

# BlueChipFCU **BLUES NEWS**

SPRING 2010

## **ANNUAL MEETING!!!**

This year's Annual Meeting will be held at the same location as last year. We would be honored if you would join us for breakfast, a review of the credit union's performance for 2009 and the annual election process for open Board of Director positions. The staff at Blue Chip FCU looks forward to seeing you!

**LOCATION:** Sheraton Four Points  
888 E. Park Drive  
Harrisburg, PA 17111

**DATE:** Saturday, April 10th

**TIME:** 9:00am - Breakfast buffet  
Annual Meeting to follow

**COST:** \$12 per person

Please contact the credit union to purchase your tickets



### **Direct Deposit Your Tax Refund**

You will receive your tax refund faster if you choose to have it direct deposited with Blue Chip FCU. The deposit will be available immediately once we received it from the IRS! Blue Chip FCU's ABA routing number is **231381161** and you'll need to provide your membership number. You will be asked to indicate if the deposit is for your savings or checking.

### **IRA Contributions for 2009**

The deadline to make contributions to your IRA account for tax year 2009 is April 15, 2010. When making a contribution between January 1 and April 15, 2010, you will need to let the staff know if the contribution is for 2009. As with all tax related questions, you may want to consult with a qualified tax expert for tax filing guidance.



## A Note from the President ...



2010 is well underway and I think about the many changes that have begun taking place here at the credit union in such a short period of time. Although Mary Lynn is officially retired, she is still a very prominent figure here at the credit union. She offers her assistance and support as we learn how to manage without her here every day. She does make it very well known that she enjoys not having to drive to the office when it snows! Mary Lynn is very much missed here at the office; we still get to see her smiling face, but only in good weather!

Amy has assumed her new duties as Vice President and is working very diligently to learn her new duties and continue working with the staff. She has been helping the staff to learn and understand all the upcoming changes from our government regarding new and revised financial regulations. Amy is also training our newest employee, Angie Connaghan, who will be working in our Member Support Department alongside Mary and Theresa. Angie comes to us with an extensive credit union background and a sincere passion for the credit union movement. We are happy to have Angie as a part of our Blue Chip Family.

Myself, I have been settling into my new role as President / CEO of Blue Chip FCU. If I have not had the opportunity to meet you yet, please see me the next time you visit the office. I welcome the chance to meet more of our members! I want to learn about you, your family, and your needs here at the credit union. I look forward to working with the staff to introduce new products and services that can benefit you, our member. As we venture further into this New Year, there will very likely be more unemployment, financial difficulties and overall hardships. As your friend and credit union, the staff here at Blue Chip FCU intends to be with you every step of the way. Please remember us when you are in need and let us see what we can do to help.

*An Irish Blessing  
May the love and protection  
St. Patrick can give - Be yours in  
abundance as long as you live.*



Cathi Martin

## Board of Director Nominations

Blue Chip FCU has a 9 member Board of Directors. Each director volunteers 3 years of service. Each year 3 positions on the Board are up for election. If you are interested in serving on our Board of Directors, please submit your letter of intent to our Board Chairman. Your letter of intent should list your qualifications and reasons for interest in the position. You may email your letter to [staff@bluechipfcu.org](mailto:staff@bluechipfcu.org) or mail to:

Blue Chip Federal Credit Union  
ATTN: Board Chairman  
5050 Derry Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17111

### People Helping People - Haiti Relief Fund



**In times of need, credit unions pull together to do what they can to help. The devastating result of the earthquake in Haiti has prompted such a response from the credit union community. There are two ways to show your support.**

**You may make an online donation at [www.CUAid.coop](http://www.CUAid.coop) or mail your donation to:  
World Wide Foundation for Credit Unions, Inc  
5710 Mineral Point Road  
Madison, WI 53705**

## VISA Score Card Rewards

Blue Chip FCU now has a rewards program for our VISA card. For every \$1 that is spent on your VISA card, you will earn 1 point. The more often you use the card, the faster your points will accumulate. Points can be used to purchase an array of different prizes – a home theater system, an MP3 player; you could even save up your points for a new laptop! Your points can

also be used to purchase different travel options such as airfare, car rentals or cruise trips. Don't miss out on this fun and rewarding program! Create a profile today at [www.scorecardrewards.com](http://www.scorecardrewards.com).

If you do not have one of our VISA cards, don't wait to start earning your points! Contact the credit union to apply for your card.

### Member QCR Letters

Letters were recently mailed to a randomly selected group of members asking for participation with an ongoing member survey program. If you received this letter and are interested in being a Quality Control Representative for 2010, please follow the instructions in the letter and mail your agreement in the envelope provided. We look forward to hearing your feedback to help us continue to serve your needs and meet your expectations.



### Check hold changes

Effective February 27, 2010 Blue Chip FCU will no longer be placing extended holds on non local check deposits. The Federal Reserve Board has consolidated its locations in one single location, therefore eliminating the need for non local check holds. Please be aware that all check deposits are now subject to a 2 business day hold, regardless of the location of the bank the check is drawn on. Longer holds of up to 7 business days may apply for large check deposit or for checks that we feel may not be paid. If you have any questions regarding the change in check holds please contact the credit union.



### Blue Chip Dedicated Officials Annual Scholarship Application

It's that time of year again! Many students are preparing for their upcoming new school year. Blue Chip FCU would like to offer 3 of our members a \$500 scholarship to be used towards school tuition, books and / or supplies. Each winner will be eligible to receive this \$500 scholarship for two consecutive years. The 3 lucky winners will be notified by the end of June. In addition to completing an application, all interested members



must also submit their most recent report card or college transcript as well as submitting an essay to be considered for the scholarship. Please stop by the credit union to complete an application - or apply online at [www.bluechipfcu.org](http://www.bluechipfcu.org).

**HOW TO REACH US**

**OFFICE:**

Local 717-564-3081  
Toll Free 800-78BCFCU (782-2328)  
Fax 717-564-1469

**TELLER 24:**

Local 717-564-0699  
Toll Free 800-784-8840

**VISA CARD INFORMATION**

1-800-784-8840

[www.bluechipfcu.org](http://www.bluechipfcu.org)

**PHONE SERVICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

**LOBBY HOURS**

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

**Upcoming 2010 Holiday Closings**

May 31st ..... Memorial Day

July 5th ..... Independence Day

September 6th ..... Labor Day

**Remember...**  
our drive-thru  
is open...we  
won't let those  
Spring showers  
get you wet!



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*Large enough to meet your needs...  
Small enough to know your name*