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Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union Honors Two Employees with the 2025 Personal Achievement Award



Pictured from left to right is Donald Mills, Karen Spens, Griffin Fairchild and Charlie Negro

Northeast MI—Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union (AAACU) had the honor of recognizing two employees as the recipients of the 2025 Personal Achievement Award during their Annual Holiday Party earlier this month. Griffin Fairchild, Investment Specialist, and Karen Spens, Internal Auditor, were both honored for their dedication to growth in both their personal and professional lives.

The Personal Achievement Award recognizes AAACU employees who have demonstrated a strong commitment to their own professional and educational growth over the past year. This award honors individuals who devote personal time and effort to enhancing their knowledge, skills, and overall contribution to the credit union.

The credit union takes several criteria into consideration when selecting a recipient, including the completion of credit union–related coursework, participation in ongoing educational programs, and attendance at training sessions, workshops, and seminars relevant to the credit union industry. In addition, involvement in community activities, as well as active participation in

credit union and chapter events, are evaluated as part of the overall assessment.

This award celebrates employees who exemplify initiative, dedication, and a genuine desire for continuous improvement. AAACU is proud to have two team members to honor with this achievement and once again extends their heartfelt congratulations to Griffin and Karen on all they have accomplished in the past year.

AAACU is a state-chartered credit union with membership eligibility open to any resident in the state of Michigan. As of November 30, 2025, AAACU provides service to 49,225 members with total assets equal to \$926,039,911.