



CENTRAL SUNBELT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION'S HANCOCK INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

Biloxi, Miss. (5/17/18) - - Central Sunbelt Federal Credit Union Director Joe Hancock has been inducted into the Mississippi Credit Union Hall of Fame. Created in 1993, the Mississippi Credit Union Hall of Fame is the state's highest credit union honor, recognizing individuals that have devoted their life to the philosophy and success of credit unions at the local, state or national level.

Joe Hancock began his service with Central Sunbelt Federal Credit Union in 1977 as a member of the credit committee. In 1984, he became a member of the nominating committee, and in 2003 he was elected to the board of directors, where he still serves today.

In his early days of service to the credit union, Joe demonstrated what a dedicated volunteer he would become, donating his lunch hour 3 or more times a week to meet with fellow credit committee members to help the credit union grow loans.

Joe has only missed nine meetings while on the board and he rarely misses a league annual meeting, or the national credit union governmental affairs conference held each year in Washington, D.C.

In Joe's 41 years of service, Central Sunbelt has grown from \$4 million to \$223 million in assets, serving more than 35,000 members. The credit union also had several notable achievements during Joe's service, including being the second credit union in Mississippi to offer share draft accounts and being the first credit union to have the entire board of directors awarded the national-level Edward Filene Award and the Friedrich Raiffeisen Award.

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