# Full-Service Branch Opening in Kearney - Spring of 2019

Did you know that your credit union is chartered to serve the students, faculty, staff and alumni on all campuses of the University of Nebraska? As part of a long range plan to have a presence on all of the university campuses, we are happy to announce that the credit union will be opening a full-service branch in Kearney in the spring of 2019.

Cheryl Montgomery and Peggy Mak, Kearney staff members, have done a great job laying the ground work to grow membership in Kearney. Both work in our Lending Center,



located in an office building, and look forward to being in a new branch that will offer all the conveniences members now enjoy in Lincoln, including full-cash services.

The new branch will be located just up the street from the University of Nebraska-Kearney campus at the corner of 29th Street and 2nd Avenue.

"Convenience for our members is important to us. We know we have members in Kearney who need a full-service branch," said Keith Kauffeld, University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union's president and CEO. "This is something we've been considering for some time to better meet the needs of the Kearney community and the needs of the staff, faculty, students and

alumni of UNK.

The new Kearney branch will be 2,250 square feet and will include a drive-up lane as well as a drive-up ATM. "We've had so many of our members express the need for cash services to fully use the credit union as their primary financial institution," said Cheryl Montgomery, Kearney branch manager. "I know when we open the doors to our new Kearney branch this spring we will be greeted with lots of smiles. I'm looking forward to helping our members save time and money with all the wonderful products and services we have at the credit union."



Below is a list of our 2019 spring seminar series. All seminars are at the downtown Lincoln location and will begin at noon. Lunch will be provided. Please rsvp, as space is limited, by calling 402.472.2087 or visiting us online at www.nufcu.org.

#### Retire Wisely - March 27

A financial planner will cover these topics:

- Developing a retirement strategy
- Understanding the options associated with Social Security
- Understanding the options associated with Medicare
- Learning about the options to help minimize the risk of outliving your savings

#### ID Theft - April 16

UNL Police Sergeant Dave Dibelka and the credit union will present on:

- Fraud vs. ID Theft
- Scams
- **ID Theft Tips**

NOTE: we have an evening seminar option for ID Theft listed on the back page of the newsletter.

# Will You Be Ready? - April 30

Attorney, Jennifer Tricker, will cover:

- Estate planning
- Probate should you avoid it?
- Trusts vs. Wills



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Each quarter visit the President's Corner to find out the latest credit union news. President Keith Kauffeld will provide information he feels is relevant to the credit union membership.

# Construction on Next Branch is Underway

We're branching into Kearney! By June 2019 we expect to have our next full-service branch open for business at 208 West 29th Street in Kearney. Our business model is based on building and nurturing a culture where we always act in the best interest of our member, and we're excited to bring that culture to Kearney.

Our unique business model balances profitability and responsibility. It is this approach that earned us Forbes' first-ever "Best of " State credit union award in 2018. Winning this award is noteworthy because our score of 86.52 placed us in the top 1% of all 11,552 credit unions and banks in the nation. Based purely on research, Forbes/ Statista interviewed more than 25,000 people with questions ranging from trust, delivering on promises, and transparency of fees to whose employees are friendly, empathetic, and ultimately who they would recommend to others. We are especially honored to be one of only three credit unions nationwide under \$150 million in assets to make the Forbes list.

We were also honored recently receiving a 2018 "Best of Lincoln" Award for credit unions. Thank you for trusting us as your financial advocate. We are grateful to serve an amazing membership base, and we ask you to spread the word to friends and family so they can take advantage of our outstanding services helping them also save time and money.

Although we're not associated with the University of Nebraska, our credit union continues

to faithfully serve the students, faculty, staff, alumni, and volunteers of this fantastic university, and their family members. If you have any questions about the credit union or about the Forbes/Statista research and results,



please call me at 402-472-6915 or email me at kkauffeld@nufcu.org. I welcome the conversation.

# UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**BOARD ELECTION INFORMATION** 

# 8 d st ANNUAL MEETING

The University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union cordially invites you to attend our 81st Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting is set for Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the UNL Willa Cather Dining Complex located at 530 N. 17th Street. The evening includes a buffet dinner, followed by a business meeting and chances to win prizes. There is no cost to attend the Annual Meeting. The elected members to the Board of Directors will be introduced after the meeting. Reservations are appreciated and can be made by calling 402.472.2087 or by going online at nufcu.org. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, March 27, 2019.

## Election procedures are as follows

The nominations committee has submitted a list of four candidates. We have four positions open on the Board and four candidates, therefore, the credit union will not be holding an election by ballot this year. Additionally, the credit union will not accept nominations from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Additional nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors may be made by petition signed by one percent of the credit union members. Nominees by petition must submit a statement of qualifications and biographical data with their petition, as well as a signed certificate stating they are agreeable to the nomination and will serve if elected to the office. The closing date for receiving nominations by petition is February 1, 2019.

# Nominating committee submits list of four candidates

Jan Wassenberg, Ron Burke and Diane Wasser were appointed to serve on the nominating committee for the credit union. Together, they have submitted for consideration the names of four candidates for the four open positions on the Board of Directors.

These candidates have provided their qualifications and reasons they desire to serve on the Board of Directors for the credit union. Biographical information about this year's candidates are included.

## Candidate bio information

Please take a moment to review the important information about our four candidates for the University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union Board of Directors.

