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### Local Student Wins Share of Georgia Federal Credit Union's \$10,000 in Scholarships



Chatsworth, GA – Georgia Federal Credit Union (GFCU) is proud to announce the winners for their 2010 scholarship program. A total of \$10,000 will be awarded to eleven students through the GFCU Vernon E. Carne Scholarship Fund, created in honor of the Credit Union's founder.

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This is the 16<sup>th</sup> year GFCU has given the Vernon E. Carne Scholarship awards. Selection was based on academic accomplishments, leadership and participation in both school and community activities and an essay on how the credit union philosophy of 'people helping people' helps communities. This year's essay competition drew entries from 43 different high schools and the top winner was Shelley Anne Evans of Fayetteville, who received \$3,000.

**The second place award of \$2,000 went to Carley McCall Smith of Chatsworth.** She attends Murray County High School and plans to attend the University of Georgia and major in Biology/Pre-Med. Carley is a member of the National Honor Society, Vice President of the Beta Club, Editor of her high school yearbook, Student Council representative, a UGA Merit Scholar, and Captain of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad. An active volunteer, Carley also teaches classes at Northwest Ga. Gymnastics. Carley is the daughter of Stephen and Leigh Anne Smith of Chatsworth.

For more information about Georgia Federal Credit Union's scholarship program or financial services, visit [gfcuonline.org](http://gfcuonline.org).

#### About Georgia Federal Credit Union

Georgia Federal Credit Union is ranked as one of the top credit unions in Georgia with over \$595 million in assets and thirteen branch locations. Their mission is to provide value-priced financial services to our members. Georgia Federal Credit Union is federally insured by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF).

GFCU serves employees and family members of over 450 companies, 10 county school systems, and the University of Georgia.



Pictured (Left to Right): Theresa Jordon, GFCU's Assistant Branch Manager, presents Carley Smith, Scholarship Recipient, her check at GFCU's Dalton Branch.