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Quarterly Newsletter



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July 2026

Fall Onsite Car Sale



September 15-18 Michigan City Branch

First Trust Credit Union & Uptown Limited Auto Sales of Michigan City are hosting another

HUGE ONSITE CAR SALE!

CARS, TRUCKS, VANS & SUVs

- Onsite Financing
- Trade-ins Welcome
- No Application Fees
- No Money Down
- No Payment for 90 Days (optional)*

**Interest will accrue during the 90 days payment is deferred.*

2026 Calendar

Independence Day
Saturday - July 4th, CLOSED

Labor Day
Monday - September 7th, CLOSED

Veterans Day
Wednesday - November 11th, CLOSED

Thanksgiving
Thursday - November 26th, CLOSED

Christmas Eve
Thursday - December 24th,
(Closing at 1:00 p.m.)

Christmas Day
Friday - December 25th, CLOSED

New Year's Eve
Thursday - December 31st,
(Closing at 3:00 p.m.)



Stuff-A-Bus

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, 10/10/26

Michigan City Branch will be collecting donated food items & monetary donations in September to help restock the Michigan City Salvation Army food pantry. The annual Stuff a Bus event will be held on Saturday, October 10th at all Al's Supermarkets in Michigan City & La Porte.



The Michigan City Branch will be collecting school supply donations until July 29th. A collection box is located in our lobby!



Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to our 2026 \$1,000 Scholarship Winners!



- Kailee Culp—South Central High School
- Makenna Nowatzke—Michigan City High School
- Gage Van Vlymen—Demotte Christian High School
- Haylie Bristol—Kankakee Valley High School
- Kylie Bristol—Kankakee Valley High School

I Can't Be Tricked into Money Laundering, Can I??

Scams come in all forms – email links, spoofed phone calls, family member in crisis, etc. They're everywhere! However, there is one that could have expensive legal and financial consequences – becoming a money mule. Whether you realize it or not, the fraudster that convinces you to participate in a scam will most likely not deal with the aftermath – **YOU may face legal costs, fines, fees, identity theft, long-term reputation and financial damage and possible incarceration!**

HOW BEING A MONEY MULE WORKS

- You answer an ad of an ill-defined work-at-home job promising substantial earning potential with minimal effort,
- You may be encouraged to open a new bank account and provide the information so you can transfer funds to a 'client',
- A criminal deposits funds into your existing (or new) bank account, and
- You withdraw the money while keeping a portion for your commission and forward the funds to another individual via gift cards, wire transfers, or cryptocurrency.

Serving as a money mule is illegal, even if you aren't aware that it's a scam. Your participation could result in prosecution for crimes such as money laundering, mail fraud, or wire transfer fraud.

Always be skeptical when opportunities seem too good to be true. Do your research and **NEVER** give out account information or transfer funds to unknown recipients.



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First Trust recently presented a \$2,000 check to Open Door Adolescent Health Center. Their mission is to increase access to and utilization of physical and mental health services within the Michigan City Area School district. These services are available regardless of their ability to pay. By improving access to care, they help students achieve better overall health and gain the greatest possible benefit from their education.

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