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NEWS

TIPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM FINANCIAL FRAUD

Just because financial fraud and identity theft are such pervasive problems doesn't mean you can't protect yourself. Follow these tips to keep your financial data private:

Don't put your personal information online.

Remember that once you put it out there, the information is available for nefarious purposes. This may happen despite your best efforts to protect yourself with privacy settings. Think twice before sharing seemingly innocuous information such as your birthday, location and workplace.

Turn off geo-tagging on your photos to avoid letting people know that you are not at home.

Shred your trash.

This includes anything with your name on it. If it has a barcode, shred it. Do not leave your boarding pass in the trash at your hotel. Take it home and shred it. Make this your customary practice even if you live in a gated community where you believe you're safe

Check your credit report frequently.

If you travel, verify it monthly or enroll in a credit monitoring service. Even better, place a fraud alert on your credit reports. It's free or very inexpensive. If someone tries to open an account using your information, you'll receive a phone call.

Put spending alerts on your credit cards.

Most banks will let you set an alert at a predetermined threshold or anytime your credit card is used. Thieves will often run up a handful of small charges to see if you're paying attention before they hit you with a large amount.

Check your bills.

Review your bank statements and account transactions online or on paper. If you don't have a budget, it's a good idea to set one up. It will not only help you control your spending, but it will also help you to easily identify legitimate charges on your credit accounts.

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Employee Spotlight



Cathy is one of our Tellers. She has three grandsons. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, taking care of her animals, horseback riding, and camping.



Debbie is a Teller. She has been working at the Credit Union since 2015. She has a daughter, and is the Principal Violist of the Marquette Symphony.



Dana is a Branch Teller Supervisor. She has been working at the Credit Union since 2008. She enjoys cooking, baking, gardening, making jewelry, and painting. She spends her time with her three children watching her sons play hockey, fishing, and playing at the beach.

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Think twice before sharing private information of any kind.

When you're asked to provide your SIN, ask why it's needed, what it will be used for, and how the information will be disposed of once they are finished with it. There are privacy laws in Canada that specify whether or not your personal information, for example, your driver's license information, can be stored. If you have doubts, ask to speak to the company's privacy officer or request a copy of the data privacy policy

Don't click on links online.

Like phone scams, online scams are growing increasingly more sophisticated. In the past, a phishing email might be littered with typos and glaringly obvious grammatical errors. These days, scams can easily go undetected. If you receive an unexpected online request for information, look up the customer service number and call the company yourself.

Do you have questions about protecting yourself from financial fraud? Don't hesitate to contact the Credit Union.

MICK'S PICK

RASPBERRY CRUMB BARS

Ingredients

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 cups sugar, divided
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup shortening
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 4 cups fresh or frozen raspberries

Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the flour, 1 cup sugar, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in eggs and extract. Press two-thirds of the mixture into a greased 13x9-in. baking dish.
2. In a large bowl, combine cornstarch and remaining sugar; add berries and gently toss. Spoon over crust. Sprinkle with remaining crumb mixture.
3. Bake at 375° for 35-45 minutes or until bubbly and golden brown. Cool on a wire rack. Cut into bars. Store in the refrigerator.

