

MEMBER LINK

The Newsletter for Members of
Bethlehem 1st Federal Credit Union

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October 2019

This Can't Happen to Me.....or Can It?

You may think it will never happen to you, but we have seen a rise in the number of scams people are falling for. And it's happening right here in your own backyard.



From fake checks being deposited, to promises from a romancing suitor, unsuspecting people, including members, have become prey to scammers. Their methods vary, but one commonality is that they target people they don't know. So what does that mean to you? It's simple:

Don't trust strangers, people you have just met or people you have never met in person when it comes to your money.

Don't give your account information to anyone—even if they say they will make a deposit or a payment on your account. Those deposits and payments are likely not legitimate. And when it comes to money, if something seems too good to be true, it probably is a scam.

Beware! Do not get involved with a scammer – you could be putting yourself at risk of not only losing money, but being legally implicated if you become entwined in their scheme.

Important Mobile Deposit Information

If you use our Remote Deposit Capture service, please remember to endorse your deposited items correctly: Sign it, then add : ***For b1fcu mobile deposit only.***

Also be sure to only deposit items payable to you and/or your joint account holder. Following the rules will help to avoid rejected deposits and ensure a smooth mobile experience.

Don't have Remote Deposit Capture? Simply visit our website and download a Remote Deposit Application. Once you have returned the signed application, the approval process usually takes less than 24 hours.

Holiday Club Disbursement

Holiday Club disbursements will occur on October 31, 2019.



The balance of your Club Account will be transferred to your Share Account. If you requested a check last year, you will receive a check this year.

To request a change in the method of disbursement of your Holiday Club funds, please call the Credit Union at 610-691-0041.

CALENDAR NOTES**Holiday Closings****Columbus Day**

October 14, 2019

Veterans' Day

November 11, 2019

Thanksgiving Day

November 28, 2019

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2019

*Close at 1:00 pm***Christmas Day**

December 25, 2019

New Year's Eve

December 31, 2019

*Close at 1:00pm***New Year's Holiday**

January 1, 2020

Give a Visa Gift Card!

Make holiday gift giving easy with a Visa Gift Card from Bethlehem 1st.

Choose from a variety of festive, seasonal designs.

Our Visa Gift Cards are available for purchase by members, but can be given to anyone.

Community Outreach: Helping Others

Working with the Volunteer Center of Lehigh Valley, the Credit Union is making a difference in our community.

As the Summer was winding down, our members geared up for the start of school by donating school supplies for needy children in the Bethlehem Area School District.

Many thanks to our generous members for providing those back to school necessities that some children would otherwise not have.

The Credit Union will once again participate in the Holiday Hope Chest program. This program provides local under privileged children with a giftwrapped shoe box containing a variety of age appropriate items such as art supplies, hats, gloves, playing cards, and small games. All of which can make a child's holiday brighter.

Join us for the Annual Meeting!

Bethlehem 1st Federal Credit Union's Annual Meeting will be held at Iacocca Hall, Lehigh University.

Date: Saturday, November 23, 2019

Meeting: 9:00 am, Breakfast: 8:30 am

All members are welcome to attend. Registration will take place from 8:00 am to 8:30 am. At 8:30 attendees will be served a hot breakfast. There is a small reservation fee for the breakfast of **\$6.00** per person. The meeting then takes place after breakfast and lasts about an hour.

Reservations are required; **please reserve by November 15, 2019**. To make your reservations, call us at 610-691-0041 or email us at service@beth1st.org.

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Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 am. - 5:00 pm
Thursday
9:00 am - 6:00 pm