

<u>Tip of the Day:</u> Shredding Truck is coming to Lincoln Hills Monday, April 24 8:30–11:30 AM, OC Fitness Parking Lot. It's important to shred everything that has your name on it.

Tips to avoid scams provided by businesses:

Amazon:

- 1) Will never ask you to pay on the phone.
- 2) Will not pressure you to act urgently.
- 3) You can report suspicious communications at amazon.com/reportascam

Bank of America warns there are 5 signs of a scam:

- 1) Asked to act immediately
- 2) Asked to provide personal information or a code
- 3) Asked to pay in an usual way, such as a gift card
- 4) Try to confirm your identity with a verification code they send you even though they called you
- 5) Insist you download apps or click links to "fix" issues or confirm information

Banks can help prevent unauthorized activity by setting up alerts for accounts:

- 1) Credit card not present during a transaction
- 2) Online automatic payment over an amount that you set
- 3) Changes to your User ID, Password
- 4) Low or overdrawn balance

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- 1) Will not ask for payment by gift card or mobile payment apps
- 2) Will not threaten to disconnect power if payment is not made immediately
- 3) Will not ask for Social Security, credit card or PGE account numbers, or login information
- 4) Will not come to your door without an appointment
- 5) Report scams at 833 500-SCAM

Credit Bureaus:

Due to financial hardship resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, you can get a free credit report each week through December 2023. Normally a free report is available only once per year.

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- Click the **ALERTS** button to see the latest Alerts.
- Click the REPORT AN INCIDENT button to send information to the Alerts Team.
- Click the SECURITY button on the top toolbar to see FAQ, flyers and more.

