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Kirkpatrick Bank to Host a Fraud Awareness Seminar on Oct. 15

OKLAHOMA CITY (Sept. 23, 2009) – According to recent statistics, one in six Americans will be a victim of identity fraud this year alone. Financial identity fraud can span a wide range of offenses from forged checks to false credit claims, and the aftermath can take months to correct. Fortunately, financial identity fraud can be avoided. To help keep more Oklahomans safe from fraud, Kirkpatrick Bank will host a Fraud Awareness Seminar on Thursday, Oct. 15 from 6-8 p.m. at Edmond's Downtown Community Center, 28 West Main.

"Identity theft affects millions of people each year. By hosting this seminar, Kirkpatrick Bank hopes to give people the tools to avoid this costly crime," said George Drew, Kirkpatrick Bank president and CEO.

The Better Business Bureau states 10 million Americans fell victim to identity theft last year alone. More than half of those thefts occurred through direct contact with personal information from a stolen wallet, unshredded mail in the trash or even key documents from inside a home or office.

Admission to the seminar is free, but space is limited. To reserve a spot, please call 405-475-5140 or email jroberson@kirkpatrickbank.com.

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