



# Member CONNECT

## Small Business Spotlight: Carter's Sauces



At Crane Credit Union, we take pride in supporting our small business members and celebrating their successes. This quarter, we are excited to highlight Carter's Sauces—a company that started with a single batch of pickled jalapeño sauce and has since grown into a thriving business offering a variety of flavorful sauces.

Carter's Sauces was founded five years ago by Charles and Kelsey Carter, entrepreneurs with

a passion for experimenting in the kitchen. What started as a way to use up extra garden peppers quickly turned into a business when, in 2020, a single Facebook post offering their signature "Sweet Heat" sauce led to an overwhelming response—selling 167 bottles in just 24 hours. Encouraged by the demand, the business took off, and today, Carter's Sauces continues to create unique, high-quality products inspired by personal experiences and a love for bold flavors.

As the business grew, so did its mission. Carter's Sauces quickly became a family-driven endeavor, with Charles and his wife, Kelsey, working together to build something meaningful for their family and community. Beyond creating bold and flavorful sauces, they saw an opportunity to give back—supporting local farmers, collaborating with small businesses, and engaging with community organizations.


Charles and Kelsey Carter encourage aspiring entrepreneurs to work hard and stay committed. Their success is not only about great flavors but about family, perseverance, and community impact. Scan the QR code to learn more about Carter's Sauces, and be sure to try one of their incredible sauces—you won't be disappointed!



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Pictured: Owners Charles & Kelsey Carter



Statement of Financial Condition  
as of 01/31/2025

Members.....	68,135
Total Loans.....	\$776,809,822
Total Shares.....	\$884,558,846
Total Assets...	\$1,060,695,560

Federally Insured by NCUA.



70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

This year, we proudly celebrate 70 years of serving our members and communities! As we mark this incredible milestone, we reflect on our journey and the values that have guided us since day one. Our 70th anniversary campaign, "Honoring our past, building your future," embodies our commitment to cherishing our rich history while continuing to grow and evolve to meet your needs. Thank you for being an essential part of our story—here's to building a brighter future together!





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## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

### Memorial Day

Monday, May 26

### Juneteenth

Thursday, June 19

### Independence Day

Friday, July 4

## Beware of IRS Impersonation Scams



Tax scams are on the rise, with criminals often posing as IRS agents to trick people into handing over money or personal information. These scammers may contact you by phone, email, or text, claiming you owe unpaid taxes or face legal action. Remember, the IRS will never demand immediate payment, threaten arrest, or ask for sensitive information over the phone or online. If you receive such a message, don't engage—hang up or delete it immediately. Protect yourself by verifying any tax-related communication directly with the IRS through their official website or phone line. Stay vigilant and report suspicious activity to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) or the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA).

Nominees for Board of Directors. In accordance with Credit Union By-Laws, the Secretary hereby reports the following members as nominees for three-year terms as Directors: David Frye and Kenneth Greenwell.

David Frye is a retired Crane employee and has since served at SAIC, West Gate Technology Park, as a Senior Operations Research Analyst. David has served on the Board of Directors 26 years, currently as Board Secretary. David is a US Army veteran and believes in service for the greater good. David is a staunch supporter of reasonable rates and low fees, a hallmark of Crane Credit Union. David looks forward to the continued benefits afforded by CCU to its sixty-eight thousand plus members and has a great desire to continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

Kenny Greenwell is a retired Crane employee and a former DOD Technical Expert for Service, Joint and NATO Activities. Since 1978 Kenny has served two terms as Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman, and served on nearly every Board Committee. Kenny is the Credit Union Board delegate to the Indiana Credit Union League and in 2015 received the League's Volunteer Achievement Award. Kenny currently chairs the Enterprise Risk Committee and serves as a member of the Information Technology, Scholarship, Asset Liability Management and Board Education Committees. Kenny is a graduate of the Naval War College, holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Indiana University, and a Bachelor's in Industrial Supervision from Indiana State University. Kenny's community interests and activities include ancestry & history, neighborhood revitalization, affordable housing, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Boy Scouts and American Cancer Society. He is a member of St. Johns Church in Loogootee, enjoys marathon running, and has a great desire to continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

Nominees for Supervisory Committee. In accordance with Credit Union By-Laws, the Secretary hereby reports the following members as nominees for one-year terms as Supervisory Committee Members: Quentin Hays, Susan Jones, and Dr. Douglas Ranard.

Quentin Hays is a retired Crane employee having served 37 years. He holds Bachelor's (BGS) and Master's (MPA) Degrees from Indiana University. Quent has served on the Supervisory Committee for 16 years, is a firm believer in the value afforded members by the Credit Union and looks forward to serving another term.

Susan Jones is a retired Crane employee, having served 36 years. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Science Degree in Management. Susan has served on the Supervisory Committee for 3 years, has been a proponent of the Credit Union for many years, and looks forward to serving another term.

Dr. Douglas Ranard is a retired Crane employee and currently serves as Board of Directors President of Dugger Improvement Inc., in Dugger, IN. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering, a Master of Science in Engineering Management and a Ph.D. in Organizational Management. Doug has served on the Supervisory Committee for 26 years, is a strong advocate in the value the Credit Union brings to sixty-eight thousand plus members and looks forward to serving another term.

Members interested in nomination shall contact the Credit Union Secretary at One West Gate Drive Odon, IN 47562 regarding specific requirements, which include application, code of conduct, criminal background, bond-ability examination, conflict of interest, good member standing, credit check, and completed petition containing signatures of five percent of total membership by May 6, 2025. Credit Union By-Laws preclude Annual Meeting floor nominations and obviate a ballot absent a certified completed petition.

Annual Meeting: Monday, August 25, 2025 at 5:00 PM. Corporate Office: 1 West Gate Drive, Odon, IN, 47562