



Crane Credit Union

Spring 2024 Edition

# Member CONNECT

## Small Business Spotlight: Whippoorwill Hill



Nestled amidst the serene landscape in rural Bloomington, Indiana lies a hidden gem that promises to transform your special event into a timeless celebration. Tucked away from the hustle and bustle of city life, Whippoorwill Hill is an enchanting venue that captivates with its rustic charm and picturesque beauty, offering an idyllic setting to create cherished memories that last a lifetime. Owned and operated by Jeff and Anne Lucas,



### Statement of Financial Condition

as of 01/31/2024

Members.....	67,686
Total Loans.....	\$740,750,838
Total Shares.....	\$798,714,290
Total Assets....	\$1,029,128,435

Federally Insured by NCUA.

Whippoorwill Hill has been a labor of love for the Lucas family for several years.

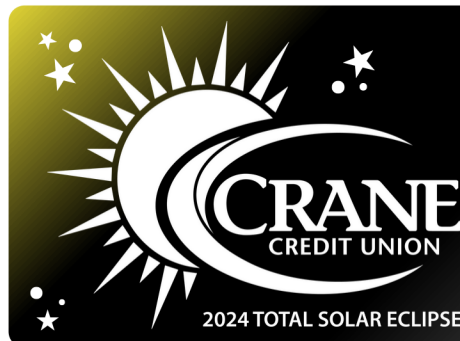
Jeff and Anne bought the historic farm that is now Whippoorwill Hill in 2015. At the time, they were unmarried, but shortly after they closed on the land, Jeff proposed. As wedding planning began and venues were toured, they realized nothing compared to the beauty of their farm. That's when the idea to build a wedding venue came to life.

They were lucky enough to find a beautiful c1892 barn in Manilla, Indiana and moved it to the farm before their wedding in 2016. Whippoorwill Hill officially opened to the public in 2017 and has since hosted many weddings, birthdays, graduation parties, celebrations of life, and more.

Jeff and Anne note that Crane Credit Union has been a fantastic partner in financing to allow them to continue to grow, and they are certainly growing! With its rustic charm, scenic beauty, and unparalleled hospitality, this enchanting venue is one you do not want to overlook. To read more about the Lucas family and Whippoorwill Hill, visit <https://www.cranecu.org/small-business-spotlight-spring24/> or scan the QR code below.



Scan to read more about Whippoorwill Hill in Bloomington, IN!



In anticipation of the solar eclipse occurring on Monday, April 8, our branches will be closed to allow our team and members to enjoy this rare celestial event safely. We apologize for any inconvenience this closure may cause and appreciate your understanding as we prioritize the safety and enjoyment of our community.





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## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

### Total Solar Eclipse

Monday, April 8

### Memorial Day

Monday, May 27

### Juneteenth

Wednesday, June 19

### Independence Day

Thursday, July 4

**Don't do this friend a favor.  
It's a scam!**



How the scam works: You get an email that appears to be from someone you know requesting a quick favor. They ask you to purchase a gift card for their niece's birthday because they aren't near a store to purchase one. If you agree, the "friend" then asks you to share the card's PIN or to send a picture of the back of the card-- they promise to pay you back when they're in town. By providing the card's PIN, you're essentially giving them money that is nearly impossible to return. Gift cards do not have the same protections as credit cards. Be diligent if you receive a message that seems different than your normal conversation. Reach out to your friend directly to ask if they messaged you, and use gift cards wisely.

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; Gary E. Gray, Jr., Dale Padgett, and Jeff Schafer.

Gary Gray is a retired NSWC Crane employee, having served 37 years. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Science Degree in Management. Gary has served as a Crane Credit Union Board member for 27 years and as Chairman of the Board for the past 25. Gary has been highly involved in the execution phase of the CCU strategic expansion and diversification plan. He believes the primary mission of the Credit Union has been and will continue to be "providing provident services to the membership". His experience, desire to see the Credit Union prosper, and willingness to serve will continue to help the Credit Union meet its vision and goals.

Dale Padgett is a retired NSWC Crane employee, having served 37 years. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Indiana State University. Dale has served as a Crane Credit Union Board member for 27 years and is currently Vice-Chairman, having previously served as Treasurer. Dale is or has been a member of several Board Committees including Asset Liability Management, Enterprise Risk, Member Service, Executive, and Director Education (Chairman). Dale served in the US Army and is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and First Cavalry Association.

Jeff Schafer is a retired NSWC Crane employee. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education (Mathematics), a Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering, and Master in Public Affairs. Jeff has served as a Crane Credit Union Board member for 14 years. He has served 10 years on the Supervisory Committee. Jeff serves on a number of Board Committees including Enterprise Risk, Education, and IT. He is a retired US Naval Officer, having served as Fleet Liaison Officer at NSWC Crane. Jeff has been the President and VP Finance of SOLE-The International Society of Logistics, member of the Bloomfield Lions Club, Military Officer of America Association (MOAA), Monroe County Master Gardener Association, and American Society of Naval Engineers (ASNE).

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 NSWC 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 15 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 NSWC 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 2 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 NSWC 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 25 years, is a strong advocate in the value the Credit Union brings to sixty seven 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, 2024. Credit Union By-Laws preclude Annual Meeting floor nominations and obviate a ballot absent a certified completed petition.

Annual Meeting: Monday, August 26, 2024 at 5:00 PM. Corporate Office: 1 West Gate Drive, Odon, IN, 47562.