

Notice of 88th Annual Shareholders Meeting

You're Invited to the 2019 Annual Shareholders Meeting. Those in attendance will receive a gift and be registered for a cash prize drawing to be held at the end of the business meeting. Roller-skating and childcare will be staffed by Beacon Credit Union personnel and will be free to all credit union members.

Date: **March 18, 2019** *Time:* **7:00 pm** (Doors open at 6:00 pm)

Place: **Honeywell Center (Ford Theater)**

Following the meeting, those in attendance are encouraged to stay for the free pie and ice cream social in the Ford Theater lobby. Don't miss out on this opportunity to socialize with fellow Beacon Credit Union members, directors, volunteers, and staff members.

The nominating committee has put forward three candidates for Board of Directors positions and one Supervisory Committee position. Below are biographies for each candidate nominated.



Ken Dale - Director

Ken and his wife Janet have two daughters, Kristen and Kimberly, and five grandchildren. They reside in Paw Paw Township of Wabash County and attend the Wabash Friends Church. Ken operates a grain operation in Wabash County. He obtained a B.S. degree in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University in 1972.



John Peters - Director

John and his wife Anna reside in Wabash County and have two children, Melynda and David, and five grandchildren. John joined Beacon Credit Union Board of Directors in January 2005 following the merger with Sagamore Community FCU. He is a retired Maconaquah High School science teacher and is a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Peru.



Sarah Delbecq - Director

Sarah and her husband Benoit reside in DeKalb County. Sarah obtained a Master of Public Policy from the University of Chicago in 2010, Master of Science in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University in 2008, and B.A. Degree in Government/Economics from Georgetown University in 2006. Sarah is Vice President and Farm Manager of Brechbill Farms, Inc., a 6th generation farm in Auburn. She also serves as current President of Indiana Corn Growers Association and DeKalb County Farm Bureau, Inc. as well as Member and Financial Secretary for Garrett United Methodist Church.



Paul Hartman - Supervisory Committee

Paul A. Hartman and his wife Audrey reside in Cass County and have three children and eight grandchildren. Paul obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. He has worked at Logansport Municipal Utilities for several years and has held the position of Utilities Superintendent since 2006. Mr. Hartman is active in the Logansport Plan Commission, the Logansport Board of Zoning Appeals, Indiana Water Environment Association, and the Indiana Municipal Electric Association. Paul is a lifetime member of the American Water Works Association, 1999 recipient of the Fuller Award, and past State Director serving on the National Board.

Are you interested in running for the Board?

Any member of Beacon Credit Union who wishes to be a candidate shall submit an official Board of Director/Supervisory Committee application, agree to a background check, a statement of qualifications and biographical data along with a petition signed by 2% of the Credit Union membership or 500 members, whichever is less, to the secretary of the Credit Union prior to March 11, 2019. The election may not be conducted by ballot, and nominations will not be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting, unless one of the candidates withdraws his/her name from consideration.



December 2018

The Compass

RATE WATCH



SAVINGS RATES..... APY

6 Month Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	1.50%
1 Year Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	1.76%
18 Month Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	2.27%
2 Year Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	2.32%
3 Year Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	2.42%
4 Year Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	2.53%
5 Year Certificate (\$1,000 min.)	2.73%
IRA Account (18 Month Cert.)	2.27%
IRA Account (36 Month Cert.)	2.42%
IRA Account (60 Month Cert.)	2.73%

LOAN RATES..... APR

Primary Resident 10 yr. fixed	
(5% down)	4.565%
Primary Resident 20 yr. fixed	
(5% down)	4.911%
Primary Resident 3 yr. ARM	
(30 yr. amort./5% down)	4.275%
Beacon Platinum Home Equity LOC	
(15% down)	5.500%
Resident 2nd Mortgage 10 yr. Fixed	
(20% down)	5.777%

For a complete rates listing, visit beaconcu.org.

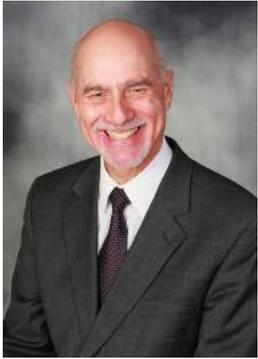
APY is Annual Percentage Yield
 APR is Annual Percentage Rate
 Penalty for early withdrawal on Share Certificates.
 ARM is Adjustable Rate Mortgage
 Rates effective December 10, 2018
 Rates Subject to Change



Tax Considerations for Retirees

Are you aware of them?

