

# COMMENTARY

Superior Service Is Our Trademark

#### Volume 1



"Anytime you need more money, come on back."

Since money doesn't grow on trees, come see us for all your financial needs!

## **MONEY TIP**

Never purchase expensive items on impulse. Think over each expensive purchase for at least 24 hours. Acting on this principle will mean you have far fewer regrets about impulse purchases, and far more money for emergency savings.



## **CREDIT UNION CLOSED**

During the following holidays the credit union will be closed.

MEMORIAL DAY Monday, May 26th

INDEPENDENCE DAY Friday, July 4th

LABOR DAY Monday, September 1st

COLUMBUS DAY Monday, October 13th



are some simple habits that can help:

#### Pay all bills on time

When it comes to your credit score, are you driving in the right direction? You are in the drivers seat...only you can put yourself on the road to a better credit score. Here

- Don't close credit cards you've had a long time
- Keep balances to less than 35% of the card's limit
- Use credit cards, then pay off balances immediately

Another way you can rebuild your credit faster is to come into the credit union and ask for a "REBUILD YOUR CREDIT LOAN". The Rebuild Your Credit Loan can help you rebuild your credit for as low as 12.99% APR\* for qualified borrowers. You can borrow up to \$15,000 for a maximum of 60 months. Imagine watching your credit score grow higher and higher with each passing month. Come talk to us today and get started on building your credit! *This offer is available from January 1, 2014 - June 30, 2014* 

I simply want you to give to yourself as much as you give of yourself. By taking care of yourself financially, you will truly be able to take care of those you love.

-Suze Orman

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# Precious Cargo?



## WE'LL KEEP THEM SAFE

You've got precious cargo. We can help you transport them carefully with a new auto loan. Whether you have a baby on board, are taking your little princess to ballet practice, or running your son and his buddies to the soccer field, you can feel safe and secure in a reliable vehicle with a loan from the credit union.

\*APR = Annual Percentage Rate

BIRTHDAY

Rate as low as 7.49% APR\* for qualified borrowers (includes .50% rate reduction)

7.49% rate applies only to online applicants and 1st time borrowers. Rate reductions cannot be combined.

Borrow up to \$10,000

Terms up to 36 months

Promotion period: March 1, 2014 until June 30, 2014

# **CALL US TODAY!**



BROWN BAG LUNCH SEMINAR ELDERLY ABUSE

May 14 | Noon - 1p.m. Randolph Building Conference Center, Room 1D14

#### IF YOU HAVE NOT USED YOUR ACCOUNT FOR ONE YEAR YOU WILL BE CHARGED \$15.00 UNTIL YOU PERFORM A FINANCIAL TRANSACTION SUCH AS MAKING A DEPOSIT OR A WITH-DRAWAL. THIS FEE WILL BE CHARGED QUARTERLY UNTIL ACTIV-**ITY IS PERFORMED.**

# IDENTITY THEFT VICTIM CHECKLIST

Identity theft has been the top consumer complaint to the Federal Trade Commission now for 13 years running. In 2012 the agency got more than 2 million complaints overall, with 18% related to identity theft. The average loss from the misuse of a victim's personal information is more than \$4,900.

#### IF YOU ARE A VICTIM, TAKE THESE STEPS IMMEDIATELY:

\* Place a fraud alert on your credit reports, ask for a free copy of your credit report, and review those reports for evidence of accounts you didn't open. Fraud unit contacts are:

Equifax 888-766-0008 P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374-0241 www.eguifax.com

Experian 888-397-3742 P.O. Box 9532, Allen, TX 75013 www.experian.com

TransUnion 800-680-7289 P.O. Box 6790, Fullerton, CA 92834-6790 www.transunion.com

\* Close accounts--including share drafts/checks or ATM cards--that have been tampered with or used fraudulently. Contact all financial institutions and lenders, credit card issuers, utility companies, and the Social Security Administration to notify them of the fraud. Follow up each conversation with a letter.

\* File a report with law enforcement and insist on getting a copy of the report or the report number.

\* File a complaint with the FTC. Visit http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/feature-0014identity-theft for more information or call 877-IDTHEFT.

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- Rate as low as 6.49% APR\* for qualified borrowers (includes .50% rate reduction)
- 6.49% rate applies only to online applicants and 1st time borrowers. Rate reductions cannot be combined.
- Borrow up to \$15,000
- Terms up to 60 months
- Promotion period: March 1, 2014 until June 30, 2014



Learn about our latest promotions, and stay informed about fraud alerts and upcoming events. **CLICK HERE** to sign up to receive the electronic edition of The Commentary or fill out the form below and return it to one of our convenient locations.

