

## Re: Email identity theft?

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I had this same problem about 2 months ago. I was receiving about 4-5 of these a week. I checked my system with anti-virus software and found nothing. I noticed that one of the email contained the name a friend's son. I contacted my friend and asked him to check his system. Turned out that he had 24 files corrupted by the kleiz virus. I can only surmise that the virus used my name from the address book and started sending out bogus email as if it was mailed by me. I was receiving all the bounced email in my inbox. After the viruses were cleaned up, there were no more of these email. My friend had Norton but hadn't updated the virus files for over a year.

On Fri, 3 Jan 2003 20:38:45 -0800, "lizzy0921" <[lizzy0921@attbi.com](mailto:lizzy0921@attbi.com)> wrote:

>For the second time this week I have received a "failure  
>notice" saying my email couldn't be delivered. Both emails  
>were about something (i.e. smoking & losing weight) and is  
>most definitely something I would NOT send out. Also its  
>being sent to email addresses I don't even know who they  
>belong to. The "from" part of the message has my email  
>address though in the header. too strange and very  
>annoying. I don't want to get in trouble for something I  
>haven't done. IF anyone knows how to stop this from  
>happening please let me know?  
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>Liz