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"Money Rocks at my Credit Union" Winners!



The winners of the 2011 "Money Rocks at my Credit Union" FAT CAT Saving Challenge were: **Grand Prize (Nintendo® Wii) -Alex Kreider of Mebane** (pictured left with Mebane branch VP, Perry Pickett) and **Second Prize (Nintendo® DSi) - Grayson Harmon of Raleigh**. Congratulations to our lucky winners!

Thanks for making the 2011 Saving Challenge a success! During the week of April 18th - 22nd, **701 new youth accounts** were opened and a total of **17,481 young savers deposited \$3,178,408!** Way to go!

Be a Smart Shopper!

Have you purchased something recently — perhaps a special game or toy you were saving for? Did you know that makes you a consumer? A **consumer** is a person who buys and uses goods and/or services.

As a consumer, you'll see that shopping requires making choices. In order to get the most for your money it's important to **comparison shop**. If you are looking to buy a bike, for example, you will need to take a look at what's available. Compare different features and decide which ones are important to you. The more features on the bike, the more expensive it will be. Depending on the product, it may make sense to purchase the more expensive one because the quality is better or the item will last longer. Once you have narrowed down the item you are looking to purchase, price compare between stores to find the best deal. There are lots of choices to make when being a smart shopper - it will take practice and doing your research will help you along the way!

And, when you go shopping for several items, be sure to make a list of what you need. It

will help you avoid spending more money than you planned and keep more in your savings!

Coloring Winners!

Kara, age 2, of Candor Alyssa, age 4, of Benson Elaina, age 6, of Robersonville Howard, age 6, of Angier Josiah, age 7, of Asheboro Phillip, age 7, of Sanford Daniel, age 8, of Indian Trail Rachel, age 8, of Fairview Caison, age 9, of Hays Melanie, age 10, of Clinton

Congratulations to our winners. These lucky folks received a FAT CAT "kitty" to help them save their money! View the winner colorings in FAT CAT's Art Gallery at www.cufatcats.org/ArtGallery.html!



Color and Complete the Maze for a Chance to Win!

Send in your coloring and/or maze along with your full name, address and age by **September 8, 2011** for the chance to win in a random drawing. Winners will receive a FAT CAT "kitty" to help them save their money!

Drop this off at your local branch <u>or</u> mail it to: FAT CAT - State Employees' Credit Union P.O. Box 27948 Raleigh, NC 27611

IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS: If you are willing to have your child's submission published in the newsletter and/or on the cufatcats.org website, please complete, sign and mail this form in along with your child's submission. Thank you! (We will not publish your child's last name, street address or account information.)	
Child's full name	Child's age
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