

We will be coming out with a product for Catalytic Converters to help protect them.

### B. Website – [crimestoppersusa.com](http://crimestoppersusa.com)

THE WEBSITE IS UP!!!!!! NOW FOR THE WORK.

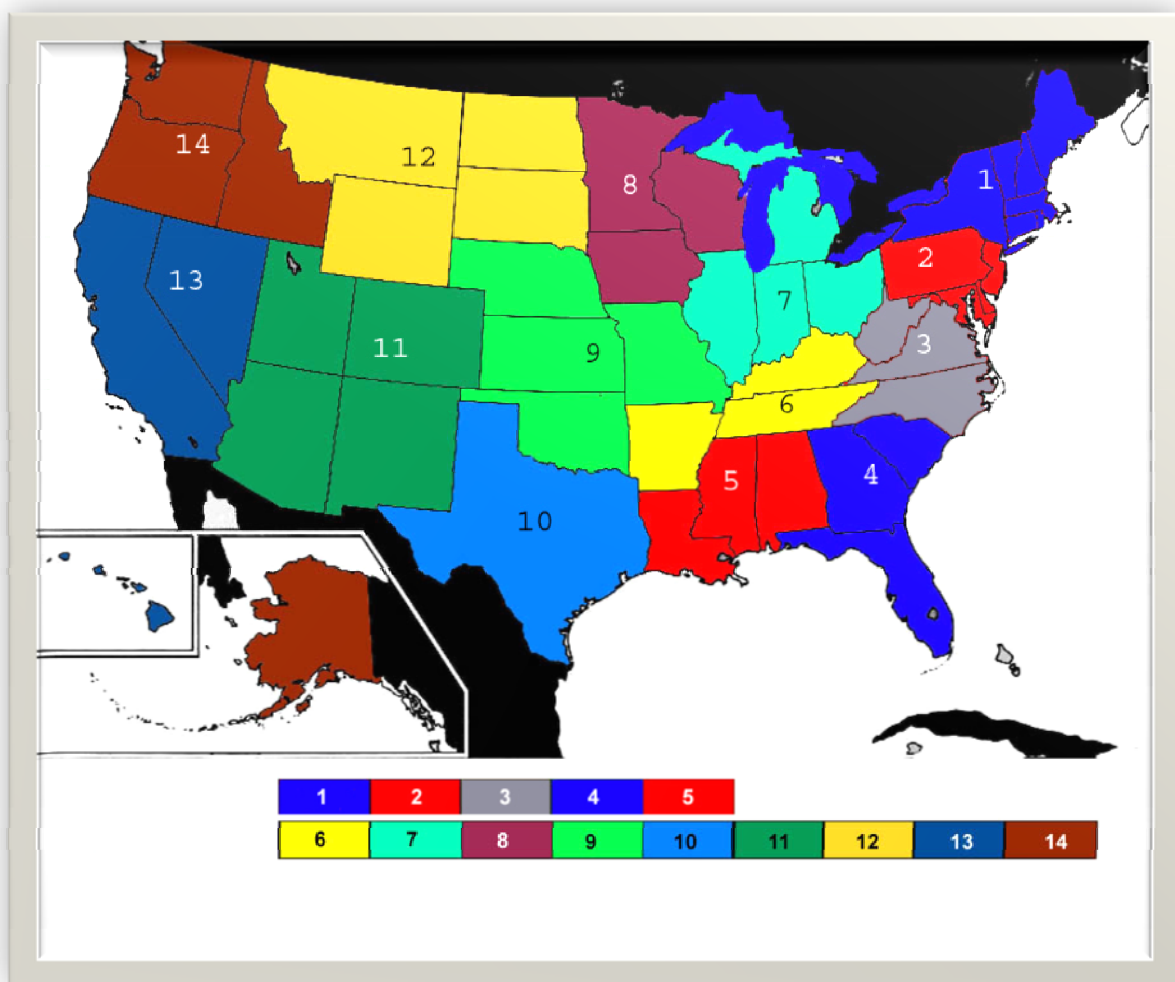
### C. Newsletter

Newsletter went out via email and is currently being printed and will be sent out via snail mail. A note will be attached that says this is the only mailing this year. Please go to the website to download.

### D. RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Scheduling a meeting for next week.

## II. Regional Directors



**Note to the Board: We desperately need representation in Regions 1,2,3 & 8. If anyone knows of someone that would consider the position, please let myself or Margaret Jones know who they are so we can contact them. PLEASE HELP!!**

**A. Region 1**

We need someone to take this Region on until we find someone or other arrangements are made.

