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- ★ First American Bank offers a safe and secure way for Online Banking customers to access their accounts anytime, anywhere using a mobile device. Check your balances, pay bills, transfer money and search for the nearest branch and/or ATM locations on the go. Our Mobile Banking App is convenient and **FREE**.
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Crime Watch

Avoiding Money Order Fraud

(NAPS)—A new counterfeiting scheme has allowed scam artists to cash in thousands of phony money orders—and Americans are footing the bill. Fortunately, there are ways to protect yourself.

According to U.S. Postal Inspectors, the scam begins when a victim is contacted by someone through an Internet chat room or online auction site. The con man claims to have financial problems and to need help cashing money orders. The person “in need” often claims to be living in a foreign country (usually Nigeria), but the scam artist can cook up the scheme from any location.

Victims are lured into the scam when they are told they can keep some cash from the money order as payment for cashing it and wiring the difference to the con man. The scammer then mails the victim a counterfeit money order with instructions for the victim to deposit it in his bank account and wire the money back to the fraudster. Victims usually learn the money order is counterfeit only when they attempt to cash it or when their bank account takes the hit for the full amount of the money order after the bank refuses payment on the bogus deposit.

The good news is that legitimate money orders have security features that help distinguish them from counterfeit notes. For a full list, visit the Web site www.usps.com/missingmoneyorders/security.htm.

Knowing the signs of an authentic money order helps, but according to Postal Inspectors, so does using your head. They warn that most lures promising quick and easy money are cast by fraudsters—and if an offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

For more information, visit www.usps.com/postalinspectors.

Congratulations to the winners of the
Quarterly Stars and Stripes Drawing!

Lydia R. Robert of Ama
Mary H. Olivier of Thibodaux
Dianna R. Dempster of Des Allemands

Each won a \$50 Visa Gift Card by entering last issue's contest drawing.

Upcoming Holidays

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

Memorial Day

Monday, May 28, 2012

Good Friday - Closing at Noon

Friday, April 6, 2012

Independence Day

Wednesday, July 4, 2012



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On the face of a dollar, what does the letter inside the circular seal mean?

The black seal with the big letter in the middle signifies the Federal Reserve bank that placed the order for the bill.

<i>A = Boston</i>	<i>F = Atlanta</i>
<i>B = New York City</i>	<i>G = Chicago</i>
<i>C = Philadelphia</i>	<i>H = St. Louis</i>
<i>D = Cleveland</i>	<i>I = Minneapolis</i>
<i>E = Richmond, VA</i>	<i>J = Kansas City</i>
<i>K = Dallas</i>	

The letter also corresponds to the black number that is repeated four times on the face of the bill. For example, if you have a bill from Dallas with the letter K, then the number on the bill will be 11 because K is the eleventh letter in the alphabet.

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Please return by April 30, 2012 to be eligible for this drawing.
Winners will be announced in the next quarterly publication of Stars and Stripes.