

DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BEAVER COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

BFCU will be helping our furry and not so furry friends at the Beaver County Humane Society again this year.

Stop by our office between December 1 and December 20 and grab a tag from the tree. Once you have bought the item on your tag, please return it to our office by December 20 so that it is here in time for our friends for Christmas.

Let's help our friends at the Humane Society have a great Christmas.

Holiday Helper Loan!

2.20%	\$2,200 for 22 month
3.30%	\$3,300 for 33 month
4.40%	\$4,400 for 44 month

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

BFCU will be closed on Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 in observance of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, December 27 at 11am.

We would like to wish our members and their families a very safe and happy Merry Christmas.

NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY

BFCU will be closed on Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 3 at 11am.

We would like to wish our members and their families a safe, healthy and prosperous Happy New Year.

HOLIDAYS

- December 21 - Winter Solstice
- December 23 - Christmas Eve (Closed)
- December 26 - Christmas (Closed)
- December 26 - National Candy Cane Day
- December 30 - New Year's Eve (Closed)
- January 2 - New Year's Day (Closed)

NATIONAL CANDY CANE DAY

Each year on December 26, candy lovers celebrate National Candy Cane Day.

The Christmas candy cane was made in Indiana by a candy maker as a reminder to children of Christ and a symbol of his birth, ministry, and death. The candy starts with a pure white stick of hard candy which symbolizes purity, the virgin birth, and the solid rock, which is the foundation of the church and the strength of the promises of God. The shape symbolizes the staff the shepherds carried since they were the first to worship the newborn Christ and when it is turned upside down, it also symbolizes the Good Shepherd himself, "J", a reminder of Jesus. Three red stripes symbolize the lashing of Jesus by the Roman soldiers and the large red stripe symbolizes the blood Jesus shed on the cross. A green stripe is sometimes added to remind us that Jesus is an eternal gift from God. The peppermint flavor is similar to hyssop, which is in the mint family. Hyssop was used in the Old Testament for purification and sacrifice.

The candy cane was mentioned in literature in 1874 in connection with Christmas and the candy cane was hung on Christmas trees as early as 1882. The average candy cane is 5 inches tall and it is not sugar or calorie-free but it does not have any fat or cholesterol. The Guinness World Record for the longest candy cane, 51 feet long, is held by Alain Roby, a Geneva pastry chef. Brasher O. Westerfield invented the first machine to make candy canes in 1921 before that time they were made by hand.

The Christmas candy cane is still a symbol of the Christmas holiday and the classic peppermint flavor is still the traditional flavor even though it comes in many different shapes, sizes, and flavors.

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS (CDS)

6 MONTHS	0.50%
12 MONTHS	0.70%
18 MONTHS	0.75%
24 MONTHS	1.00%

OUR CDS ARE CONTINUING TO RISE EACH MONTH. STOP IN AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR NEW RATES.

Blackhawk Federal Credit Union would like to extend a big Thank You to all of our members for their patience and understanding during the debit card incident that took place on November 17.

It is the loyalty and dedication that our members have towards Blackhawk Federal Credit Union that makes us what we are today.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.