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WELCOME TO... Brent Reid Our *New* Chief Executive Officer!

We are pleased to welcome our new Chief Executive Officer, **Brent Reid**, who joins us from Motor City Community Credit Union in Windsor, where he was the Chief Executive Officer. Motor City Community, with \$125 million in assets, is an automotive based credit union serving 13,000 members, many of who are Ford and Chrysler employees.

A native of Windsor, Brent is a veteran of 28 years in the Credit Union system. He began his impressive career as a Loan Officer with Moore Credit Union in Sarnia, and since then, has held a variety of positions in the Credit Union industry – Loan Manager, Controller, Assistant General Manager and General Manager. Over the years, he has served on many local and provincial credit union committees, including the Provincial

Image Advertising and Provincial Technology Assessment Committee. His expertise will be a welcome addition to Auto Workers Community Credit Union.

“I am pleased to join the successful team at Auto Workers Community Credit Union.” said Brent. “I am looking forward to meeting the membership and working together with the staff and directors to continue bringing quality one-stop financial service to the Oshawa/Durham communities.”

Brent and his wife have purchased a new home in Bowmanville and look forward to moving there in June when his wife and son join him after the school year ends.

Brent and his wife have six children – and two grandchildren, with another on the way. Two of his children are

married, one is working at Chrysler in Windsor, two are in university and one is just finishing high school. In his spare time Brent enjoys woodworking and tinkering with his cars. He and his wife are avid campers and are looking forward to exploring their new community.

We invite you to stop in at the Oshawa branch and meet your new CEO. You will find him situated on the main floor as he is eager to be actively involved in the operation and accessible to both the members and staff.



Bowmanville leads the way in Heart and Stroke Campaign

Many thanks to all the AWCCU members and staff who showed that they “Have a Heart” by contributing so generously to our Heart and Stroke campaign.

Our Bowmanville members and staff led the way by purchasing an incredible total of 201 hearts for a total contribution of \$402.00. And the Oshawa branch sold a total of 125 hearts for a total of \$250.00.

The combined total of \$652.00 raised by both branches was matched by AWCCU – so our total contribution to the Heart and Stroke Foundation was \$1304.00!

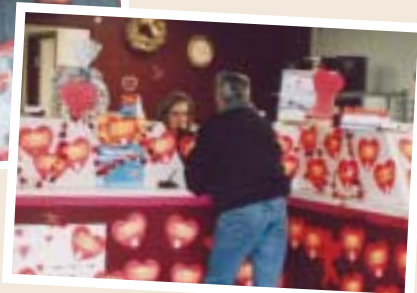
A big thank-you to Bowmanville area merchants for donating prizes to be raffled off during the campaign – the **TSC Store** contributed two \$25.00 gift certificates and **M & M Meat Shop** donated a beautiful food basket. Thanks to staff member Michelle Weales, who donated a picnic knapsack and to AWCCU for donating a Heartsmart Cooking cookbook.

Congratulations to the five lucky Bowmanville branch prize winners: **Leigh Parker, Darlene Corson, Chris Weeks, Carol Waller, and Brenda Cameron.**

Many thanks to **Donna Shields** and **Michelle Weales** for organizing the Bowmanville branch campaign and to **Lorna Wilkinson**, who spearheaded the Oshawa branch campaign.



Michelle Weales, Donna Shields, Sandra Mackay-Davies, Gerri Prendergast, and Betty Wright



AWCCU's Bowmanville branch – “You gotta have heart!”

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Maureen Ward, recently joined AWCCU as an Office Services Clerk at the Oshawa branch.



Maureen is a 6-year veteran of the Bank of Montreal, where she was most recently a Call Quality Coach at their Mutual Funds Call Centre. Prior to this position, she was a Mutual Funds Representative with the Bank of Montreal.

A resident of Oshawa, Maureen is married with two children.

Now that she no longer commutes to Toronto to work, she is looking forward to having some free time for her hobbies – reading, gardening, cooking, and decorating.

Gail Higgins recently retired from AWCCU after over 17 years of service.



Gail celebrated her last day of work as an Office Services Clerk on Friday February 28 and was "toasted" at a lunch at the Oshawa branch.

After a short visit to the US in April, Gail looks forward to reading, spending time with her two grandchildren, and planning a leisurely trip with her husband through the Eastern Provinces in their truck camper.

Congratulations Gail and enjoy your new-found freedom to travel!

Our Annual General Meeting

will be held on **Saturday, April 5, 2003** at Local 222 CAW Hall, 1425 Phillip Murray Ave., Oshawa. Registration opens at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 10:00 a.m. A luncheon will follow. Please **RSVP** to our Receptionist at the Oshawa branch at **(905) 728-5187** by **April 1, 2003**.

Don Nicholls Retires...



General Manager **Don Nicholls** recently retired from Auto Workers Community Credit Union after 28 years of distinguished service.

Don was honoured at a dinner held at Harpo's restaurant, attended by

management, staff and board members who gathered to "toast" Don and wish him and his family well on his retirement. Don was presented with a mantel clock and a contribution towards a custom-made reclining chair – the true symbol of retirement.

As Don recalled his illustrious career with AWCCU, he reflected that of all the positions he has held with the Credit Union, the one he is most proud of is "member of Auto Workers Credit Union."

All the best to Don Nicholls – and here's wishing him many years of happy reading in his new chair!

AWCCU was a "Caring Company" in 2002

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Auto Workers Community Credit Union is proud to have contributed a total of \$26,000 in 2002 to various charitable causes and local community events.

Many of our contributions were made through sponsoring or matching the enthusiastic fund-raising activities of our staff. **Lorna Wilkinson**, of the Oshawa branch, and **Donna Shields**, of the Bowmanville branch, organized our 2002 charity effort for "The Angel Tree Toy Drive" (Salvation Army) – and AWCCU supported their efforts by contributing \$1000.00 towards the purchase of toys. Lorna and Donna also championed our annual member and staff fund-raising activities for the Sunrise Youth Group, The Canadian Cancer Society, and The Heart and Stroke Foundation, which AWCCU supports through either donations or contributions of gifts in kind.

And in 2002, AWCCU became a proud contributor to Durham College – in November we awarded a scholarship for \$1000.00 to the student with the highest marks in the final year of the Financial Planning program and a bursary for \$1500.00 to a student in financial need in the Financial Planning or the Business Program.

In August we contributed \$500.00 to the Durham Regional Police

Association's fund raising baseball tournament in support of the Oshawa General Hospital.

In addition, AWCCU sponsors The Oshawa Generals, including hosting their annual MVP award night in March 2002 and providing a \$500.00 bursary to the winner, plus supporting various youth sports groups such as the Oshawa Kicks Girls soccer team and the Oshawa Legion Baseball teams. And throughout 2002 we supported various CAW Local 222 events, including their Annual Picnic, Retirees Picnic, and various golf tournaments.

At AWCCU, we believe it is our responsibility to help make Durham Region a better place to live and work by supporting and contributing to a wide range of charitable and community events. And we will continue to do this as an "Imagine Caring Company."

All Tax Service

Starting Monday, February 24th, Kay Cameron from All Tax Service will be at the AWCCU Oshawa branch (basement level) Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 4:30, until the end of April.