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The signs are tempting - "Fast Cash!" "No Paperwork" "Payday Advance" - but like many temptations, you may soon regret that you've succumbed. That's because you'll pay a high price for the convenience of "fast cash." Check-cashers and payday lenders typically charge high fees for the chance to put cash in your pocket. According to the Center for Responsible Lending, on average, payday loans can carry an interest rate of 391% APR (annual percentage rate) and often the product is designed to force borrowers into repeat loans. If you find yourself in a financial bind, stop by the credit union and we will do our best to help you. A cash advance on a credit card or a Signature Loan may be what you need to get over a financial hump. Equally important, we'll show you how to start putting money aside for the future. Even small amounts can add up, and can give you the financial cushion you need.



CU @ The 2019 Annual Meeting

Calling all members! You're cordially invited to your credit union's 2019 Annual Meeting. At the credit union, you're not a customer: You're a member/owner. The Annual Meeting is your chance to find out what your credit union achieved in 2018 and what's on tap for the future. You can meet your volunteer board of directors and committee members, learn election results, and visit with your fellow members. As a financial cooperative, we exist only to serve members. Attending the Annual Meeting is one of the best ways to learn more about what the credit union has to offer and help us do an even better job to meet your financial needs. So watch for details and mark your 2019 calendar. We look forward to seeing you there on March 6, 2019, at 12:15 pm to be held at the Chambers County Bradshaw Library, Valley, AL 36854.

The following individuals have been nominated to fill expired terms or vacated positions:

Board Slot Term **Name** 2022 Jim Duttera 1 3 **Tyrone Newton** 2022 Leonard Rilev 4 2022

Nomination may not be presented from the floor of the meeting; however, nominations can be accepted by petition signed by a minimum of 39 members filed by the nominating committee chair at least 40 days prior to the above meeting date. A statement of qualifications and biographical data must be submitted for each nominee by petition and sent to: Vivian Nelloms, CFCU P.O. Box 8 Valley, AL 36854.



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While financial experts agree that the earlier you start to save and invest for retirement, the better off you'll be, in reality 1 in 3 Americans has saved \$0 for retirement. Whether you're just starting to grow your nest egg, or have been saving for years, there are many ways to boost your savings and work toward the retirement of your dreams. One ideal investment tool is a CFCU IRA. There are several IRA options available which provide qualified members with tax benefits such as tax-deductible contributions and tax-deferred compound interest (consult your tax advisor for details). An IRA also offers these benefits:

Retirement

- * Choice of the IRA to meet your goals (Traditional or Roth)
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To learn more about IRA options, or establish or contribute to yours today, call, visit our website, or stop into our office.

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