



SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2026

Leadership Transition at Lafleche Credit Union

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Brandon Carter for his service to Lafleche Credit Union and wish him every success in the future.

As we move through a period of leadership transition, we are pleased to announce that Lori McLean has been appointed Interim General Manager. Lori brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role. Since joining the Credit Union in 2011, she has become a trusted leader and valued resource for both members and staff. As Lending and Branch Services Manager, she has played a key role in supporting our lending operations, branch services, and strategic initiatives. Lori is passionate about serving our communities and helping our members achieve their financial goals. Her extensive experience and dedication make her well positioned to lead our organization as we move forward.

Lori and her husband, Bryce, live on a farm east of Glentworth. They are proud parents to two children, Colby and Crystal, and enjoy spending time with family. Lori is an avid gardener and enjoys a variety of creative pursuits from crafting to taking the stage at the annual Waverly Players dinner theaters. When she's not busy at work or on the farm, Lori and her family enjoy travelling and exploring new destinations. Lori's strong connection to the community, agriculture and her dedication to her family, reflect the values that have guided her throughout both her personal and professional life.



Lori McLean Interim General Manager



The McLean Family: Lori, Crystal, Colby, & Bryce.



Lafleche

CREDIT UNION
Community minded...just like you!

Community Fund
\$50,000 in available
funding for 2026.

\$38,525 Still Available!

Applications remain open, with over \$30,000 still unallocated in the Community Fund! Do you have a fundraiser, event, or initiative that could use support? We'd love to hear from you! Scan our QR code and fill out our Lafleche Credit Union Community Fund Application.



Organizations that have received funding so far:

Lafleche & District Music Festival

Wood River Horticulture

Meyronne Rec Centre

Lafleche & District Museum

Furrows & Faith Retirement Villa

Details and photos to follow as projects are completed!

Apply Now!

www.laflecheCU.com

LAFLECHE CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

\$20,000

NO ESSAY REQUIRED!

Four lucky students will be drawn for a **\$5,000** scholarship. We will draw two members from each branch, one for a high school graduate & one for an existing post secondary student. Apply on our website! Deadline to apply is August 28th, 2026.

TO QUALIFY, STUDENT MUST BE AN ACTIVE LCU MEMBER. PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR INQUIRE IN BRANCH FOR MORE INFORMATION *TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY.

PATRONAGE

IT PAYS TO BE A MEMBER!

Patronage was paid on June 8th. We are pleased to pay a 14% patronage payment back to our members!

We celebrated with our annual Member Appreciation Lunches in Lafleche on June 11th and Glentworth on June 12th.

Thank you to everyone who came to join us!

Summer Snaps



Making a difference, one act of kindness at a time! We're proud to support local initiatives, organizations, and events that help our communities thrive. Here are a few highlights from our team's recent Pay It Forward activities!

Carmen Ellis Transitions Back to Full-Time Operations Manager



We are pleased to announce that Carmen Ellis has resumed the full-time role of Operations Manager. While Carmen most recently served as Senior Administration Manager on a three-day per week schedule, she has remained with Lafleche Credit Union as an integral part of our management team and is now stepping back into the full-time role. Carmen's history with Lafleche Credit Union spans more than four decades. Beginning her career in 1982, her extensive knowledge of our organization, operations, staff, members, and communities makes her an invaluable part of our leadership team! Most recently serving as Senior Administration Manager, Carmen has once again stepped forward to support the organization through our leadership transition. Carmen's experience, leadership, and commitment to the Credit Union system continue to be a tremendous asset.



Meet Tikka, the newest addition to the Ellis crew! Her biggest fans are the Credit Union staff, who never say no to a puppy cuddle!

Carmen and her husband, Blaine, have been married for 39 years and live east of Lafleche. Together, they share their acreage with five dogs, four cats, and two horses. Carmen's love for animals, nature, and an active lifestyle keeps her busy all year round. Carmen is a dedicated supporter of her community and has served on numerous local boards and committees over the years, always quick to lend a helping hand. In the winter, Carmen and Blaine enjoy annual vacations to Mexico, where they have built many lifelong friendships. Carmen is also a passionate fan of the Blue Jays and the Riders, and she can often be found cheering them on with a beverage in hand!

Congratulations!
to the
winners of our
Ag in Motion Giveaway!
Lafleche Branch
Travis Palmier
Glentworth Branch
AnnMarie Blake

Let's talk about
3.30%*
FEATURED RATE
5-year term deposit

*RATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**Lafleche Credit Union
will NEVER ask for your
online banking login information,
one-time security codes,
or full account number.**

Please be aware that
scammers can spoof our
phone number,
making it look like it's really
us calling when it isn't.

If you're ever unsure:

Hang up.

Take a moment.

Call us back directly using
our trusted phone number.

Your First Paycheque:

Smart Money Habits for Teens

Summer is often a time when teens earn their first paycheque through summer jobs, helping on the family farm, babysitting, or other part-time work. Learning how to manage money now can help build good habits that last a lifetime.

1 Understand where your money comes from.

Your money may come from a job, birthday gifts, or an allowance, but all of it has a source. Knowing how much you have, and how often you will receive it helps you plan how you will use it wisely. Start by keeping track of what you earn and what you spend, so you can make informed choices.

Plan your spending based on when you receive your money. Borrowing from the bank of Mom, Dad or Grandparents doesn't help you develop good habits while you have the chance!

2 Start with saving.

One of the best ways to manage money is to save it.

Before spending your earnings, set money aside for savings. Even saving a small amount from each paycheque can add up over time and help you reach your future goals. If you receive paychecks that are direct deposited, you can set up automatic transfers into your savings account at the credit union.

3 Before you spend, ask yourself questions.

Before you make a purchase, ask yourself:

- Do I really need this?
- Will I still want this in a week, in a month, or in a year?
- Is there something more important that I could use this money for?

Taking a little time to think can help prevent impulse purchases.

4 Consider your future goals, and dream big.

Are you saving for a vehicle once you get your license?

Do you want to go to university after high school?

Maybe you are saving up for sports equipment, travel, or something else?

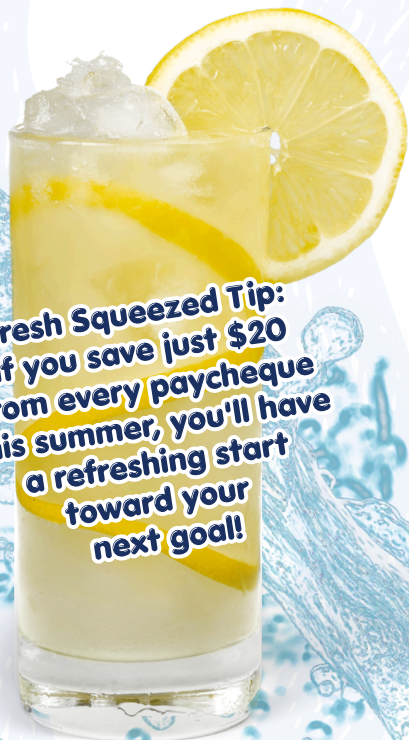
Big goals like these require planning and saving. Having goals gives your savings purpose and helps keep you motivated to achieve your goals and your dreams!

5 Always have a plan.

A simple plan keeps you on track. Work through steps 1-4 regularly and talk through your finances with a trusted adult. Think things through, and avoid making impulsive decisions.

The choices you make with money now are building the habits that you will carry into your future!

- **Save some.**
- **Spend some.**
- **Enjoy some.**



Fresh Squeezed Tip:
If you save just \$20 from every paycheque this summer, you'll have a refreshing start toward your next goal!