



Member Memo

October 2010

Everything we do,
we do for you™

Any Season is Great for Home Buying and With Rates at an All Time Low - NOW IS THE PERFECT SEASON!



You live in your home four seasons of the year, so it stands to reason that you could be looking to buy a new home all year round, too. Don't let the upcoming cooler weather hold you back. Fall is just as good of season for house-hunting as any other. Now is a great time to let AAACU assist you with buying a new home, or refinancing your current mortgage. We offer a variety of mortgage options to meet your needs:

- ◆ Fixed Rate Mortgages up to 30 Years
- ◆ Vacant Land Loans
- ◆ Construction Loans
- ◆ Balloon Mortgages
- ◆ First Time Home Buyers
- ◆ Home Equity Loans
- ◆ Rural Development Loans

You can apply online at www.aacuu.com, visit an office near you or contact a Mortgage Specialist at 989-354-1515.

Alzheimer's Memory Walk

For the third year in a row AAACU was pleased to form a team called "Moving Assets" to walk in the Alpena Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk. On Saturday, September 25th AAACU members, staff and family members met at the Bay View Band Shell to begin the walk. The purpose of this event is to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer care, support and research. The Moving Assets Team raised over \$2,200.00 for the Alzheimer's organization.

It's Me 247 Mobile Banking

What is Mobile Banking?

It's me 247 Online Banking with your mobile device

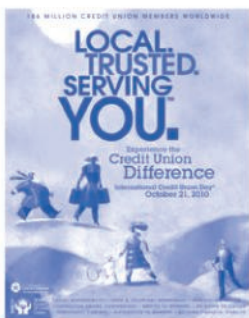
With Mobile Banking you can . . .

- Access your accounts to check balances
- Transfer money between accounts
- Manage your accounts on the go . . . anywhere your phone goes



*Check with your mobile carrier for web/data access rates.

Why 186 Million People Worldwide Choose Credit Unions



On October 21, credit union members worldwide will join together to celebrate International Credit Union Day and this year's theme: *Local. Trusted. Serving YOU.* Do you remember why you chose AAACU to be your financial services provider? It may be among many reasons shared by the 186 million people in 97 countries who have also chosen credit unions, but it most likely has something to do with the common philosophy of people helping people.

Unlike most other financial institutions, credit unions are not-for-profit, democratically controlled, volunteer-run, member-owned cooperatives. They exist to serve their members, and that level of service remains high even during the toughest times. Instead of issuing stock or paying

dividends to outside shareholders, credit unions provide value to their members by returning earnings in the form of lower loan rates, higher interest on deposits, and lower or even no transaction fees.

This year's theme celebrates the advantages of credit union membership. Value, trust and service are just some of the many benefits of being a credit union member. You are in charge of your money and your credit union.

At AAACU, we are proud of our heritage as a cooperative financial service provider and our connection to the more than 54,000 credit unions worldwide. On October 21, we'll join credit unions and their members around the world to celebrate International Credit Union Day in recognition of the benefits those institutions bring to their members.

Stop by any of our office locations for donuts, cider and a chance to win prizes.

JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS... VISA AND LOAN SKIP-A-PAYMENT

Would you like to enjoy the holiday season without the worry of meeting your loan/VISA payments? Your Credit Union can help by allowing you to skip up to two consecutive loan payments during the months of November - February.

It is as easy as selecting the payment(s) below that you would like to skip, enter your loan number(s), sign below and return to the Credit Union office nearest you (see address on back page) or fax to (989)356-6906.

There is a \$25.00 service fee per loan to take advantage of this offer, \$5.00 of which will benefit our charity of choice.

Select one method for payment:

- \$25.00 service fee per loan enclosed
- Withdraw \$25.00 service fee per loan savings _____ or checking _____

Account # _____

Please indicate loan # (s)/VISA to skip payment(s) on _____

Select the months you would like to skip the loan/VISA payment:

(You can choose to skip two consecutive months)

- November monthly payment (return by November 1, 2010)
- December monthly payment (return by December 1, 2010)
- January monthly payment (return by January 1, 2011)
- February monthly payment (return by February 1, 2011)

Borrower's Signature _____ Date: _____ Co-Borrower's Signature _____ Date: _____

Certain restrictions apply, call the Credit Union Loan Department for further details. Loans not eligible include mortgage loans and home equity loans. Skipping these payments extends the maturity date of your loan. Interest continues to accrue on the unpaid balance during the month you skip your payment and when payments resume, the unpaid interest will be collected first. Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union reserves the right to refuse any skip-a-payment request. Not eligible if past due within the past six months. Skip-a-payments will also change the amount of eligible benefits in the case of a GAP claim.

VISA note: Normal finance charges do apply. You are not eligible for the skip-a-payment program if you are over your limit or if you have been past due during the last six months. Certain additional restrictions apply.

