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Time to put on my tool belt, construction has started in Peoria. My tool belt, you ask? We have an many amazing Staff here at the Credit Union who can do a wide variety of duties. Some of us, like Tim in Pekin, have carpentry skills. If you catch us at the right time, you might just see a hammer or saw in our hand as we assist in some of the woodworking aspects.

You see for us, this is not just a job, it is a culture to do whatever needs done to improve things for our Members. If that means having a paint brush in hand, climbing a ladder to install cameras, or hammering a nail... if it is something to improve our facilities for Members, well then we are on it! And yes, I jump in and help for I would never ask of them what I am unwilling to do myself.

Come visit us in Peoria...it is a mess now, but will soon be beautiful and amazing for our Members!

Yes, you can now renew your Illinois License Plate at any location of Gale Credit Union!



Have you activated your Shazam Mastercard Debit Card yet?

Time is running out on the old VISA Debit Cards as they will soon be deactivated. We do not want you be without after the deactivation.

If you have not received your new card, call us today! 309-343-1777

Check Holds are not always popular as we wait to see if it clears the other institution. Protecting you causes us to be extra cautious.

On July 7th, a criminal delivered hundreds of counterfeit Gale Credit Union Cashier Checks across the country. The victims who received the checks all thought it was legitimate...they were selling a car, cemetery plot, something on eBay, etc.

Unfortunately, many of the banks where they deposited the funds did not place any holds on the checks. The various scam then had those people returning part of the money or selling the goods only to later find out the deposited check did not clear.

Sadly, many (not our Members) likely lost thousands of dollars. We try to protect you better.



Many moons ago while working at "Jacks"... yes, do you remember that store? They would advertise soda at an incredibly low price so you would come in and then buy other stuff.

The banking business is a bit different because you typically do not come in for an incredible deal only to buy other things too. The tactic of some is to offer that incredible deal like an Equity Loan for only \$1 closing costs.

The hook is your loan rate is likely much higher, term shorter, and hidden fees arise if you are not the 840 credit score.

Call us simple if you must, but we just like giving you a better rate and term while skipping all the hoopla over something that is too good to be true.

Find a No-Surcharge ATM near you!

ATM LOCATOR

https://www.shazam.net/

Gale Credit Union participates in a network that allows you many no-surcharge ATM's across the country,

Another advantage of moving to the Shazam Mastercard Debit Card is to provide you with more ATM's that do not charge you a fee—all across the country. Six ATM's in Galesburg, two in Monmouth, even one in Abingdon, IL. Check it out from our About Us/Locations link on our website.

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FRAUD ALERTS:

- ✓ If someone sends you money for something... anything, and they then say they sent you too much, please send me back the extra. It is a SCAM.
- ✓ Pay in Bitcoin? Sure sounds like SCAM to us.
- ✓ We will pay you to advertise on your car. SCAM
- ✓ Your computer is spreading viruses on the internet and we can help you... NOPE, Phishing.
- ✓ That online boyfriend or girlfriend who needs money so they can come visit you, well it is probably a picture from a model magazine. Hmmm, NOPE.
- ✓ I can't believe I just won the lottery... I do not even remember playing. You have to play to win... SCAM.
- ✓ Pay the IRS today or else face getting arrested... the Sheriff is on his way now. Ha ha... That is a SCAM.
- ✓ The credit union is calling... seems we need to update your financial information so we can stop fraud that is about to happen to your account. Sure, give them your information and there will be fraud!
- ✓ Give me remote access to your computer and I can fix... whatever... NOPE, you will not get my login info or access to my PC... never!!! SCAM

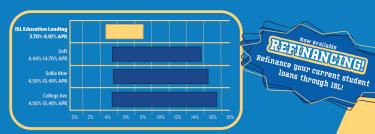


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