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Spring has arrived and it's a great time to think about new vehicles and home improvements. Penn State Federal is offering a special discount on fuel efficient vehicles and home energy improvement loans. Save a quarter of a percent when you buy a vehicle that gets 25 or more highway miles to the gallon or when you make energy saving upgrades to your home, like installing new windows.

It's also a fantastic opportunity to give your family the gift of membership. Let them experience the credit union difference where they're more than a

member, they're an owner. Everyone's lifestyle is different and we want to help whether it's opening a checking account or getting a first mortgage. Penn State Federal is here for all your changing financial needs.

Take advantage of our IRA or CD rates by renewing or opening a new certificate.

When you have direct deposit into a checking account you may add a quarter of a percent to the current rates.

Please remember to cast your vote for the Board of Directors. Ballots are due back to the credit union by April 14. Be sure to join us at the Annual meeting on April 26 at the State College Elks Club to welcome the newly elected board members. A special thank you to the board and all the volunteers who dedicate their time to Penn State Federal.

Have a warm and sunny spring,

Connie Wheeler
CEO

Piece of Mind: Identity Theft Protection

Penn State Federal has partnered with Identity Safeguards to provide all our members with FREE Identity Theft Protection. This benefit is NO COST to you and will protect you if you fall victim to identity theft for any reason. Plus, you can take advantage of upgrading this coverage, at a low cost to you, to include continuous monitoring and weekly alerts of new activity. For complete details visit www.pennstatefederal.com.

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Things to do:

Central PA Builder's Home Show

April 7-9 at the Bryce Jordan Center, State College, PA
Stop by booth W41 and check out our Home Energy Improvement Special! We'll also answer your finance questions so you can get a jump start on ideas for all your spring projects.

Plan on attending our **411 on Homebuying Seminar Sat., April 8** in Seminar Room A at the BJC. The program will cover information to help you find your perfect home...from pre-approval to closing day.

Ballots Due

April 14, 2006

Teen Club Classes

Calling all teens! Attend this FREE educational class on buying your first car and credit cards.

Thurs., April 20 at 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Penn State Federal Credit Union, N. Atherton Street
RSVP to 814-865-3980 or email amys@pennstatefederal.com.

Planning for your Retirement Lifestyle

Attend this free seminar to learn about retirement planning strategies. Explore how to create a balanced portfolio for retirement by using goal assessment, risk tolerance & asset allocation. Learn the advantages of rolling over assets from your employer's retirement plan to a traditional IRA.

Tues., April 25 at 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM at Penn State Federal Credit Union, N. Atherton Street

Wed., April 26 at 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM in Room 106 at the Hub-Robeson Center, PSU campus

Speaker Joseph A Webber, CFP & Financial Advisor with Merrill Lynch. Call (814) 231-8931 or email joseph_webber@ml.com to reserve your place today.

Home Buying Seminar

Sat., April 29 at 9 AM to Noon at the Penn Stater Conference Center, State College, PA

Program covers choosing the right mortgage & the application process to closing. Realtor & settlement experts will be on hand. Light refreshments served from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Seminar begins at 10:00 AM. Call the Mortgage department at (814) 865-2768 or email mortgages@pennstatefederal.com to reserve your spot.

Closed

Memorial Day

Mon., May 29

Independence Day

Tues., July 4

Penn State Federal is closed for Federal Reserve holidays. Your accounts are always available by phone & online.

About us

info@pennstatefederal.com

(814) 865-7728 or (800) 828-4636

Missing credit card? (800) 325-3678

Missing debit card? (866) 840-2662

National Credit Union Youth Week

Penn State Federal will be participating in the Youth Savings Challenge sponsored by the Credit Union National Association. Stop in the week of April 24 - 28 and have your child make a deposit to their account to become eligible for a cash drawing.



Home Energy Improvement Special!

Ready to replace those old windows or thinking about adding an energy efficient cooling system? We have the solution to help you meet your needs with our Home Energy Improvement

Special. A 25 BPS discount (subtract 0.25%) applies to any fixed home equity product that is used for energy efficient upgrades to the home.

Discount applies to new loans only and offer expires June 30, 2006.



You're Invited to the Annual Meeting

Please join us in recapping the events of the past year and to meet the credit union staff. Refreshments will be served along with a chance to win door prizes.

