

<b>JANUARY</b>	2-3	Use of Restraint: Special Education Students (16 hr) (Mandatory for all officers working in a school system)	Brownsville	\$30
	7	TCLEOSE #3232	San Marcos	\$25
	8	Juvenile Law for Street Officers (8 hr)	San Marcos	\$25
	13-15	Basic SRO/School District Police (24 hr)	Grand Prairie	\$75
	15-17	TCPA Midwinter (www.tcpa.org)	Uvalde	
	16-17	Use of Restraint: Special Education Students (16 hr)	Grand Prairie	\$30
	20-21	Basic Crime Stoppers	San Antonio	No Fee
27-31	Introduction to Crime Prevention–Part 1 (40 hr) \$80 room rate–No course fee if you stay 5 nights at Omni during course.	Houston Omni	\$45*	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	10-14	Basic Juvenile Officer (40 hr)	San Marcos	\$225
	17-19	Basic SRO/School District Police (24 hr)	Amarillo	\$75
	19-21	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (24 hr)	Rockwall	\$75
	20-21	Use of Restraint: Special Education Students (16 hr)	Amarillo	\$35
	24-26	Basic SRO/School District Police (24 hr)	Beaumont	\$75
<b>MARCH</b>	3-7	Introduction to Crime Prevention–Part 1 (40 hr)	San Marcos	\$45
	11-13	Basic SRO/School District Police (24 hr) (Register with Mike Ferguson, Kilgore College Police Academy)	Kilgore	\$75
	18-20	Basic SRO/School District Police (24 hr)	Houston	\$75
<b>APRIL</b>	7-11	Introduction to Crime Prevention–Part 2 (40 hr)	San Marcos	\$199
	23-24	Basic Campus Crime Stoppers	Houston	No Fee
<b>MAY</b>	19-21	Annual Crime Stoppers Conference	Laredo	No Fee
<b>JUNE</b>	9-13	Basic SRO/School District Police (40 hr)	Abilene	\$95

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## Campus Award Winners

### Small Independent

**Most Cases Cleared/Greatest Dollar Recovery**  
Silsbee High School Crime Stoppers, Silsbee, TX

### Medium Independent

#### Most Cases Cleared

Marshall High School Crime Stoppers, Marshall, TX

### Medium Independent

#### Greatest Dollar Recovery

Duncanville High School Crime Stoppers,  
Duncanville, TX

### Large Independent

#### Most Cases Cleared

Student Crime Stoppers of Amarillo, Amarillo, TX

### Large Independent

#### Greatest Dollar Recovery

Laredo ISD Campus Crime Stoppers, Laredo, TX

### Small Umbrella Program

**Most Cases Cleared/Greatest Dollar Recovery**

Lamar County Student Crime Stoppers, Paris, TX

### Small Individual Umbrella Program

#### Most Cases Cleared

Stephen F. Austin Middle School Crime Stoppers, Bryan-College Station, TX

### Medium Umbrella

#### Most Cases Cleared

#### Greatest Dollar Recovery

Wichita Falls Crime Stoppers Campus Programs, Wichita Falls, TX

### Best General Newsprint/Newsprint-

#### Best Crime of the Week

Harrell A.L.C., Wichita Falls Crime Stoppers

### Radio Competition

#### Best PSA/Special Production

Laredo ISD Campus Crime Stoppers

### Radio Competition

#### Best Crime of the Week

Student Crime Stoppers of Amarillo

### Television Competition

#### Best Crime of the Week

Ysleta High School Campus Crime Stoppers,  
El Paso, TX

### Television Competition

#### Best Special Production/PSA

Laredo ISD Campus Crime Stoppers

### Best Website

Hallsville High School Crime Stoppers

### Innovative Publicity Award

Montwood High School Campus Crime Stoppers, El Paso, TX

### Board Member of the Year

Randy Lewis, Odessa Student Crime Stoppers

### Joe Martino School Administrator of the Year

Joe Martino

### Texas' Best Program of the Year

University High School Crime Stoppers, Waco, TX

### Governor's Citation for International Award

Melvin Joyner, Wichita Falls Crime Stoppers  
Estela Quintanilla, Laredo ISD Campus Crime Stoppers

Laredo ISD Campus Crime Stoppers

Dorothy Spinks and Vernon Cook at the 8th Annual Campus Conference awards banquet.

## Advisory Council Transitions

Governor Rick Perry announced the appointment of Dorothy Spinks of Marble Falls to the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council for a term to expire September 1, 2005. The council is charged with encouraging, advising, and assisting in the creation of crime stoppers organizations to help law enforcement agencies combat crime.

