

NOTES OF INTEREST



IN THIS ISSUE:

Save to Win

You're Invited to our Annual Meeting

Romance Scams

The friendly little newsletter for Educational Community Alliance Credit Union Members

2ND QUARTER 2023

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL MEETING

Celebrate your credit union at our annual meeting. All Educational Community Alliance CU members are invited — we hope to see you there!



Date: Saturday - April 22, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Bowsher High School Cafeteria

RSVP: educacu.com/annual-meeting or call the office at (419)381-2323

Interested in a seat as a Director? Please contact Beth Carpenter at bcarpenter@educacu.com

SAVE MONEY TO WIN!

EducaCU is excited to offer members an innovative and rewarding prize-linked savings program designed to help members save. With only \$5 to open an account, members can earn entries for every \$20 deposit up to 5 entries per month. To make saving even easier, members can utilize auto-transfer or payroll deduction. Plus, members can earn dividends as they save money to win money. With over \$4,000 to be awarded in cash prizes in 2023, this program is sure to provide a fun and rewarding way to save! Don't miss out on your chance to be a winner, open an account, or make a deposit today.

Congratulations to our 4th quarter winners:

Deborah C., Dale P., Myra W., Frederick C., Isabella D. and grand-prize \$1,000 winner Christina B..

\$100 per month drawing

\$1,000 end of the year drawing

\$500 per quarter drawing with (2) winners chosen: a \$300 winner AND a \$200 winner



BUILDING A BETTER MEMBER EXPERIENCE

Delivering value is always a top priority here at the Credit Union. To continue doing so, we'll be making several system enhancements this fall to improve your experience and make your financial relationship with us even more convenient.

Our system upgrades will result in **our office being closed on Monday - October 2, 2023**. Please mark your calendars and plan to conduct all in-person banking by close of business on Friday, September 29th. We will be open during standard business hours on Tuesday – October 3rd ready to serve you with our enhanced platforms.

Prior to the upgrade, you can expect a series of communications from us detailing things you'll need to do in preparation to save information such as eStatements and steps on how to access our new online/mobile banking platforms, and more. Watch your inbox/mailbox for more important updates - coming soon! **To ensure we can reach you with important updates, please ensure the Credit Union has your current contact information on file. Please contact our office at your earliest convenience to verify your information.**

SAVINGS RATES

Dividends declared for 2nd quarter.

Please call the credit union or visit educacu.com for current rates.



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

The Ohio Credit Union Foundation is offering Ohio undergraduate credit union members the opportunity to apply for one of three scholarships (\$5,000, \$2,500 & \$1,000) by creating an interactive 1 to 2½-minute video answering the question, **"How does your credit union support the local community"**. **Video submission deadline is Friday, April 28, 2023.** Visit <https://bit.ly/3kwVBI8> to learn more and apply today.



UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

- Monday, May 29 – **Memorial Day**
- Monday, June 19 – **Juneteenth**
- Tuesday, July 4 – **Independence Day**

Remember, our most convenient branch ever is right at your fingertips! Online/mobile banking allows you to deposit checks, view account balances, transfer funds, pay bills, and more. And with our Card Valet app, you can even disable your debit card in the event it's lost or stolen when our branch is closed. Questions on these services or need help enrolling? Contact us today.



BEWARE OF ROMANCE SCAMS

Unfortunately, scammers are everywhere, including on dating websites and apps. If you're looking for a romantic partner online, it's important to be aware of the potential for scammers. They will often try to build a relationship with you and then ask for money, gifts, or personal information. It's important to be cautious and to never give out confidential information or money to someone you don't know.

Spotting a romance scammer can be tricky, but there are a few red flags to watch out for.

- If your new love interest is asking for money or access to your finances before you have had a chance to build a relationship and trust.
- If the person seems too good to be true or has over-the-top stories or a dramatic backstory.
- Finally, be cautious of someone who is reluctant to talk to you on the phone or meet in person.

If you have any doubts or suspicions, it's best to trust your instincts and end the relationship.



Protecting yourself and your loved ones from scams is important. Our Online Security Center is a great resource to help you stay informed and stay safe.

Visit educacu.com/security-center to learn more about how to protect yourself and your family from online scams. Sign up for the **FREE** email newsletter containing the latest cyber security news, tips and breach notifications.

GREAT RATES ON CERTIFICATES

Invest in your future with one of our Certificate Specials and make the most of your money risk-free. Our Certificate Specials offer more than 18x the average savings rate but are only available for a limited time.

Call us 419-381-2323 or visit our website educacu.com to see the latest certificate rates, terms and promotions. Certificate Promotions are subject to change and are available for a limited time.



Educational Community
ALLIANCE CREDIT UNION

EDUCACU.COM | 419-381-2323



HOURS OF OPERATION

3845 Angola Rd. Toledo, OH: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (drive thru opened until 5:00 p.m.) Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (drive thru opened until 6:00 p.m.)