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NACUC Honors Smith of First New York Federal Credit Union

Del Mar, CA (November 2, 2021) – Chuck Smith, board chair of First New York Federal Credit Union (Schenectady, NY), was recently honored as the National Association of Credit Union Chairmen’s 2021 Eugene Ball Award during the 45th Annual Chair’s Roundtable Forum in Denver, Colorado.

In 1990, Smith was elected board chair of First New York Federal Credit Union, then First Teachers. Not long after, he became involved with NACUC and started attending the Chair’s Roundtable Forums. In 1998, he was elected to NACUC’s board of directors serving as chair from 2003 to 2007. Smith remarked, “I wanted to give back to an organization that’s given me so much in my role as board chair. It’s been an honor to be a part of it and now to be recognized with this award.”

Smith’s volunteer service with First New York Federal Credit Union began more than 50 years ago as a volunteer field rep. He served on the supervisory committee before being elected to the board of directors in 1984. As a career educator, he spent more than 25 years as a teacher and school principal.

The Eugene Ball Award was created in 2002 to recognize an outstanding leader in the credit union movement. The award was named after the late Eugene Ball, credit union icon, past board chair of Pentagon Federal Credit Union and past chair of NACUC.

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