

372 Newsletter

Issue 5

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Retirement Send Off

We will be having a recognition ceremony on Thursday-April 30, 2009 at Local 372 @ 9:00am., for those brothers and sisters who will be retiring at the end of this month. We would like to wish everyone the best and look forward to seeing you on Thursday.

UAW Region 1A, Walleye Tournament

The Walleye Tournament will be held at Elizabeth Park Marina-Trenton, MI on May 9, 2009. Look for the UAW Region 1A banner.

Entry fee: \$30.00-Deadline: May 1, 2009. Please see Marge at the Local for entry form and rules. **Tournament Coordinator: Frank Woods, International Rep, UAW Region 1A. 313-291-2750**

Avoid Foreclosure Forum

There will be a free forum on April 28, 2009 @ Ford Field, 2000Brush St. Detroit, MI. The time will be from 11:00am-7:00pm. At this forum you will be able to:

- Speak to your servicer about payment options
- Learn about lending programs available
- Meet independent loan counselors, tax advisors, & Governmental agencies.

**For more info call 1-877-765-8388
www.michigan.gov**

Grievance Handling Classes

There will be grievance handling classes held at UAW Region 1A-9650 S. Telegraph Road, Taylor, MI from 8:00am to 4:00pm on the dates of May 2, 2009 & May 16, 2009. The May 2nd class will consist of basic grievance handling, while the May 16th class will study advanced grievance handling.

To confirm your attendance to both classes, or the advanced grievance handling class, if you have already taken basic grievance handling, please call Barb Turner @ 313-956-2750.

Classes will be reserved by your confirmation call on a first come basis. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THE CLASSES.

Special Elections-Financial-Secretary

There will be a special election for the vacancy of Financial-Secretary and any other openings that may become available for the remainder of the (3) year term that started in July 2008.

Date: Thursday-May 28, 2009

Time: 6:00am to 6:00pm

Where: Local 372

Run-Off Election (if required)

Date: Thursday-June 4, 2009

Time: 6:00am to 6:00pm

Where: Local 372

If you are interested in running for this position, or any other that may become available, you must pick up an acceptance form at Local 372. Fill out the form and send certified mail to: **The Election Committee, 4571 Division Street-Trenton, MI 48183. Forms must be postmarked no later than Monday-May 18, 2009.**

A lottery drawing to select the ballot numbers for each candidate will be held on Thursday-May 21, 2009. If you have any questions or need clarification please see the following Election Committee Members:

Al Goins, John Gillette, Cathy Coleman-Percha, John Van Peered or Carolyn Hamilton-Rattigan.

Special Packages Program: We are still awaiting word from the International Union as to whether there will be an extension to the April 27, 2009 deadline for the retirement and vtep packages. Since we have yet to hear or see any potential changes to our Collective Bargaining Agreement. Should we receive word about a possible extension we will relay that to the membership ASAP.

The President, Shop Chairman & Skilled Trades Committeeman of Local 372 all attended an Area Wide Meeting at Local 1435 in Perrysburg, OH this morning. Unfortunately, none of the other Locals had any current info on possible changes to the contract. They also await word from the International Union about a possible extension to the April 27th deadline.

Avoid Foreclosure Seminar

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.

