The Importance of Car Insurance

If you drive a vehicle, it’s important that you understand the importance of maintaining car insurance. Here’s why:

• Insurance is a requirement of your loan agreement – not just at SMSE, but at most lenders.
• It’s a legal requirement in the State of Michigan.
• If we, or any lender, have to force place insurance, it’s very expensive.
• Have the piece of mind knowing that you and your family are protected.

We understand that car insurance can be expensive, especially in and around the Detroit area, but you need to consider it as a part of your vehicle purchase. We recommend you shop around and compare policies and costs with reputable companies.

Caution on the Internet

It’s so easy to get caught up on the Internet when looking for lenders or credit counseling services. But you need to be careful before you start providing personal information to Internet-based businesses – especially when you really don’t know who they are. In no time, they’ll be asking for account and credit card numbers, your Social Security number – everything they need to steal your money or identify…if they are not reputable. But how do you really know?

When it comes to your financial safety, stick with who you know. At SMSE, we have your best interest in mind, and you can take advantage of free financial counseling through Accel. Their counselors provide service to thousands of credit union members nationwide, and we are proud to have partnered with them for nearly 10 years. For your next loan, come to SMSE. For financial counseling, call Accel at 877-332-2235 or visit accelservices.org.

Notify Us When You Travel

If you have a VISA Credit Card or Debit MasterCard from SMSE, be sure to let us know when you travel. You are protected from unusual activity on your cards, so if you make transactions outside your normal pattern of use, your transaction could be denied if VISA or MasterCard are unable to contact you. That’s why it’s also important that we have your cell phone number.

2017 Christmas and/or Vacation Club Sign-Up Form

Yes... I would like to do the following:

☐ Start a new Club Account for the year 2017: ☐ Christmas Club ☐ Vacation Club

☐ I have included an initial deposit of $_____________ to start my Club Account.
☐ Please transfer $_____________ from my ☐ Regular Share or ☐ Checking Account into my 2017 Club Account.

☐ Use direct deposit as the means to make deposits into my 2017 Club Account.
I would like to deposit an amount of $_____________ to my Club Account (deposited bi-weekly).

☐ I would like to increase the automatic deposits to my existing ☐ Christmas Club ☐ Vacation Club Account for 2017. Deposit an amount of $_____________ into my Club Account.

Name_________________________Account # _______________________
Address _______________________________State ___________ Zip __________________
Home Phone Number ___________________Work Phone Number ___________________
E-Mail Address ____________________________
Signature X ____________________________

Complete and return this form to the credit union office.

Holiday Closings

Memorial Day Monday, May 29
Independence Day Tuesday, July 4

Mission Statement

The mission of SMSE Federal Credit Union is to provide, through sound financial management, services that are personalized, convenient, economical and meet the changing needs of our members.

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Your Home Loan Center

**Spring Home Improvement Loans**

Spring is a time when we are motivated to complete projects that we’ve been planning all winter – especially projects outside our home such as new siding, windows, painting, and landscaping. Maybe you even planned an addition to your home.

When it’s time for a home improvement loan, come to SMSE for your financing. Choose a program that meets your needs, with low-rates and monthly payments to meet your budget.

Plan your home improvement project today and make it happen with a SMSE home improvement loan! Call our experienced Loan Representatives at 248-557-2678.

**Home Mortgages**

For 17 years, SMSE has partnered with the Mortgage Center in providing our members with home mortgage products and services. For over 25 years, Mortgage Center has been making people feel right at home. Whether you’re buying or refinancing your home, the Mortgage Center experts are there to help you find the mortgage that will best fit your needs. They help you turn a house into your home.

Discover all of the home loans available to you, including exclusive products, by calling 888-562-6865 today, or visit mortgagecenter.com.

SMSE members can take advantage of great deals at Enterprise during the Love At First Drive promotion! Stop by an Enterprise location near you and be sure to tell them you are a member of SMSE Federal Credit Union, and ask about their special trade-in deals. You can even apply for your SMSE loan before you shop! Call 248-557-2678, apply online 24/7 at smsefcu.com, or stop by the credit union office and we’ll be happy to assist you.

65th Annual Meeting & Dinner Dance

**Saturday, April 29, 2017**

American Polish Century Club, Sterling Heights

Live Entertainment – Dreams Deferred Band • Door Prizes

April 21st is the deadline to purchase tickets for our 65th Annual Meeting & Dinner Dance on April 29th. You’ll enjoy an evening of great food, live entertainment, prizes, and a lot of fun socializing with your friends at SMSE Federal Credit Union. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m., and dinner at 7:30 p.m. $35.00 for adults and $25.00 for children.

There will be a short business meeting including an election for open positions on the Board of Directors, followed by dinner and entertainment.

Direct Deposit Perks at SMSE!

**Relax and enjoy the benefits.**

Direct deposit with SMSE provides convenience and includes rewarding perks for our members. Did you know?

- Your maintenance fees can be waived if you have direct deposit at SMSE.
- You may be eligible for a $1,000 Payday Alternative Loan that is often extended to individuals who may have minor credit or debt-to-income ratio challenges.
- You may also qualify to receive lower loan rates, providing you have two additional qualifying SMSE services.

Signing up for direct deposit is easy! Simply provide your personnel department with the SMSE routing number – 272478350, along with your member account number and begin enjoying the benefits that are offered by your credit union.