Provided by Michael D. Farner & Tiffany J. Hauptert



Michael D. Farner

The federal government offers some major tax breaks for older Americans. Some of these perks deserve more publicity than they receive.

If you are 65 or older, your standard deduction is \$1,300 larger. Make that \$1,600 if you are unmarried. Thanks to the passage of the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act, the 2018 standard deduction for an individual taxpayer at least 65 years of age is a whopping \$13,600, more than double what it was in 2017. (If you are someone else's dependent, your standard deduction is much less.)¹

You may be able to write off some medical costs. This year, the Internal Revenue Service will let you deduct qualifying medical expenses once they exceed 7.5% of your adjusted gross income. In 2019, the threshold will return to 10% of AGI, unless Congress acts to preserve the 7.5% baseline. The I.R.S. list of eligible expenses is long. Beyond out-of-pocket costs paid to doctors and other health care professionals, it also includes things like long-term care insurance premiums, travel costs linked to medical appointments, and payments for durable medical equipment, such as dentures and hearing aids.²

Are you thinking about selling your home? Many retirees consider this. If you have lived in your current residence for at least two of the five years preceding a sale, you can exclude as much as \$250,000 in gains from federal taxation (a married couple can shield up to \$500,000). These limits, established in 1997, have never been indexed to inflation. The Department of the Treasury has been studying whether it has the power to adjust them. If modified for inflation, they would approach \$400,000 for singles and \$800,000 for married couples.^{3,4}

Low-income seniors may qualify for the Credit for the Elderly or Disabled. This incentive, intended for people 65 and older (and younger people who have retired due to permanent and total disability), can be as large as \$7,500 based on your filing status. You must have very low AGI and nontaxable income to claim it, though. It is basically designed for those living wholly or mostly on Social Security benefits.⁵

Affluent IRA owners may want to make a charitable IRA gift. If you are well off and have a large traditional IRA, you may not need your yearly Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for living expenses. If you are 70½ or older, you have an option: you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) with IRA assets. You can donate up to \$100,000 of IRA assets to a qualified charity in a single year this way, and the amount donated counts toward your annual RMD. (A married couple gets to donate up to \$200,000 per year.) Even more importantly, the amount of the QCD is excluded from your taxable income for the year of the donation.⁶

Some states also give seniors tax breaks. For example, the following 11 states do not tax federal, state, or local pension income: Alabama, Hawaii, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New York, and Pennsylvania. Twenty-eight states (and the District of Columbia) refrain from taxing Social Security income.⁷

Unfortunately, your Social Security benefits could be partly or fully taxable. They could be taxed at both the federal and state level, depending on how much you earn and where you happen to live. Whether you feel this is reasonable or not, you may have the potential to claim some of the tax breaks mentioned above as you pursue the goal of tax efficiency.^{5,7}

Mike and Tiffany may be reached at 800-762-3136 ext. 6415 or visit www.beaconcu.org.

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Beacon Credit Union
Fees, Limits and Minimum Balance Requirements
Effective 4/1/19.

