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Service 1st's 2022 Annual Meeting Honored Lavage and Announced Thomas as New President/CEO

(Danville, PA) – Service 1st Federal Credit Union recently held their 2022 Annual Meeting at the Pine Barn Inn, located in Danville. In addition to celebrating highlights from the past year, including employee and volunteer milestones, the credit union shared newly elected board members and honored retiring President/CEO Bill Lavage. Lavage and Steve Endress, Service 1st Board Chairperson, also introduced Mike Thomas, Chief Financial Officer, as the credit union's new President/CEO.

During the meeting, highlights from the past year were shared, including operational accomplishments and awards bestowed on the credit union for their continued community support and focus on financial education.

The Board of Directors honored Service 1st President/CEO Bill Lavage. Lavage announced in February that he will retire later this year, after leading the financial institution for 42 years.

"I am honored and humbled to have the privilege of working at Service 1st for 42 years. Although Service 1st is a financial institution, we are an organization of people not money," said Bill Lavage, President/CEO, Service 1st. "I work for an organization that values and appreciates their volunteers and employees. They are a fantastic group of talented people. Members, thank you for your continuous support. You are the reason Service 1st exists."

Thomas will fully transition into his role as President/CEO in September 2023, following Lavage's retirement.

Newly elected board members were announced and a number of volunteers and employees were honored for their years of service during the event.

Tracy Shirk, Vice Chairperson; Eric Polczynski, Director; and Lori Wilson, Director, were re-elected, each to 3-year terms on the Service 1st Board of Directors.

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Other members of the Service 1st Board of Directors include: Steven Endress, Chairperson; David Cutright, Treasurer; Deborah Petretich Templeton, R. Ph., MHA, Secretary; Barbara Criswell, Director; Kathy Linn, Director; Greg Burke, MD, FACP, Director; and Mike Fleming, Supervisory Committee Chair.

Service awards representing a combined 155 years of experience and dedication, were presented to volunteers and employees. Volunteers honored included: Eric Polczynski for 15 years of service and O. Fred Miller for 25 years of service.

Employees honored for five years of service included: Maryann Gonzalez, Member Service Representative II, Lewisburg Office; Jack Pegg, Facilities & Maintenance Specialist; and Tina Cupp, Assistant Marketing Manager, Loyalsock Office.

Employees honored for 10 years of service included: Coleen Snover, Vice President Training & Development; Matt Gardill, Assistant Vice President Mifflinburg Market; and Ed Moyer, Assistant Vice President Shamokin Dam & Sunbury Markets.

Employees honored for 15 years of service included: Chris Court, Chief Strategy & Innovation Officer and Karen Wood, Chief Experience Officer.

Employees honored for 20 years of service included: Jeffrey Balestrini, Chief Lending Officer and Mary Jo Martin, Assistant Vice President Williamsport Market.

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Photo 1: Tracy Shirk, Vice Chairperson, Service 1st Board of Directors

Photo 2: Eric Polczynski, Director, Service 1st Board of Directors

Photo 3: Lori Wilson, Director, Service 1st Board of Directors

Photo 4: Mike Thomas, Chief Financial Officer, Service 1st

About Service 1st: We're a little different, but that's why you'll like us. Service 1st Federal Credit Union is a full-service financial institution with total assets exceeding \$640 million. We put the financial goals of our 38,700 + members at the heart of everything we do. Whether in one of our branches located in Bloomsburg, Danville, Elysburg, Lewisburg, Loyalsock, Mifflinburg, Montandon, Shamokin Dam, Sunbury and Wilkes-Barre, or out-and-about in the community, our credit union team shares seven core values that ensure our focus is always to strengthen the financial lives of our members and our community.

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