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Dakota Plains Credit Union newsletter

Second Quarter 2015

Relay For Life

Relay for Life is an organized overnight fundraising walk held in communities world-wide. The Relay consists of teams that set up camp and sell food or other items to fundraise for the event. Fun and games as well as team challenges take place during the event. A very moving ceremony to remember those we have lost to cancer and celebrate those who have beaten cancer also motivates everyone to fight back against this terrible disease.

Relay for Life started 30 years ago when Dr. Gordy Klatt walked and ran for 24 hours around a track in Tacoma, Washington, ultimately raising \$27,000 to help the American Cancer Society fight the nation's biggest health concern - cancer. Now, every year more than four million people come together at Relay for Life events around the world.

Relay for Life is held in 5,200 communities in 20 different countries where more than \$400 million dollars are raised every year. The money is used for research, programs, advocacy, and prevention. This year RFL is also celebrating birthdays for nearly 14.5 million cancer survivors.

Numerous opportunities exist for individuals and businesses who would like to get involved. There are several events held in North Dakota each year including three in our immediate area. LaMoure County Relay for Life will be held June 5, 2015 from 6:00 pm to 2:00 am at the LaMoure Public School. Ransom County Relay for Life also has their event on June 5, 2015 from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm at Sandager Park in Lisbon. Finally, Dickey County Relay for Life will be held June 19, 2015 from 2:00 pm to 2:00



am at the Ellendale Public School Track.

Dakota Plains Credit Union supports Relay for Life in a number of ways. DPCU is a generous sponsor of the event, donates items for fundraisers, and several employees are involved on teams and/or the committees.

If you would like to get involved in some way please contact Bridget Henning at our Ellendale office. You may also visit www.relayforlife.org to search for a specific event and sign up for a team or as a survivor. You may also make a donation online.

DPCU is proud to be a part of Relay for Life as lives are touched and changed by the dedication to help fight cancer.

Building Financial Literacy

MoneyIsland is an instructive, entertaining online experience, which educates our youth in three key areas - Saving & Spending, Earning & Investing and Using Credit Wisely - while building math skills. Boys and girls embark on intriguing adventures to exotic destinations, transforming into financial gurus along the way. Access to an administrator tool helps parents track progress and assist in the learning experience. To keep developing knowledge, MoneyIsland also regularly updates and refreshes its content.

With financial literacy at an all-time low in the United States, the importance of programs like MoneyIsland has never been greater. In 2008, high school seniors correctly answered just 48.3 percent of questions posed in the JumpStart Financial Literacy survey. Fortunately, 80 percent of teachers say it is important to teach money-management skills

in U.S. classrooms. ²The lack of time, state curriculum requirements, and demand are the top three challenges to teaching financial literacy according to teachers. Lack of materials and professional development are also cited by many as challenges. Learn how MoneyIsland addresses these issues to meet a critical need.³

In a world where kids are exposed to interactive video games at an early age, MoneyIsland engages them by bringing fun, gaming and play directly into the education experience.

Log on to <https://dpcu.moneyisland.com> to get your child started today!!! ACCESS CODE: 66rdwc

1. NFI Inventory Research, March/April 2007 30
2. Jumpstart Financial Literacy Surveys, 2008
3. Networks Financial Institute (Indiana State University)

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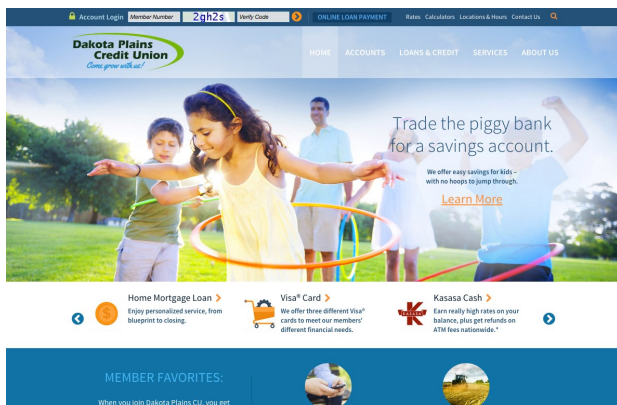
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Enderlin High School Graduation
May 24, 2015
2:00 pm

Edgeley Public School Graduation
May 23, 2015
7:00 pm

Ellendale High School Graduation
May 24, 2015
2:00 pm

Congratulations, Graduates!




DPCU Holiday Closings

Monday, May 25, 2015

Memorial Day

Friday, July 3, 2015

Independence Day



Which one are you?

The world needs dreamers and the world needs doers. But above all, the world needs dreamers who do.

Sarah Ban Breathnach

I'm sick of following my dreams. I'm just going to ask them where they're goin', and hook up with them later.

Mitch Hedberg

Governmental Affairs Conference

The credit unions' largest gathering of advocates kicked off the annual Governmental Affairs Committee on Monday, March 9th in Washington D.C. Seventy advocates represented North and South Dakota, including Dakota Plains Credit Union's CEO, Mike Reinsour.

Your credit union leaders across the states gather annually to hear from influential legislators, policymakers and credit union experts on the political landscape and its effect on credit unions. During these gatherings our credit union leaders network with each other to identify new ways to connect with our members, maintain their trust and to continue to provide the services and products that our membership wants. Credit Union membership has reached one hundred million credit union members nationally. This is a significant number which says that consumers want financial service alternatives that offer real choices and put them first.



April is Youth Month

MONEY\$ISLAND™

Learn Money. Earn Rewards.