Spinks is a retired small business owner and 4H leader. She is chair of Burnet County

Crime Stoppers and has been a home-based assistant to elderly citizens for more than 10 years. Spinks is a former production manager in the garment industry and attended Glendale Community College and Pierce College in California.

Spinks replaces Vernon V. Cook of Hubbard, Texas, a council member for five years. Cook is a retired United States Army first sergeant, teacher, administrator, and adult probation officer.

## Newbies and Vets Agree, "This Conference is Great"

by Jamie Lipton, Hirschi Campus Crime Stoppers, Wichita Falls, Texas. Reprinted from The Campus Caller, the official newsletter of the 8th Annual Texas Campus Crime Stoppers Conference.

As the years progress, the crime stoppers conventions continue to grow and improve. This year's conference started out with many exciting new faces as well as the enthusiastic returning ones.

Jenny Beck, a four-time returnee from Electra High School Campus Crime Stoppers has noticed improvement, "This conference has been really amazing. I have noticed that they are doing a great deal more things to get the students involved. Over all it has been a blast."

Many of the first timers to this conference are not able to see this great improvement. Robert Silva II, from Harlingen High School Campus Crime Stoppers, is a first-time attendee. He said, "Well, I think this conference is pretty good for being my first time."

Kayce Brown, from Hirschi High School Campus Crime Stoppers couldn't  
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## FAQ's

The following is excerpted from "Regarding the Future of Crime Stoppers Operations Following the Hinterlong Decision" by Richard Carter Copyright 2002 Texas Crime Stoppers Association, Inc. Printed with permission. The full text is available at [www.crimestoppers.swt.edu](http://www.crimestoppers.swt.edu).

**The Texas Court of Appeals said that the Texas Crime Stoppers statute in Chapter 414 of the Texas Government Code was "unconstitutional as applied". What does this mean?**

It means that the statute, as used in the Hinterlong case is contrary to and violates the Constitution of the State of Texas. Though constitutional on its face, it was unconstitutional as applied because of its discriminatory effect, i.e. it was used to deny Hinterlong effective access to the civil courts because it did not provide a discovery process for him to attempt to obtain information and records.

**Does the Texas statute need to be amended by the Texas Legislature?**

While the statute can still be used by the courts, the trial courts will be included to follow the same in-camera process ordered by the appellate court in Hinterlong. This is similar to the process used by the criminal courts in Texas in the interim period between the time of the Thomas decision and the amending of the Crime Stoppers statute to provide for an in-camera process. A legislative Bill should be drafted, sponsors found for the Bill, the Bill introduced, and legislation enacted which corrects the problem by creating an in-camera process applicable in both criminal and CIVIL cases. Additionally, an effort should be made to provide immunity to those who in good faith communicate or act upon reports of criminal activity to the Texas Crime Stoppers Advisory Council or a Crime Stoppers organization. A draft of such a Bill has been prepared for distribution, consideration, possible revision, and submission to legislative sponsors.

**Did Hinterlong win his case?**

Hinterlong won the right to examine the tip information through an in-camera process. A trial has not been conducted yet to determine whether there is any civil liability on the part of the school district and/or its employees, the unidentified tipster, or any other parties.

Crime Stoppers, Greg MacAleese, concur in the opinion that Crime Stoppers programs in the schools should be operated like the adult Crime Stoppers program which can better protect Crime Stoppers informants by not accepting tips in-person or having face-to-face encounters.

**If Crime Stoppers programs are to continue in the schools, what methods of communicating information are available?**

There are several methods, which include, but are not limited to:

- Allowing informants to telephone their tips to a designated tippline, which may or may not be the same tippline as used by the adult Crime Stoppers program in the area (some tips may involve misdemeanors or violations of school rules rather than felonies and matters the adult program seeks)
- Establish a website where student informants can safely and anonymously communicate tips
- Provide a facsimile/telecopier to securely receive tips
- Provide a lock-box where written tips can be deposited
- Other

**What other recommendations are there to improve a Crime Stoppers program being operated in the schools?**

For the answer to this question go to [www.crimestoppers.swt.edu](http://www.crimestoppers.swt.edu), and click on the question mark.

*(Newbies & Vets continued)*

agree more, "This is my first year so I really didn't know what to expect, the people are great and so far, everything has been entertaining and fun. I can't wait to return next year."

This conference is not only open to the Texas students. People come from many places OT1\$TcakeU