

MAY 2025

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Free Shred Event
and non-perishable food drive
on Saturday, May 3rd
at our Sparta Branch from 8:00 - 11:00 am

- Free secure shredding of outdated sensitive documents such as financial statements, check duplicates, receipts, invoices, etc.
- We are also holding a food drive if you wish to donate a non-perishable food item to benefit a local food pantry. Donating is voluntary.
- All shredding will be done on-site at 1000 W. Wisconsin Street in Sparta by the Confidential Records, Inc. mobile shredding truck. This event is open to the public.
- Please follow these shredding guidelines:
 - 1) Up to 3 boxes/bags of shredding (100 lbs) per person
 - 2) All types of paper are fine, but ONLY PAPER is accepted (no disks or other hard objects, no 3-ring binders or hard covers). Staples and paper clips do not need to be removed, but please remove butterfly clips.
 - 3) Please consult your tax professional for advice on tax return and records retention. Also, never destroy documents tied to pending litigation or vital records such as wills, deeds, titles, birth or death certificates.

Routine Scheduled Maintenance on Sunday, June 8th
from Midnight until approximately 9:00 AM CDT.

- 1st CCU Anywhere Online & Mobile Banking and Online Bill Pay will be temporarily unavailable during this time.
- ATM withdrawals will be limited to \$100 and point-of-sale transactions will be limited to \$1500 during this time.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

JUNE 2025

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29	30	1	2	3	4	5

UPCOMING SPECIAL HOURS:

- 1st CCU is closed Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.
- West Salem's drive-up will close at 11:30 AM on Saturday, May 31st due to the June Dairy Days parade.
- 1st CCU is closed Friday, July 4th for Independence Day. We are open for regular Saturday hours on July 5th.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! FIND US AT THESE UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- May 31: June Dairy Days Parade in West Salem
- June 8: Butterfest Parade in Sparta
- June 21: 1st CCU Sparta Half Marathon/5K (visit spartahalfmarathon5k.com)
- July 3-Aug 14: Tomah Downtown Thursday Nights



STAFF NEWS



Please join us in celebrating the following staffing updates!



Lucas Fanning promoted to Loan Officer I

Luke rejoined 1st CCU in September 2020 as an MSR II and then moved to the position of Consumer Loan Officer in February 2021. Luke has demonstrated exceptional skill, dedication, and a passion for helping our members achieve their financial goals. As a Loan Officer I Luke will be responsible for guiding members through the Mortgage loan process. Congratulations Luke!



Welcome Emily Faucett

to 1st CCU! In January 2025 Emily Faucett joined our West Salem team as a Member Service Representative I. Stop by and say hello to Emily!



Welcome Jaymee Seielstad to 1st CCU!

Jaymee is a new Member Service Representative I in our Sparta office. She came to 1st CCU in January 2025. Stop by and say hello to Jaymee!



Calling all Bangor students, parents, teachers and alumni!



We've just added a new Bangor Debit Card, available when you open a checking account*. Encourage friends and family to join 1st CCU and show their Bangor School Pride!

*Subject to membership eligibility. Federally insured by NCUA.

64th Annual Meeting



1st Community Credit Union held its 64th Annual Meeting on March 31, 2025 at Sparta American Legion Post 100 in Sparta, WI.

The 42 member-owners attending the meeting elected two directors, Doug Allen and Claire Sweet, to three-year terms.

Chairperson Wendy Whitehead introduced the members of the Board of Directors and recognized the Executive leaders of the credit union, who have over 187 years of experience. Ms. Whitehead expressed gratitude to the credit union's members for their support and engagement throughout the year, which contributed to the steady growth of 1st CCU. She talked about the 5-year anniversary of the Tomah branch, recent enhancements such as the new Online Business Loan Application, and 1st CCU's community involvement throughout 2024, including over \$39,000 donated to local causes and \$7,000 in scholarships awarded to local graduating seniors.

Treasurer Phil Yahnke reported on the Credit Union's Financial Condition. 2024's growth brought assets to over \$266 million dollars. Members' deposits are federally insured by NCUA. The credit union issued loans totaling \$84.9 million in 2024. Since forming in 1961 the credit union has loaned out over \$1.7 billion dollars to members.

President Brad Bauges discussed the Don't Tax My Credit Union grassroots outreach and encouraged members to visit the website at donttaxmycreditunion.org. Other highlights shared by Mr. Bauges and members of the Management team included an upcoming remodel of the Sparta branch, plans for rolling out a Mobile Wallet service later in the year, as well as a new Add-On Youth Certificate coming soon. Members were also encouraged to take advantage of resources provided by the credit union to help members learn about avoiding fraud.

The Board of Directors then took several great questions from members. 1st CCU remains financially sound, and the partnership between the members and the staff continue to drive the credit union to be strong.

