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- Have all governmental checks directly deposited into your bank account. Do this with all other incomes, if possible.
- Beware of the con artist who claims to have found a large sum of money and wants to share it with you. But, until some legal contracts can be drawn up, you have to give them some "good faith" money of your own. Well, you never get your money back nor any of the found money. Just remember, rarely do you get something for nothing.
- Another popular con game is the bank examiner scheme. A phoney bank examiner will contact you with a story about a dishonest teller. They ask you to withdraw a designated amount of money and turn it over to them. They tell you that the investigation will be over in a couple of days and they will then redeposit your money. This never happens and your money is gone. Remember, a true bank examiner checks for dishonesty through records, not your personal account.
- Three Card Monte, a type of card game is a typical con game. You are

approached by a person with a large roll of cash. They talk to you until they have gained your confidence, then they suggest you play cards. The game is rigged so that you will win continuously until you have won a substantial amount of money. Then, before paying up, they want to know how you would have paid if you had lost. They insist on seeing the cash. When that is done, they switch money with you. You will have a true bill on top and bottom, but not in the middle. Before you realize what has taken place, they are gone with your cash.



This pamphlet was designed to inform you of the many different ways in which you can protect yourself and your property against crimes. If you follow these simple procedures, you will FEEL SAFER and BE SAFER.



CRIME PREVENTION FOR YOUR SENIOR YEARS



HOME

VEHICLE

PERSONAL

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- Use deadbolt locks on all exterior doors.
- Protect windows and any other points of entry with good locks or other security devices.
- Keep premises well lit at night.
- Always keep your doors locked. If you do not already have a peephole in your door, have one installed so you can see who is outside without opening the door. Don't rely on security chains, they can be easily broken.
- NEVER let strangers into your home before checking for proper identification, not even to use the phone. Make the call for them while they wait outside.
- Never give information indicating when you will or will not be at home, and never let anyone know if you live alone.
- When you go out, use automatic timers throughout your home to make it appear that the residence is occupied.

- Always keep your car in proper mechanical condition, and make sure that it has a full tank of gas before driving very far.
- Lock your care at all times.
- If you have car trouble, raise the hood slightly, put up a SEND HELP sign, and they lock yourself inside and wait for the police. If a stranger stops, don't get out of your car. Ask them to call for assistance for you.
- NEVER pick up hitchhikers. If a car appears stalled along the roadside, go to the nearest phone and call the police.
- If you suspect someone is following you, drive to a public place where other people are present. NEVER DRIVE TO YOUR HOME IF BEING FOLLOWED!



- When going out, arrange your schedule so you don't have to walk alone. Take a friend along whenever possible.
- If you do have to go out alone, carry a whistle or loud noise maker in your hand. This could scare off a potential attacker.
- Don't walk near shrubbery or parked cars. These are prime places for criminals to hide.
- Carry only the money you need and leave unnecessary credit cards at home.
- Keep your money in a pocket instead of a purse or wallet. This will keep the purse snatcher from having much of a gain.
- Don't carry a purse unless it is necessary/ To avoid a potential injury from purse snatchers, never wrap the strap around your neck and shoulder.
- When planning to return home after dark, leave a porch light on and have your keys in hand when approaching the door.
- Before retiring for the evening, make a safety check of your home.