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CREDIT UNION FOUNDATION OF COLORADO AND WYOMING AWARD BRAYMAN-BEACH \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

DENVER, CO. *(August 8, 2008)* – The Board of Directors of the Credit Union Foundation of Colorado and Wyoming is pleased to award Ericca McCutchen the 2008 Brayman-Beach \$5,000 scholarship.

McCutchen is a Bellco Credit Union member and will be entering her sophomore year at Denver University (DU). She graduated from Rangeview High School in 2007 with a 4.0 GPA and earned a 3.77 GPA her freshman year at DU. She is an International Business major with a Public Policy and Leadership minor and plans to go on to law school.

The Brayman-Beach \$5,000 Scholarship is an annual award named for two tireless and ardent supporters of the credit union movement, Susan J. Brayman and Carroll D. Beach. The scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students who are Colorado credit union members interested in pursuing a business degree. Each year, funding from the Foundation touches hundreds of lives as it works to promote financial choice and independence to consumers in the region through credit unions.

“We extend our congratulations to Ericca in receiving this scholarship,” said John Dill, President of the Credit Union Foundation of Colorado and Wyoming. “She exemplifies our Foundation’s mission to support community financial literacy and education programs as well as education and training for the credit union community.”

“Our scholarships are made possible through the generous support from individuals, credit unions and system partners who help us put our credit union philosophy of ‘*people helping people*’ into action,” said Melia Heimbeck, Executive Director of the Credit Union Foundation of Colorado and Wyoming.

About The Credit Union Foundation of Colorado and Wyoming

The cooperative spirit of the credit union movement, “People Helping People,” is the cornerstone of the Credit Union Foundation of Colorado and Wyoming. The Foundation touches thousands of lives each year by supporting innovative programs ensuring the financial stability of the most vulnerable members of our communities. Since its inception in 1982, the Foundation has granted more than \$680,000 to support community financial literacy and education programs and education and training for the credit union community in the furtherance of this mission.

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