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**Tips Lead to Arrests in Pharmacy Burglary**  
*Anonymous Tipster(s) to Receive Up to \$1,000 Reward*

**Crescent City, FL – February 25th, 2008** - Four men suspected of burglarizing a local pharmacy in the Crescent City area have been identified as a result of tips received by *Crime Stoppers of Northeast Florida*. The Putnam County Sheriff arrested Jeremy Nickless, age 20 and Rafael Estevan Booth, age 20, has turned himself into authorities. Warrants have been issued for two additional suspects: Elbert Onnis Keathley, age 37, of Middleburg and Joshua Jon Miller, age 20, of Jacksonville. All suspects are deemed innocent until proven guilty.

On January 15th, *Crime Stoppers of Northeast Florida* offered a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that could help the police investigation of the pharmacy burglary at the Community Pharmacy at 897 Summit Street. Police detectives have linked the same four men to a burglary which occurred the same night at Holly Hill Pharmacy at 1702 Ridgewood Ave.

The cash reward is being donated to Crime Stoppers by pharmaceutical company Purdue Pharma L.P.<sup>®</sup>, which operates RxPatrol<sup>®</sup>, a collaborative effort between industry, pharmacists and law enforcement to collect, collate, analyze and disseminate information on pharmacy theft. In 2005, Purdue partnered with *Crime Stoppers* and affiliated local anti-crime programs throughout the country to offer rewards for information that can help lead to the arrest of pharmacy robbery/burglary suspects.

“We received several calls from residents after issuing the alert on the robberies,” said Executive Director Dr. Suzanne DeWees. “We appreciate the commitment made by RxPATROL to assist us with the reward offer. These suspects may not have been apprehended as quickly without the information we received through these tips.”

This arrest follows several others in Florida and other states throughout the country. To date, 59 arrests have been made as a result of the partnership between Purdue’s RxPATROL program and local Crime Stoppers affiliated programs.

“We are proud to support the efforts of *Crime Stoppers* and affiliated programs throughout the United States,” said RxPATROL program coordinator Capt. Richard Conklin. “The recent arrests in Crescent City prove that tips from local residents really can make a difference.”

An additional reward offer of up to \$1,000 cash has been offered for the location leading to the arrest of Elbert Onnis Keathley or Joshua John Miller. Anyone with additional information should call ***Crime Stoppers of Northeast FL at 1-888-277-TIPS.***

All information that comes into any *Crime Stoppers* tip line is kept completely confidential. Callers never have to give their names or appear in court.

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