# NEWS **Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union "Members Helping Members"** Quarterly Newsletter • January 2023

## **AUTO LOANS**

Ready for a new ride? Come see Your Credit Union for easy financing!

### Everyday low rates and financing for up to 72 months on New Vehicles

Some restrictions apply. Membership and approved credit required. Limited time offer. Subject to change without notice.

### ANNUAL MEETING

The Nominees: William T. Howard, Kenneth Conly, Carlos Steward, Lance Parker and James Pope

### **INSTANT ISSUE DEBIT CARDS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON!**

Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union will start issuing debit cards at the Shreveport office soon. No more waiting weeks to receive a debit card or to replace a debit card.

### ZELLE<sup>®</sup> IS ACTIVE...TRY IT TODAY!

Zelle® a P2P real time payment solution is now available through Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union. To access Zelle®, log in to Home Banking and then Pay Bills and 'Send money with Zelle®' will be one of

### **MOBILE APP**

Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union has a mobile app available in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store. Now your PFFCU account is available 24/7. Just go to your app store and type in Pro Fire Fighters CU and download the app today!

### **CARD VALET HAS BEEN ADDED TO OUR MOBILE APP**

Card Valet has been added to our mobile app. Now just one app to track and monitor your credit union account! Use the card icon at the bottom of the accounts screen to add your PFFCU debit card to continue receiving alerts when your debit card is used.

Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union's Annual Meeting will be held in the Shreveport Credit Union Lobby at 1730 hours on Thursday January 26, 2023. All members are invited to attend. This letter is notification of the names paced in nomination for election to the Board of Directors of the Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union for a two-year term beginning January 2023. The nominees have been recommended by the Nominating Committee appointed by the Executive Officer of the Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union, as directed by R.S. 6:641, Article V Section 1 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, at the August 18, 2022 meeting.

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- Christmas Accounts
- Checking Accounts
- Share Certificates
- Individual Retirement Accounts
- Consumer Loans
- Mortgage Loans
- Home Equity Loans
- On-Line Banking
- Bill-Pay
- Visa Contactless Debit Cards
- Notary Services
- Safe Deposit Boxes
- ATM
- eStatements
- Zelle
- ACH Origination
- Mobile App
- Instant Issue Debit Cards

### **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

**Martin Luther King** January 16, 2023 **Presidents Day** February 20, 2023 **Good Friday** April 7, 2023

### **BOSSIER LUNCH HOUR**

Our Bossier Branch is closed between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm for lunch.







## **DEBIT CARD SECURITY TIPS**

- Report lost or stolen cards immediately. During business hours call 1-318-603-0626 and after hours and weekends call 1-800-472-3272 or 1-800-262-2024.
- Memorize your PIN (Personal Identification Number). If you write down your PIN, an unauthorized person can find it.
- Safeguard your devices. Be extra careful to protect your information when you have your card information stored in a mobile wallet. Use strong passwords and biometric features such as fingerprint or face recognition to secure your mobile device.
- Phone and online transactions. When conducting phone or online transactions, you should be the one to initiate the contact. Verify the company or website is reputable. You can use customer satisfaction ratings and the Better Business Bureau, www.bbb.org, to check if they are reputable. Also, check that websites are secure websites.
- **Review your statement and use Home Banking.** Review your monthly statement as soon as you receive it and contact PFFCU immediately if there are any unauthorized transactions. Home Banking is also helpful to track account activity.

### **INCOME TAX SERVICE**

Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union provides members a year-round tax service, conveniently located at 9253 Wallace Lake Road, Shreveport, LA 71106. For over 30 years Mark Ford, CPA's firm has been providing tax preparation and advice to Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union members. This service includes individual, partnership and corporate returns. Call 318.688.7006 for an appointment or stop in at 9253 Wallace Lake Road Shreveport, LA 71106.

### **DORMANT, INACTIVE OR ABANDONED ACCOUNTS**

If your account(s) has no deposit or withdrawal activity for one (1) year, it will be considered dormant and we will cease mailing statements. You may reactivate your account by contacting us. Dormant accounts are subject to a monthly fee (refer to the Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union Fee Schedule) after the account is categorized dormant. If the account(s) remains inactive for five (5) years, it may be subject to escheat to the State of Louisiana, unless other conditions imposed by applicable laws are met.

### **IT'S TAX TIME!**

Follow these helpful tips to avoid delays in receiving your tax refund into your PFFCU account:

- 1. The name and account number must match EXACTLY in order for the deposit to be credited to your account.
- 2. The person receiving the tax refund must be on the account.

### **IRS SCAMS**

It's that time of year. With tax refund season just around the corner, scammers are getting ready to try and take your tax refund.

Scammers can mask their phone number and make it look like it really is the IRS. The IRS does not call people they need to get in touch with, they will send a letter.

Scammers use fake names and badge numbers and will get irate and threaten to have you arrested. The IRS does not do this.

Scammers want immediate payment using a debit or credit card, gift card or wire. The IRS does not ask for immediate payment and certainly not with any of the described payment methods.

Scammers don't always demand money, sometimes they say you are getting a refund to get your personal information. Do NOT be fooled! The IRS will not call you about your refund.

You cannot win a drawing or lottery if you did not enter, especially in a foreign country. A legitimate lottery will not request upfront money to pay taxes or fees. The taxes are paid out of the winnings.

### **CREDIT UNION STAFF**

Bobby Cannon ...... President / CEO Jeannie McClung, CUCE, BSACS ... Co-CEO Kim Molen ...... Senior Loan Officer Mandy Hutto, CUCE, BSACS ... Loan Officer Angela Robbins..... Member Service Representative

### **YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

W. Terry Howard - *Chairman* Cedric White - *Vice-Chairman* Kenneth Conly - *Secretary-Treasurer* Carlos Steward Kip Mourad Richard Parker Lance Parker James Pope Dewayne Tasby

### **SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE**

Wendell Holmes - *Chairman* Dewayne Tasby George Craft

### **FINANCIALS**

Professional Fire Fighters Credit Union Financials as of 09/30/2022

Assets	\$62,172,420
Shares	\$51,499,480
Loans	\$32,691,739
Members	2,543



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### BOSSIER BRANCH

1907 Benton Road, Suite 100 Bossier City, LA 71111 Phone: (318) 746.1900 Fax: (318) 746.1996 Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Fri: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Lunch Hour: 11:30 – 12:30

**SERVICE CENTER** 284 Southfield Road Shreveport, LA 71105 Mon – Fri: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