Wed., April 26 at 7:00 PM at the State College Elks Club in Boalsburg, PA

Sheetz ATMs are now SURCHARGE-FREE!



Access your Penn State Federal account at more than 300 Sheetz locations, and never receive a surcharge fee.

Don't forget - CU\$ ATMs are always surcharge-free.



Lending Rates effective March 23, 2006

See Rate Disclosures below

Vehicle & Motorcycle	Term	APR
2005 & newer ^{1,2}	12-24 mos	5.00% - 14.50%
	25-60 mos	5.50% - 15.00%
	61-72 mos	6.00% - 15.50%
	73-84 mos	6.00% - 15.50%
2001 to 2004 ^{1,2,3}	12-24 mos	5.00% - 14.50%
	25-60 mos	5.50% - 15.00%
	61-72 mos	6.00% - 15.50%
	73-84 mos	6.00% - 15.50%
2000 & older ^{1,2,3}	12-24 mos	6.50% - 16.00%
	26-48 mos	9.75% - 18.00%
	49-60 mos	9.75% - 18.00%

Recreational	Term	APR
New ^{1,2}	12-36 mos	7.75% - 17.25%
	37-60 mos	8.00% - 17.50%
	61-84 mos	8.50% - 18.00%
	85-120 mos	9.00% - 18.00%
Used ^{1,2,3}	12-36 mos	8.75% - 18.00%
	37-60 mos	9.00% - 18.00%
	61-84 mos	9.50% - 18.00%
	85-120 mos	10.00% - 18.00%

Home	Term	APR
Home Equity ^{1,4,6}	12-60 mos	5.50% - 15.00%
	61-84 mos	6.50% - 16.00%
	85-120 mos	6.75% - 16.25%
	121-180 mos	8.00% - 17.50%
HE First Lien ^{1,4,6}	61-120 mos	6.00% - 15.50%
	121-180 mos	7.00% - 16.50%
HE Credit Line ^{4,5,6}	based on 180	8.50%
HE Credit Line ^{5,6}	based on 180	8.50%

(Platinum Card)
Mortgage Rates -- call (814) 863-0549 or email mortgages@pennstatefederal.com

Shared Secured	Term	APR
Regular Shares ¹	12-60 mos	5.25%
CD (no minimum)	cd term at	2.25% + CD APR

Personal	Term	APR
Installment/Unsecured ^{1,2}	1-12 mos	7.00% - 16.50%
	13-24 mos	8.50% - 18.00%
	25-36 mos	12.50% - 18.00%
	37-48 mos	13.50% - 18.00%
	49-60 mos	14.50% - 18.00%

Acce\$\$ Credit Line ⁵	based on 60 mos	10.00%
VISA Credit Card	Platinum	7.90%
	Classic	12.90%



Education Loans

Penn State Federal's Student Loan Code is 823021. Stafford 4.7% APR, PLUS 6.1% APR, Consolidation rates up to 8.25% APR. Education Loan Rates are determined by the US Dept. of Ed. For students attending PA schools, the origination fee is absorbed under the KEYSTONE BEST PROGRAM. PHEAA absorbs 1% & Penn State Federal funds the remaining 2%. Other Stafford loans require a 3.0% origination fee.

Lending Rates Disclosures

Rates disclosed in *italics* are Performance Plus rates. Your rate on these products may vary and will be determined by the number of years your loan is financed plus your credit history. Rates are set by the Board of Directors and are subject to change.

- 25 BPS discount (subtract 0.25%) for having or opening a Penn State Federal checking account with direct deposit to that account. A 25 BPS discount (subtract 0.25%) applies when automatic payments are made from a Penn State Federal account (BPS = basis points are one one-hundredth of a percent). Discount affects accruing loan interest, payments are based on advertised rate.
- Loans used to refinance a current Penn State Federal loan add 50 BPS (add .50%) unless an additional \$1,000 is borrowed.
- Loan term dependent on age & NADA value.
- Loan-to-appraised value ratios over 80% will be 150 BPS (add 1.50%).
- Interest rate is variable.
- 3,000 additional money or \$300 fee to refinance a current Penn State Federal Home Equity Loan.

