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Staff Spotlight



Krista Fulton

Personal Banker

Krista was born and raised in Fairfield and graduated from Fairfield High. She was a full time “stay at home” mom to her three children when they were younger. Krista has worn many hats in her community, one of which was spearheaded fundraising efforts for new playground equipment at Richland’s Alumni Park all the while managing her family business.

She took a new career path when she joined the Finance Department with Human Factors International, Inc. in 2007 until 2016 when she accepted the position of Personal Banker with Washington State Bank.

Krista resides outside of Fairfield with her husband Rod. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking, gardening, envisioning home improvement projects for her husband to bring to life and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Beware of Online Shopping Scams this Holiday Season

Online shopping has become even more popular during the COVID-19 pandemic as people try to protect themselves through social distancing. With Cyber Monday on the horizon, Washington State Bank wants to remind everyone to watch out for phishing and other identity theft scams this holiday shopping season. The following is a list of do’s and don’ts to help you spot scams and avoid becoming victimized.

- **DON’T click on suspicious links** — If you receive an email that appears to be from a legitimate company, hover your mouse over the hyperlinks to see if it includes a valid URL for that company. Next, scan the email for spelling and grammar mistakes. Then look at the sender’s email address to see if it matches the company’s website domain. If you see any reason to suspect it might be a phishing scam, delete it immediately.
- **DO make sure the site you’re using is secure** — Submitting information like credit card info on a site that is not secure increases the likelihood that a cybercriminal will gain access to it. When shopping online, check the URL in your browser to make sure the site you’re using is secure. Google Chrome and Firefox will show a locked padlock on secure sites.
- **DON’T open attachments** — Cybercriminals will often include attachments in phishing emails. Opening these attachments could result in downloading malware on your computer. If an email directs you to open an attachment, it’s best to assume it’s a scam.
- **DON’T use public Wi-Fi** — The more people who have access to the network you’re using, the greater possibility that someone else could access your accounts. When making purchases online, it’s best to use a private Wi-Fi network rather than a public one.
- **DO monitor your bank and credit card accounts** — Even if you are careful and take every precaution, a cybercriminal could still access your account. That’s why it’s important to check your bank and credit card accounts regularly for any suspicious charges. If you notice one, contact your bank or credit card issuer immediately.

We hope these tips will keep you and your family safe from online scammers this holiday shopping season. For more information on how you can protect yourself from fraud, visit our website:

<https://www.washsb.com/personal/fraud-prevention>.

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WSB RECORD CHALLENGE HAS BEEN BROKEN!! 1:17:33 8/29/2020
 Congratulations to the new Kewash Women's Half Marathon record holder
 ~ Jane Bareikis ~



WSB Women's Record Challenge Broken at Kewash Half Marathon

The rescheduled 2020 Kewash Half Marathon took place in August on a perfect Saturday for running. Jane Bareikis of Chicago set a new women's record for the half marathon, and went home with \$1,000 from Washington State Bank! In the far right photo you can see Steve Bohn and Kara Booth presenting Jane with her check. We were happy to offer this award once again, and look forward to doing so in 2021 as well for both men's and women's classes.

WSB Makes Pledge to Jefferson County Childcare Center Project

The Bank approved a \$25,000 pledge to the building of a new childcare center in Jefferson County. Brittany Gavin, Branch Manager in Fairfield, said, "Washington State Bank is thrilled to be a proud supporter of the Jefferson County Kids initiative to provide a much needed service to our community. We feel this child care center will be a tremendous asset to Jefferson County and are eager to see the positive impact it will bring to our community for years to come."



Washington Shred Day Fills Truck

In August we hosted our annual, free shred event in Washington with the help of Shred-it. The event was set to run until noon, but due to the overwhelming amount of materials dropped off we had to shut down a little early. We set a Bank record and took in 12,000 pounds of shredded material and filled the truck! Volunteers pictured on the left are Kara Booth, Holly Rich, Margaret Stauffer, Terry Engelken and Dan Stauffer. We can't wait to offer this service to our Washington community next year!

WSB Celebrates Homecomings a Little Differently in 2020

The year 2020 has brought many cancellations and adjustments, and our local high school's homecomings were no different. Even though our staff members were unable to participate in the community parades, we still celebrated (at a distance) homecoming internally. Columbus Junction staff members on the right include Mayra Castillo, Dana Anding, Ryan Shields and Doris Mougin. We hope the area students all enjoyed their week of celebration as well!



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