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First Community Credit Union Announces New Executive Mortgage Team

BELOIT, WI – June 18, 2018 — First Community Credit Union (FirstCCU) is pleased to announce and welcome two new additions to their mortgage team. Leslie Hass, Vice President of Mortgages and Patricia Knoble, Assistant Vice President of Origination joined the credit union the beginning of June 2018. Leslie and Patricia bring over 70 years of combined experience in both the finance and mortgage industries to FirstCCU and their members. With this step forward, FirstCCU is committed to lowering closing costs, reducing closing times, and servicing their own mortgages.



As a native of Rock County, Leslie Hass grew up in Beloit, Wisconsin and for the past 26 years has resided in rural Beloit with her husband Leon of 44 years. They have three grown children, five grandchildren, two dogs, one cat, a mule, and a pony. In her recent past role as Vice President of Lending at Parker Community Credit Union, Leslie led her team with a sales culture that ensured outstanding service to credit union members. She has also volunteered her time with CASA and supports the United Way and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. In her time away from the office, Leslie enjoys gardening and loves spending time with her family and friends.

"I'm excited to join the FirstCCU family," said Mrs. Hass. "I love working with people and look forward to sharing my experience with our employees and I want our members to feel good about their experience with us. Caring is what we're all about."



Patricia Knoble was born in Beloit, Wisconsin and has lived in many communities within Rock County. She now resides in Janesville with her husband Thomas, who also worked in the mortgage industry before retiring 5 years ago. They have six grandchildren with two more on the way in June and October of this year. Patricia has also been involved in the community with multiple organizations. She is a former Board Member of Habitat for Humanity, a prior Forward Janesville Ambassador, and supporter of CASA. Traveling is one of Pat's favorite things to do with her husband; from Mexico to Ireland they have been many places together with a bucket list still to experience.

"Helping people with the best choice possible with their mortgage loan has been and will continue to be one of my greatest passions," said Mrs. Knoble. "I am excited to have that personal contact with our members and help them achieve the American Dream of owning a home."

FirstCCU offers relevant and affordable financial and mortgage services and serves their members with four branch locations in Beloit, Janesville, and Monroe, Wisconsin and Rockford, Illinois. Membership with the credit union is open to anyone who lives or works in Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois. For more information, visit one of their four convenient branches or <u>firstccu.com</u>.

Branch Locations:

 1702 Park Avenue
 140 W. 7th Street

 Beloit, WI 53511
 Monroe, WI 53566

 (608) 362-9077
 (608) 329-7800

 2701 N. Pontiac Drive
 6079 E. Riverside Blvd.

 Janesville, WI 53545
 Rockford, IL 61114

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About First Community Credit Union

First Community Credit Union started in 1933 with 20 employees of the Fairbanks-Morse Corporation in Beloit, Wisconsin. These employees pooled together enough money to start the original credit union. This money was then lent out to other employees in need of a loan, which is the origin of most modern-day credit unions. Today, FirstCCU has more than 20,000 members, \$145 million in assets and for more than 18 consecutive years the credit union has been ranked as a <u>Bauer Financial</u> Five-Star Superior credit union. They are 85 years strong and still growing.