

2023 Fall Newsletter

Letter from the CEO / GM

Dear fellow members,



Allow me to introduce myself and share a little about me. My name is Greg Sisitki, the new CEO / GM here at USSCO FCU. I was the CEO at Latrobe Area Hospital FCU in Latrobe, PA for the past eleven years where I was challenged to learn every aspect of doing business as a credit union. Those experiences taught me valuable lessons and allowed me to grow into the person I am today. I have been married to my wife Michele, an elementary school teacher in the River Valley School District in Blairsville, PA since 2005 and we have two amazing sons. Mason is seventeen and Aaron is thirteen.

My father was a U.S. Steel employee and USSCO FCU member back in the seventies. I grew up not far from here and understand how important this credit union is to local workers and families. My goal is to keep USSCO strong and worthy of the hardworking men and women in Cambria and Somerset Counties who trust us to keep their money safe and continue to grow in the future.

We have a great staff here and I look forward to building on all the past successes and create even more benefits and features/products for our members. Many of you know Shannon Knopp, our longtime manager of the Ebensburg office. I'm very happy to tell you that she has been deservedly promoted to Operations Manager/COO here at the Richland/Administration office. Let's all congratulate Shannon!

Over the past few years we have witnessed some unprecedented times from the pandemic to inflation to higher interest rates. Inflation has been



the big topic recently and the Federal Reserve has raised interest to higher rates to calm inflation numbers. Unfortunately, this strategy has taken a toll on the average family. Goods and services become more expensive and the economy itself could slow down in the worst case scenario to a possible recession with resulting job losses.

We continue to closely monitor the economy and interest rates. I want to put everyone's minds at ease when it comes to your USSCO accounts. We are a very stable credit union and your deposits are insured up to \$250,000 by the National Credit Union Administration [NCUA].

As I look forward to fall with kids going back to school, remember we offer student loans through our partnership with SallieMae® Smart Option Student Loan®.

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October is Member Appreciation Month! Come join the fun! It's our chance to show you how much we appreciate you. Along with our usual free coin counting and free shredding, we have some really **GREAT PRIZE GIVEAWAYS**—one from each community office! Plus some surprises to thank you for being a USSCO member. *Stay tuned...*

I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of you and working with the Board of Directors and staff to keep USSCO a strong and reliable credit union for the future.

Sincerely,

Greg Sisitki, CEO / GM

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Four lucky members—one in each community office—will win a Blackstone 36-inch Culinary Omnivore Griddle with Hood 4-Burner Liquid Propane Flat Top Grill! Model #2162

Plus accessories!

Blackstone Culinary 6.5-oz Flat Top Grill Conditioner, Model #4125
Blackstone Culinary 6-piece Stainless Steel Tool Set, Model #5322
Blackstone Culinary 8-piece Breakfast Tool Set, Model #5324
Blackstone Culinary 4-Piece Stainless Steel Hamburger Tool Set, Model #5326
Blackstone Degreaser Flat Top 16-oz Grill Grate/Grid Cleaner, Model #4163

We hope you're as excited about these great prizes as we are!

**Thank you for being such a great USSCO member.
We appreciate you!**

Stay tuned...



Prize Drawing Rules:

1. USSCO's Board of Directors, committee members, officers, employees, and immediate family members are not eligible to enter.
2. You can enter once a day during the contest period.
3. You DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT to win.
4. Prize drawings will be held at community offices on November 1st at or around 12:00 pm.
5. Winners will be notified by phone/email immediately.
6. Prize winners are solely responsible for any and all taxes which may be payable for any prizes worth more than \$600.
7. Winners must present proper photo ID to claim prizes.
8. USSCO may use your name and/or image in newsletters and other promotional materials, etc.

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