# CONSUMERS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**SERVING OUR MEMBERS SINCE 1965** 

Spring 2015

#### **Credit Union Newsletter**



Get Ready to Fill Your Piggy Bank

2.37<sup>%</sup>\*

\* 60 Month Certificate\$500 Minimum Balance

Our Competitive Rates Just Got Better And <u>We Will Match Any Rate of a Federally Insured</u> <u>Bank or Credit Union\*</u>

<u>Certificate Term</u>	<u>Minimum Balance</u>	APR	APY
12 Months	\$500	0.85%	0.85%
24 Months	\$500	1.35%	1.36%
36 Months	\$500	1.55%	1.56%
60 Months	\$500	2.35%	2.37%

\*For more information about our rate match see page 3 under the heading "We Will Match That Rate"



# Protect Yourself Against Tax Identity Theft

Identity theft is an issue with lethal consequences. Identity thieves oftentimes will find ways to obtain and make use of an individual's personal information such as Social Security number, credit union member number, credit card number, mother's maiden name or date of birth. Uses for such information can include opening fraudulent new credit card accounts, or obtain new loans. In doing so, the thieves can disrupt one's finances and credit history. Resolving this will take time, money, and patience.

Given that we are currently in the middle of tax season, it is important to note that tax identity theft is a very real threat. Someone who is in possession of your social security number can use it to obtain a job and/or file tax returns. If you should receive notification from the <u>IRS</u> stating that you have received payment from an employer you don't recognize or multiple tax returns were filed with your Social Security number, then it is imperative you contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490. You may also consider these suggestions as ways to prevent tax identity theft.

- Check your mail and credit union account statements every month.
- Visit MyCreditUnion.gov
- Get an Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) from the IRS.
- Monitor your credit reports on a regular basis.

For more information on the matter, you can visit <u>http://www.mycreditunion.gov/</u> <u>protect/Pages/taxidtheft.aspx</u>. This website gives information on not only how to prevent tax identity theft, but also how to uncover, deal with, and repair identity theft.

# IRA/Roth Amendment

We have amended all IRA and Roth documents to reflect recent legislation that resulted in an IRS rule change.

Specifically, language has been added to the disclosure statement, mailed out to all members December 12, 2014, to explain a change to the rollover rule. Effective January 1, 2015, an IRA owner may complete only one IRA to IRA rollover in any 12-month period, regardless of the number and type of IRAs owned by the individual. The rule change applies to all IRAs -Traditional, Roth, SIMPLE, and ESA (Coverdell Education Savings Account).

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call the credit union at 718-266-2204 option number 5 or you can email us at <u>customerservice@consumersfcu.org</u>

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# **Schedule of Service Charges and Fees**

<u>No-Fee Services</u> Notary: No Fee Fax: No Fee Credit Counseling: No Fee Check Writing Privileges: Unlimited Check Orders: 1 box free annually for members 65+

#### Checks

Certified Official Checks (per item): \$10.00 Certified Personal Checks: \$5.00 Check Stop Payment: \$10.00 Official Checks: \$2.00 if payable to a third party Returned Checks (per item): \$30.00 Starter Checks: \$3.00 for 12 checks Money Order: \$1.00

Account Maintenance Account Research: \$40.00 per hour (min 1 hour) Insufficient Funds: \$25.00 per item Overdraft Transfer: \$5.00 ACH Stop Payment: \$10.00

Dormant Account Dormant Account: \$50.00 per quarter <u>Check/Statement Copies</u> Statement Copy: \$1.50 per page Official Check Copy: \$5.00 Personal Check Copy: \$5.00

Membership Fee New: \$5.00 each new account Re-established: \$10.00

<u>Wire Transfer</u> Outgoing Wire: \$30.00 Incoming Wire: Free A2A Outgoing Transfer: \$3.00 A2A Incoming Transfer: Free

Miscellaneous Below Minimum Balance: \$10.00 per month Credit Report: \$8.00 per applicant Mortgage Credit Report: \$13.71 per applicant Overnight Mail: \$25.00 (8oz or less) Invalid Address: \$25.00 per quarter

# We Will Match That Rate!

The Match Rate Program applies to the initial term of a new certificate with a minimum new deposit of \$5,000.

We will match verified certificate rates and comparable terms that you bring us from any federally insured U.S. branch bank or credit union.

You must maintain the certificate for the entire term. If you withdraw your funds early, your certificate rate will revert to the similar certificate term and rate offered by Consumers Federal Credit Union at the time the new certificate was opened. Other penalties for early withdrawal also may apply. We may limit the amount you deposit in one or more certificate. This offer may be withdrawn without notice.



### **Contact Us**

Give us a call for more information about our services and products

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## 2015 Scheduled Holiday Closing

May 25th– Memorial Day

July 3rd– Independence Day (Observed)

September 7th– Labor Day

October 12th– Columbus Day

November 11th- Veterans Day

November 26th– Thanksgiving Day

November 27th- Day After Thanksgiving

December 25th– Christmas Day

### **Board of Directors**

Marvin Bader, Marla Cohen, Robert Rowe, Stephen Jacoby, Martin Starr, Paul Chu, and Jonathan Rose

#### **Supervisory Committee**

Adekola Akano, Michael Lotz, and Martin

Member Feedback

"The Consumers Federal Credit Union is an exemplary banking institution. I have two accounts there and I love it." - H.S