



CRIMINON

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STELLAR
NEWS

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.

Bringing light, hope and understanding through study...

THE POWER OF KNOWLEDGE

The Criminon curriculum contains valuable data which brings success when applied to life.

The Criminon program can be described as a 'self-betterment program'; those who study it find a path to a positive, productive, and happy life. Yet it is more than that, containing knowledge that, when studied, understood and applied, is very powerful.

As L. Ron Hubbard wrote: *"Any information is valuable to the degree that you can use it."* Each of the seven courses comprising our curriculum is rich in valuable data. Recent Stellar Kevin G.'s success is testament to this: "These courses encouraged me to put into practice the data that today is guiding me down a path to success in life."

We encourage you to keep your materials to hand after you've completed each course, and refer to them often. Consider them a practical handbook, a guide on how to meet any challenge, a playbook of effective moves to help you succeed.



As we learn in Precept 17 of *The Way to Happiness*, it is practice which leads to competence. *"Theory and data blossom only when applied and applied with practice."*

Indeed, the stark reality is that *"To the degree that a man is competent, he survives. To the degree he is incompetent he perishes."* Become competent at the game of life by practicing over and over what you've learned en route to becoming a Stellar.

Without a doubt, you will discover something new when you re-read these materials. As your level of awareness increases, you see new things you may not have noticed before; you gain a deeper understanding of the data. And as a Stellar, you can ask to redo any of the Criminon courses. Just write to us and we'll take care of the rest!

- The Criminon Florida Team



SUCCESSSES FROM THE WORLD OF STELLAR STUDENTS

A LIVING LIGHT OF HOPE

The Criminon Life Improvement Courses were a journey of improving my life skills and renewing hope of future success after release from this prison environment. Happiness is now something I build and control in my day-to-day life through the right actions and choices. I win because I now understand how to improve my learning skills to whatever level I choose through self-study. I win because I alone set my personal integrity and respect as a person from this moment until life's end. I choose to be a living light of hope and help to everyone around me. Now let me get started on the real journey to being a true stellar achiever: achieving great things.

| **James M.**

A PATH TO SUCCESS

Before I was introduced to Criminon every area of my life was plagued with aberrated thinking patterns. Criminal thinking and aberrated data that surely contributed to a bad decision making process. Each course I took raised my tone and gave me an understanding of how I

could contribute to my environment in a positive and productive way. These courses encouraged me to put into practice the data that today is guiding me down a path to success in life. My journey of corrected learning isn't over! My supervisor motivated me and challenged me to apply the data from every course to my everyday life! I now live a productive life in every area. | **Kevin G.**

A NEW PERSPECTIVE

These courses have helped me to become a better person. It's allowed me to see my life with a new perspective. I no longer feel like I'm a negative person like I was before. I treat and understand people better now. | **Matthew T.**

MY WINS CONTINUE EACH DAY

On October 10th 2023 I walked out of prison after 35 years of incarceration. All of the Criminon courses were valuable, and especially Ups & Downs in Life, allowing me to see who was for my success and avoiding those who didn't want me to succeed. Doing the Criminon lessons kept my brain active. My wins are

continuing each day. | **Michael A.**

REFOCUS, REDIRECT AND RECOMMIT

The Criminon program is more than about just completing a course or using the certificate to benefit legal and correcting goals, it is also a method to refocus, redirect and recommit to advance with a purpose and to keep moving forward. Once completed, it instilled a sense of accomplishment and pride. I will encourage others to do the same.

| **Michael M.**

A CHANGE FROM BAD TO GOOD

While doing this program, I learned that there's happiness in every accomplishment, even having a life sentence. The Criminon curriculum shows an individual how to flourish and prosper and be strong, and how to help others become a better person, like I did. I'm proud to complete my courses and become a Stellar Student. It worked for me and it can work for anyone wanting a change from bad to good. I would recommend this program to everyone!

| **Randy H.**



TOP STELLAR PLAYERS

Well done to all this quarter's players. Keep up the great work of getting others to improve their lives by starting on The Way To Happiness Course. Special congratulations to the five highest scoring players!

Jack T. 315
Robert F. 135

Nathanie C. 120
Kevin B. 100

Ricky N. 85



STELLAR STUDENTS

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

Bjon L.
Donna P.

James M.
Kevin G.

Nelson R.
Todd T.

William C.



CAT'S CORNER

Let's start with the obvious - you are incarcerated. Through Mr. Hubbard's research, he found *"There is not a criminal in the world whose life of crime cannot be traced to a loss of self-respect."* At some point you broke a sacred contract with yourself - an agreement to be ethical, decent, and respectable - and that was the point of decline.

What problem were you trying to solve that led you to make a choice and do something you regretted later? You may have thought it was a right action at the time, but afterwards realized it was not a pro-survival decision. You may have taken drugs to fit in, or you may have betrayed a friend or family member.

Consider these words from Mr. Hubbard: *"The criminal, no matter*

what harm he is doing to others, is also seeking to destroy himself. He is in protest against his own survival." When we violate our own agreements and harm others, we distance ourselves from them - often in an effort not to do further harm - and we dislike ourselves for what we've done.

No matter what you've done, know you don't have to "be" a criminal forever. Read Danny's amazing story in the Completions Newsletter.

From *The Way to Happiness*, *"There is no person alive who cannot make a new beginning."*

Let's make 2024 a life-changing year for you. Criminon can help you do that!

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Cat

WORDS FROM THE WISE

When I left prison 6 months ago, I was nervous and apprehensive. But, thanks to the Criminon program, I am fully aware of what it means to "make a new beginning".

