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## **Consumers Credit Union Supports the Community**

### ***Member-owned credit union supports numerous events throughout Lake County***

Waukegan, IL, April 24, 2007: The Mission Statement of Consumers Credit Union (CCU) is "To Deliver Quality Service to Members." Through the years, that mission has extended far beyond the offices of the Member-owned credit union. In fact, CCU has a huge commitment to community, charity and business events throughout Lake County this year.

"Partnering with local communities serves all of us well . . . our Members, the credit union and the communities where our offices are located," said Sean M. Rathjen, President of Consumers Credit Union. "Neighborhood, charity and civic events are very important to the communities we serve, and that means it's important for us to lend a hand wherever possible."

Consumers Credit Union sponsors local softball, baseball, and volleyball teams for boys and girls at various age levels. Already this year, CCU has supported five baseball, four softball, two volleyball, one soccer and one bowling team, along with six area school events. This averages to a little more than one team/event sponsorship each week!

Consumers Credit Union also supports business organizations. The credit union recently staffed booths at the GLMV Chamber of Commerce Home Show and the Round Lake Beach Home & Trade Fair, and hosted tables at both the GLMV and Lake County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meetings. CCU is also a bi-monthly sponsor of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's regular "Business After Hours" mixers.

CCU supports charitable and civic activities, too. Dozens of credit union employees joined hands to raise more than \$2,250 for March of Dimes in April and expects to raise \$10,000 for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in June. Earlier this year, the credit union hosted North Chicago High School Students at the Most Influential African American's Banquet and was a table sponsor at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Lake County Civil Rights Hall of Fame Dinner.

CCU continues its support in the upcoming months by sponsoring festivals large and small all summer long. The credit union will participate in the Maxwell Street Festival, Zion's City of Miracles celebration and community festivals in Gurnee, the Round Lake Area, Waukegan, Zion, Mundelein, North Chicago and Park City. Watch for CCU at a neighborhood event near you!

For more information, contact Sean M. Rathjen, Consumers Credit Union President, at 847.782.4670. CCU is Member-owned, with offices in Waukegan, Mundelein, Round Lake Beach, Gurnee, and North Waukegan and online at [www.myconsumers.org](http://www.myconsumers.org).