

# 372 Newsletter

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## Chrysler Leasing Returns

On Thursday-September 17, 2009, Chrysler Group LLC announced it will reinstate their leasing options for U.S. customers on all 2010 model year Chrysler, Jeep & Dodge vehicles through Chrysler's preferred lender, GMAC Financial Services.

Featured vehicles with lease specials that run through September 30, 2009 will include the following:

Chrysler Town & Country, Dodge Grand Caravan & Jeep Wrangler.

## Parking Lot Vandalism

Over the past few weeks there has been a sharp increase of reported vandalism and break-ins to our member's vehicles in the parking lots. Security will be increasing their patrols in this area. Also, the security cameras will be monitored full time.

## Veteran's Committee News

Tonight at 6:30pm the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual National POW-MIA Recognition day will be held at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens. Located at Twelve Mile & Novi Roads in Novi, Michigan. This tribute is for all POW-MIA families, Veterans & Concerned Americans. Flowers, wreaths and post, chapter & committee colors are encouraged. Light refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

## Veteran's Committee 2

The Veterans Committee is trying to put together another CCW class at the Local. Please contact Chairperson Kent "Duke" Fowler in the plant at 313-956-9503 if you have any interest in participating.

## Standing Committee Posting

We have put another posting up in an effort to try and fill vacancies we have on some of the Local's standing committees, due to incentive packages. Please see bulletin boards for further info if you are interested.

## Schedule Update

Next week is scheduled to remain at 1700 engines a day for the 3.3 & 3.8 line.

The 4.0L line is expected to increase slightly in production over the next couple weeks. To allow I.E. time to asses which rate would be best to run come October. Example: higher daily rates could mean scheduled down time. Lower daily rates could mean no scheduled downtime, but require some overtime. We also will have our safety and ergo reps involved in this process, to identify any potential abuses. Such as the ones that were identified today.

**Machining and Skilled Trades'** schedule will vary based on each department's floats and parts availability

**National Child Care Network:** Due to the uncertainty of our membership's schedule of hours and often times their shifts, we have included the names of some Day Care Centers in the Metro Detroit Area that are part of the UAW-Chrysler Child Care Network. These services are for children 2 ½ to 12 years old. Members are offered a 10% discount on tuition and receive priority slots. All participating child care centers have met the highest quality care standards from the joint UAW-Chrysler leadership.

If you reach a facility that does not honor the discount please contact the local. The list may change periodically. Also, if you do not have a facility in your area that is covered under the network but know of one who would be interested, please contact your **committeeperson** and we will forward the information to the national parties. **(Please see back)**

**Vending Machines Problem:** We have had a number of complaints about the vending machines taking money but not releasing the product. There should be a phone number on all the machines to call and make a complaint. They will send you a check for the amount. Also, you can **contact your committeeperson** with the bay location of the machine and the amount of money lost, so they can contact Labor Supervisor Ed Navocco about getting reimbursed more promptly.

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## **SIDEBAR ARTICLES**

This sidebar article was created with a text box. You can use a sidebar article for any information you want to keep separate from other articles or information that highlights an article next to it. These could include a list of contributors, addresses or contact information, a smaller self-contained story, a preview of the next issue, or a calendar of schedule. The example below shows a Calendar of Events.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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### INSERT SYMBOL

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### BORDERS

You can use page borders and text box borders to change the appearance of your newsletter. Borders on text boxes help keep different articles separate, and can set off sidebar articles from the rest of the page. To change a text box border, select it, double click its edge and choose the Colors and Lines tab in the Format Auto Shape dialog box.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: I would like to change some of the text box shading to improve the print quality. Can that be done?

A: Yes. To change the shading or color of a text box, select it and double click its borders to open the Format Text Box dialog box. Click the colors and lines tab and then choose the new color from the Color drop-down list in the Fill section.

Q: What's the best way to print this newsletter?

A: Print page 2 on the back of page 1. Fold in half and mail with or without an envelope. For best results, use a medium to heavyweight paper. If you're mailing without an envelope, seal with a label.

Q: I would like to use my own clip art. How do I change the art without changing the design?

A: To change a picture, click on the picture, then point to Picture on the Insert menu and click From File. Choose a new picture, and click Insert.

## Inserting and Editing Pictures

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You can replace the pictures in this template with your company's art. Select the picture you want to replace, point to Picture in the Insert menu, and click From File. Choose a new picture and then click Insert. Select the Link to File box if you don't want to embed the art in the newsletter. This is a good idea if you need to minimize your file size; embedding a picture adds significantly to the size of the file.

To edit a picture, click on it to activate the Picture toolbar. You can use this toolbar to adjust brightness and contrast,

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*Choose a new picture, and click the Link to file box if you don't want to save the art with the newsletter.*

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change line properties and crop the image. For more detailed editing, double-click on the graphic to activate the drawing layer. ■

Q: How do I change the text and borders that appear at the bottom of every page?

A: Click Headers and Footers on the View menu. Use the Header and Footer toolbar to navigate among headers and footers, insert date or time, or format the page numbers. To change the text in the footer, select it and type your new text. To change the border, click Borders and Shading on the Format menu.

Q: Can I save a customized newsletter as a template for future editions?

A: Yes. First make any changes you want to this newsletter, then click Save As on the File menu. Choose Document Template from the Save as type drop down list (the extension should change from .doc to .dot). Save the file under a new name. Next time you want to create a newsletter, choose New from the File menu, then choose your template.