Kids love games. They also love winning stuff. That's why real-life rewards are built into MoneyIsland™, and may include:

- Savings account with a \$5 starter deposit
- Name placed on the Wall of Stars
- Special rewards for schools/organizations that play as a group

JOIN!

MoneyIsland™ is free to our account holders' children, as well as local schools and youth programs. Get your access code at any of our locations, or online at the link below.

Parents and teachers have access to additional tools and activities to further engage children. Plus, our site continues the quest with more games, videos, competitions, and more. MoneyIsland™ is where ordinary kids become financial gurus...Join today!

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8 - 14 year olds

Help us celebrate youth month by completing the MoneyIsland game.

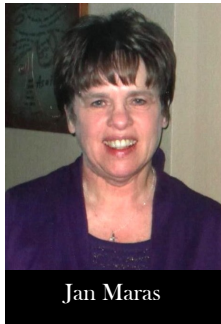
Bring your MoneyIsland certificate into your local branch during the month of April and receive a \$10 deposit into your youth savings account!!!

Your name will also be added to the Wall of Stars.

FACES IN DPCU PLACES

The next time you visit your local DPCU office you may see some new faces or familiar faces in new places. Changes are taking place in DPCU branches and we wanted to keep you informed.

Three new people have joined our staff.



Jan Maras

Jan Maras and her husband Roger moved back to Enderlin from Fargo, ND in the fall of 2014. Jan retired after 17 years as a Customer Service Manager with another financial institution. Roger and Jan have three children, three grandchildren and one great grandchild. Jan will be serving our members at the Enderlin branch of Dakota Plains Credit Union as a part-time Member Service Representative.



Jolene Maunu

Jolene Maunu joins the Edgeley staff as a new Member Service Representative. She lives in Ellendale with her husband David, who manages the Farmers Union Fertilizer Plant in Ellendale. Jolene and David have five kids; Jonathan, Michaela, Colten, Eli, and Kaitlynn. Jonathan and his fiancé had a baby in September, so that makes Jolene and David new grandparents and they couldn't be happier. Jolene is an active member of the Ellendale City Council, treasurer for the Ellendale Lions Club, and participates whenever she is able in activities for the OPERA organization in Ellendale. She enjoys camping and being outdoors with her family, gardening, biking, creating and reading, and in general learning new things. She is excited to serve the members of Dakota Plains Credit Union and looks forward to meeting everyone.



Darbie Claus

Darbie Claus is originally from Enderlin and she joins their branch office as a full time Member Service Representative. She graduated from Enderlin High School and is presently a senior at UND where she will graduate this May with a major in Business Management. Darbie is also expecting a baby girl May 31st. Having recently become engaged, she and her fiancé are planning a wedding for September 2016.



Jodie Schiele

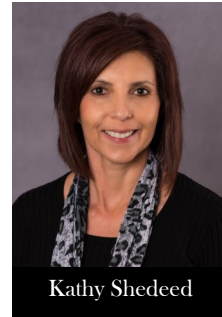
Jodie Schiele has taken on a new role as Branch Manager in the Edgeley office. Jodie started at Dakota Plains Credit Union in June of 2013. Jodie and her husband Jon have lived in Edgeley for the past five years with their children, Kaitlyn (14), Bryson (12), Nathan (5), and Camden (2). Jodie currently serves on the Edgeley Park Board and in her spare time enjoys attending sporting events and camping.



Cindy Hanson

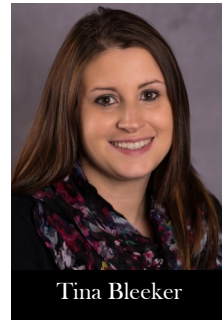
Cindy Hanson is excited to take on her new role at Dakota Plains Credit Union as an Agriculture and Commercial Lender. She currently has been serving the greater Enderlin area as a Consumer Loan Officer for the past 8 ½ years. Having grown up on a livestock and grain farm outside of Enderlin, Cindy has experienced first hand the dedication and hard work that farming requires. She is looking forward to applying that same work ethic in her new role as an Agriculture Commercial Lender.

An Enderlin High School alumni and FFA American Farmer Degree recipient, Cindy graduated from North Dakota State University where she majored in Animal and Range Science and Agriculture Economics. Before joining Dakota Plains Credit Union in 2012, Cindy had 5 years of previous financial experience in loans and deposits. Cindy and her husband Terry have three children, Cassandra, a senior attending the University of Jamestown majoring in Nursing, Gareth is a junior attending Mayville State University majoring in Elementary Education, Physical Education and coaching, and Faith is a junior at North Sargent in Gwinner, North Dakota.



Kathy Shedeed

Kathy Shedeed has been working as a member service representative for over a year and a half. She has really enjoyed this position but when the loan processor position became open she decided she needed a challenge so she applied and here she is — ready for a new adventure! Kathy enjoys working for Dakota Plains Credit Union.



Tina Blecker

Tina Blecker is looking forward to the challenges and opportunities that come with being Consumer Loan Office at DPCU in Enderlin. She loves meeting new people and encourages anyone to stop in to say hello. Tina is married to Kyle Blecker. They have a daughter, Kaydee, who will be 2 in May, and a son, Kody, born December 29th. Tina and her family live south of Lisbon near Deadcolt Creek where they raise commercial cow/calf pairs and have a small registered Angus herd. In her spare time Tina enjoys being outside, watching Bison football, and being with friends and family.