$20,000 Donated for Hurricane Harvey Relief

In response to the devastating flooding from Hurricane Harvey, the Credit Union donated $20,000 to various organizations to help with disaster relief efforts. In partnership with American Baptist Churches USA (ABCUSA), the Credit Union donated $10,000 through the Christian relief organization One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). A matching donation up to a total of $5,000 was offered to American Baptist Men-USA (ABMen). The National Credit Union Foundation’s CU Aid program received $2,500. The Credit Union also gave its employees an opportunity to help Hurricane Harvey victims with a matching donation of up to a total of $2,500 for OGHS. “Our thoughts and prayers are with the people and communities devastated by Hurricane Harvey,” said David Estridge, Christian Community Credit Union Interim CEO.

Visit myCCCU.com/hurricaneharvey to make a donation.

Long-Time Member Rev. Dr. Lee Spitzer is ABCUSA’s New General Secretary

Congratulations to Rev. Dr. Lee Spitzer in his new role as General Secretary of the American Baptist Churches USA (ABCUSA). A member since 2003, Spitzer said, “I appreciate Christian Community Credit Union’s support of our ministries across the country. My family is especially pleased to be a part of the Christian Community Credit Union family.”

At ABCUSA’s Biennial, Interim CEO Dave Estridge (second from left) poses with American Baptist Executive Ministers Rev. Paul H. Gibson (far left), Rev. Dr. Frank Frischkorn (right), and ABCUSA General Secretary Rev. Dr. Lee Spitzer (far right.)

$69,500 Awarded in Scholarships

The Credit Union’s “Scholarships for Success” Program awarded $69,500 in scholarships to 70 students in 2017. Awards were given to this year’s scholars and those who qualified for the multi-year scholarship program.

“As a doctoral student and small church pastor with three children in college, I very much appreciate this scholarship. Thank you for your confidence and trust in my efforts to further my theological education,” said Pastor Michael Duke, Gateway Seminary. “I am so grateful that you have chosen to invest in my future,” said Bethany Hickman, University of Cincinnati.

“Congratulations to our scholars! We appreciate the opportunity to support them in their academic journey,” said David Estridge, Christian Community CU Interim CEO.

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2. Build your savings. It’s never too early to start saving for college. Asking for gifts of deposits to your child’s college fund instead of toys can really pay off once your child is ready to graduate.

3. Check your coverage. Find out how much of the medical costs your health insurance will cover. If you’re adopting, learn about the associated costs.

4. Watch your spending. As tempting as it is to buy every adorable baby item you see, you’ll want to watch your spending. Ask experienced parents what things new parents really use.

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Now Accepting Nominations

We’re accepting nominations for two positions on the Board of Directors and one position on the Supervisory Committee for 2018. Consideration for nomination can be done in one of two ways:

1) By Application: Request a nomination application by calling 800.347.CCCU (2228), ext. 6210. Application needs to be mailed by November 7, 2017. The Nominating Committee will select qualified nominees by November 16, 2017. 2) By Petition: Include a request to be placed on the ballot along with a petition signed by at least 100 members. A candidate must give written consent to the nomination. The nomination by petition must be submitted to Christian Community Credit Union by December 5, 2017.

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