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Season's Thievings

Protect Yourself From Fraud During Holidays

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With the holidays quickly approaching, local bank officials are warning consumers to be vigilant in protecting their personal accounts and information.

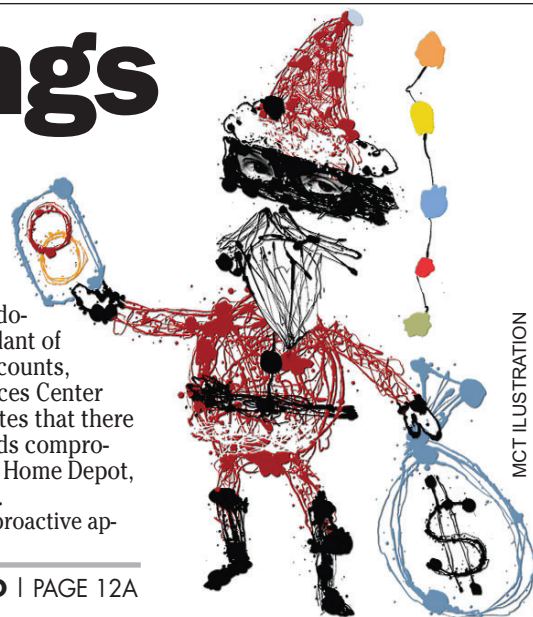
"This is the time of year that there are all kinds of fraud," said Jeff Jones, market president for First National Bank, South Dakota. "People are going to be calling, asking for money for kids' presents and different organizations, and people just need to be very careful about what information they give out. This time of year seems to be one of those times

when the criminal element really gets a hold of the heart strings of the American people."

In addition to potential fraud via donations, people need to be extra vigilant of their personal banking and credit accounts, warns Dave Wright, CEO of the Services Center Federal Credit Union (SCFCU). He notes that there have been hundreds of potential cards compromised due to the breaches at Kmart, Home Depot, Target and other merchants recently.

Wright said that SCFCU is taking a proactive ap-

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Bucks Win 11AA Title In OT Thriller

Yankton players celebrate in front of their fans after clinching the Class 11AA football title with a 34-33 overtime victory over Brookings Friday night at the DakotaDome in Vermillion. It was Yankton's first title since 2002. For game story, photos and analysis, see PAGE 1B. (James D. Cimburek/P&D)

Hudson To Be Evaluated By State

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A status hearing Friday for a Yankton man accused in a March death has led to the state calling for its own psychiatric evaluation. Joshua Hudson, who is accused of murdering his uncle, Todd Hudson, in March, did not appear in court for the hearing.

Hudson's court-appointed attorney, Dan Fox, said the evaluation report, conducted by Dr. Melissa Spanggaard of Sioux Falls concluded that Hudson is suffering from schizophrenia and would've been defined as legally insane at the time of the killing.

Deputy State's attorney Erich Johnke asked that a new forensic evaluation be conducted, this time by doctors at the Human Services Center (HSC). Johnke said the earliest these could be done is mid-late February.

First Circuit Judge Glen Eng ordered the evaluation be conducted by staff at HSC as soon as possible and that Spanggaard's reports be sealed.

On March 7, authorities were called to check on the status of Todd Hudson. Joshua Hudson showed up at the residence of Hudson's ex-wife and was quoted as saying "I axed my uncle." Hudson was apprehended following a high-speed chase later that day.

The next status hearing is set for March 16, 2015.

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Staci Wuestewald is shown volunteering as a bell ringer for the Salvation Army last year. Volunteers are being sought again for the upcoming holiday season.

'Tis The Season For Charity

Salvation Army In Need Of Volunteer
Bell Ringers For Red Kettles

BY RANDY TRAMP
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The Salvation Army's Christmas Red Kettles will soon be at Hy-Vee and Walmart. The bells will be ringing on Fridays from 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. from Nov. 28 through Dec. 20. Salvation Army Counter Kettles will also be in several other businesses around Yankton for those that would like to contribute to help those in need.

This past year a mother and four children were traveling through Yankton. Their car broke down and needed to be repaired.

The woman had the cash to fix her vehicle but no other money. They found themselves stranded in Yankton for a couple of days. Part of the monies collected during the 2013 Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign helped this family in providing them with a motel room, food and gas.

This was just one example of the distribution of funds by the Salvation Army. Of the \$7,500 raised last year, 90 percent stayed in Yankton. The other 10 percent went to the district Salvation Army.

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