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#### **MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

FALL 2020





At Mercer County Community FCU, we want to help our members save time and money when shopping for their next vehicle.

Our CU Direct partnership with local dealerships allows you to get the same great loan rates as you would if you came to one of our branches.

The dealer takes care of forwarding all your loan documents directly to us and the loan is serviced entirely by us.

#### Participating auto dealers include:

- Bill McCandless Ford
- Greenwood Hubbard Chevrolet
- Gordons Auto Sales, Inc.
- Kufleitner Chrysler Jeep Ram
- Lakeland Chrysler Dodge
- Montrose Buick-GMC-Cadillac
- Phil Fitts Ford
- Preston Auto Group
- Shenango Honda
- Taylor Chevrolet Toyota
- Taylor Kia
- Team Lake Road Auto Sales

For current loan rates and details, visit us online at www.mccfcu.org.



## A MESSAGE TO OUR CREDIT UNION FAMILY

As your credit union, we continue to monitor the latest updates regarding the Coronavirus and want you to know we are here for you as we always have been.

We encourage you to use our drive-thrus that are operating during normal business hours, or our ATMs, available 24/7. You can also call our offices to set up an appointment to see a loan officer, add an account, or open an IRA. If you don't currently use mobile banking, now is a good time to initiate this feature from your home banking screen and download our mobile app.

If you've been financially impacted by this pandemic, our staff is prepared to discuss your options and help guide you through these uncertain times. We have certified financial counselors available to provide guidance and help you make the best decisions for your financial well-being. We are also offering emergency loans, and extension of first payment due dates for many of our loans.

We at Mercer County Community FCU are proud to be a part of your lives and are honored by the trust you place in us. We're not only thinking about your financial security, but your health as well. Our number one priority is protecting the health

and safety of our members and our employees who are here to serve you.

Please take care of yourself and those around you, and do not hesitate to contact us for any assistance.

Sincerely wishing you the best of health,

Sandi Carangi, CEO Mercer County Community FCU

#### Protect Yourself from Cyber Scams

Scammers are taking advantage of fears surrounding the Coronavirus. They're using fake emails, texts, and social media posts to get your personal information and take your money. It's important to note that if we reach out to you, **we will NEVER ask for confidential information such as your account number, personal identification number (PIN) or other account information**.



\*Annual Percentage Rate effective 10/1/2020 subject to change. Rates and terms based on credit qualifications and subject to credit approval. Federally insured by NCUA.



# ØAutoSMART<sup>™</sup> STRESS-FREE CAR SHOPPING

Need a new car but want to limit trips to the dealership? AutoSMART is a free online resource, on our credit union website, that has all the tools you need to find your perfect car.

- Search inventory online Research over 2.7 million new and used cars, trucks and SUVs.
- Customize your options
  Select features, view photos and compare specs.
- Build your own car Search for your ideal ride based on personal preferences.
- ✓ Estimate your trade-in value Discover how much your current car is worth.

#### ✓ Get pre-approved

Shop with confidence with the option to be pre-approved for a credit union loan.

Visit us online at www.mccfcu.org and click on CU Direct AutoSmart for complete car-shopping at your fingertips.

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# CU COMMUNITY SHRED DAY

Helping to protect our member's personal information, Mercer County Community FCU will be offering shredding services for our members on **Saturday, October 17, 2020**.

Shred-It will have an on-site shredder truck and an employee of the company to do the shredding. For your protection, we recommend any sensitive materials containing social

security or account numbers, or cancelled checks should be shredded.

You can include any type of paper or file folders,



WHEN: Saturday, October 17, 2020 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

WHERE: Sharon Office Parking Lot 428 Sharpsville Avenue

no need to remove staples, paper clips, rubber bands or small binders. Please do not bring cardboard, old newspapers, telephone books, hard copy books, plastics, metals, or hazardous materials. Thank you!



# MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY FCU RECEIVES 5-STAR SUPERIOR RATING

Mercer County Community Federal Credit Union has been recognized on its achievement of a 5-Star Superior Rating by BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank and Credit Union Rating Firm. Earning this 5-Star rating indicates Mercer County Community FCU closed out calendar year 2019 excelling in areas of capital adequacy, earnings, asset quality and much more.

"On behalf of Mercer County Community FCU, we are honored to earn BauerFinancial's top 5-Star rating," reflects Sandi Carangi, CEO. "Because credit unions are formed by people with common ground to begin with, employees and members already have commonalities we can build on. This partnership allows our credit union to work with our members through every life stage. Doing this well is how Mercer County Community FCU remains financially safe and sound."

Mercer County Community FCU was established in 1957 and has been working side by side with its members for 63 years, helping bring success to the members and to the credit union.



# MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY FCU SUPPORTS CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK **MIRACLE JEANS DAY**



Credit Union employees participated in Children's Miracle Network's Miracle Jeans Day on Wednesday, September 9, 2020. Employees from the Hermitage and Sharon offices made donations so they could wear jeans along with their "Credit Unions for Kids" t-shirts to show their support. A \$500 check from the credit union was presented to Akron Children's Hospital.

# INTERNATIONAL **CREDIT UNION DAY ON OCTOBER 15, CREDIT UNIONS** AROUND THE WORLD WILL CELEBRATE.

On Thursday, October 15, Mercer County Community FCU will join over 85,000 credit unions on six continents with more than 270 million members in celebration of International Credit Union (ICU) Day®.

