

# 372 Newsletter

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**May 7, 2010**

## Schedule Update

3.3-3.8 assembly will start a 10 hr schedule next week, on both shifts. 1<sup>st</sup> shift starting time will be 5:00am during this period.

3.3-3.8 machining; please check with your Steward or Committeeman to see how this affects your department's schedule.

**Mixed Martial Arts @ The Palace:** We have tickets still available for Professional Mixed Martial Arts at The Palace of Auburn Hills at the Local.

The event will be Saturday-May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 7:00pm. These tickets are for general admission seating. However, you are able to upgrade to lower reserved for \$10.00 or to VIP seating for just \$15.00. These tickets cannot be upgraded to cage side seating though.

## Sales Increase Reported

Chrysler Group LLC reported a U.S. sales improvement of 25 percent for the month of April on Monday-May 3, 2010. The 25% is an improvement over the sales in April '09.

Chrysler also announced a 3 percent increase in April 2010 over March 2010.

## EAP Office in New Location

Trenton Engine's EAP office is now located upstairs, across from the Committeeperson's office. Previously the computer lab.

Ken Conners is Trenton's new EAP rep. While Ken served as Skilled Trades Chief Steward for 6 years previously, it was his passion in helping his co-workers deal with some of the personal struggles we all face that made him gravitate towards this position.

## Congrats Ken!

Ken Wolfinger was elected interim Steward at the Trenton South Engine Plant. We are in the process of getting Ken acclimated to his new position and getting him access to different programs to help this transition.

Local 372's Election Committee will put out a communication when the Local is notified to run a permanent election.

## Vacation Shutdown Concerns

We are still working on issues regarding the possibility of management wanting to run full volume production during the weeks of July 12, 2010 & July 19, 2010.

The majority of our concerns regard the scheduling of vacations should our members volunteer to work.

We are currently in the process of completing a **Frequently Asked Questions-Fact Sheet**. We do have quite a few questions that will have answers, in order to help our membership make an informed decision on what they want to do. However, we are still open for additional questions from the floor, regarding vacations.

Please make sure you pass along any questions about this subject to your Steward or Committeeperson, or, as always you can send your questions via email to [president@uawlocal372.com](mailto:president@uawlocal372.com), **subject line: Vacation Concern**. We would like to have the fact sheet distributed in the plant by the end of next week.

**Sunday-May 9<sup>th</sup>  
Is Mother's Day**



## **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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Use the Header and Footer toolbar to open the footer, and replace the sample text with your own text.

### 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.