Your board of directors for 2025 include:

Chair = Wendy Whitehead
Vice Chair = Doug Billings
Secretary = Lindsey Preston
Treasurer = Phil Yahnke
Director = Doug Allen
Director = Mike Roeske
Director = Claire Sweet





Our 'Rock Enroll' eStatement Sweepstakes is coming back from June 1st thru July 15th!

**ROCK
ENROLL**



Get a chance to win a Pair of 3-Day General Admission Tickets to Ashley for the Arts with your eStatement enrollment (or alternate entry) between June 1 - July 15, 2025.

Visit 1stccu.com in June for full details!



Here's a sneak peek at
WHAT'S COMING
later this year!

Our teams are hard at work developing enhancements to our products and services that will be launched later this summer:



Kickstart Add-On Youth Certificate!

Kickstart your child's savings with the Kickstart Add-On Savings Certificate!



- Exciting new Savings Certificate option to save for your child's future.
- Low minimum opening deposit, great rate.
- Add to it any time, as many times as you wish.
- Ability to add to the certificate via 1st CCU Anywhere transfer or a deposit to the account.
- Choose 12-month or 36-month term.
- Watch our website and Facebook page for updates this summer.



Mobile Wallet!

A new, faster way to pay using your smart phone or watch.



YOUR WALLET IS ABOUT TO GET SMARTER!

- Easy to enroll.
- Safe and secure to use.
- The benefits of your 1st CCU Debit & Credit Card in the palm of your hand.
- Watch our website and Facebook page for updates this summer.



**Congratulations to all the graduates.
Best wishes for your bright future!**

Keep in touch! Please keep your email, phone, and address updated on your 1st CCU accounts.

1st CCU Business Line of Credit to help you manage those cash-flow crunches



Contact 1st CCU for all your Business Loan needs | 1stccu.com | 888-706-1228

IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT TELL A FRIEND!

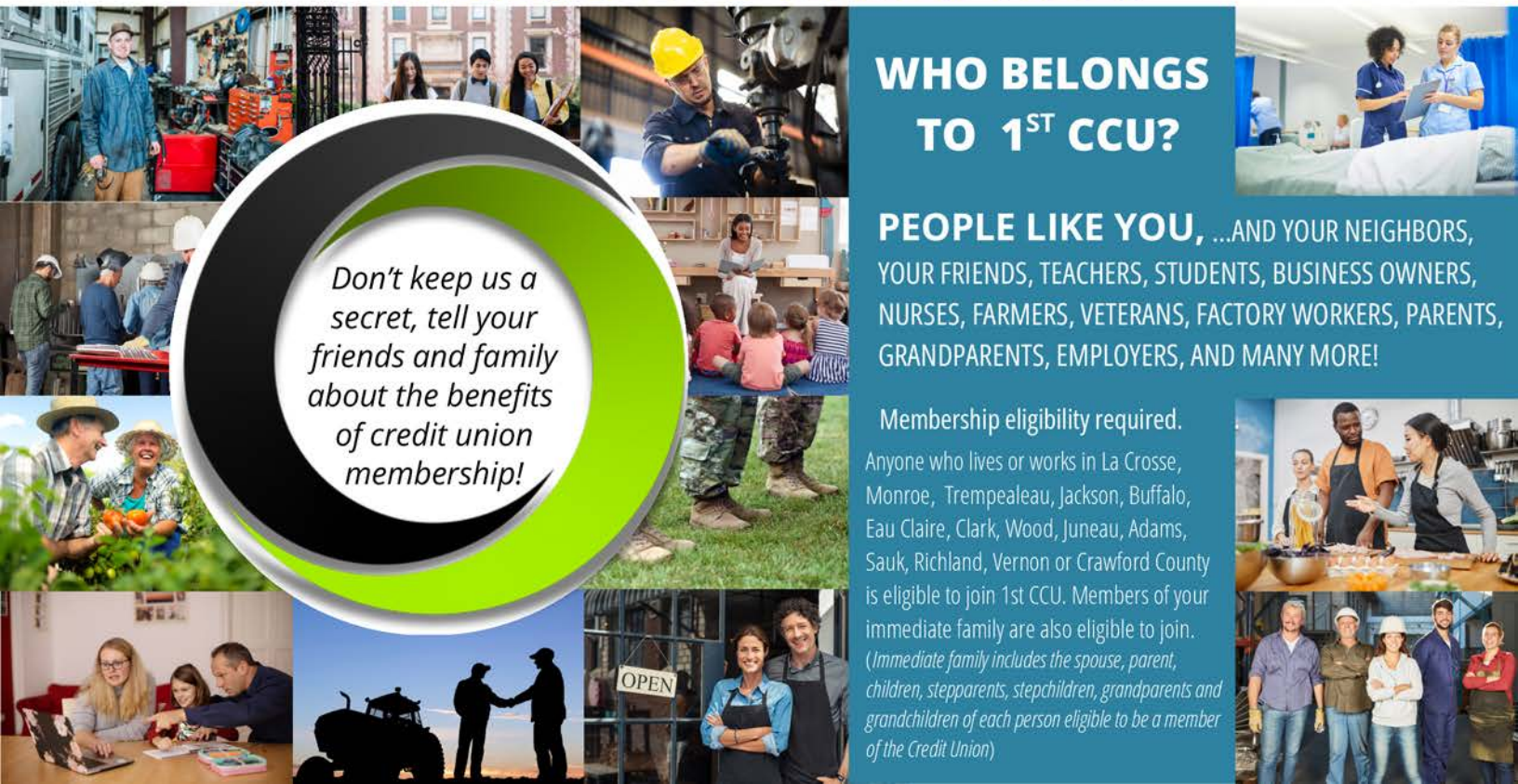
*Don't keep us a
secret, tell your
friends and family
about the benefits
of credit union
membership!*