MISCELLANEOUS FEES		
ATM or Debit Card replacement	\$5.00	per card
Account activity printout	\$0.50	per page
Account closed within 90 days of opening	\$25.00	per any account, including IRA/HSAs
Account research	\$30.00	per hour; minimum one hour
ACH origination (including payroll)	Online Banking \$5.00 per batch origination	
ACH origination to another FI (consumer)	\$3.00	per origination, change, or cancellation
	\$15.00	set up fee (excluding direct loan payments)
Atira Gift Card	\$3.00	per card purchased
ATIRA reload debit card	\$5.00	per card purchased
Automatic transfer from loan or savings to checking	\$2.00	per transfer
Beacon Online Bill Pay	free	per month
Cashier's check	\$5.00	per check
Cashier's check to replace a collection item	\$10.00	per check
Check cashing for (non-members)	\$5.00	per occurrence
Check or share draft copy	\$5.00	per item
Check printing	varies	by style
Dormant account fee (after 3 years)	\$2.00	per month
Fax Fees	\$2.00 first page	\$1.00 for each subsequent page
Foreign deposited item - check	\$25.00	per item
Garnishments	\$20.00	per item
Insufficient funds	\$25.00	per item
IRA / HSA Plan closeout fee	\$20.00	with exclusion of transfers to Beacon Investment Services
Levies	\$25.00	per item
Money order	\$2.00	per item
Non-notifications of Address changes (bad address fee)	\$3.00	per month (after 2 nd month of statements or notices being returned)
Photocopy	\$0.50	per copy
Re-deposited checks returned	\$10.00	per item
Statement copy	\$5.00	per statement
Stop payment – all - except lost or stolen blank checks	\$25.00	per item
Wire transfer - domestic outgoing	\$25.00	per wire
Wire transfer - foreign outgoing	\$75.00	per wire
MINIMUM BALANCE REQUIREMENT - CONSUMER CHECKING & SAVINGS		
Interest Advantage checking \$100.00 minimum balance to avoid service fee of:	\$5.00	per month
Health Savings Account (HSA) \$25.00 minimum balance to avoid service fee of:	\$2.00	per month
Savings account \$25.00 minimum balance to avoid service fee of:	\$2.00	per month
BEACON ATM & DEBIT CARD LIMITS		
Consumer:		ATM = CASH POS = point of sale
ATM card	Per day	ATM \$ 200 POS \$ 200
Lower Limit Debit	Per day	ATM \$ 250 POS \$ 500
Standard Limit Debit	Per day	ATM \$ 500 POS \$ 1,500
Health Savings Debit	Per day	ATM \$ 500 POS \$ 3,000
Business:		
Standard Limit debit	Per day	ATM \$ 500 POS \$ 3,000
Commercial Limit debit (requires Business Pro checking)	Per day	ATM \$ 500 POS \$ 5,000
SAFE DEPOSIT BOX RENTAL AND FEES (NOT AVAILABLE AT ALL LOCATIONS)		
3 x 5	\$16.00	annually
5 x 5	\$18.00	annually
3 x 10	\$20.00	annually
5 x 10	\$30.00	annually
10 x 10	\$60.00	annually
Safe Deposit Box Drill Fee	\$150.00	per occurrence
Safe Deposit Box Key Replacement	\$15.00	per key replacement

Seymour Branch Now Open

How to Contact Beacon Credit Union

Auburn (both locations)

(260) 925-0800

Crawfordsville

(765) 364-1023

Garrett

(260) 357-0400

Grissom Aeroplex

(765) 689-9181

Huntington

(260) 359-9680

Logansport (216 Mall Rd.)

(574) 722-2161

Logansport (1405 W. Market)

(574) 722-6395

Marion

(765) 664-9537

New Haven

(260) 493-0725

North Manchester

(260) 982-7551

Peru (N. Broadway)

(765) 472-3472

Peru (W. Main)

(765) 472-1214

Peru (Old Key)

(765) 472-1022

Plymouth

(574) 936-2150

Richmond

(765) 935-2222

Rochester (504 Main St.)

(574) 223-1504

Rochester (430 Rouch Pl. Dr.)

(574) 223-4871

Rushville (152 E. US Highway 52)

(765) 932-1801

Rushville (Ag Office)

(765) 932-2750

Seymour

(812) 522-9527

Wabash (all branches)

(260) 563-7443

Warsaw

(574) 268-1276

Washington

(812) 257-8801

Department Extensions

Collections..... ext. 2044

Beacon Inv. Services..... ext. 6415

Beacon Trust Services..... ext. 2013

Contact Center "0" or "3"

Email: beaconcu@beaconcu.org

Do not include confidential information such as account numbers in email correspondence.

Send all mail inquiries to:

Beacon Credit Union

PO Box 627

Wabash, IN 46992

We're excited to be a part of Seymour! Since 1931, Beacon Credit Union has provided a simple vision to its member-owners - to provide savings and dependable loan programs to rural Indiana.

The 4,158 sq. ft. full service office located at 1459 West Tipton features state-of-the art teller pods that allow for an easier, more personal experience, drive-thru access and a drive up ATM.

A Grand Opening was held Friday, December 14th, featuring a \$500 community basket giveaway filled with local merchant gift cards.

"Seymour is a growing and vibrant community in which we are honored to share the Beacon difference with new friends and families," stated Kevin Willour, President/CEO of Beacon. "This new full-service facility is just the beginning of our commitment and service to Seymour and the surrounding communities.

While Beacon Ag Group, a part of Beacon Credit Union, has been in the community of Seymour for over 10 years providing loan financing to local farmers, the new facility will now allow Beacon to provide a full-line of retail services such as checking accounts, auto loans and mortgages to current and new members.



AMERICAN SHARE INSURANCE
Each account insured up to \$250,000.
By members' choice, this institution is not federally insured.