



**Williams Lake & District
Credit Union**

NEWS

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RETIREMENTS PRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED!

The Credit Union's two longest serving directors have announced that they will not be seeking re-election in the 2018 Election of Directors. This presents a unique opportunity for Board renewal, and an opportunity for new directors to gain skills and insight into cooperative values and corporate governance. We encourage Credit Union members who may be interested in representing the Credit Union membership to consider putting their names forward as candidates.

The Board makes the leadership decisions required to maintain a successful operation, including the approval of long-term strategic plans. A professional director development

program is in place, with ongoing opportunities for learning. You can review a list of the ideal skills and attributes of a Credit Union Director at:

www.wldcu.com/SharedContent/documents/Skills.pdf

Nomination to a position on our Board is available to any member in good standing who has reached the age of majority and been a member for at least one year as at December 31, 2017. The nomination period for our 2018 Election of Directors commences on January 8, 2018.

*Please turn over this page to view our
Call for Nominations.*

About Our Retirees...

Bella Coola Valley representative John Morton has served the credit union system continuously since 1980, first as a Director of the former Bella Coola Valley Credit Union, and then as a Director of Williams Lake and District Credit Union. Joe Bazan served seven years on the Board of Lake View Credit Union before joining the Williams Lake and District Credit Union Board in 1991. We thank both of these individuals for their years of service and wish them well as they focus their energies on new challenges.



ABOVE
John Morton, Joe Bazan

STATEMENT CONFIRMATION

As part of our annual financial statement audit, please compare your December 31, 2017 account statement to your records. If you discover any statement balance discrepancies, please inform our auditors, MNP LLP, by February 1, 2018.

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WILLIAMS LAKE MEMBERS GIVE GENEROUSLY

Members who use our Williams Lake Branch may recall seeing a large collection jug asking for donations for Operation Smile. Operation Smile Canada provides free surgeries to repair cleft lip, cleft palate and other facial deformities for children around the world. We are thrilled to report that funds collected in 2017 total \$1,100! The money collected this year will fund surgery for children in Mexico. To learn more about Operation Smile, go to: <http://canada.operationsmile.org/>



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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: NOTICE OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

A Message from the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee of Williams Lake and District Credit Union is pleased to advise that an election of directors will take place to fill four (4) positions on the Board: two (2) in the Williams Lake region, one (1) in the 100 Mile House region, and one (1) in the Bella Coola Valley region. Commencing January 8, 2018, nomination forms will be available at Williams Lake and District Credit Union branches. Members in good standing are invited to forward names of proposed candidates prior to noon on February 13, 2018, which is the date and time that nominations shall close.

The election of directors shall be conducted by mail ballot. Members residing within a region where an election becomes necessary will receive a ballot package and instructions by mail. In order to be eligible to vote in this election, a person must be a member, other than a junior member, in good standing on December 31, 2017. Voting ends on April 26, 2018. Results of this election will be announced at the Annual General Meeting to be held on May 9, 2018.

Newly elected directors in the Williams Lake and Bella Coola Valley regions will commence duties immediately following the Annual General Meeting and will continue for a period of three years. The newly elected director in the 100 Mile House region will commence duties immediately following the Annual General Meeting and will continue for a period of two years. It is important to note that directors are required to prepare for and attend Board and Committee meetings on a monthly basis. In addition, all new directors must complete a computer-based director development program and attend one (1) out-of-town workshop during the first year of their tenure.

Nominating Committee Williams Lake and District Credit Union



NEW CREDIT UNION COLLECTIBLE!

Tuttle the Turtle, the thirteenth member of the exclusive BC Credit Union collectible family, arrived at the Credit Union in late November.

Hurry in to buy your very own Tuttle before they disappear! The full purchase price of \$13 will be donated to a charity in your local community. For example, our Williams Lake Branch plans to sponsor a needy family identified by the Salvation Army.

