

### **Retirement - Mary Taylor**

Mary Taylor began her credit union career in November 1986 with CenPennRail Credit Union. When Mary started she worked as a teller behind the bullet proof glass. The removal of that glass was her first renovation experience at the credit union. Eight years later CenPennRail Credit Union changed its name to the Blue Chip Federal Credit Union we know and love today. During her time at the credit union she's worked as a teller, processed loans, opened new accounts and finally settled in the back office working with share drafts

settled in the back office working with share drafts and report processing. Mary's last renovation experience at the credit union relocated her to a downstairs office until she settled in her current office space in the Support Department upstairs.

Mary has been a part of numerous other changes that have taken place here at our credit union. She's worked with 4 different management teams as well as many different staff members. Mary has created strong bonds with the management, staff, volunteers and members of Blue Chip FCU. She was often found chatting with our retired Board Chairman, the late Walter Shanabrough and his wife Margaret during each of our Member Appreciation Days, as well as with the many babies and children that came to visit us on our special event days.

Mary has also assisted in implementing many new technologies at the credit union. She helped introduce our VISA debit cards to the membership, witnessed the introduction of the website for online information and the use of Teller 24. She even assisted in the implementation of the Bill Pay system when it first came on the scene for our members to use. She was a bit more than skeptical of using the Bill Pay program at first, and downright refused to try

it, until one day a long, long time ago she had a change of heart. Now, she says she can't live without the Bill Pay system!!

Over the last 25 years, Mary has seen many changes at Blue Chip FCU and has enjoyed each year that she has spent as a part of our family. During her time with the Blue Chip FCU family, Mary's own family has grown and changed too. Her two daughters have grown into beautiful adults and most recently, her daughter Michele became a mother. With that, Mary became a grandmother to the most adorable Peyton Taylor-Jean. This adorable grand-daughter is the reason Mary has decided it was time to retire. Her retirement days will be spent caring for Peyton and enjoying her growth and development into a beautiful adult, just like her daughters.

To Mary, we wish you an enjoyable retirement full of fun and pleasant days with your family, especially your grand-daughter. We thank you for your 25 years of loyalty, dedication and friendship to our credit union and the credit union philosophy of "People Helping People. We will miss seeing you everyday but look forward to your visits. Enjoy your retirement, you deserve it.

The Staff at Blue Chip Federal Credit Union.



# A Note from the President ...



The holiday spirit is very much alive and well here the credit union office. Our Christmas decorations are up,

we have freshly baked Christmas cookies available in our lobby and the Christmas music is playing atop our fireplace. It's a joyous time of year as well as a very busy one too. The staff and I wish each of our members, and their families, a very blessed

holiday season and look forward to sharing a happy and prosperous 2012 with you.

#### An Irish Blessing

May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks,
May your heart be as light as a song,
May each day bring you bright, happy hours,
That stay with you all year long

Cathi Martin

### Blue Chip FCU Contest Winners

**International Credit Union Day** 



Mona Laurich (above) & Tana Mahek (not pictured)

### Charity News

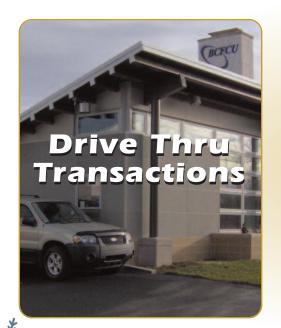
As many of you know by now, here at the Credit Union, we have been holding periodic bake sales to raise money for all the less fortunate puppies and kittens at the local Humane Society.

Thanks to the loyal members of Blue Chip FCU, we were able to raise over \$100 to this very worthy cause to help our local community. All proceeds from the sale of the baked goods and snacks that you enjoy help the Humane Society purchase supplies to help care for the animals, such as large dog toys, cat litter, biscuits, food etc. This year alone, The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) Animal Rescue Team worked with local law enforcement to save more than 4,000 animals from life-threatening cruelty and out of that statistic the HSUS says that only about 20% of those saved animals are adopted.

If we can continue to donate and support the Humane Society, we can make life for those less fortunate animals much better while giving them more hope to be cared for and potentially adopted by a loving family. The staff at Blue Chip FCU would like to again, thank you for your support in our local charity fundraising. Please look for future donation opportunities as we continue to bring in baked goods / items for sale to raise money for our local community.

#### Large Cash Withdrawals

There are times when many of our members need to withdrawal large amounts of cash from their membership. Should you find the need to withdrawal cash from your account, exceeding \$2,000, please call the credit union ahead of time and notify us of the transaction you need. This way we can ensure we have the right amount of cash, in the right denominations you need, when you need them. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.



As a reminder, the drive thru was added to our building to help expedite those members with quick transactions, without having to leave their car. Please be courteous to other members and have your transactions ready when you get to the drive thru window. If your transaction needs entail more intricate assistance, such as balance reviews, account history, coin deposits etc, we invite you come inside to see a staff member for personal assistance.

#### A Recipe for the Season

Shared By Susan

## • 1 cup butter

- 4 eggs
- 2 tsp Baking Powder
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 ½ cups flour
- 1 tsp vanilla
- Topping Options: Colored sugar or Cinnamon /sugar mixture and /or Walnuts
- Preheat oven to 350°
- In medium bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add 2 eggs and vanilla. Once mixed, add baking powder and then flour.
- In a separate small bowl, beat 2 eggs, set aside.
- Drop cookie mixture onto a cookie sheet by the teaspoon. Dip a fork into small bowl of beaten egg and press thin.
- ~ Sprinkle colored sugar or cinnamon / sugar mixture onto cookie. Place one walnut in the middle of each cookie.
- ~ Bake at 350° for 8 to 10 minutes until golden brown and remove immediately from cookie sheet. ENJOY!

Alexa's Corner!

#### The Gift of **Membership**

Happy Holidays Blue Chip FCU members! I hope you are having an exciting holiday season! Do not forget to give your loved ones the gift of membership! We look forward to helping your family and friends save for 2012 or even next Christmas! Blue Chip FCU offers Christmas and regular savings accounts for all ages, vacation accounts, helpful share certificates, and IRA accounts. Its never too late to start saving but the sooner, the better.

Youth are the most valueable demographic to credit unions today! Blue Chip FCU strives to get young adults saving at an early age. Think of all the money you can accumulate later if you start saving today. Where else then at your credit union? Remember credit unions are member owned, offer low interest rates, low fees, and friendly financial guidance. We would be happy to answer any money management questions you may have along with suggestions on effective budgeting. Do not hesitate to call us at 717-564-3081 or e-mail us directly at staff@bluechipfcu.org with any questions.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### **HOW TO REACH US**

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**PHONE SERVICE HOURS** 

Monday, Tuesday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

& Thursday

Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

**LOBBY HOURS** 

Mon. & Tues. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Wednesday Thursday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

#### **2011 Upcoming Holiday Closings**

Monday, January 2nd ......New Year's Day Observed Monday, January 16......Martin Luther King Jr Birthday Monday, February 20......Presidents Day





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