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Our Mission: To provide our members with the highest level of quality, convenient and reliable service while maintaining financial strength.

Savings Rates Effective February 21, 2014		
Regular Share & Holiday Accounts	Rate (APR)	Yield (APY)
\$25.00 - \$2,499.99	0.03%	0.03%
\$2,500.00 – Over	0.03%	0.03%
Share Draft Accounts		
\$0.00 – Over	0.00%	0.00%
IRA Accounts		
\$50.00 – Over	0.03%	0.03%
Money Market Accounts*		
\$0.00 - \$499.99	0.00%	0.00%
\$500.00 - \$2,499.99	0.04%	0.04%
\$2,500 - \$9,999.99	0.04%	0.04%
\$10,000 - Over	0.04%	0.04%
Share Certificate & IRA Certificates** Early Withdrawal Penalty Temporarily Suspended		
6 Months	0.05%	0.05%
12 Months	0.08%	0.08%
18 Months	0.12%	0.12%
24 Months	0.16%	0.16%
36 Months	0.27%	0.27%
48 Months	0.33%	0.33%
Loan Rates	Rate (APR)	Max Term
	1.99%	60 mos
New Automobiles	2.99%	60 mos
	3.99%	84 mos
100% Financing. Rate applies to qualified applicants. Other r		
Used Automobiles (2012, 2014)	1.99%	60 mos
Used Automobiles (2012 - 2014)	2.99%	60 mos 84 mos
	4.99%	48 mos
Used Automobiles (2008 - 2011)	5.99%	48 mos
100% NADA Retail Value. Rates apply to qualified applicants.		

Auto Equity Loan					
APR	Amount Financed	Max Term	Fixed or Variable		
6.99%	Based on Equity	84 mos	Fixed	Minimum \$10,000 — Maximum \$50,000 (Rate applies to qualified borrower)	
7.99%	Based on Equity	84 mos	Fixed	Minimum \$10,000 — Maximum \$50,000	

Refinance Auto Loan / New and Used*					
(Loan must be less than 1 year old) (Floor 3.9%)					
APR	Amount Financed	Max Term	Fixed or Variable		
-1.00% of current rate	100.00%	36 mos	Fixed	N/A	
-1.00% of current rate	100.00%	48 mos	Fixed	N/A	
-1.00% of current rate	100.00%	60 mos	Fixed	N/A	
-1.00% of current rate	100.00%	72 mos	Fixed	Minimum finance amount \$30,000	
-1.00% of current rate	100.00%	84 mos	Fixed	Minimum finance amount \$30,000	

Signature Loans

Max. amount: \$15,000. Other rates and terms available

	Rate (APR)	Max Term
1st Mortgage Loans	Market Rates	30 years
Home Equity	Prime (Floor 5.00%)	20 years
Visa °	Max Amt	Fixed Rate
Platinum	\$15,000	10.90%
Gold	\$10,000	11.90%
Classic	\$5,000	12.90%
Unsecured Line of Credit	\$15,000	12.90%

APR=Annual Percentage Rate. APY=Annual Percentage Yield.
"Loan rates for qualified borrowers. Other rates and terms available.
"All share accounts' anticipated dividends are paid based on Credit Union earnings and are calculated daily on thalitiptes
"Anticipated dividends are compounded and paid quarterly.
"Funds must remain in the account unit the end of the quarter to earn dividends.
"Anawinumd five (5) withdwales per morth is allowed froma Mmcy Merket account. After the maximum number of withdrawals is seceedse
of 55.00 for each additional withdrawal will be charged.
"Requires a deposit of 5500.00 or more. Early withdrawal penalty of \$100.00 or 3 months' dividends, whichever is greate
NOTE: All savings rates are subject to change without notice at the discretion of the Board of Directors.



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Non-cash operation 24-hour advance notice for some services

(Call main office for request at 571-272-0350) ATM located in the 4th floor lunch r Visa° Check Card & ATM Important

Phone Numbers After hours hotline: 800-754-4128 Card activation: 800-466-0040 Falcon (U.S.): 888-241-2440 Falcon (International): 909-941-1034 Lost/Stolen

12.90%

60 mos

U.S. Toll Free: 888-241-2510 International: Collect Call 909-941-1398

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