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When you go home
Tell them for us and say
For your tomorrow
We gave our today

Memorial Day was May 30th (observed May 28th). The haunting inscription at left was chiseled outside the temporary Marine cemetery on Iwo Jima. In a time when our memorial holidays have often become just another day off or a sale at the mall, please remember those whose sacrifices make our freedom possible.

WOWEE!
The OCS Spam Filter blocked nearly 8 million messages last month!

WIRELESS SERVICE AREAS

Success Valley is ready!

- Porterville
- Springville
- Pleasant Valley
- River Island
- Globe Drive

- Strathmore
- Terra Bella
- Lindsay
- Exeter
- Visalia

- Yokohl Valley
- Camp Nelson
- Success Valley
- *In progress*
- Richgrove

Our Exeter tower also covers Badger Hill!

- **VIRUSES STOPPED BY OCS SYSTEM: 1,282,626** (May 2007: 2,269)
- **SPAM BLOCKED BY OCS SYSTEM: 74,718,059** (May 2007: 7,774,427)

Attack of the Phishers

You open your in-box and find email from eBay or PayPal, warning that your account has been compromised and that you must log on immediately to verify your information. Sounds scary, right? But here's the really terrifying part: that email is a fake, and so is the website it's sending you to.

If you follow the instructions and provide your account info, so-called phishers will steal your identity. You may soon find that these scammers have used your data to purchase all kinds of things on eBay you've never heard of, and the sellers are demanding payment. Your eBay reputation and your credit rating will be in tatters. And that's just for starters.

Fortunately, there are ways to fight the phishers:

1. Spot phony e-mail. Neither eBay nor its PayPal subsidiary will ever send you email with live links inside it, says dean of eBay Education Jim Griffith. So no matter how real they may look, be aware that any PayPal or eBay email containing live links is an outright fake.

The OCS home page passed 10 million hits in March 2007 – *that's a great audience for advertisers!*

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Phishers *(Continued from Side One)*

2. Think before you click. Never click the live link inside such email; if you want to check your account status, manually type eBay or PayPal's address into your browser and log on normally.

3. Make sure the site is secure. eBay and PayPal use SSL encryption to secure your login info. That means the Web address should start with https: (the "s" stands for secure), and there should be a tiny, locked icon in the lower-right corner of your browser.

4. Double-check the URL. Some phishers use foreign character sets to create URLs close enough to fool users into thinking they're on the real site. Make sure the site you're logging on to is really www.paypal.com and not www.paypäl.com.

5. Rat out the bad guys. Identity theft is a serious crime, and the FBI is actively investigating phishing scams and other activities related to ID theft. eBay is also investigating spoof email. If you get phisher email that claims to be from eBay or PayPal, forward it to spoof@ebay.com and file a complaint with the Internet Fraud Complaint Center.

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Fan Mail

"I'm moving and hope my next ISP will be as helpful as OCS, I've been very, very happy with your service!" SC, 3/07

Wireless Service Tips

Several factors can affect wireless performance, and some may not be so obvious. Here are a few to be aware of . . .

• One of the easiest to spot is trees, which tend to grow a little taller each year and of course leaf out in the summer. Trees that partially block your wireless signal should be trimmed to maintain best performance.

• Most cordless phones and microwave ovens operate in the same frequency range as Internet service, and these devices generate enough concentrated power to create a lot of interference when in use. If your browser slows noticeably every time the cordless phone rings or you're "nuking" something in the kitchen, try repositioning.

• Some wireless devices include a "channel selector" feature, which should be set to a different channel from that being used for your Internet service. If you have or are considering in-home or in-office wireless networking, please contact us to discuss or verify the configuration of your unit to make sure it does not conflict with your primary wireless Internet service. OCS can also provide and configure these units for you, or recommend what to look for if shopping on your own.

Help us celebrate! OCS turned 25 in February, the company was started in a home office in 1982. We've had our 25-year logo printed on a selection of glassware as gifts for our customers, please stop by the office and choose yours! We have mugs in three colors, tall mixing (pint) glasses, and etched wine glasses. While they last, limit two per customer!
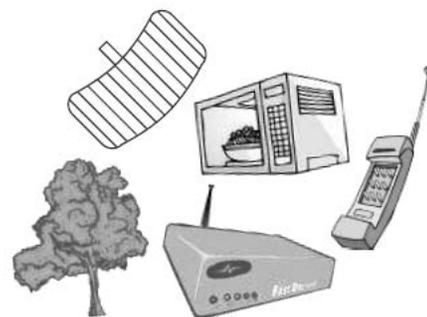
I Didn't Know That!

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• Professional website design, development, and hosting

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OACYS INTERNET SERVICE PLANS

Plan Name	Average Speeds			B-M-W[1]	One-Time Fees			Monthly Service
	Min	Typ	Max		Service Activation	Install/ Configure	Equipment Deposit	
1 Bandwidth-Mailboxes-Webspace (see notes)								
DIALUP	26K	40K	53K	1-5-5	25.00	-	-	24.95
Accelerator	Typically 2-5X faster			-	-	-	-	+5.00
**WIRELESS	STANDARD 2.4 GHz**								
24 Basic	125K	500K	750K	10-5-5	25.00	100.00	100.00	49.95[2,3]
24 Premium	250K	1M	1.5M	15-5-5	25.00	100.00	100.00	79.95[2,3]
24 Business	375K	1.5M	2M	20-10-10	25.00	100.00	100.00	129.95[2,3]
**WIRELESS	SPECIAL CASES 900 MHz (where available)**								
900 Basic	125K	375K	750K	5-5-5	25.00	100.00	100.00	59.95[4,5]
**WIRELESS	MISSION CRITICAL 5.8 GHz (where available)**								
58 Premium	250K	1M	1.5M	15-5-5	25.00	100.00	100.00	99.95
58 Business	375K	1.5M	2M	20-10-10	25.00	100.00	100.00	129.95
58 Professional	500K	2M	3M	25-25-25	25.00	100.00	100.00	159.95
58 Corporate	750K	3M	4M	30-30-30	25.00	100.00	100.00	199.95
58 Enterprise	1M	4M	5M	40-40-40	25.00	100.00	100.00	249.95

All plans include automated central email virus scanning, email spam filtering, and website parental controls. Some plan types permit webspace for personal use only. Wireless installation and deposit package may be paid in installments upon request. All speeds are symmetrical (same for upload and download) within the OACYS network only. All plans terminate at OACYS Porterville headquarters and transport to the Internet via dual T3s over dedicated OC12 fiber optic circuit. All plans subject to change without notice. Pricing and terms are current at the date of this newsletter and supersede previous versions. For footnotes 2,3,4,5 surcharges may apply. Please check with our office for additional details.