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## FIRST FEDERAL TEAM MEMBER CELEBRATES 30 YEARS OF SERVICE

*Bentonville, Ark., August 2008* – Dennis Chastain, SVP/Regional Manager, is pleased to announce that **Linda Boothe**, Vice President/New Accounts Representative at the Bentonville Walton Office, is being honored for 30 years of service.

A celebration will be held on Thursday, August 28, 2008, 10am-2pm, at the Bentonville Walton Office, located at 307 N. Walton Blvd. Boothe will be presented her 30-Year Service Award at 10am.

The reception, which is open to the public, will feature complimentary refreshments, beverages and, as always, fresh-baked Otis Spunkmeyer cookies.

“This celebration is a way for us to show how proud we are of Linda’s years of service,” said Chastain. “We are honored to recognize her dedication to our core values of **INTEGRITY, COMMITMENT, EXCELLENCE, TEAMWORK, INNOVATION, and PROFESSIONALISM.**”

Boothe has been a First Federal Team Member since August 28, 1978. She started her career in loans, and has served as a Teller and New Accounts Representative. She is a graduate of Southern State College (now South Arkansas University) in Magnolia, Ark. She and her husband, Steve Gunter, have been Bentonville residents since 1978 and attend Bentonville Church of Christ. They enjoy their daughter and son-in-law, Nancee and Chad Helms, and their grandson, Carter (18 months).

“Linda’s years of service are an example of the stability and longevity of First Federal,” said Ross Mallioux, President-Western Division/Chief Lending Officer of First Federal Bank. “She is a credit to the Bank and we are glad she is a Team Member.”

### **About First Federal Bank**

First Federal is a community bank serving consumers and businesses in Northcentral and Northwest Arkansas with a full range of checking, savings, investment, and loan products and services. The Bank, founded in 1934, has \$820.5 million in assets as of June 30, 2008, and conducts business from 20 full-service branch locations, one stand-alone loan production office, and 31 ATMs. First Federal Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of First Federal Bancshares of Arkansas, Inc., whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol FFBH. For information on all the products and services we offer, visit us on the web at [www.ffbh.com](http://www.ffbh.com) or contact our Account Information Center by phone toll free at 866-AIC-FFBH (870.365.8329 Harrison area) or by email at [aic@ffbh.com](mailto:aic@ffbh.com).

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