**B. Region 2**

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**C. Region 3**

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**D. Region 4**

Barb Bergin

➤ State Florida Report:

- Florida Crime Stoppers Assoc. (FACS) will be meeting at the Spring conference in Tallahassee beginning Feb. 9-11. There will be business meeting as well as training sessions.
- Florida Supreme Court recently wrote an opinion that the Crime Stoppers Fine (FSS 938.06) should be listed as a mandatory fine. This opinion should help all the Crime Stopper programs see an increase in the amount of money collected by the Clerks of Court in each county. In the past the Crime Stopper fine was only imposed by judges if another court fine was assessed.
- Florida Clerk of Courts have also amended their recommended collections to support the Supreme Court's opinion.
- FACS will spend the next 5 months watching closely the State of Florida budget due to the fact the Crime Stoppers Trust could be considered a resource for money.

➤ State of Georgia Report:

- I have been in touch with Miguel at Crime Stoppers of Atlanta. Over the next couple weeks we will be verifying the contact information listed in CSIM for all Georgia Crime Stoppers. Once we have made sure we have all the programs identified Miguel will host a Georgia State Crime Stoppers one day conference. I will assist him in any way I can with the conference.
- Augusta Georgia is working on organizing their Crime Stopper program. There appears to be a some lack of communication between the program and law enforcement we are working on clearing that up.

➤ State of South Carolina:

- Nothing to report this month.

**E. Region 5**

James Taliaferro

I have contacted Margaret and obtained a list of CS programs by state and sent her info on getting membership package to a new program.

**F. Region 6**

Frank Boyd

We have 49 programs listed for Region 6.

10 programs in Ar.

!8 programs in Ky.

21 programs in Tn.

We have 29 paid programs.

I have made contact with every one of the programs in Region 6 for January and I either left word to contact me or posted a note for the program and left a date that the contact was made. There is a program listed for Franklin Ky that does not exist.

The contact number is 270-586-7167.

There is no contact info for Hampton Co CS, Heber Springs and N. Little Rock Ar.

I will continue to update as I receive additional Info.

Thanks and have a great day.

Respectfully submitted by,

Frank M.Boyd

Region 6 Director

CSUSA

## Region 7 Report

Cindy Kilgore

February 8, 2011

**South Bend Area Crime Stoppers, Inc.** changed its name to **Michiana Crime Stoppers, Inc.**, to more accurately reflect the program coverage area of 8 counties in Northern Indiana and 4 counties in Southwestern Michigan. In January, the former treasurer of this program was sentenced to 3 years for embezzling Crime Stoppers funds. The means was writing checks to himself and forging two board members' signatures. He was able to do this as there were not sufficient checks and balances to oversee his activity. Several policy changes have been put in place since.

In the last month, we lost one county that had been with our program since the beginning, **Porter County, IN**. At one time, Porter had an affiliate board of directors. It is not known when they disbanded, but they continued paying their own rewards from their residual treasury for several years. They recently advised that they are now using WebTips. The Porter Co. Prosecutor's office picked up the service a few years ago, apparently unaware of the county's relationship with Crime Stoppers. There remained some confusion with our police contact in the county, but they see now that it is a duplication of services and they are no longer willing to pay their own rewards, so they've withdrawn from Crime Stoppers.

In the last few months I was contacted by a board member from **Fulton County, IN**, Crime Stoppers, who had their own program. They advised that their board lost momentum and interest, and that the Fulton Co. Sheriff began using WeTips. They disbanded.

I had email contact from a woman in **Noble County, IN**, who identified herself as the new board president. She said the board had historically not been members of CSUSA, and she wanted to know what we did. I directed her to the CSUSA website to see the benefits of membership, and asked her contact me with any questions, and to let me know what they decided to do.

Otherwise, no contact from or with any other programs.

## H.     **Region 8**

**We need someone to take this Region on until we find someone or other arrangements are made.**

## I.     **Region 9** Lisa Pisciotta

**J. Region 10**  
Estela Quintanilla

**CSUSA Texas/Region 10**  
**February 10, 2010**

Received request for info on address for paying dues from Student Crime Stoppers of Amarillo. Replied but check had been sent to last year's address already.

Received request for info on starting a campus crime stoppers program out of state. I sent several power point presentations and campus report forms.

Received a request to teach two sessions (Opening Session-Diversity and Student Boards) at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Campus Crime Stoppers Conference in Odessa, Texas Feb. 20-23, 2011. Both ppt presentations have been prepared.