You may only take advantage of the summer or winter skip-a-pay option. You will not be allowed to take advantage of both offers.

2011 Election Nominations

The 2011 election of officers for your Credit Union will be conducted by mail. This method will ensure that every eligible member will have the opportunity to vote. There will be three seats up for election on the Board of Directors.

Incumbents seeking re-election to the Board of Directors are: Tom Lanway, Terry Nelkie and Jeff Trelfa

Current Board Member Tom Lanway is a retired public school administrator. He has served as a board member with AAACU since 2008 and is also a member of the Budget Committee.

Board Member Terry Nelkie is employed by Jefferson Trucking Company in National City as the Secretary - Treasurer. He has served as a board member with AAACU and the former losco Community Credit Union since 2000.

Jeff Trelfa has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1998. He currently serves as Vice Chairperson of the Executive Committee, as a member of the Budget Committee and various

other committees. Mr. Trelfa is employed by Alpena Public Schools.

Members interested in becoming a candidate for office are advised to pick up a nominating form from any one of our seven Credit Union offices. You must obtain at least 25 signatures from primary members to become eligible for nomination and complete a questionnaire outlining your qualifications and reasons for wanting to serve on the board. Nominations will not be accepted from the floor at the annual meeting.

All nominations shall be filed with the President & CEO at the Credit Union at least 90 days prior to the annual meeting or by Friday, December 3, 2010.

Board of Directors

- ◆ *The directors shall meet monthly, either upon notice by the secretary or by the chairperson. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson at any time upon due notice to the directors.*
- ◆ *No person shall receive any compensation for*

servicing as a director. This is a volunteer position.

- ◆ *The Board of Directors shall have general management over the affairs, funds, and records of the Credit Union and shall take all measures necessary that are in the best interest of the Credit Union.*
- ◆ *The Board of Directors set the general direction and policy for the Credit Union, ensures the Credit Union is well managed, financially secure and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.*

If you have any questions or would like additional information about becoming a candidate, contact President and CEO Donald J. Mills, at 989-354-1523 or via e-mail at dmills@aaacu.com.

The upcoming Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 5, 2011 at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Hamilton Road .



SAVINGS RATES

Effective as of September 21, 2010
(Rates are subject to change without notice)

	Annual Percentage Rate	Annual Percentage Yield
Regular Shares	0.40%	0.40%
Preferred Shares	0.50%	0.50%
Christmas Club	0.40%	0.40%
Vacation Club	0.40%	0.40%
Insured Money Market Minimum \$2,000.00	0.75%	0.75%
Insured Money Market \$99,999.99 and over	0.80%	0.80%
Traditional IRA	2.25%	2.27%
Roth IRA	2.25%	2.27%
Education IRA	2.25%	2.27%
Health Savings Account	2.25%	2.27%

CERTIFICATE RATES

Effective as of September 21, 2010
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	Annual Percentage Rate	Annual Percentage Yield
90 Day Certificate	0.60%	0.60%
180 Day Certificate	0.75%	0.75%
1 Year Certificate	1.05%	1.05%
18 Month Certificate	1.10%	1.11%
2 Year Certificate	1.25%	1.26%
3 Year Certificate	1.65%	1.66%
4 Year Certificate	2.00%	2.02%
5 Year Certificate	2.25%	2.27%

Dividends on the Regular Shares, Preferred Shares, IRA Shares, Vacation Club, and Christmas Club are computed using the daily balance method and paid quarterly. Interest on the Insured Money Market Account and Health Savings Account is computed using the daily balance method and paid monthly. If the account is closed before the quarter ends, you will forfeit the dividend and/or interest earned on your account.

For current rates and terms on Share Certificates, IRA Certificates, and Insured Money Market Accounts, contact one of our Membership Services Officers at 989-356-3577, extension 1522, 1532, or 1529, or e-mail memberservice@aaacu.com.

Apply
Online at
aaacu.com

LOAN RATES

Effective as of September 21, 2010
(Rates are subject to change without notice)

New Vehicles

	APR	Monthly Payment Per \$1,000
24 Months	4.50% - 9.50%	\$43.65 - \$45.90
36 Months	4.50% - 9.50%	\$29.75 - \$32.03
48 Months	4.50% - 9.50%	\$22.81 - \$25.12
60 Months	4.75% - 9.75%	\$18.76 - \$21.12
66 Months	4.75% - 9.75%	\$17.25 - \$19.64
72 Months (\$25,000 or more)	4.75% - 9.75%	\$15.99 - \$18.40
78 Months (\$30,000 or more)	5.00% - 10.00%	\$15.05 - \$17.49

We will finance 105% of the suggested retail price
Including tax, title, license, and extended warranty.

