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SCAM ALERT



Area residents are reporting two new scams in the area. A Niceville resident tells the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office he got a hand-addressed envelope with a check from Maddox Marketing Sweepstakes for nearly one-thousand dollars. Of course the deal was to involve him sending them money, and then he could get even more, from the "Sweepstakes" deal.

A Bluewater Bay resident got a phone call about her social security health card and the need to get a new one. The caller, who knew her name and address, then began asking for personal information, including bank account numbers.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office wants citizens to know that e-mail, phone, and mail scams are widespread.

Never give out personal information over the phone when you get unsolicited contacts and if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Scam attempts can be reported to the OCSO Fraud Hot-line at 850-651-7674.

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