

# Membership Matters

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE: WCCU ANNUAL MEETING

WCCU will be holding the  
**87th Annual Meeting on  
April 24, 2025 at the  
Williston Area Recreation  
Center (ARC) at 6:00 PM  
(CT).**

**Registration will begin  
at 5:30 PM (CT).**

**This meeting is strictly a  
Business Meeting.**

**Coffee and Dessert will be served.  
Elections will occur at the annual  
meeting and there will be no  
nominations from the floor.**

*The Nominating Committee has filed its  
nominations with the Secretary of the  
Board of Directors. Please contact Jim  
Ryen, Gina Karsky, or Duane Binde,  
Nominating Committee Members,  
for any questions.*

Incumbent Larry Schilke and  
Candidate Jason Mann were placed  
as candidates for the open positions  
on the Board of Directors and  
Incumbent Alden Hagen was placed  
as a candidate for the open position  
on the Supervisory Committee.

**Nominations for vacancies may also be made by petition signed by one  
percent (1%) of the members with a maximum of three hundred (300).  
The closing date for receiving nominations by petition is March 14, 2025  
and must be filed with the Secretary of the Board of Directors  
at least forty (40) days before the annual meeting.**



**Larry Schilke**  
**Incumbent,**

**Board of Directors**

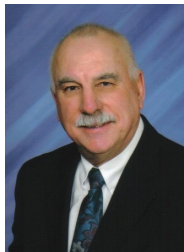
Larry Schilke has been a  
member of Western  
Cooperative Credit Union's  
Board of Directors since  
2001. Larry has lived in  
Williston, ND for the past  
58 years. He worked in sales for Gambles and  
Keating Furniture and then as an advertising  
consultant for KUMV-TV before developing his  
own advertising business, Schilke Advertising  
Consultants. He is now retired. He and his wife  
Sandra have two daughters and two  
grandchildren.



**Jason Mann**  
**Candidate,**

**Board of Directors**

Jason was born and raised in  
Dickinson, ND. He earned his  
Bachelor's of Science  
Degree from  
Dickinson State University  
in Business Education. He also has his Masters  
in Curriculum and Instruction from Cal State  
University, Bakersfield. In 2022, he retired from  
teaching after 35 years, spending 27 of them at  
South Heart Public School. He has been married  
to his wife Lynelle for 37 years and they have 3  
children and 5 grandchildren.



**Alden Hagen**  
**Incumbent,**

**Supervisory Committee**

Alden has served on the  
Western Cooperative Credit  
Union Supervisory  
Committee since 2006. He  
is an NDSU graduate with a  
BA Degree in Mathematics. Alden is a retired  
teacher, having taught for 34 years. Alden is  
active in Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. He is  
a past president of the congregation there,  
along with Past President of the Williston  
Education Association & Lutheran Brotherhood.



# STAR STUDENT WINNERS FOR November 2024, December 2024, and January 2025

If you know any potential Star Students, please visit your nearest WCCU Branch for a brochure, or check out our fillable form on our website: [wccu.org](http://wccu.org)!



November 2024  
**Kazen Nelson**

Kazen is a senior at Mott-Regent High School. She sets high academic standards for herself taking challenging classes and dual-credit courses. Kazen works two jobs, along with working at Camp ReCreation in the summers. She is active in Volleyball, Basketball, FBIA, and serves as editor for their school yearbook.



November 2024  
**Landon Vetter**

Landon is a senior at Watford City High School. He is ranked amongst the top of his class and has a 3.94 GPA. He is also a National Honor Society member. Landon has participated in community clean up, Feed My Starving Children, Little Wolves Basketball mentorship and a referee, serves on the prom committee and is a FFA member.



December 2024  
**Keira Paulson**

Keira is a junior at Dickinson High School. She has been on the honor roll and is a member of the National Honor Society. Keira is currently enrolled in the Dental Assisting Program at Dickinson High School. She competes in Volleyball and Track and Field, as well as working hard as the manager for Dickinson High School Boys Basketball.



December 2024  
**Azure Mahoney**

Azure is a sophomore at Bainville High School. She is on the honor roll and participates in Academic Olympics. She is an A student. Azure plays volleyball and is a cheerleader. She was named her class president, as well as serving as the Treasurer for Bainville High School Future Farmers of America and Business Professionals of America. She is also active in her church.



January 2025  
**Johnna Ryder**

Johnna is a sophomore at Bainville High School. She has been on the honor roll. She is involved in her church youth group, as well as playing basketball and volleyball for Bainville High School.



January 2025  
**Cole Brown**

Cole is an 8th Grader at Beach Public School. He has been on the honor roll and is active athletically in Football, Basketball, and Track. Cole is also active in Future Farmers of America and 4-H. Cole serves as his class president, as well, along with being involved in his church youth group and mass.



## Scholarship Applications

Due February 10, 2025



Visit our website today to fill out an application for our CU Succeed Scholarships!  
[wccu.org/News/2025-CU-Succeed-Scholarships](http://wccu.org/News/2025-CU-Succeed-Scholarships)



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY  
I HAVE A DREAM

**WCCU will be closed on  
January 20, 2025**

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for up-to-date information and celebrations!



Happy  
PRESIDENT'S DAY

Western Cooperative Credit Union will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2025

## Upcoming Community Events

### 61st Annual Trinity Mardi Gras

Date: February 24-26, 2025 Dickinson, ND  
Don't miss out on the biggest fundraiser of the year for Trinity Catholic Schools in Dickinson, ND! Lots of different entertainment, auctions, GREAT food, and even better friends!



## Teton Night is BACK!

**TETONS** February 24, 2025- Williston ND  
Western Cooperative Credit Union and Hagan Elementary will be joining forces once again to bring you a FUN and EXCITING Teton Night at Williston State College! Join us on February 24, 2025! Check out our Facebook and Instagram pages for updates!

### 2025 Hard Spring Wheat Show

Date: January 28, 2025

Location: The Grand Williston Hotel & Conference Center

The Hard Spring Wheat Show is a must-attend for food producers! The primary objective of the Wheat Show is to provide information and education that will assist producers as they make decisions to maximize profit opportunities, be great stewards of the land, and promote area agriculture.

### Beat the Winter Blues

February 8, 2025 - Williston ND

Beat the "winter blues" with Dickinson Parks and Recreation! Come inside for a warm, fun-filled event. You and your family will enjoy activities all day long, including inflatables, music, crafts, a pool party, glow golf and more! Bring a non-perishable food item for admission!

### Williston Ducks Unlimited Banquet

April 5, 2025 - Williston ND

Join us for a fun night of auctions, games, and delicious dinner for the annual Williston Ducks Unlimited Banquet!