The data in the Criminon courses taught me how to shape the course of my life, to have patience and to respect the beliefs of others. I gained compassion to help others in need. I learned to respect all humanity and I look for the redeeming qualities in everyone I come in contact with.

In sum, I have freedom of will and the freedom of action, and I know that my actions today will have an effect on the men still in prison, with whom I have an inherent bond.

The volunteers at Criminon give incarcerated men and women their knowledge and time. I have the utmost respect for each and every one of them. I am proud to be a part of the Criminon family.

- Alan C.



We want to hear from you!

Tell us about your wins and successes.
Write us at Criminon Florida:
PO Box 2396 Clearwater Florida 33757



THE WAY TO HAPPINESS HOW TO PLAY

The name of the game is getting new students onto and using the precepts of *The Way to Happiness* distance learning course. It's a win-win situation. You win, the students you enroll win, and others in your institution win too. YOU can make a difference in someone else's life!

- Signing up students is the first step. Choose people you think are ready for a change. Tell them about how much your life has changed since you started on the Criminon program, and in particular your wins from *The Way to Happiness* Course. Do they want changes in their life too?
- Give him/her one of the enclosed yellow course request cards. They can also write a letter requesting the course. A new student must be the one requesting to start *The Way to Happiness* Course. You cannot fill out a card and request it for him or her. **Remember, only give out yellow cards to NEW students, NOT to those already on the program.**
- Follow up with this person to make sure they received *The Way to Happiness* book and course materials. Make sure they are doing the lessons and sending them in. Completing the course is what we are going for, so they can apply the material to change their lives. Some may need extra help understanding the material. Many need reminders of how valuable the course is, and how important it is to keep sending their lessons in.
- Once we receive a request card or letter with your name on the referred-by line, you get 15 points for a sign-up. The office then sends materials out to your student. When their first lessons come into the office, you get another 35 points and when they complete the course, you get 50 additional points for a total of 100 for each student who completes.
- All your referred students and earned points are tracked and reported each quarter. There is no carry over from one quarter to another. Everyone starts the game with zero points at the start of a quarter.
- When 3 or more students you refer send in their first lesson, you will receive a commendation from Alison at the end of the quarter.
- When you need more yellow cards, just write to Alison and ask for more. They are easy to hand out to others who fill them out and just drop them in the mail. Be sure to put your name on the bottom line (referred by). If you can't use the cards, ask your librarian or chaplain if you can put them out for others to pick up, or if you can post them on a bulletin board. **YELLOW CARDS ARE FOR SIGNING UP NEW STUDENTS ONLY.**

WHERE ARE THE MOST STELLARS?

Here are the institutions with 10 or more Stellars. Annexes and work camps are grouped with the corresponding CI. There are 527 Stellars in Florida and 88 of you in 14 different states other than Florida. **STELLAR POWER — HELP MAKE MORE.**

Everglades CI.....	82	Madison CI, WC.....	18	RMC Main, West Unit.....	12
Marion CI, WC.....	27	South Bay CF.....	17	Santa Rosa CI, Annex.....	11
Tomoka CI, WC.....	25	Wakulla CI, Annex, WC.....	15	Blackwater River CF.....	10
Graceville CF.....	22	Avon Park CI, WC.....	14	Columbia CI, Annex.....	10
Sumter CI, Annex, WC.....	21	De Soto Annex, WC.....	13	Liberty CI.....	10
Union CI.....	20	Hamilton CI.....	13	Zephyrhills CI.....	10
Jefferson CI.....	18	Hardee CI, WC.....	13		



STELLAR PLAYERS (OCT - DEC 2023)

Stellar Name	TWTH Requests in (15 pts each)	Lessons in (35 pts each)	TWTH Comps. (50 pts each)	Total Points
Alexandra T	15	0	0	15
Alan C	0	35	0	35
Antonio M	15	0	0	15
Bjon L	15	0	0	15
Brian M	15	35	0	50
Christopher S	0	35	0	35
Christopher W	15	35	0	50
Daniel H	0	35	0	35
David E	0	35	0	35
David H	30	35	0	65
Eric K	15	0	0	15
George B	0	35	0	35
Ike P	15	0	0	15
Ivan T	0	35	0	35
Jack T*	210	105	0	315
James K	15	35	0	50
Jason C	0	35	0	35
Johnny J	15	0	0	15
Keith W	30	35	0	65
Kevin B*	30	70	0	100
Lamont G	0	35	0	35
Leigh F	15	0	0	15
Linell F	0	35	0	35
Luis C	0	35	0	35
Mark B	0	35	0	35
Mark N	15	0	0	15
Nathaniel C*	15	105	0	120
Paul T	15	0	0	15
Quirino O	15	35	0	50
Randy M	15	0	0	15
Renard M	0	0	50	50
Richard W	15	35	0	50
Ricky B	15	0	0	15
Ricky N*	0	35	50	85
Robert F*	0	35	100	135
Rufus H	0	35	0	35
Shavar S	15	0	0	15
Steven G	0	35	0	35
Steven H	15	0	0	15
Taireef M	30	0	0	30
Terrence H	15	0	0	15

Stellar Name	TWTH Requests in (15 pts each)	Lessons in (35 pts each)	TWTH Comps. (50 pts each)	Total Points
Thomas E	30	35	0	65
Timothy H	15	35	0	50
Vasten B	0	0	50	50
Wilbert L	15	0	0	15
William C	0	35	0	35