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RE: FREE Educational Seminar: "Home Buying Made Easy"  
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## **Consumers Credit Union Hosts Free Seminar: "Home Buying Made Easy"**

### ***No-cost educational program is open to public on March 18th***

Waukegan, IL, March 2, 2010: How would you like to earn an \$8,000.00 credit on your income taxes? Sound impossible? It's true! First time home buyers can earn tax rebates up to \$8,000.00. Interest rates are at 50-year lows and home prices have hit the bottom. As an added bonus, CCU just introduced "First Home 30-year Plus," a special financing plan designed to help first time home buyers take advantage of the tax credit! Add them all up and they equal a great opportunity for everyone interested in buying a home!

Consumers Credit Union wants to do our part to help the economy by presenting a FREE seminar, "Home Buying Made Easy." This timely, no-cost educational seminar has important information about the tax credit and practical answers to your questions about every step of the home buying process. The seminar is set for Thursday, March 18th, at KeyLime Cove – in Gurnee.

"Recent federal tax incentives, low purchase prices and interest rate cuts have made this a great time to purchase a new home," said Sean M. Rathjen, CCU President. "Everyone buying a home has lots of questions, even if they've been through the process before. Whether you're looking for information about how to determine possible tax rebates, how to sort through financing options, or handling the paperwork, this seminar will help you get the answers you need to make home buying the joyous experience it should be."

"Home Buying Made Easy" will benefit everyone looking to purchase a home. This popular no-cost educational seminar is open to the public. CCU has teamed with Consumers Cooperative Association to provide practical, easy-to-understand answers to questions about . . .

- Qualification requirements for federal tax rebates\*
- Property values and appraisals
- The best way to finance your home

Here are the details:

Date: Thursday, March 18, 2010  
Time: 6:00 pm registration: seminar starts at 6:30 pm  
Location: KeyLime Cove, 1700 Nations Drive- Gurnee  
RSVP: Maria Contreras ([mariac@myconsumers.org](mailto:mariac@myconsumers.org) or 847.265.5531)

Seating is limited, so please contact Maria Contreras today to reserve your seat and/or for additional information about "Home Buying Made Easy." Consumers Credit Union is Member-owned with offices in Waukegan, Mundelein, Round Lake Beach, Gurnee, North Waukegan and now on Route 120 in Volo between Route 60 and US Highway 12 . . . and online at [www.myconsumers.org](http://www.myconsumers.org).

Details about CCU's "First Home 30-year Plus" program are available at [www.myconsumers.org](http://www.myconsumers.org); additional information about the tax rebate program is available at [www.federalhousingtaxcredit.com/2009/faq.php](http://www.federalhousingtaxcredit.com/2009/faq.php). CCU is an Equal Housing Lender.

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