

372 Newsletter

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Veterans Corner

- On Monday-November 16, we will be on a paid day off for the observance of Veterans Day.
- We would like to thank those who attended the Laying of the Wreath ceremony we had at the Local on Wednesday-November 11, 2009 @ 4:00pm.
- The gate collection done at the plant raised \$878.90. All proceeds will go towards the VA Hospitals and Centers on December 16, 2009. This is when Local 372's Veterans Committee will present less fortunate veterans with gifts and gift cards funded by your generosity.

Veteran's Committee 2

The CCW classes presented by our local Veteran's committee, scheduled for the dates of January 23 & 24, 2010 is filling up.

If you would like to take part in these classes and range time, you must pay your \$50.00 registration fee by December 15, 2009.

The total cost, including the \$50.00 registration fee, is \$125.00. You may register at the local or please contact Chairperson Kent "Duke" Fowler in the plant at 313-956-9503

Congrats Eddie! : We would like to recognize UAW Local 372's Eddie Canada for participating in and completing the Detroit Marathon on October 18, 2009.

4.0L Nitro impressive

Chrysler/Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne has recently been driving the Nitro with Trenton's 4.0L engine. He has been surprised and impressed by its performance and handling during his time behind the wheel.

Schedule Update:

The schedule for the next two weeks currently shows both shifts running on the 3.3-3.8 line. Also, the 4.0L is currently scheduled to run at their current rate of production during the same two week period.

Next week has one paid day off and the following week will provide our members with two paid days off for Thanksgiving. As of this writing, no Saturdays have been added to the schedule to make up for the holidays.

It is still tentatively scheduled for one shift only to be off for the week of December 14, 2009, on the 3.3-3.8 line.

All other departments are currently scheduled to run during this time.

Problem Solving/Kaizen Board Review-Reminder

If your teams are having issues on items **not** being addressed on your boards and they have exceeded 30 days, please **contact your Steward or Committee person**. The **Co-Chairs** will start attending select board meetings in the departments where the least amount of support is being given to our operators.

Flu Shots

There have been some questions regarding whether one has to pay any costs for their flu shots. There is not one answer that fits every person or every health insurance plan. If you have any questions, please contact your physician's office, with your plan coverage available, to determine if you are subject to deductible and co-pay charges associated with your office visit or other services rendered.

Charges associated with receiving the vaccine must be processed through your medical insurance card (or CVS/Caremark prescription drug card at participating pharmacies) to be covered; manually submitted claims to health carriers will not be reimbursed.

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.

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It is a good idea to place a small symbol at the end of each article to let the reader know that the article is finished and will not continue onto another page. Position your cursor at the end of the article, click Symbol on the Insert menu, choose the symbol you want, and then click Insert.

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,

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

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.

