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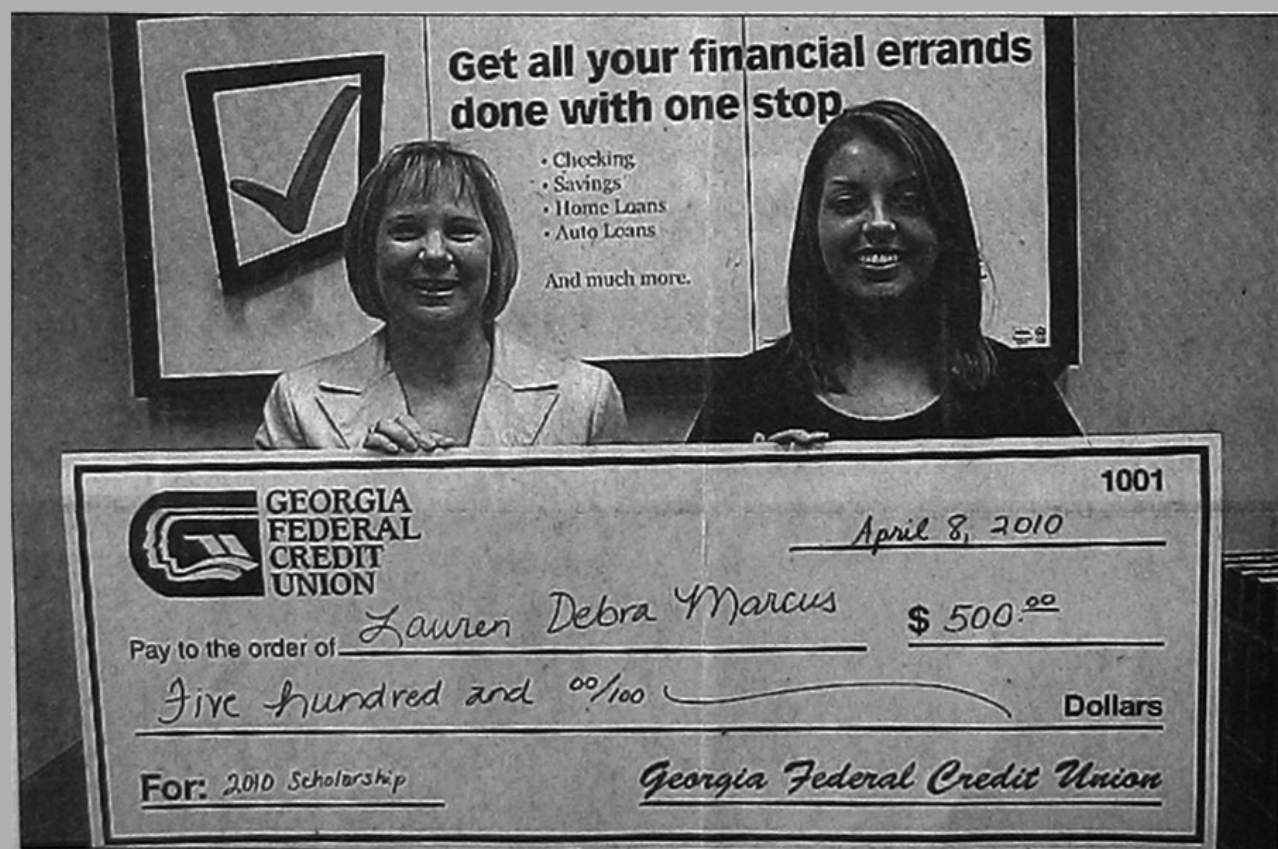
# Marcus wins Georgia Federal Credit Union scholarship

Georgia Federal Credit Union (GFCU) recently announced the winners of 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.

Among the recipients is Lauren Marcus of Ringgold. Marcus is one of the local \$500 GFCU scholarship recipients. She attends Ringgold High School and has a GPA of 4.0. She plans to attend Dalton State College and major in secondary education. She is a member of the National Beta Club and the National Honor Society, is in the concert and marching bands and is treasurer of the Hispanic Honor Society. Active in her church youth group, Marcus is also an active volunteer. She is the daughter of Kevin and Debbie Marcus.

This is the 16th 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. Second place of \$2,000 was awarded to Carley Smith of Chatsworth.

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



GFCU's assistant branch manager Theresa Jordon (left) presents Lauren Marcus with a check at GFCU's Dalton branch.