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Be Prepared: Hurricane Season is Here!



At First American Bank, your family's safety is of the utmost importance to us. That's why we want to remind you that preparing for hurricane season is extremely important. Preparation should include insuring that your finances are safe, secure and accessible.

Helpful tips to protect your valuables and your finances:

- Plan ahead by getting cash from an ATM or make a withdrawal at a bank office. Most credit cards, including the First American Bank VISA card, can also be used to obtain cash advances from an ATM. (Remember your PIN)
- Make note of all the banking center locations in your area. Visit www.fabt.com to print a complete listing of locations.
- Create an emergency fund. Try to save enough money to cover three to six months of living expenses.

Business Owners

- All important documents—articles of incorporation, bank statements, etc.
- Checkbooks
- Debit and credit cards
- Security codes
- Make arrangements for employee payroll
- Protect office equipment
- Notify key customers

Prepare Early

If you apply for a First American Bank Home Equity Line of Credit before storms hit, you'll be ready with cash on hand if you need it for evacuation travel, preparing your home for the storm, repairing your home and property after the storm and other kinds of expenses. Don't get caught without the resources you and your family need. Apply for a Home Equity Line of credit today!

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Customer Service
1-800-423-7503



Upcoming Holidays

In observance of the upcoming holidays, all offices will be closed on

Independence Day
Monday, July 4th

Labor Day
Monday, September 5th

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THINGS YOU NEVER NOTICED ON A DOLLAR



Why is MDCCLXXVI on the bottom of the Pyramid?
The letters are Roman numerals for 1776.

- M is 1000 ★ D is 500
- CC is 200 ★ L is 50
- XX is 20 ★ VI is 6

Add the numerals on the pyramid together and you get the year 1776, when the Declaration of Independence was signed, and when the Novus Ordo Seclorum began.

WHY IS THERE AN UNFINISHED PYRAMID WITH A GLOWING EYE?

Thomson explained the sturdy pyramid as a symbol of "strength and duration". He did not explain its unfinished state, but many believe it signified that our nation remained unfinished. The pyramid also stops at 13 steps, the number of the original colonies.

The "Eye of Providence" is a visual representation of the words Annuit Coeptis, and reinforces the founders' notion that God looked upon the endeavor of the new nation with favor. Many theorists mistakenly believe the symbolism of the eyes is related to the Freemasons (a secret society whose members believed they were under the careful scrutiny of God), but the symbolism of the glowing eye is far older than any Freemason thinking. Scholars have traced versions of the symbol as far back as the ancient Egyptians.

WHY A BALD EAGLE?

The founders wanted an animal native to America to be the new nation's symbol. In the talons the eagle holds arrows and olive branches, signifying war and peace.

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Attn: Stars and Stripes
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Name _____

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Please return by July 31, 2011 to be eligible for this drawing.
Winners will be announced in the next quarterly publication of Stars and Stripes.