**K. Region 11**  
Patrick Curran

No report for my region

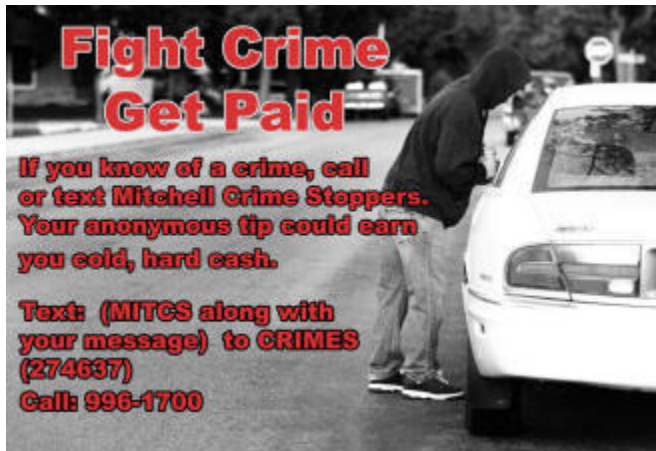
Pat Curran

## L. Region 12

Don Everson



With USF President Mark Benedetto by his side, Cory Hartley (second from left) was recently presented the Panzirer Family Public Safety Scholarship from Don Everson of the Mitchell Area Crimestoppers (far right) and Walter Panzirer (second from right). The Mitchell Charitable Foundation also provided assistance with this scholarship



John, Mitchell Area Crime Stoppers just wrapped up our Panzirer Family Public safety Scholarship for 2011. A former Mitchell Police Dept. Officer, Walter Panzirer donates \$5,000 annually to The Mitchell Charitable Foundation to be given to a college student. Mitchell Area Crime Stoppers got this whole thing going starting in 2009.

We also just ended a new advertising campaign with our new signs. We placed several of these signs throughout Mitchell and the surrounding smaller communities.

We are constantly struggling with ways to advertise and get our message out to our target audience.

## M. Region 13

Ken Kelly

January 2011 - Region 13

\* made several contacts with interested parties in Bakersfield and Riverside CA ref: starting Crime Stoppers programs.

Bakersfield was initiated via local news station, and they are very interested. Follow up with Bakersfield PD indicated that they had no interest in Crime Stoppers.

Riverside was initiated via calls from interested parties in the general public; Riverside PD has not returned any calls, although they requested info on Crime Stoppers as well. County sheriff office has shown interest, and continue to follow up with them.

\* made contact with Data Dots to talk with them about Reg. 13 efforts on their behalf; they did not respond.

\* heard about issues with Los Angeles Crime Stoppers program, and have attempted to find out what level we are on, since the matter was referred to Director At Large; still waiting.

\* heard about request from San Mateo County legislator about Crime Stoppers information; request was referred from another Regional Director to Director at Large, and have not been able to discover what has transpired. I did alert Bay Area Crime Stoppers, the program responsible for San Mateo County, about the inquiry; still waiting for follow up.

\* heard about a request from Napa Valley interest in Crime Stoppers that did not come to me, but went to Director at Large. Attempted to contact Napa Valley to find out more, but no response. Bay Area Crime Stoppers is their active program

\* met with the new Police Chief for San Jose and was reassured of continuing interest in Crime Stoppers

\* contacted new Chief in Morgan Hill about meeting with him;

\* contacted Chief in Gilroy who is using We Tip, and contacted Silicon Valley Crime Stoppers to check with PD; they did now show any interest, so I will follow up with a meeting;

\* there are no state conferences I know of in Hawaii, California or Nevada.



## **N.     Region 14**

Michael Blatman

**Director's Report** - Region 14 will have its first ever Regional mini conference Friday April 30- Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> in Kennewick Washington. Training topics include Role of the Coordinator, Role of the Board, Marketing your program, fund raising, DataDot initiative, CSUSA update and open discussion time for programs to share what they are doing. Cost is \$50 per person and includes breakfast and lunch Saturday and Sunday.

