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Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union Raises \$3,606.46 for Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan



Alpena, Michigan, October 15th, 2009—Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union employees select four community or charity organizations that they would like to fundraise for during each quarter of the year. During the 3rd quarter of 2009, the staff of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union chose to focus their efforts on Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan. With hard work and generous support from the community, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union was able to present Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan with a check for \$3,606.46.

Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions. Since its inception in 1984, the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan has granted more than 5,600 wishes of Michigan children. The Make-A-Wish Foundation® of American was founded in Phoenix in 1980 after seven-year-old Christopher realized his dream to become an honorary patrolman, complete with his very own badge and uniform. Make-A-Wish Foundation has granted more than 165,000 wishes worldwide. More information and inspiring wish stories can be found at www.wishmich.org.

Each Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union branch organized different activities to raise money for Make-A-Wish. Some branches held bake sales, some brought in used books to sell. Staff sold candy bars or chips at teller windows to raise money. The Lincoln Branch and Tawas Branch decorated wishing wells to collect members' donations. The Atlanta Branch held a raffle for a digital camera. Make-A-Wish sent Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union blue wristbands and paper stars to sell for donations. Also, staff members could donate \$2 to wear jeans on Fridays.

Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union serves members primarily in Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Iosco counties with 8 locations—a main office located in Alpena, with branch offices in Ossineke, Lincoln, Atlanta, a Tiger Branch in Alcona Community Schools, Oscoda and Tawas offices, and an additional branch in Alpena. As of

September 21st, 2009, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union provides service to 26,900 members and has total assets equal to \$233,786,169.24.