CREDIT CARD SKIMMER AWARENESS

Montgomery County Auditor’s Office
Our Weights and Measures inspectors test and certify more than **7,000** gas pumps each year!

At more than **200** gas stations in Montgomery County!
Our inspectors found the first skimmers reported in Ohio.

4 skimmers were discovered in Montgomery County on August 13, 2013.

Credit theft devices are found at local gas pumps

4 skimmers capable of stealing information from consumers’ cards.

By Kelli Wynn
Staff Writer

ENGLEWOOD — Local law enforcement and government officials are encouraging motorists to use cash at the pump after four devices designed to steal credit card information were discovered at two local

out for other devices.

“It’s quite a shock and disturbing. This the first we have seen this in the county,” said Montgomery County Auditor Karl Keith. “We did go out and check pumps yesterday in some of the high-volume places in the county.” Inspectors didn’t find anything after the additional checks.

Credit theft continued on A10
Montgomery County inspectors found another skimmer in November 2015.
THE PROBLEM GREW

Since 2015, skimmers have been found in 20 counties across Ohio.

7 of those skimmers have been found in Montgomery County.

56 skimmers total have been found.
It was time to take action!
SKIMMER SUMMITS

Forums that included auditors, inspectors, gas station owners, law enforcement, and concerned citizens

Raised awareness about the dangers of skimmers and taught preventative measures!
Hosted by Montgomery County Auditor’s Office Skimmer team on December 2\textsuperscript{nd} 2015

With help from:
Trooper Frank Applegate
Natalie Dunlevey
TROOPER FRANK APPLEGATE
Ohio State Patrol Officer
Secret Service Ohio Financial Crimes Task Force Member

Spoke to the law enforcement aspect of the skimming crime
NATALIE DUNLEVEY

President and Owner:
National Processing Solutions

Talked about how the credit card industry is responding to the skimming crime.
We co-hosted 8 skimmer summits around Ohio with other auditors!
We taught officers how to identify skimmers and how to take action if they find one.
The Skimmer Toolkit provided information to other county auditors on how to address the skimming crime.
SKIMMER SWEEP INITIATIVE

The county auditors coordinated a statewide search for skimmers over Labor Day Weekend 2016.

It raised awareness to consumers and gas station owners on how to protect themselves from skimmers!
We had some help from our friends!

Inspectors from 63 other counties in Ohio joined the Skimmer Sweep!

Butler County
Stark County
Delaware County
Union County
Huron County
Hancock County
Eddie Gehres
Charlie Richmond
Zach Rougier & Steven Harsman

80 inspectors

1,400 gas stations

12,000 pumps

5 skimmers found!
Mentioned in the news 70 times, all over the state!!
Master keys make gas pumps easy targets for skimmers

Ohio County Auditors
Skimmer Sweep

County auditors launch ‘Skimmer Sweep’

Inspector to check 12,000 gas pumps

Delaware County Auditor George Kaizla joined 60 other county auditors from across the state today to launch a “Skimmer Sweep” over the Labor Day Weekend to protect against skimmers. Delaware County weights and measures inspectors are making unscheduled checks of gas stations throughout the county to ensure that customers are not being defrauded.
Our staff’s hard work and determination have led to a VERY prestigious accomplishment!
DRUM ROLL PLEASE!!!!!!!
CONGRATULATIONS!!

We are

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ACHIEVEMENT

Winner
The Skimmer Sweep was recognized for being a highly innovative program that betters Ohio residents!

This award was only possible thanks to our weights and measures team, as well as our many other employees who helped with our many events and initiatives regarding skimmers.