

The Financial and Retail Protection Association, stopping financial crime before it happens! [August, 2010 Member newsletter](#)

FRPA to Feature New Website at UMACHA Conference

October 13-15 are the dates chosen for this year's UMACHA "Navigating Payments" conference and a demonstration of the new FRPA website will be one of the presentation items.

The new website will feature several new databases with searchable features such as suspect images, vehicles, account numbers, routing numbers and victims, as well as several others.

We expect the new website to assist all of you in better defending yourself against financial crimes before they happen.

Many of our members are already signed up for the "Navigating Payments" conference. If you're not one of them, sign up today at:

<http://www.navigatingpayments.org>

FRPA's Mission Statement

Provide members with value-added service and leadership to control theft and fraud common to all members.

FRPA is a not-for-profit association formed in 1997 in response to increasing fraud involving organized criminal groups committing check-based crimes and other financial crimes (credit fraud, identity theft, consumer loan fraud, etc). Since its inception, FRPA has brought the victims of financial crimes (retailers and financial institutions) together with law enforcement agencies in a cross-jurisdictional manner to investigate and solve financial crimes.

Information on Membership

If you are not currently a member, we ask that you consider all the benefits of becoming one.

Simply go to our website at www.theftreporting.com, or call us at:

218-269-6961.

All new members can receive a free 60-day

trial offer with no obligation.

If you would like an online tour of FRPA's website, please contact Herb Bergson @ 218-269-6961 or FRPAhbergson@aol.com.

We will provide you with a fifteen minute, one-on-one tour the valuable website features. Or see the website key features on the

Even Children Aren't Immune From Identity Theft!

Federal prosecutors have charged a California woman and Florida man with helping at least three people build false credit histories that allowed them to obtain millions of dollars in mortgage loans. The two were charged with conspiracy to defraud the U.S. government and interstate transportation of funds obtained through fraud.

According to the indictment, the two sold false Social Security numbers to a man of Anaheim, California in late 2004 or early 2005. The man then bought numbers for himself and helped at least two Kansas City-area men to obtain others.

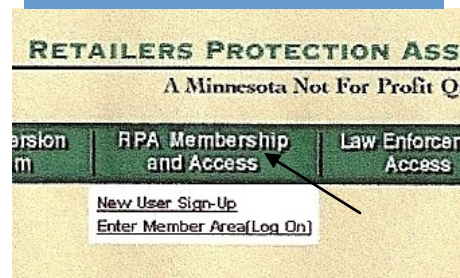
Prosecutors said the Tampa Bay man increased the credit scores attached to the Social Security numbers by using his companies, South Florida Management Group and Consumer Financial Group, to report false account and payment information to credit bureaus.

The men from Anaheim then used the false numbers and credit information to purchase six new homes worth more than \$2.7 million. All three were sentenced earlier this year for their roles in a \$12.6 million mortgage scheme in the Kansas City suburb of Lee's Summit.

They were among 18 people who have pleaded guilty to participating in the scheme, which involved 25 upscale homes. Investigators said children are prime targets because most will not use their Social Security.

How To Sign Up On The Web Site

(www.theftreporting.com)



Key Features

- Case Lead Alerts
- Victim Statements
- Contacts
- Headliners
- Fraud Database
- Check Fraud Analysis

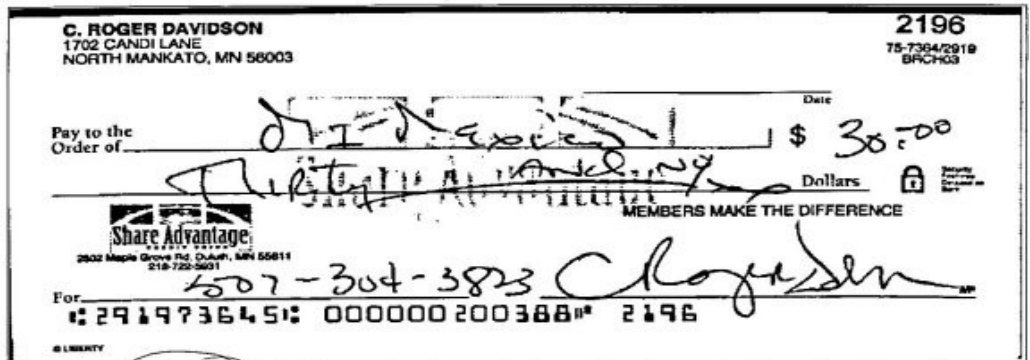
Keep An Eye Out For These Closed Account Checks!

Please take a look at the image of the check below. These checks have been written all over the state of Minnesota on an account that was closed in 2007. FRPA has issued numerous alerts on the checks and we have no knowledge that any FRPA member has been victimized by the check writer, but please post this item near your cash register so all your employees remember the name. The name on the checks is C. Roger Davidson and the checks are drawn on Share Advantage Credit Union. Please watch for these checks and if you have any information, please contact:

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Coming features

- Monthly meetings with dynamic speakers on topics such as account takeovers and protecting vulnerable adults.
- Training sessions on current topics and criminal methods by appointment.
- Dynamic new web site



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- Have you taken counterfeit payroll checks ?
- Have you had new account opening fraud and identity theft?
- Are you having problems with your tellers not being able to validate State IDs?
- Do you know for sure who you hired for cleaning your locations at night?
- Are your Red Flags compliance procedures just window dressing?
- Are you using post-it notes for your teller "Fraud Alerts" at the window ?

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Tellers love us, criminals hate us!

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