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**Local CU exec named
Youth Council Representative of the Year**

Danville, IL., September 18, 2008 – Jeri Hanson, president of Danville Consolidated Credit Union, has been named the Illinois Youth Involvement Council (IYIC) Chapter Representative of the Year. The award was recently presented at the Illinois Credit Union League’s (ICUL) Chapter Leaders Conference held this year at Starved Rock State Park in Utica, Illinois.

Hanson was recognized as being an enthusiastic advocate for IYIC. The mission of this program is to ensure the future of the credit union movement by involving young people as members, employees and volunteers.

“Jeri is a consistent leader and is devoted to helping credit unions reach out to the youth market. “She is one of our most dedicated chapter representatives,” said Kerry Fearn, IYIC chairman, who presented the award.

She was also congratulated for doing an outstanding job promoting the annual candy sale, participating in IYIC meetings and events, and actively promoting IYIC activities. Hanson has taken an active role in getting financial literacy education programs, such as the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) and Biz Kids, into more area schools.

Hanson is the IYIC representative for the Danville Chapter of Credit Unions, which is comprised of credit unions and credit union officials in Clark, Edgar, and Vermillion counties. In the chapter, there are 12 credit unions with \$175.2 million in assets and 34,603 members. As an integral and functioning part of the ICUL, credit unions are united into chapters defined by geographic boundaries. There are 26 credit union chapters throughout Illinois.

A credit union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative that is owned by the members it serves. There are about 8,500 credit unions nationwide, counting more than 90 million consumers as members, and collectively hold about \$800 billion in assets. In Illinois, there are more than 430 credit unions with \$20.8 billion in assets, serving more than 2.7 million members.

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Note: The Illinois Credit Union League (ICUL) is the primary trade association for credit unions in Illinois, which provides members with information, legislation and education. Membership is open to any credit union operating in accordance with the Illinois Credit Union Act or the Federal Credit Union Act.