

What's new with your Board of Directors?

If you're interested in making a personal difference at FirstOntario, then why not run for election to our Board of Directors? Your Board of Directors work closely with FirstOntario's leadership team to help ensure we stay on a course for continued success.

This year we have 4 positions available. If you're interested in being elected to the Board of Directors, you can pick up a nomination package at your local branch or visit our website to download a copy.

The nomination period ends on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. (EST) so don't miss out! Just call 1-800-616-8878 if you have any questions.

Family fun in the summer sun!

Summer is here and once again it's time for our Summer Fun Program. All FirstOntario branches are now selling discounted tickets for Canada's Wonderland.

You can also order discounted tickets for Ontario Place online. Just visit FirstOntarioCU.com and check out the community section for all the details of our Summer Fun Program.

A first for Canada! Come chat with P.A.T.

FirstOntario is leading the way in Canada with an innovative banking machine revolution. In June, our new Personal Assisted Teller machine (P.A.T. for short) was introduced at our new Centre on Barton branch in Hamilton.

With live streaming video, you can see and speak with a live person through a banking machine who will help with your personal banking, including deposits, withdrawals, cashing cheques, bill payments and more. Most of the banking that you would normally do face-to-face can be done with P.A.T.

You'll see more P.A.T.'s soon as we open our new branches. We're also planning to launch P.A.T. in remote locations, separate from our branches. As we expand our P.A.T. network, we'll also be able to offer extended hours of operation for even more Member convenience.

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Sandy Shaw honoured with Hamilton's Women of Distinction Award for 2010



Sandy Shaw

Congratulations to our very own Sandy Shaw. Besides supporting FirstOntario Credit Union as Chair to the Board of Directors, Sandy is also a dedicated social entrepreneur who has brought real change to the City of Hamilton. Sandy was recently honoured and awarded the Hamilton Women of Distinction Award for 2010 for her work in Social Development.

With expertise as a Planner and Research Specialist, Sandy Shaw's experience and drive has proven invaluable to many projects in Hamilton that have made a significant impact. Sandy conducted the first ever study of women and poverty in Hamilton. Her study was published and has been widely

recognized. Sandy's background in Corporate Social Responsibility also allows her to facilitate partnerships between business, community groups, local Government and charitable organizations. Her tireless efforts in this area resulted in a community build with KaBOOM playgrounds to create a much needed playground for children living in one of the poorest communities in Hamilton.

More recently, Sandy has lent her efforts to helping FirstOntario launch our innovative Micro Loan Program in the Hamilton Community. Thanks for your hard work Sandy and congratulations!