# **Candidates For Board of Directors**



#### **Heath Tuttle**

Assistant Vice Chancellor for IT - NU Information Technology Services B.S. Secondary Education - Chadron State College M.A. Organizational Communications - UNO PhD. Educational Studies - UNL

I came to work at the University of Nebraska in 2003 and have been a member of the credit union since that time. I believe in the mission of the credit union and enjoy the great member service and the full suite of financial services offered. I am excited about being a part of the work that the NUFCU Board does. I hope that I can bring my experience, talents, and enthusiasm to help the credit union continue to grow.

I was raised on a dairy farm outside of Springview, Nebraska and attended a one-room country school for grades K-8. After attending a small high school, I decided to go to college to become a high school teacher. After teaching in western Nebraska for a few years, I continued my education and started teaching at the college level. I "fell" into information technology work when my department chair asked me to teach an online class in 2001. I haven't looked back since that day.

I am currently responsible for the implementation and support of all academic technologies on the Lincoln campus, including all learning technologies, classroom technology and support, academic technology accessibility initiatives, and application development and support. I am a dual report to the Vice President for IT & CIO, and the Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer at UNL.



## Elly Hardekopf, SHRM-PC

Sr. Human Resources Generalist – Molex, Inc. B.A. Human Resources - CUNE NUFCU Board Secretary NUFCU Educational Services Cmte. Chair

Born in Lincoln, my family moved to Denison, Iowa when I was young, making it more of my hometown. I attended and graduated from Concordia College, now Concordia University, in 1985. I became a member of the University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union in 1986 when I briefly worked as an intern at UNL over the summer after graduation.

I've been an employee of Molex for 24 years in Human Resources. At Molex we are very big on creating a team centered working environment. Along with my team building skills I will be task driven, focused, and bring good meeting skills to the Board. With my organizational skills, attention to detail, and ability to always look for continuous improvement, I believe I can make a difference as a Board member.

The experience I gained while on the boards for WorkWell, Inc, Trinity Lutheran School, LHRMA (Lincoln Human Resources Management Association), St. Marketer's Investment Club, and 2010 USA National Games Special Olympics will lend well to the work on the credit union Board.

I appreciate what the credit union stands for and how important the member is to them. It makes the credit union a friendly, educational and trusted part of a member's life. It would be an honor to continue to serve on the Board and provide some leadership and direction to maintain the best possible experience for the members.



#### **Frances Hayes**

Communications Specialist - Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute M.A. - UNL B.J. News-Editorial - UNL

A life-long resident of Lincoln, I recently had the opportunity to join the communications team at the Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute at the University of Nebraska to advocate for food and water security around the world. I have just completed my first term on the Board of Directors for the University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union and have enjoyed getting to know other directors and staff members while furthering the mission of the credit union.

With an understanding of the university system and knowledge gained from running a small business with my husband, I love bringing creativity, strategic thinking and my personal perspective to the credit union. I look forward to continuing another term on the board, acting as an advocate for members, building on the credit union's trustworthy reputation and maintaining its financial strength. Through strategic planning and thoughtful growth goals, the future of NUFCU is exciting and I am honored to be a part of it.



### **Collette McCurdy**

Director of Student Accounts - UNL
B.A. General Studies & Sociology - MU
Minors: Business, Management & Communications
NUFCU Board Treasurer
NUFCU Supervisory Cmte. Member (Past)

I am a Nebraska native and have been a member of NUFCU after moving to Lincoln in 2013. I have enjoyed getting to know the business philosophy and especially the staff that make the University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union great.

I have experience in working with customers in many different venues, higher education having been my home for the past 20 years. I moved to Lincoln in 2013 to take a position at UNL where I can help students with managing finances while attending the university. I bring a unique perspective to the credit union as I have been involved in higher education as a student, a parent, and a staff member in student finance at two large universities. This experience has given me a deep understanding of the financial needs of students and their families, with insight on how college financing works, and the impact it has on families. I have the ability to collaborate with people in similar positions in over 20 major universities to help identify trends and solve common issues of our students today.

I have enjoyed serving as a Board member these past two years, and on the Supervisory Committee prior to that. I am excited to have the opportunity to continue my position for another term. I believe I will be a valuable liaison between our great credit union and our valuable student members from University of Nebraska.



# UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

# 81st Annual Meeting

Thursday, April 4, 2019 • Willa Cather Dining Complex 530 N. 17th Street • 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Reserve your spot by calling 402.472.2087 or online at nufcu.org. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, March 27.

Parking will be available at the garage on 17th & R. Request a parking pass at the time of reservation.

Growing in 2019 to better serve the university.



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301 N 52nd Street Lincoln, NE 68504

Lobby Hours: 8:30-5:30 Monday-Friday 8:30-12:00 noon Saturday (Dwtwn only)

Drive up: 7:30-5:30 Monday-Friday 8:30-12:00 noon Saturday

#### Kearney

124 W 46th Street, Ste. 203 Kearney, NE 68847

Lobby Hours: 8:00 - 5:00 Monday - Friday

## **Events & Seminars**

**Lunch & Learn - Three Seminars - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.** See page 1 - RSVP to 402.472.2087 or online at www. nufcu.org.

ID Theft Seminar - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Create a healthy dish while learning all about the latest in ID Theft scams at the Wellness Kitchen at Campus Rec - 1717 N 35th. Register today at www.nufcu.org





## Closed Holidays

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 New Year's Day

Monday, January 21, 2019 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, February 18, 2019 Presidents' Day