WHO BELONGS TO 1ST CCU?

PEOPLE LIKE YOU, ...AND YOUR NEIGHBORS,
YOUR FRIENDS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS, BUSINESS OWNERS,
NURSES, FARMERS, VETERANS, FACTORY WORKERS, PARENTS,
GRANDPARENTS, EMPLOYERS, AND MANY MORE!

Membership eligibility required.

Anyone who lives or works in La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, Jackson, Buffalo, Eau Claire, Clark, Wood, Juneau, Adams, Sauk, Richland, Vernon or Crawford County is eligible to join 1st CCU. Members of your immediate family are also eligible to join. (Immediate family includes the spouse, parent, children, stepparents, stepchildren, grandparents and grandchildren of each person eligible to be a member of the Credit Union)



PERKS OF MEMBERSHIP

1st CCU members qualify for a discounted admission to Noah's Ark Waterpark. The Promo Code is exclusive for 1st CCU members and cannot be posted publicly on our website, so we'll be sending the code in a message posted to 1st CCU Anywhere Online & Mobile Banking around May 23, 2025. If you don't have access to get the code within 1st CCU Anywhere you may contact 1st CCU during regular business hours this summer to ask for the Promo Code.

To use the Noah's Ark Promo Code:

- Tickets must be purchased on the NoahsArkWaterpark.com website. Click 'Buy Tickets' button, then select 'Tickets'.
- Select your ticket choice and quantity. Scroll down and enter the Promotional Code. Click 'Apply', then 'Continue'.
- Your discounted ticket price will show as \$34.99 plus tax (\$37.35) per ticket after the Promo Code is applied.
- Offer valid May 24 - September 1, 2025*.

*Blackout dates may apply. 1st CCU is not affiliated with the water park. For park attractions, restrictions, amenities, and ride height requirements, visit noahsarkwaterpark.com.



PARDON OUR DUST, BUT UPDATE WE MUST!

Later this summer we're planning a few modifications for our Sparta Branch in order to accommodate future growth and better serve our members.

We're happy to announce that when the remodel starts our lobby and drive-up will remain open and it will be 'business as usual' around here! We'll be here to serve you! More details will be posted to our website and social media later in the year when the remodel gets underway.



Handy Tip! If you would rather skip the construction dust and noise, please know that many of your financial needs can be handled when you use our remote services. If you aren't already enrolled or if you have questions about how to use these services, contact 1st CCU for assistance!

- Mobile Deposit
- Telephone banking
- Online Bill Pay
- 1st CCU drive-up ATM's at each branch for cash withdrawals
- 1st CCU Anywhere Online Banking and Mobile App
- Online Loan Applications and Online Account Opening



REMINDER: When sending mail, please address the envelope to the correct PO Box rather than the street address:

1st CCU, PO Box 167, Sparta, WI 54656

1st CCU, PO Box 913, West Salem, WI 54669

1st CCU, PO Box 407, Tomah, WI 54660

OUR HOURS:

Sparta Lobby:	8:30-5 M-W, 8:30-5:30 Th-F, 8-11:30 Sat
Sparta DriveUp:	7:30-5:30 M-F, 8-11:30 Sat
West Salem Lobby:	8:30-5 M-Th, 8:30-5:30 Fri
West Salem DriveUp:	7:30-5:30 M-F, 8:30-Noon Sat
Tomah Lobby:	8:30-5:00 M-F
Tomah DriveUp:	8-5 M-Th, 8-5:30 F, 8:30-11:30 Sat
Call Center:	7:30 - 5:30 M-F, 8-12 Sat.