



CRIMINON NEWS

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CRIMINON MEANS "NO CRIME" | REHABILITATION IS POSSIBLE

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Criminon Florida

is part of an international non-profit network dedicated to helping inmates learn to be productive members of society.

Out of a mountain of despair, a stone of hope.

A STONE OF HOPE

A story of addiction, crime, deceit, reflection, and change.

My name is Danny and this is my story. Today, I am candidly telling my experience so that you might find a glimpse of yourself in my story and a stone of hope for your future.

My dad liked to watch his 3-year-old son stumble while drinking a beer. The numb feeling that washed over me would become the pursuit of a lifetime. At first recreational, escalating quickly into full-blown drug addiction and everything that comes with it. Crime, lies, loss, and a rap sheet that landed me in prison. By age nineteen I was serving 5 years on my 2nd strike and settled into what I thought was the only existence I would ever know.

In prison, I became a part of a brotherhood, a family I was so committed to that I surrendered my

last bit of decency defending, willing to serve a life in prison honoring.

I spent five years in solitary confinement, completely isolated from others. I vowed, if I got out, I would do only good and no drugs. It was there I began my search for truth and discovered the works of L. Ron Hubbard. In his writings, I found my stone of hope and began my descent off the mountain of despair. It was there I began to live.

As a student of Criminon, you can follow in my footsteps by applying the knowledge within each Criminon course and experience the same rebirth I did.

Today I am married with 2 children, a CEO, working with betterment groups - including Criminon - and helping others improve their conditions in life.

Wishing you a productive and life changing 2024!

The Criminon Florida Team





WHAT CRIMINON STUDENTS ARE SAYING

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS

This course taught me to be a better version of myself. My negative attitude toward incarceration shifted as I made positive changes. I stopped being bitter as I took to heart the lessons of this course. I also noticed that I changed the people around me. They saw I was more upbeat, and they treated me better. I practice the virtues daily and everyone seems more delighted to interact with me. | **Nicholas R.**

SUCCESSFUL PARENTING SKILLS

I have improved my communication skills with kids, allowing them to have their independence and to contribute to the family, no matter how young. My kids have told me they are able to communicate with me better and more affectionately. I know I am a better parent because of this course and am happy to be able to allow kids to be kids, and not be a dictator to them. | **Bjon L.**

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS

Growing up in the '70's drug culture, marijuana was always described as a safe, natural, and non-addictive drug; even referred to as an "herb." I smoked it every day for 46 years straight. It never occurred to me, that marijuana was my "gateway" drug that lowered my inhibitions to do harder drugs and alcohol. The course showed me the truth, that with a drug in my blood stream, my nervous system was affected; my emotions and reason were disturbed. I feel free and empowered now to live drug free and to deal with life without the unnatural need for drugs. | **Alphonse L.**

UPS & DOWNS IN LIFE

I learned how to identify people who are showing anti-social and social personality traits. Because I know how to identify these people, I now know how to deal with and counteract the right people. Being in prison brings me in contact with such people on a regular basis. This course helped

me understand what such people are thinking and planning.

| **Derrick G.**

LEARNING IMPROVEMENT

My comprehension level has improved dramatically. When I read things now, I make it a habit to reread it if I don't fully understand something. I also don't hesitate to pick up a dictionary to look up words I don't fully understand. This course has made learning easier. | **Warren H.**

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS EXPANDED

I learned just how damaging short- and long-term drug use is to the mind and body. This course affirmed my resolve to stay away from drugs.

| **Julius C.**

PERSONAL INTEGRITY

I learned about overt actions and discovered that I see those actions being committed by others daily, and that I commit overt actions. Now that I am aware of my overts, I can take

WANT TO SHARE WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED WITH OTHERS?

The best way to do this is to get OTHERS to sign up for *The Way To Happiness* Course. It's a fun game you can participate in. Just give a yellow card to someone who is not already on the course, have them fill it out themselves and send it in - no postage required.

Or they can write us a letter requesting to start the course. Earn a special commendation when three students you refer send in their first lesson.

YELLOW CARDS ARE FOR NEW STUDENTS.

OUR COURSES ARE AVAILABLE IN SPANISH.



We want to hear from you!

Tell us about your wins and successes.

Write us at Criminon Florida
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responsibility for them and see if there is a pattern that I can discover so I am able to change that behavior in myself. | **Tiffany P.**

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS SEMINAR

This seminar helped change and strengthen me as well as improve my vocabulary. It has put my life in perspective and given it direction. I want to give back and use my experiences to help other young men get support and love, so they don't end up like me. | **Jabier V.**

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS SEMINAR

I'm grateful for all the wisdom about how to be less destructive and more constructive to my life and putting the "Be, Do, Have" information toward something healthier and happier and using my life's experiences as a testimony to help others. | **Melenoa M.**

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS

This course has helped me learn and apply many positive traits to my personality. I've made friends with other positive individuals which makes it easier to maintain my new life. I get compliments on my honesty and integrity, and it feels great. None of this would have happened without this course. | **Sean G.**



STELLAR STUDENTS

What is a Stellar Student? He or she is one who has completed all of the required courses in our program. That is definitely an accomplishment. All of you should work toward becoming Stellar Students. You'll be glad you did.

