

Scam Alert

On 3/12/09 a Waushara County resident reported that she had responded to a "Secret Shopper" request from a company based in Canada. She was to cash the check they sent to her, keep \$280.00 for herself and return the balance to them via a moneygram. She followed the directions and later found that the check she was given by the company was a forgery. Unfortunately the victim lost \$2040.00 by sending the moneygram to an address in Canada.

As economic times get tough and jobs become scarce, more of these type of scams may appear to be a chance to supplement your income. When someone sends you a check and asks you to return any portion of the amount be suspicious. Contact your local law enforcement or financial institution before making a decision.

If something seems to be good to be true it probably is. Don't become a victim!!!!

Sheriff Peterson