

Bank Bulletin

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*Merry
Christmas,
from our family
to yours!*



Passing the Torch



Change in Leadership Coming in 2022 Following Retirement of Prairie Community Bank President Dianna Torman

The close of 2021 marks the end of a memorable year – as well as an unforgettable career.

Dianna Torman, President and CEO, will be retiring as of December 31, 2021. Dianna's tenure with Prairie Community Bank spanned 19 years, 14 of which she served as President and CEO. Her dedication to the bank and its customers is reflected in the success and growth enjoyed during the years under her leadership.

Taking up the mantle left behind by Dianna is incoming President and CEO, **Steven Finzel**.

Steve has been in the banking profession for over 45 years. Prior to joining Prairie, Steve was President, CEO and CFO of Golden Eagle Community Bank since their inception in October 31, 2007. Steve has also held several other bank executive positions over the past 45 years, all of which have served him well in his extensive banking career. Steve and his wife Annamaria have been married for 38 years and they have two daughters, Alicia and Stephanie. Woodstock has been their home since their marriage in 1983.

Please join us in thanking Dianna for her years of service, and in welcoming Steve to Prairie Community Bank!

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2021 Prairie Partner Recap

We are proud of our community and the businesses we serve. So many of our customers work hard to give back, grow, and bring wealth to our community. To showcase their efforts, we have developed the Prairie Partner Program, which kicked off July 2021, where we highlight a business for a month as a way to say *Thank you* for making Prairie your bank of choice and promoting excellence in our community.

Thank you to our 2021 Prairie Partners:



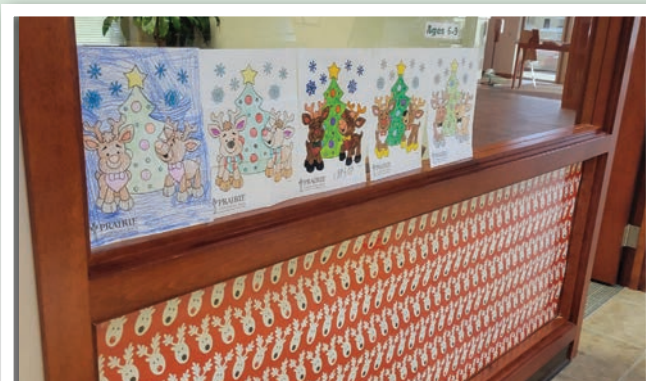
Should you have any interest in being one of our Prairie Partners in 2022, please reach out to info@prairiecommunitybank.com for more details.

Snapshots of Our Visit from Santa (...and the GRINCH!)



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A special thank you to our
partner Schroeder Asphalt
for providing fantastic gifts!



Stay Safe From Fraud This Holiday Season



Fraudsters are hard at work over the holidays! Don't let them ruin your holiday season: be on guard for some of these not-so-festive holiday tricks.



Charity Scams

A legitimate charity will welcome your donation whenever you choose to make it, whereas fraudsters will "pressure" you to make it right then. Do not send donations in the form of gift cards or wire transfers.



Two-Factor Authentication Scams

Fraudsters can gain access to accounts using Two-Factor Authentication. If you receive a call asking you to read off or share an authorization code or if you receive an unexpected authorization code, protect your account by choosing not to share the information, and reach out to Prairie for help!



Phishing & Smishing Attacks

Phishing and smishing (phishing by SMS texts) are attempts to trick you into providing sensitive confidential information in order to perpetrate fraud. Its variants, and frequency, continue to be on the rise.

- Never give out full card numbers, passwords (either to bank or merchant accounts), full social security numbers, or other sensitive information over the phone.
- Avoid storing confidential card information in unencrypted formats on digital devices unless it is stored using a Digital Wallet or secure password management application.
- Choose reputable and secure applications to store passwords and other sensitive data on digital devices.



New Year, New Goals!

Come in and talk to our Universal Bank Specialist, Renee Sass



Whether your goal is to start a business, buy a car, or fix up that old bathroom, we are here to help! Universal Bankers can answer your questions, walk you through every step and help you achieve your 2022 goals. Stop in to meet one of our friendly team members!

As a locally-owned and operated community bank, our lending decisions are made in-house and often much faster than our competitors. We can do this because we're based in the communities where you live and work.

- **Mortgage Loans**
- **Business Loans**
- **Car Loans**
- **Student Loans and more!**

Additionally, when you deposit with us, your funds are reinvested directly back into the community by way of loans to your friends and neighbors.

Our nearby Marengo, Elgin, and Union branches are ready to serve you – contact us today!



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Community Bank

Branch Locations:

Marengo • (815) 568-4100

800 W. Grant Hwy • Marengo, IL 60152

Lobby Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am - 5 pm
Friday: 9 am - 6 pm
Saturday: 9 am - 12 pm

Union • (815) 923-4100

18001 Jefferson Street • Union, IL 60180

Lobby Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am - 5 pm
Friday: 9 am - 6 pm
Saturday: 9 am - 12 pm

Elgin • (847) 310-4477

1000 S. McLean Blvd • Elgin, IL 60123

Lobby Hours:

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
Saturday: 8:30 am - 12 pm

ATM Locations:

Marengo Community H.S.

110 Franks Road • Marengo, IL 60152

Marengo Guns

20014 E. Grant Hwy • Marengo, IL 60152

Sullivan's Foods

202 Lindow Lane • Marengo, IL 60152

