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#### SPECIAL ISSUE | ANNUAL MEETING 2023

## MILLENNIUM CELEBRATES SEVENTY-TWO YEARS! Annual Meeting Recap

One hundred credit union colleagues, strategic partners, co-workers, and friends gathered at *The InterContinental KC @ the Plaza* the first week of May for the biggest, best-est meeting we've ever hosted. The speaker line-up was bigger, the networking events were spectacular, but the camaraderie took the cake (as usual) as we reveled in the experience of honoring the partnership between Millennium Corporate and our member credit unions!

Here's a brief recap-

- A comedic economist, an emotionally intelligent professor, and a Dunder Mifflin employee!
- FOUR fantastic dinners...in ONE night! Attendees from FOUR states!
- New and re-newed Board Members!
- Staff Recognition of Major Career Milestones!
- Content Overload Data Analytics, Growth Strategies, FedNowsm, Liquidity, Innovation!
- A wolf, a field trip, and the first Royals home game win of the season!



Pictured above: L2R - Ashley Bautista, Wichita Federal Credit Union; Larry Eisenhauer and Dr. Elliot Eisenberg; Scott Sullivan, Nebraska Credit Union League, and Linda Carter, MembersOwn Credit Union; Tom Boos, Billings Federal Credit Union, and Karen Smith, Montana's Credit Unions Pictured Page 2: T2B - Betsie Maxey, Metro Credit Union, and Brian Eyestone, Members 1st Credit Union; Kevin Mayer, Retiring Board Member, the KC Wolf, Dan Meers, and Gerry Veis, Altana Credit Union; FOUR Dinner at Jack Stack; Millennium Corporate staff and Andy Buckley; Preston Ford, LaRae Kraemer, and Sarah Davis, K-State Credit Union, Daylene Wittman, Cornerstone League, and Bob Jewett

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### DAY ONE...

Erin Coleman of Callahan & Associates kicked off the meeting and our innovative mindset Tuesday AM. Dr. Elliot Eisenberg, our favorite economist, followed with a presentation packed with graphs and laughs, as usual.



Then, it was off to Pinstripes for a little mid-day field trip. There, Dan Meers, the KC Wolf, of the **SUPERBOWL CHAMPION - KANSAS CITY CHIEFS**, shared his inspirational story of overcoming adversity to keep on howling for the Chiefs, and Scott Burditt, Burditt Consulting, challenged us to embrace growth strategies.

In honor of the our host city, The City of Fountains, we had our own little fountain but this one consisted of chocolate and yummy bits for dipping and devouring. We visited with old friends and made new ones, we bocce'd and bowled, and snacked and relaxed, until it was time to head back to explore our conference digs and prepare **FOUR DINNER!** 

We invited guests to pick from four restaurants (KONA Grille, Jack Stack-BABY, Gram & Dun, and Seasons 52) and join their Millennium Corporate hosts for

an evening of great food and even better conversation. **SCORE!** 



We returned stuffed to the gills and ready to chill at our CUSO & Partner Rooftop Reception. CU Business Group, Primary Financial (SimpliCD) and CU Investment Solutions Inc., were all



in the house. After a long day, we called it a night so we'd be bright eyed and bushy tailed (like the KC Wolf) Wednesday!

## DAY TWO...

Andy Buckley, of *The Office*, started Wednesday off with fun stories of his time in acting and the struggles he encountered in his acting career. He took pictures, signed autographs, and even sat in on Chris Gilbert's presentation about FedNow, which was absolutely riveting! After lunch, we welcomed the Filene Research Institute and Joel Hartzler to the stage to speak about Data Analytics. A full day already, but wait, there's more!





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#### DAY TWO... Continued From Page 2

Dotty Harpool, of the Wichita State University Barton School of Business, and Marketing Professional Extraordinaire took us on a journey to achieving and growing our Emotional Quotient or EQ! Tim Dodds of the Central Liquidity Facility closed out day two with insights to the CLF. Our brains were exploding with all this amazing content so it was definitely time for some relaxation...at Kauffman Stadium! Our seats were sublime, the weather couldn't have been more perfect, and we were the **LUCKY CHARM** the Royals needed to clinch their first home game win of the season!



Pictured above: L2R - Kitty Gray, and Kevin Grund and Ethan Broom of JTA; Dee and Steve Schriner of Trius Federal Credit Union, and Joleen Miller and Scott Sullivan of the Nebraska Credit Union League

### DAY THREE...

We decided our EQ's needed a touch more work so Dottie returned bright and early Thursday morning to give us the last little boost we needed. And we saved the best for last, the Annual Membership Meeting. Our very presidential board chair, Tom Kjar, of Creighton Federal Credit Union in Omaha, NE, brought it home. We provided annual reports from all committees, the chairman, the president, and the Treasurer. We also elected new board members! We welcome with open arms our new Montana credit union board member - John Hageman, President/CEO of Montana Credit Union in Great Falls, MT. We welcome back with those same arms LaRae Kraemer, President/CEO of K-State Credit Union in Manhattan, KS, and Tom Kjar! We hugged Kevin Mayer, retiring board member, as we bid him a fond farewell, and staff milestone anniversaries were honored! A great time was had by all...The End!



Thank you to everyone who joined us in KC! We'll see you next year, along with all the newbies who'll make sure not to miss the 2024 Annual Meeting!

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