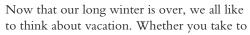
#### Spring 2017

# THE NEWS





# Vacation Loans Available April 1st



the land, sea or air – in search of adventure or in search of relaxation – the Credit Union can help. Since even a modest vacation can put a crimp in your budget by the time you figure airfare, hotel, rental car, dining and attractions, a special Vacation Loan from the credit union can help.

Your credit card might come in handy for certain vacation expenses, like renting a car, but don't use a high interest credit card to float the whole vacation cost. When you roll your vacation into other purchases on a credit card, and you make only partial payments, you're never sure when you're finished paying for that vacation. With a special Vacation Loan, you can have an affordable payment and be all paid off before next year's vacation rolls around. It's quick; it's easy — and all at a great rate!

So, if you've got the money saved for the trip, that's great. But if you need to borrow the money, save the credit card for emergencies and stop by or call the credit union today and let us help with a Vacation Loan.

## These loans are available starting in April at a special, low interest rate of 7.75% APR\*

\*Annual Percentage Rate. Payment per week on \$3,500.00 financed for 52 weeks = \$70.07. Payment per month on \$3,500.00 financed for 12 months = \$304.09.

### Children's Book Month - April 2017



Every child should have a book to read! During the month of April, YOU can help by dropping off any children's book, new or used, at the credit union. Along with other Massachusetts credit unions, Brookline Municipal Credit Union is once again collecting books to be donated to children in need who might not have this opportunity without your help. Last year Brookline Municipal Credit Union was one of 38 credit unions that worked with the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless and collected over 13,000 children's books that were distributed to a variety of family service agencies throughout the state. Since 2001, Massachusetts credit unions have donated more than 295,000 books.

The Children's Book Drive celebrates the value of reading by providing thousands of books that give children hours upon hours of reading to open their imaginations and become inspired. So, help show a child a new world with the gift of a book. Throughout the month of April there will be a box located in the credit union lobby where you can drop off a book. Whether you have a book at home that's been outgrown or you'd like to buy a new book, please bring it in to the credit union and help build a better tomorrow for children.



# **Enroll for eStatements!**

It's the fastest, most environmentally friendly way to receive your statements. Sign up today for eStatements and enjoy all the benefits:

#### **Timely delivery -**

you'll receive eStatements faster than paper statements. Receive an email notification when your statement is ready for viewing – usually the 1st or 2nd of each month.

#### Increased security -

Electronic delivery of statements uses the latest technologies to protect member information. Paper delivery leaves you more vulnerable to identity theft.

#### Help the environment -

Because eStatements are not printed, they reduce paper usage. It feels good to "go green".

**Easy access to past statements –** You'll be able to save and access up to 18 months of eStatements. It's easy to sign up for eStatements. Just login to internet banking at www.brooklinecu.com, click on the self-service tab, go to eStatements and enroll.

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#### **Holiday Closings**

Patriot's Day Monday, April 17

Memorial Day Monday, May 29

#### Remember:

Online Banking, the B-Line and ATM are always open, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

#### For Your Information

**Credit Union Hours:** Monday through Friday 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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#### Make Your Ira Contributions Now



The earlier you make your IRA contribution, the faster your tax-deferred or tax-free earnings will grow. If you haven't made your 2016 contribution yet, you have until April 18th, 2017 to make it. You can also make your 2017 contribution now. The Traditional and Roth IRA contribution limit for 2016 and 2017 for individuals under age 50 is \$5,500.00\*. For those age 50 or older the contribution limit is \$6,500.00\*.

A Traditional IRA offers tax-deductible contributions and tax-deferred earnings, while a Roth IRA can give you tax-free earnings and tax-free withdrawals. Which one is better depends on your stage of life, your tax bracket and what you are saving your money for. You don't have to make a huge initial contribution to get started. Start small and let it grow. Contributing to an

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\*Your IRA contributions are limited to 100% of your compensation. To make a regular contribution of \$6,500.00 for 2017, you or your spouse must earn at least \$6,500.00 in 2017.

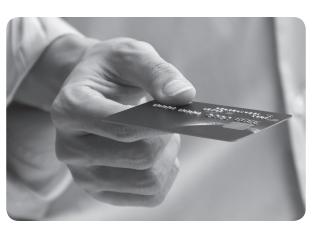
#### Visa Purchase Alerts

Why is this important? Visa Purchase Alerts can keep your account secure by empowering you to catch fraud. Through Visa Purchase Alerts, cardholders have the ability to: Closely monitor your Visa debit card, Check for unusual transaction activity and/or track spending levels immediately and Take action at the first sign of potential fraud.

#### Just 3 easy steps to get started:

- 1. Sign up at Visa.com/purchasealerts
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