

The Six Nations (Ohsweken) Credit Union Ltd.

What is Credit Union?

Credit Union is a group of people living in the same community who save money and put it in a common fund from which fund make low-cost loans to the members who need financial aid.

How does one become a member?

To become a member an entrance fee of 25¢ is charged.

Can anyone borrow money from the Credit Union?

No, the Credit Union serves only its members not the general public.

What is the object of a Credit Union?

The basic object of the Credit Union is to teach thrift among its members and to extend low-cost credit to members only.

What is the main source of income of a Credit Union?

The interest paid by borrowing members.

How long has the Ohsweken Credit Union been operating?

The Ohsweken Credit Union was organized on Nov. 3, 1952. The first meeting was held in the Ohsweken Dining Hall. Present at that meeting were a representative of Brantford Credit Union, the late Mr. Harry Dignan, the late Mr. Reg. Hill, Mr. Frank Montour, Mr. Andrew Jamieson and the late Mr. Clifford Styres who was elected the first President of the Ohsweken Credit Union.

After a few years of operation, the Union progressed rapidly, showing an increase in shares and deposits.

Some time later, interest in the Credit Union was on the decline, caused by several factors such as deaths, withdrawals, delinquency, lack of interest, no work to be had etc.

A great deal of credit goes to the Board of Directors and Officers at that time, along with Mr. Vernon Johnson, our Ontario Credit Union League representative from Brantford, for their ability to overcome the above mentioned difficulties and to make our Credit Union a growing concern. We have at present one hundred and twenty active members with the following officers, -

Board of Directors - Mrs. Elizabeth Hill

Credit Committee - Mr. George Bomberry, Tom McPleasant, Mr. Alton Hill

Supervisory Committee - Mrs. Vera Styres, Miss Julia L. Jamieson, Mr. John W. Green

Officers

President - Mr. Herman Styres, Jr.

Vice-President - Mr. Carson Martin

Secretary - Mrs. Roger Porter

Treasurer - Mrs. Albert Porter

If anyone has more questions, attend the annual business meeting of Ohsweken Credit Union on March 20, 1969, when all the reports will be given.

Julia L. Jamieson

Native of Reserve is Executive Aide

A native of the Six Nations Reserve, Russell C. Moses, has been named executive assistant to R. F. Battle, assistant deputy minister for social affairs of the department of Indian affairs and northern development.

Moses' appointment was announced in Ottawa by Jean Chretien, minister of Indian affairs and northern development.

The 36-year-old member of the Delawares is the son of Mrs. Augusta Moses of R.2, Ohsweken, and the late Basil T. Moses.

He attended the Mohawk Institute in Brantford and in 1950 joined the Royal Canadian Navy. He saw service in the Korean War aboard HMCS Iroquois and in 1955 transferred to the Royal Canadian Air Force.

While with the RCAF in Montreal, he hosted Indian Magazine, the weekly program for Indian people produced by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

In 1965, Moses became editor of Indian News, a publication of the Indian affairs branch for Indian people.

He was named deputy commissioner-general of the Indians of Canada pavillion at Expo '67, two years later.

Following the close of Expo, he returned to the Indian affairs department as an industrial development officer, the position he held until his new appointment as an executive assistant.

N. B. All news for publishing in the current week should be received by Monday 8 p.m. Many thanks to all contributors. Diversity of news makes an interesting paper. Ed.