

# FLORIDA CREDIT UNION THE WAVE

DECEMBER 2024

## Beyond the Arc – Supporting Alachua County Students

Florida Credit Union is excited to kick off the fourth annual Beyond the Arc campaign! Throughout the 2024-2025 season, **FCU will donate \$25 to The Education Foundation of Alachua County for every three-point basket scored by the Gators' men's and women's basketball teams, up to \$10,000.** Funds raised help support essential programs that prepare students for success.

Here are some key events to watch for:

- **December 21** – Holiday Hoops Game vs. North Florida. The first 2,000 fans get an Albert Snow Globe, and \$5 of each \$15 ticket supports The Education Foundation.
- **January 30, 2025** – Teacher Appreciation Night at the UF Women's game vs. Vanderbilt. Teachers are invited to join a halftime line dance, with 50 complimentary tickets donated by FCU.
- **March 1, 2025** – Fan Free Throw Challenge at the men's game vs. Texas A&M, featuring a fun showdown between a student and 1996 Heisman winner Danny Wuerffel.

Since starting the campaign, Beyond the Arc has **raised over \$30,000 to benefit students.**



**2023 Gators Teacher Appreciation Game ▶**

# Start the New Year Strong with Financial Planning

As we approach the new year, it's a great time to review your finances and set goals for the future. With so many investment options and strategies available, even the most financially savvy can benefit from a professional perspective. Florida Credit Union offers access to experienced financial advisors Ken Toops and Jerry Johnson through our broker dealer, CUSO Financial Services, L.P.\*

Whether you're sitting down with an advisor for the first time or revisiting your goals, Ken and Jerry are here to help you establish a personalized plan tailored to your financial aspirations. They'll work with you to understand your unique goals and help create a roadmap designed to give you the best chance for long-term success.

Ready to explore your options? Learn more about our investment services at [flcu.org/investment-services](https://flcu.org/investment-services) and start your new year with confidence.

## Meet the Advisors



**Ken Toops**

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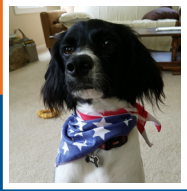


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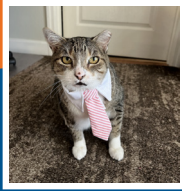
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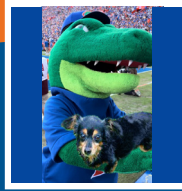




week 1 winner  
**Bullet  
and Sarah**



week 2 winner  
**Mooch  
and Diane**



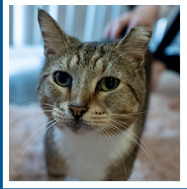
week 3 winner  
**Lucky  
and Joanne**



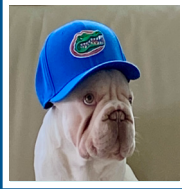
week 4 winner  
**Lola  
and Suzy**



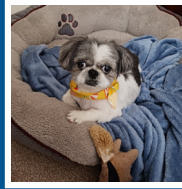
week 5 winner  
**Shelby  
and Susan**



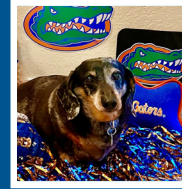
week 6 winner  
**Tenders  
and Devon**



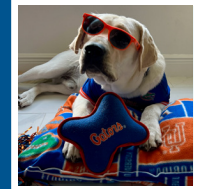
week 7 winner  
**Chewie  
and Kim**



week 8 winner  
**Frankie  
and Lisa**



week 9 winner  
**Oscar  
and Lisa**



week 10 winner  
**Scout  
and Cory**

## Paws Up for Our Pet of the Game Winners!

This season, our Pet of the Game contest has showcased some of the most adorable and spirited pets in the FCU community.

Congratulations to our 2024 Pet of the Game winners: Bullet, Mooch, Lucky, Lola, Shelby, Tenders, Chewie, Frankie, Oscar, and Scout. Each of these pets has earned a spot in the final round of voting to become our Pet of the Year!

The Pet of the Year will receive an incredible grand prize, featuring a \$250 gift card to Pet Paradise, a \$250 gift card

to the UF Bookstore, and a \$250 gift card from Florida Credit Union. Vote for your favorite pet at [fcu.org/fcupets](https://fcu.org/fcupets).

Thanks to each entry, FCU has been able to **donate \$10 per submission to the Humane Society of North Central Florida up to \$5,000**, with matching donations from Gainesville GEICO Agent Ken Castellani.

Stay tuned for next month's issue of The Wave, where we'll reveal the Pet of the Year and celebrate this season's furry fan favorite!

## Wishing You a Wonderful Holiday Season

This holiday season, Florida Credit Union extends our warmest wishes to you and your loved ones. May your celebrations be filled with joy, warmth, and memorable moments.

As we close out 2024 and look forward to a bright 2025, we want to express our sincere gratitude for your trust in FCU as your financial partner. It's an honor to serve you, and we're excited to continue supporting your goals and dreams in the coming year.

From all of us at Florida Credit Union, happy holidays and best wishes for a prosperous New Year!







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EARLY CLOSURE 2PM  
CHRISTMAS EVE

DECEMBER 25

CLOSED  
CHRISTMAS DAY

DECEMBER 31

EARLY CLOSURE 2PM  
NEW YEAR'S EVE

JANUARY 01

CLOSED  
NEW YEAR'S DAY

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