

THE TELLER

NEW BEGINNINGS

SPRING 2026: GROWING WITH YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY



April is here, and at **WESLA Federal Credit Union**, we're celebrating **National Credit Union Youth Month** with a big focus on helping our youngest members build strong financial habits early. This year's theme, **"Ready, Set, Save!"**, is all about teaching kids the importance of saving for their future while making it fun and rewarding along the way.

To celebrate, we're rolling out some exciting opportunities all month long! Every time a youth member makes a deposit in April, they'll be entered into our **Pit Stop Prize Drawing** for a chance to win a Nintendo Switch. Plus, for every new youth account opened in April 2026, WESLA will **match the initial deposit up to \$50**—giving our young savers a great head start!

We're proud to be part of a nationwide effort to promote financial wellness and empower the next generation. Through fun activities, educational resources, and a little extra excitement, we're helping kids learn that saving money can be both smart and fun.





The Shreveport-Bossier Home Builders Association Parade of Homes is back this April, giving our community the chance to tour some of the area's most beautifully crafted homes and see the latest in design, innovation, and craftsmanship. The 2026 Parade of Homes will take place over two weekends—**April 11-12 and April 18-19**, with homes open daily for self-guided tours.

WESLA Federal Credit Union is proud to be a sponsor of this exciting community event. As a local credit union, we're passionate about supporting homeownership and helping our members every step of the way—from building and buying to financing their dream home. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity to explore new homes, meet local builders, and gather inspiration. Be sure to check out the full schedule, home listings, and map to plan your visit at **www.nwlahba.org**!

From first steps to final touches, WESLA FCU has your homeownership needs covered. Whether buying, building or renovating our team provides expert guidance every step of the way. Looking for a Lender that will be with you every step of the way? **Reach out to WESLA FCU today for a Mortgage or HELOC.**

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SPRING INTO SMART FINANCIAL HABITS

Spring is the perfect time for a fresh start—not just at home, but with your finances too. Just like you declutter and reorganize your space, taking time to review your budget, spending habits, and savings goals can help you feel more in control. Look for small opportunities to improve—cancel unused subscriptions, adjust spending where needed, and check in on your savings progress. Even small changes can add up to meaningful results over time.

This season is also a great time to build better habits moving forward. Consider setting up automatic transfers to savings, creating a plan to pay down debt, or working toward a specific financial goal. At WESLA Federal Credit Union, we're here to support you every step of the way with tools, guidance, and solutions to help you grow your financial confidence. A new season is the perfect reminder that it's never too late to reset, refocus, and move forward.

ATM SAFETY:

PROTECT YOURSELF EVERY TIME YOU WITHDRAW

Using an ATM is quick and convenient—but it's important to stay alert to keep your information and funds safe. Start by choosing ATMs in well-lit, high-traffic areas whenever possible. Before inserting your card, take a quick look at the machine. If anything looks unusual—like a loose card slot or unfamiliar device—cancel your transaction and use another ATM.

Always cover the keypad when entering your PIN to prevent anyone nearby or hidden cameras from seeing your information. Be aware of your surroundings, and avoid accepting help from strangers while using the machine.

When your transaction is complete, take your receipt and card, and put your cash away before leaving the ATM. If you ever feel uncomfortable or unsafe, trust your instincts and leave. A little awareness goes a long way in protecting your finances.

FINANCIAL TERM OF THE MONTH

A **beneficiary** is the person (or persons) you choose to receive the funds in your account if something happens to you. Naming a beneficiary helps ensure your money goes directly to who you intend—without delays or complications.

Have you designated a beneficiary on your account? It's a quick and important step to protect your loved ones.

Stop by any WESLA branch to add or update your beneficiary today. All you'll need is their full name, Social Security number, and address—no need for them to be present.



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Morning Bed-Making

Instills discipline and keeps your sleeping area neat.



Routine Decluttering

Streamlines the cleaning process and keeps your living space more organized.



'Clean-as-You-Go'

Adopt the habit of tidying and cleaning immediately after each activity.



Frequent Laundry

Establish a regular routine for doing laundry.



Spot On Storage

Simplifies tidying up, reduces clutter, and contributes to a more orderly home.

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