Savings Rates effective April 1, 2006

See Rate Disclosures below

Regular Share Rates	APY	
Basic ^{7,9} , Special ⁹ , Kids ^{7,9} , Teen ^{7,9} , Club ^{8,9}	1.00%	
SmartStart ^{7,8,9}		
	Term APY	
	10-19 mos 1.50%	
	20-29 mos 1.75%	
	30+ mos 2.00%	
Premier Checking ^{7,9}	0.75%	
Money Market Checking ^{7,9}	\$1,500 - \$2,499	1.75%
	\$2,500 - \$9,999	2.25%
	\$10,000- \$24,999	2.75%
	\$25,000+	3.25%

Certificate Rates ^{7,8,10}	CD APY	CD APR	IRA APY
6 mos	3.50%	3.46%	3.65%
9 mos	3.75%	3.70%	3.90%
12 mos	4.00%	3.94%	4.15%
15 mos	4.10%	4.04%	4.25%
18 mos	4.20%	4.14%	4.35%
24 mos	4.30%	4.23%	4.45%
30 mos	4.40%	4.33%	4.55%
36 mos	4.45%	4.38%	4.60%
48 mos	4.55%	4.47%	4.70%
60 mos	5.00%	4.91%	5.15%
Accumulative	N/A	N/A	1.75%

Roth, Traditional, Coverdell ESA & Accumulative IRAs available

Earn Extra Dividends on New or Renewing CD RATES¹⁰. Add a quarter of a percent (add 0.25% APY) to the current CD rates when you have direct deposit to a Penn State Federal checking account.

Savings Rate Disclosures

- Minimum balance requirements.
- Early withdrawal penalties & fees apply. APY -- quarterly compounding interest. APR -- monthly interest paid to share.
- Interest rate is variable, rates are set by the Board of Directors.
- A 25 BPS increase (add 0.25% APY) on current CD rates for having or opening a Penn State Federal checking account with direct deposit. New & Renewing CDs are eligible.

Rates are subject to change. Current rate and fee schedules are available at www.PennStateFederal.com or any Penn State Federal location.

See Rate & Fee Schedule for account details. Savings are federally insured to \$100,000 by the National Credit Union Administration, a U.S. Government Agency. IRA investments are insured up to an additional \$100,000. Penn State Federal is an Equal Housing Lender. We do business in accordance with Federal Fair Housing Law & the Equal Credit Opportunity Act.



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1937 N. Atherton St., State College, PA 16803
Monday - Friday 9 to 4 & Thursday until 6
PSU 102 HUB-Robeson Ctr., University Park, PA 16802

Welcome:

New Select Employer Groups

We would like to welcome the following businesses into our field of membership:

Beck's Paving

Fashion Bug

Orchard Creek Homeowner's Association of Half-moon Township

Young Scholars of Central PA Charter School

Join us

Penn State Federal is accepting applications for group membership from area businesses. Visit our website to download an application letter.



Thinking about a new car or maybe that motorcycle you've had your eye on?

Check out our Fuel Efficient Vehicle Special!

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April 15 is just around the corner!

Go to www.pennstatefederal.com and click on the Turbo Tax link to get started on your tax preparation today.



Skip-A-Pay Coupon

Give yourself a little freedom! This coupon gives you a **Fee-Free** opportunity to skip one or more of your loan payments. *Fill this coupon out now & fax it to (814) 865-9041.*

Member number or name	
Loan Purpose or Loan ID#	Loan Purpose or Loan ID#
circle skip month(s) April 06 May 06 June 06 July 06 August 06	circle skip month(s) April 06 May 06 June 06 July 06 August 06

Skip-A-Pay terms and conditions Members can choose to skip a payment on one or more loans. The payment will be deferred & extended to the end of the original term of the loan(s). There is no fee for this service. Interest will continue to accrue on the unpaid balance(s) during this period. The next regular payment is due on the normal due date. By skipping a payment, the term of the loan may be extended. All other terms & provisions of the original loan agreement are unchanged. Regular payments made through Direct Deposit or Payroll Deduction will be deposited into your Share Savings (01) Account for the skipped month only. Loans for which any payment has been 30 days late in the last 12 months are not eligible. Loans for which extension agreements have been granted will be limited to one month and are subject to credit review. To defer a payment, this signed agreement must be received no later than 15 days prior to that payment's due date & must be signed by all borrowers on the loan(s) deferred. We reserve the right to limit the number of skipped payments granted per year. Real estate secured loans, VISA and Acce\$\$ credit lines are not eligible. More than one month's payment may be skipped per loan, but not in consecutive months.

I understand and agree to the terms and conditions of Skip-A-Pay.

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