Very well done to all of the students listed here for becoming a Stellar Student this quarter!

Bjon L	James M	Nelson R	William C
Donna P	Kevin G	Todd T	

STELLAR SUCCESS

This journey was a huge win for me because I improved my life skills and hopes of future success. Happiness is now something I control in my day-to-day life through right actions and choices. I choose to be a living light of hope and help everyone around me. | **James M.**



CRIMINON COURSES

"There is no person alive who cannot make a new beginning." — L. Ron Hubbard

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS

Teaches a moral code that, when applied to one's life, leads to a person recovering his self-respect.

LEARNING IMPROVEMENT

Gives the main reasons a person gives up study and then teaches the tools of how to study correctly.

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS

Covers the "hows and whys" of drug addiction and how one can become free from the hold that drugs can have.

PERSONAL INTEGRITY

Teaches the principles one can use to help regain one's own personal integrity.

UPS & DOWNS

Covers the reasons why a person feels like something is holding them back or stopping them from reaching their goals.

PARENTING SKILLS

Gives a better understanding of how to raise children so they become happy, loving, productive and valued members of society.



243 COMPLETIONS FOR OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2023

★ CRIMINON GRADUATES ★

Brenda W	Jacqueline H	Larry B	Marc F	Rufus T	Thomas A
Dennis T	James W	Lawrence K	Rebecca A	Sandy B	
Denzel T	Jason S	Lee B	Ronald S	Stacey N	Timothy J

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS COURSE

Anna R	David J	Jacob C	Kadafie F	Mark Bu	Sean G
August N	David R	James K	Keith A	Meagan W	Sonya S
Ben G	Dionysios P	Jeremy G	Kevin D	Michael R	Susan B
Brandyn C	Eduardo A	Joel E	Kimberly S	Michael S	Terrance R
Carl S	Ehab Q	John M	Kody W	Neil P	Theresa B
Charlie N	Fares M	Johnny R	Lateef T	Nicholas R	Tony D
Clarence G	Fernando G	Joseph Be	Lauren W	Ronald Y	Travis D
Colleen C	Fidel C	Joseph Br	Lens T	Russell B	Tremayne D
Danny M	Godfrey E	Josue V	Leroy G	Ryan H	William D
Darnell S	Isaiah W	Juny A	Mark Ba	Schvel M	William F

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS COURSE

Alphonse L	Christopher D	Guy J	Keith M	Russell S
Andy A	Cody W	Joquinn B	Kenneth T	
Anthony R	De'Lance C	Joseph M	Nathal T	
Casey M	Edward R	Julius C	Richard S	

SUCCESSFUL PARENTING SKILLS COURSE

Bjon L	James M	Todd T
Donna P	Nelson R	William C

THE LEARNING IMPROVEMENT COURSE

Alex H	Jason B	Loniell K	Melvin B
Christopher I	Joseph B	Marash G	Sandy A
David R	Joseph Q	Marc W	Warren H

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS EXPANDED COURSE

Casey M	James W	Paula H	Shawn B	William T
Denzel T	Kevin G	Rufus T	Stacey N	
Diante W	Larry B	Sandy B	Timothy J	

PERSONAL INTEGRITY COURSE

Andrew R	Chad S	James S	Tiffany P
Brian T	James G	Thomas M	Tyler B

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRUGS SEMINAR

Andre H	Christian M	Edgar C	James C	Kenneth A	Natalya F
Anthony H	Christian R	Eric S	Jason K	Kenneth B	Ricky D
Armen P	Christina R	Erick N	Jeffrey S	Kurtis N	Robert S
Ashlean P	Daniel G	Garrett A	Jennifer L	Kyle T	Tayna S
Augusta K	David L	Gloria D	Jesse B	Marissa F	Thomas B
Barry S	Dawn H	Gregory D	Joseph C	Mark R	Tigue M
Brad R	Delaney C	Heather H	Joseph P	Mathew F	Timothy M
Brandyn C	Donald P	Heather M	Joshua B	Melenoa M	Travis S
Brett C	Drew L	Jabier V	Julisa G	Micah L	Whitney C
Celia W	Earles M	Jack C	Keith O	Michael R	William C

THE WAY TO HAPPINESS SEMINAR

Abdallah N	Charles O	Domingo F	James M	Lloyd J	Rudo G
Allen L	Christian M	Earl M	James V	Luis C	Shavrick C
Andrew R	Christopher S	Edward C	Jamie K	Mathew F	Stanley W
Ashlean P	Clarence A	Felix O	Jeffrey S	Melvin B	Stephan H
Belafonte R	Damian T	Gary W	Jimmy G	Pablo A	Thomas B
Bentsy M	Daniel A	Glendale W	John G	Phillip M	William C
Brad R	David J	Isac B	Joseph P	Richard R	Willie H
Brent F	Dawn H	Jabier V	Juan Carlos R	Ricky D	Willie M
Carmen B	Dean C	Jackson B	Julian R	Robert E	Wilson R
Celia W	Dennis C	James K	Kenneth J	Robert S	Zabrian A

THE UPS & DOWNS COURSE

Bradley M	Jason S
Derrick G	
Gregory W	Michel B

UNDERSTANDING AND OVERCOMING ADDICTION

Jack T

MAKING GOOD CHOICES

Codi C