### **Program Reports-**

#### **ALASKA**

**Anchorage Crime Stoppers-**

**Juneau Crime Line- (non member)**

**Peninsula Crime Stoppers-**

**Ketchikan Crime Stoppers- (non member)**

**Kodiak Crime Stoppers- (non member)**

**Mat-Su Crime Stoppers-**

**Petersburg Crime Stoppers- (non member)**

#### **IDAHO**

**Boise Crime Stoppers-**

**Bonneville/Idaho Falls Crime Stoppers-**

**Washington County Crime Stoppers-**

#### **OREGON**

**Curry County Crime Stoppers-**

**Crime Stoppers of Oregon-**

#### **WASHINGTON**

**Crime Stoppers of Lewis County-**

In recent months Crime Stoppers of Lewis County has purchased and replaced older 4x8 and 8x8 C.S. signs in strategic locations around the county. In particular we replaced the 8x8 signs along I-5 between Chehalis and Centralia. C.S. window clings have been put up in local businesses, patrol cars and private

vehicles. We purchased 100 rolls of C.S. Crime scene tape and have donated those to local law enforcement. We are also considering doing the same for local fire districts. Last month we had a very nice tip that allowed the Lewis County Sheriffs Dept to seize 351 marijuana plants with a referral for an arrest warrant. We are also in the early stages of preparing for a fund raiser in 2012

### **Crime Stoppers of Cowlitz County-**

**Tri Cities Crime Stoppers-** 2011 started with a big catch. A \$65,000 backhoe drove off a parking lot in Kennewick. After the theft was discovered and featured through Crime Stoppers, three callers reported seeing the backhoe and it was located by a Washington State Patrol some 40 miles northeast of the Tri Cities.

Tri Cities Crime Stoppers will be hosting the Region 14/Crime Stoppers Association of Washington meeting April 29- May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Work is underway for three fund raising projects in 2011. The first is a shred day on April 16th in conjunction with Yakima County Crime Stoppers. Other events include the Third Annual "Who Done It?" motorcycle ride in September and a new event "An evening with Cops, Robbers and Super Hero's".

### **Olympia/Thurston County Crime Stoppers-**

### **North Olympic Crime Stoppers-**

### **Crime Stoppers Association of Washington-**

**Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound-** CSOPS is working with a local coffee distributor to distribute these specially designed cup jackets. Some 15,000 will be distributed.



**Java Jacket**  
Large  
Pre-Assembled Template

Name: Heat is on/Forza  
Date: 12-06-10  
Proof#: 1 of 1

**Specialty Spot**



**Notes:**  
Need PMS# of ink color  
yellow, grey and red  
This is a 4 color job

**Please Specify Below**

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This artwork is approved for printing.  
(Java Jacket Fax: 503-281-6462)

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CSOP is also kicking off a Bank Robbery initiative that includes the FBI and Washington Bankers Association. Other programs in Washington State will be able to participate as well.

### **Crime Stoppers of the Inland**

### **Northwest-**

One thing we real proud of is a 1 minute PSA about our school reward program. It was produced with the YMCA and local high school students. It's posted on our website under the School Program tab. Or you can see it on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Mt44ynjXJQ>.

#### **Tacoma/Pierce County Crime Stoppers- (non member)**

#### **Wenatchee Valley Crime Stoppers- (non member)**

**Yakima Crime Stoppers-** A new Student Crime Stoppers program has started in Yakima County. The program started with one school and has met with a great deal of success. Other schools are already asking to take part.

**Make sure your program is recognized each month. Send your information to-**

[mblatman@crimestoppersusa.com](mailto:mblatman@crimestoppersusa.com) or [mike.blatman@ci.kennewick.wa.us](mailto:mike.blatman@ci.kennewick.wa.us)

**(509) 582-1351**

### **O. Telephone and email contacts**

Fort Sill Army Base, Oklahoma – Army Base 1-31-2011

I had a nice conversation with Nancy Elliott, Media Chief at Ft. Sill, this evening and I will be sending her the information on Oklahoma Law concerning using the name Crime Stoppers. It appears they want a tip line but give out no tips. I then called DET. Brent Yarbrough with the Lawton Crime Stoppers and he informed me that there was a person at the base trying to earn a few feathers. So, Brent will go and have a discussion with Nancy, whom he knew, and with the other people on the base they work with. Also, two members of base security are on the Lawton CS board and Lawton CS just purchased 100 signs to put out all over the base. So, it appears that there is a little politics going on, on the Army base.

01/28/11

Had conference call with Jim Shield with the USM and we discussed the US Marshals Sex Offender Program and how CSUSA could play a part. On the call were also Troy Daniels and Kevin Anderson. Troy and I will be contacting the center in Washington DC to discuss this with them and see what we can do to assist. They were asking for our help.

During the month I answered about 30 emails and returned multiple calls. I spent a lot of time getting the website up and worked to get the newsletter out. The next one should go out quicker.

Report respectfully submitted to the board.

John D. Lamb

Vice-Chair