Used Vehicles

	APR	Monthly Payment Per \$1,000
2010-08 Models 66 Months	5.25% - 10.25%	\$17.48 - \$19.88
2007-05 Models 54 Months	5.50% - 10.50%	\$20.95 - \$23.33
2004 Models Up to 54 Months	6.50% - 11.50%	\$21.41 - \$23.82
Models costing (\$22,500 or more) 72 months	6.45% - 11.45%	\$16.79 - \$19.27

For older model vehicles please contact the Credit Union Loan Department for current rates and terms. All used vehicles financed will be based on 105% of NADA Book Retail Value. We also have Mortgages, Home Equity, Personal (Unsecured), Snowmobile, RV, and Share Secured loans. Call the loan department for current loan rates or further information.

VISA Classic..... 12.96% Fixed APR
VISA Platinum.....10.96% Fixed APR

HEADING SOUTH FOR THE WINTER?

AAACU values the privacy and safekeeping of our members' financial matters. We want to assure you that your personal information is handled in a confidential way.

To be assured that information mailed from the credit union is going to the correct address, we do not allow statements to be forwarded to a different address. If you are moving to a new home, heading to warmer weather for the winter, or returning home after a long trip please be sure to notify your Credit Union of your address change.

Just A Reminder

Christmas Club accounts were paid out on October 1, 2010 to either your regular share or share draft account. It's never too early to start saving for next year. Contact any staff member to open your 2011 Christmas Club account.

Credit Unions of Alpena Give Away \$1,000.00



This summer the Credit Unions of Alpena participated in True North Radio's Summer Concerts in the Park. Every Saturday for nine weeks representatives from Alpena Credit Unions attended each concert and handed out entry slips for a chance to win \$1,000.00.

The week before the final concert each credit union drew one finalists. On Saturday, August 21st, the five finalists attended the concert. The finalists each had 30 seconds to grab money from a money machine. The finalist who gathered the most money was the grand prize winner. Congratulations to Ashley Evans from Alpena on winning \$1,000.00.

To r:
Jodi Rithaler - Thunder Bay Area CU
Nancy Montie - Besser CU
Ashley Evans - Grand Prize Winner
Mary Nefske - Alpena Community CU
Cindy Krentz - HPC CU
Karen LaFleche - Alpena Alcona Area CU



Holiday Loan Special

- ◆ 12 month repayment term
- ◆ Low interest rate
- ◆ Contact a Lending Specialist or apply online at aaacu.com

Board of Directors

Dave McNeil Chairperson
Jeffrey Trelfa. Vice-Chairperson
Thomas Young. Secretary
Charlie Negro Treasurer
Tom Lanway Director
Terry Nelkie Director
Sheila Panknin. Director
Mary Reitler Director

Supervisory Committee

Tony Suszek Chairperson
Alan Shillair Secretary
George Falkenhagen Member
Alene Liske Member

Credit Committee

Dennis Artley Chairperson
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Lorna Dellar Member
Paul Fredenburg Member
Jane Kakowski Member
Debbie Sucharski Member

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E-mailaaacu@aaacu.com

Hours: Lobby

Mon. - Thurs 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Hours: Drive-thru

Mon. - Thurs. . . . 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 noon

VISA Lost/Stolen After Hours:

800-991-4965

MasterCard Lost/Stolen After Hours:

800-754-4128

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Mission Statement: The mission of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union is to serve our members' financial needs by providing progressive quality services delivered with integrity and commitment.

Board Vacancy

The Credit Union is currently seeking interested candidates to fill a vacancy on our volunteer Board of Directors. If you are interested and would like additional information about becoming a volunteer Director for our Credit Union contact President & CEO Donald J. Mills at 989-354-1523 or via e-mail at dmills@aaacu.com.

Hours for the Upcoming Holidays:

Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 25, 2010 - Closed

Christmas - Friday, December 24, 2010 - Closing at 1:00
Saturday, December 25, 2010 - Closed

New Year's - Friday, December 31, 2010 - Closing at 1:00
Saturday, January 1, 2011 - Closed

UPDATES TO IT'S ME 247



To protect your account security, on October 1st, 2010, you will no longer be able to access your credit union account on It's Me 247 using Internet Explorer version 5 or 6.

In order to continue using It's Me 247 online banking to access your account, you will need to upgrade to one of these supported Internet browsers:

- * Internet Explorer version 7 or 8
- * Firefox
- * Safari
- * Google Chrome

Not sure what version of Internet Explorer you're using? You can find out by going to "About Internet Explorer" in the HELP section of your internet browser window.

How do you upgrade? Please visit:

http://obc.itsme247.com/help/browser_upgrade/?cuid=141

VISA TravelMoney Card



Effective April 30, 2011 we will no longer offer American Express Travelers Cheques. Instead we will be offering VISA TravelMoney Cards. These cards offer the security of traveler's checks combined with the convenience of a VISA debit card. VISA TravelMoney Cards are reloadable and are accepted worldwide. Cards will be available at all office locations for the purchase price of \$5.00.

Atlanta Branch

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Atlanta MI 49709-0633
989-785-3800

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