

Financial Connection



First Financial
CREDIT UNION

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www.firstfcu.org

Preview Our Brand New Website for your chance to **WIN*** another credit union drawing!

Take a tour of our new website for a chance to win* a **Sony Reader Pocket Edition™!**

Members loved the updates to our Online Banking Community over the summer, so we took it a step further, and now our homepage has a new look! We've not only given our website, www.firstfcu.org, a makeover — we've added content, financial tools, and made it easier to navigate.



To make sure all of our members like it as much as we do, we want your feedback! As you tour our site, submit your comments and suggestions to our staff using the link on the left side menu.

When you complete the quick survey before September 30th, you'll automatically be entered to win* a **Sony Reader Pocket Edition™!**

*One prize winner will be selected on October 5th, 2011 by a random drawing from all eligible survey entries received by the First Financial Credit Union staff by September 30th, 2011. No purchase necessary. Members can enter the contest by accessing the survey using the link on www.firstfcu.org and completing all questions of the survey. One entry per person. Odds of winning depend on number of entries. Other restrictions may apply. Reader Pocket Edition™ is a trademark of Sony Electronics Inc. Sony is not affiliated with, nor a sponsor of, this drawing.

Welcome | to our new Methode Federal Credit Union members

In 75 years, FFCU has grown to become a strong financial institution capable of offering a wide variety of products and services to our members. This is why Methode Federal Credit Union chose to merge with FFCU and make all of our benefits available to the employees of Methode Electronics, Inc. We'd like to welcome their staff and members to the First Financial Credit Union family as of October 1st!

Want to enjoy the convenience of banking at work, too?

We partner with many employers and many of our members are currently enjoying the benefits. If you'd like the same benefits, talk to your HR department or contact our Business Development Director, Sandi Abel, at **847-676-8000 x112** or sandi@firstfcu.org!

What we can offer your workplace:

- Payroll Check Cashing and Easy Direct Deposit set-up
- Financial Education Seminars
- FFCU promotions designed just for you
- An on-site branch and/or ATM





Breaking Ground...

Moving forward with 2012 plans

With the celebration of our 75th Anniversary, 2011 has been an exciting year for First Financial Credit Union. But that's not the only reason to celebrate; this month brings the groundbreaking for our new main branch and a new partnership with Methode Federal Credit Union!

FFCU returns to Chicago in the Spring of 2012!

Earlier this year, we expanded our field of membership to include a larger portion of the northern Chicagoland area (see map below). To better serve our members and to grow within our new area, we are building a new branch at the northwest corner of Peterson and Richmond in the city of Chicago! Want to watch the progress towards our new branch? **Come to our Groundbreaking Ceremony at our new site on September 13th at 9:30am to enjoy refreshments and fellowship with Credit Union Board Members and staff.** You can also check out pictures of the site and building progress on our website at www.firstfcu.org.

Our new location will make your credit union an even stronger financial institution, and we hope you'll enjoy the additional convenience of another branch!



□ = Eligible field of membership

HURRY! IT'S YOUR LAST CHANCE TO...

Help us Celebrate 75 Years!

Our 75th Anniversary Celebration continues through the close of business on September 17th!

You have just days left to receive cool First Financial Credit Union gear and enter our 75th Anniversary Drawing to **WIN the Grand Prize of \$750!***

When you open a new account, are approved for a new loan, or refer a friend to the credit union for a membership, you can choose one of several giveaways displaying our 75th Anniversary logo. PLUS, you'll be entered to win that Grand Prize!

Stop in today, scan the code at right or visit the "Anniversary" tab on our website to check updates, Grand Prize rules and play 75 Years of Trivia. →

*Members will receive one (1) drawing entry for opening a new membership savings account. Additional savings accounts, Christmas clubs, or vacation clubs do not qualify for drawing entries. New deposit accounts and loans must stay open for a minimum of 6 months; if the accounts are closed for any reason, the member will forfeit his/her drawing entry and his/her right to the \$750 prize. Only one (1) RapidCash loan per member qualifies for a drawing entry. Members who refer a new member will qualify for one (1) entry for each new membership; new membership account must remain open for a minimum of 6 months, or the member will forfeit his/her drawing entry and his/her right to the \$750 prize. No purchase necessary. Winners will be provided with a 1099 for tax purposes.



MEMBERS-ONLY DISCOUNTS

Check this section of upcoming newsletters for new ways to save!

SPECIAL OFFER

debtinfofocus

Use this FREE and anonymous online service to bring your debt into focus. Use the link at www.firstfcu.org to get started. Your personal financial analysis, including a wealth of information and strategies, is designed keep your finances moving forward.

SPECIAL OFFER

GreenPath

debt solutions

Free Financial Counseling and assistance available with personal and family budgeting, debt repayment, and HUD-approved housing counseling.

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DISCOUNT TICKETS

Remember: AMC movie tickets are available in our office. Gold tickets are \$8.00 and silver tickets are \$6.50.

Also, pick up your discounted Six Flags Great America tickets (\$35 general admission) — valid through October 31st for Flight Fest!

COUPON

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First Financial Credit Union members only. Non-transferable. No photocopies accepted. Valid only at 3910 W Touhy Ave, Lincolnwood, IL 60712. **Coupon expires 9/30/2011.** Other restrictions may apply. Visit www.dunkindonuts.com for terms and conditions of all discount offers. No cash value.

Credit Union Holiday Closings

Labor Day — Saturday, Sept. 3rd & Monday, Sept. 5th

For a complete list of Holiday Hours for 2011, visit www.firstfcu.org and click on the "Hours & Locations" tab. As always, you can access your accounts 24/7 by using CU*Talk (phone access), It'sMe247 (home banking) & ATM/Debit.

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Check www.firstfcu.org for branch hours and locations.

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CU*Talk: 888-379-0013
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Lost/stolen Debit Card: 800-682-6075
Lost/stolen Credit Card: 800-991-4964

