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## Ventura County Events

32nd Annual Casa Pacifica
Angels Wine & Food Festival
June 1st 1pm to 5pm
Cal State Channel Islands Univ.

<u>Ojai Music Festival</u> June 5th to June 8th Ojai Ojaifestival.org

Father's Day Car Show at Channel Islands Harbor
June 15th 10am to 3pm
3900 Pelican Way Oxnard

#### <u>Conejo Valley Days Carnival in</u> <u>Thousand Oaks</u>

June 19-22 / June 25 - 29 Conejo Creek Park South

## <u>Ventura County Greek</u> <u>Festival</u>

June 20 - 22
Saint Demetrios Greek
Orthodox Church in Camarillo

#### **Don't Get Scammed!**



Lately scams can come as phone calls, emails and now even text messages. At some point, we have received one and wondered if the information being given is true or not.

Scams work because they look like the real thing and scammers contact you when you're

not expecting it, or busy trying to do many things at once. Criminals take advantage of new technology, new products or services and major events. They use them to create believable stories that convince you to give them your money, financial or personal details.

Always stop and check before you act. Scammers rely on you not spotting these warning signs because you're in a hurry, you don't want to miss something that looks like a great deal, or because it seems like it's from someone you trust.

Here are some common signs that something is a scam and how to stay protected.

It's an amazing opportunity to make or save money - Scammers trick you into believing you're getting an incredible deal or offer. They pressure you to act quickly so you don't miss out. Remember, deals that seem too good to be true, usually are.

Someone you haven't met needs your help and money - Scammers try to use your good nature against you. They tell heartbreaking or tragic stories to convince you to help them and give them money. Always be wary of any appeal for money and never give more money than you are willing to lose if you can't independently confirm that the story is true.

The message contains links or attachments - Never automatically click a link or attachment you receive via email or text. Scammers try to catch you off guard and send you to scam websites designed to steal your information and money.

Always make sure that the sender is who they say they are and that you know what you are opening. It's safest to find the information yourself by browsing to the website or app rather than clicking on a link.

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# Welcome to Ventura Management!

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Summer Solstice!

June 20, 2025

Welcome to Summer!



- Need to buy or sell your home? Ask how we can save you thousands!
- Know someone who needs help with property management. We can help!

Chris Marsh has been in the real estate business and serving the Ventura County area for over 25 years. He is well versed in all types of real estate matters.



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Don't Get Scammed (cont.)

You feel pressured to act quickly - Scammers don't want you to take your time to think things through. They use techniques designed to catch you off guard and rush you, either saying if you don't you'll miss out or threatening that something bad will happen.

They ask you to pay in an unusual or specific ways - If a person asks you to pay with preloaded debit cards, iTunes cards, or virtual currency like Bitcoin, chances are it's a scam. Once this money is spent, you can't get it back.

They ask you to set up new accounts or PayIDs - If someone asks you to set up a new bank account or PayID in order to pay them (or be paid by them), this is a clear sign you should be suspicious. It could be a scam, or money laundering. Your bank will never ask you to open new accounts to keep your money safe. Stop and check who you are dealing with.

#### Watch out for follow-up scams

If scammers have been successful, they will try to get more money. Unfortunately, 1 in 3 victims of a scam have been scammed more than once. If scammers have stolen your money, financial or personal information, watch out for new scams - especially if someone contacts you to 'help you get your money back'.

#### Protect yourself by:

- Keep an eye on your credit score.
- If you get a call from someone you do not know, don't answer.
- Never click links in texts, emails or pop-up ads.
- Monitor your bank account regularly.
- Use strong, 12+ digit passwords with letters, numbers and symbols and set up multi-factor authentication.
- Do not share your passwords, and never give out your PIN or verification codes to someone who calls to ask for it.
- Research websites to ensure they are credible.
- Keep your computer updated and use antivirus software.

### **Iune Quote:**

"You'll have bad times, but it'll always wake you up to the good stuff you weren't paying attention to." Robin Williams, Good Will Hunting

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