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Tip of the day: You can request your bank to set up an alert to notify you when transactions over a certain amount occur. We recommend the smallest amount. Sometimes fraudsters will use a small amount to see what happens.

Every day we hear of some type of variation on old scams!! Here are two of the latest attempted scams. Always be aware and alert and just delete any suspicious emails and texts.

Microsoft Scam: One of our residents was on her computer when suddenly a "Warning", allegedly from Microsoft, with a phone number, came across the screen and the computer froze. The resident called the number and spoke to an alleged "Microsoft specialist" who said he could fix the problem. The resident followed this "specialist's" directions, gave him control of her computer and gave him personal information which allowed him to access her bank account. The resident was later contacted by the Wells Fargo Bank when they noticed large money transfers from the resident's account. Fortunately, the resident was able to work with the Wells Fargo Bank and the money transfers were stopped. Her accounts were then closed, and new accounts opened. The resident fortunately did not lose any money.

PayPal Scams: A resident received a very official looking email, including letterhead, allegedly from "PayPal" advising that this resident's order costing \$742.00 had been deducted from the resident's account. There was a phone number to call if there are any questions. This very sharp resident did not call this scammer. Had the resident called, the scammer would have tried to obtain personal information allegedly to verify that this bill was in error.

In another case the resident received three texts within a twenty-four-hour period allegedly from "PayPal" stating that there is suspicious activity on the resident's card. The resident was to click on a link to find out more information. This resident was aware of this scam and just deleted the texts.

Robbery Perpetrators Sentenced: Back on **12/03/20** one of our male residents was riding his bike in the early morning at the corner of **Stoneridge Blvd and Crescent Ln** when he was attacked and robbed. The three perpetrators were apprehended. Recently one of the adult male perpetrators was sentenced to **13 years, 8 months in prison**. The other adult male, who was out on bail, failed to show up for sentencing and there is a warrant out for his arrest. The third person involved was a 16-year-old female and she had pleaded guilty last year and was put on probation for 11 years.