Each year we come together to raise awareness about what it means for members around the world to have a credit union as their financial partner. This year's global health crisis has been trying for many communities around the world, but credit unions stayed true to their cooperative principles and stepped up during this time of economic uncertainty. Hope is a global resource that everyone has a right to feel and experience. This year's ICU Day theme "Inspiring hope for a global community" reflects how credit unions contribute to a brighter future by providing financial empowerment to people all over the world through financial services, education and support.



# REFRESH YOUR FINANCES

Consolidate your debt with our 2.99% APR Visa Credit Card Balance Transfer Offer. Now is the time to transfer your high interest credit card balances to a Mercer County Community FCU Visa Credit Card. Take advantage of our low 2.99% Annual Percentage Rate for the first 6 billing cycles on balance transfers. This offer is available through December 31, 2020.

Terms and conditions apply. Availability based on creditworthiness. Contact one of our loan officers for more details. After the 6-month promotion, rate will convert to current **9.49%** Annual Percentage Rate.

### SAVINGS **RATE SCHEDULE**

October 1, 2020

	Minimum To Open	Rate	APY*	
Share Savings**	\$5.00	.05%	.05%	
Holiday Club	\$5.00	.05%	.05%	
Vacation Club	\$5.00	.05%	.05%	
Checking**	None	.05%	.05%	
(**For savings \$50 minimum daily balance required to earn stated APY. For checking average daily balance of \$100 required to earn stated APY.)				
IRA Shares Traditional & Roth	\$500	.50%	.50%	
Share Certificates (CDs)	Minimum to earn APY	Rate	APY*	
6 Month	\$1,000	.20%	.20%	
12 Month	\$1,000	.30%	.30%	
24 Month	\$1,000	.40%	.40%	

\*APY – Annual Percentage Yield Rates subject to change.

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#### FEE SCHEDULE October 1, 2020

Services	Fee		
Overdraft	\$25.00/ltem		
NSF	\$25.00/ltem		
Copy of Check	\$5.00/Copy		
Returned Item	\$15.00/Item		
Stop Payment	\$15.00/Request		
Personal Checks	Prices vary depending		
	on style.		
Other Services	Fee		
Account Activity Printout	\$2.00/Printout		
Account Reconciliation	\$20.00/Hour		
Account Research/Verification	\$20.00/Hour		
Cashier's Check	\$5.00/Check		
Deposited Item Return	\$15.00/ltem		
Dormant Account	\$1.00/Month		
	after 1 Year		
Money Order	\$1.00/Money Order		
Non-Member Check Cashing	\$5.00/ltem		
Notary	No Fee		
Official Check	\$1.00/Check		
Returned Mail	\$2.00/Item		
Signature Guarantee (Medallion)	\$5.00/Each		
VISA Card Replacement	\$7.00/Card		
VISA Gift Card	\$3.00/Card		
Wire Transfer (Incoming)	\$5.00/Transfer		
Wire Transfer (Outgoing)	\$15.00/Transfer		
Wire Transfer (International)	\$30.00/Transfer		
Account Closure	\$5.00/If closed		
	within 90 days		
Foreign Check Processing (Foreign Bank fees will also apply)	\$25.00/ltem		
Account Escheat	\$25.00/Account		
Levy/Garnishment/Court Order			
(Attorney fees will also apply)	\$25.00/Account		
IRA Transfer	625.00/A		
(To another institution)	\$25.00/Account		

\*The rates and fees appearing in this schedule are accurate as of the last dividend declaration date.



428 Sharpsville Avenue Sharon, PA 16146

#### **SHARON:**

428 Sharpsville Avenue, Sharon, PA 16146 phone 724.342.2246 fax 724.342.1670 toll free 866.384.0594

LOBBY HOURS (by appointment): Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm **EXTENDED DRIVE-THRU HOURS:** Friday 9am - 5:30pm

#### **HERMITAGE:**

559 N. Hermitage Road, Hermitage, PA 16148 phone 724.981.9410 fax 724.981.9412 toll free 866.384.0244

LOBBY HOURS (by appointment): Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm **EXTENDED DRIVE-THRU HOURS:** 

Friday 9am - 5:30pm WWW.MERCOMFCU.ORG

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#### SAVE THE DATE! 2021 ANNUAL MEETING • Saturday, April 17, 2021 at the Park Inn by Radisson, West Middlesex, PA

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# HOLIDAY CLOSINGS 2020

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Columbus Day • October 12 Veterans Day • November 11 Thanksgiving • November 26 & 27

Christmas Eve • Closing at 1:00pm Christmas • December 25 New Year's Eve • Closing at 1:00pm New Year's Day • January 1, 2021

# DORMANT ACCOUNT REMINDER

Please be sure to keep your account active by initiating at least one transaction per year. Accounts are considered dormant and assessed a dormant account fee of \$1.00 per month when no activity has taken place after one year. Please contact the credit union to ensure that your account remains active.

By law, our credit union is required to transfer (escheat) funds from inactive accounts to the PA State Treasury after three years of inactivity. For this reason, we want to keep all member accounts active. Please call the credit union if you have any questions.

## **2020** HOLIDAY CLUBS

Holiday Club funds will be available in your checking account on October 1, 2020. If you do not have a checking account, the money will transfer to your share (savings) account.

#### **OPEN YOUR 2021 HOLIDAY CLUB**

Starting October 1, 2020, you may deposit to a Holiday Club for 2021. Make your deposits by payroll deduction, direct deposit, monthly transfers, or visit the office.

## GIVE THE PERFEC **CHRISTMAS GIFT**

**VISA Gift Cards from the Credit Union are also perfect** VISA for graduations, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays or any occasion.