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Kendall County Sheriff’s Office Warns of Facebook Scam

The Kendall County Sheriff’s Office would like to warn residents of facebook scams. Please be aware of some of the posts you comment on that may ask questions such as; who was your childhood best friend, what is your favorite color, what was your favorite teachers name? These are the same questions asked when setting up accounts as security questions. When you are answering these questions and posting them, you are giving out answers to your security questions without realizing it. Hackers are setting these up as a “get to know each other better” game on facebook. They will build a profile of you and use this information to hack accounts or open new lines of credit in your name.

Experts say one of the best ways to protect you from hackers is to keep secure passwords and change them often. It is also suggested to never click on or respond to a suspicious post or message. Not all of these on facebook are scams, however it is best to remain vigilant and refrain from participating in such activities as there is no way to tell which ones may have been created by scammers.

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