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**Illinois League welcomes two new directors**

Naperville, IL., April 16, 2009 -- Two new directors were sworn in to the Illinois Credit Union League (ICUL) board of directors at its annual Delegates' Meeting by ICUL Chairman John Bratsakis today.

The two new directors elected were John Hansen, CEO of Rockford Bell Credit Union, Rockford, Illinois; and Kerry Fearn, CEO Area Educational Credit Union, Mattoon, Illinois. Hansen was elected at the February 24, 2009 meeting of the Rockford Area Chapter of Credit Unions. Fearn will represent the R.W. Boyle Chapter of Credit Unions and was elected at the January 26, 2009 chapter meeting. Their terms began immediately following the Delegates' meeting.

The Delegates' meeting is one of a series of meetings and educational sessions just getting underway as part of ICUL's 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, being held today through Saturday at the Hilton Chicago and Towers. Today's agenda also includes the exhibit hall grand opening with nearly 75 vendors in attendance.

"Shake, Rattle, n' Roll" is the theme of ICUL's Convention. More than 780 individuals from 125 credit unions are expected to attend.

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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. There are 423 credit unions in Illinois with more than 2.7 million members.