

“ Identity Theft Prevention”

The next time you order checks have only your initials, (instead of first name) and last name put on them. If someone takes your checkbook, they will not know if you sign your checks with just your initials or your first name. But your bank will know how you sign your checks.

When you are writing checks to pay on your credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the “For” line. Instead, just put the last four numbers. The credit card company knows the rest of the number. Anyone who might be handling your check as it passes through all the check processing channels won't have access to it.

Never have your SS# printed on your checks. You can add it if necessary. But if you have it printed, anyone can get it.

Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine. Copy both sides of each license, credit car