



ISO/TS16949 Audit in October!

When: October 5 – 8, 2009

Who: DNV (remember that stands for Det Norske Veritas). DNV is the 3rd party Certification Body selected by GM to audit Powertrain Facilities to insure ISO/TS16949 compliance.

We will host two auditors to audit our Quality Management System:

- 1) Bob McCarty
- 2) Andy Contipidese

Both are new auditors to Toledo.

Where: All shifts and all departments and all processes.
Home Base will be the Quality Systems Conference Room

What: In this TS16949 Surveillance Audit :
DNV will verify our Quality Management System provides for continuous improvement, emphasizing defect prevention and the reduction of variation and waste in Toledo.

Why: GM requires all suppliers to be ISO/TS16949 certified.

You can prepare by:

- Follow your JES /SOS/STS and all documented instructions for your job.
- Signing and Posting (GL/TL) JES/SOS/STS. Removing older versions and making sure most current and approved in ETQ is on the job.
- Training to and learning Standardized Work and other Documents that apply to your job.
- Verify you are on the Flex Chart (Tol-3) and the Date Certified equals the date you achieved quad. 3 per J.I.T.
- Fill out logs completely and accurately.
- Master your gages and complete the log. Make sure all gages are present and properly working.
- Make sure work area is clear, clean, and organized to prevent safety and sediment issues.
- Get any documents with hand-marked changes or in need of changes to the plant GMS or Document Control Coordinator.
- Know your Product Quality Standards (PQS) – what gages and checks you do to know a good part from a bad part.
- Contain defective parts and know how to use your Dept.

Containment Form.

- Properly tag all parts/material and segregate non-conforming parts/material.
- Support S.P.Q.R.C.E. improvement and know what is on your Team Board.
- Know how to call for help if defects are passed or if unsure parts are to specification (refer to your Problem Escalation Process Pyramid).
- Know or point to the Quality Policy and Mission Statement (located on Team Boards) and how it relates to your job and your customers.
- Know about the 7 types of waste (COMMWIP) and what has been done on your job to reduce or eliminate waste to continuously improve (i.e. reduce scrap, eliminate rework, improved part handling, etc).
- Do not try to memorize instructions, take them out of the holder or point to them and read from them if needed (this is not a memory test).

Sandy Witko, GMS/TS Coordinator



22nd Annual Park 'N Shine Car Show

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009

at the Oscar Bunch GM Powertrain / UAW Family Park

Drive in time: 9 a.m. until Noon.

Swap Meet set up: 8 a.m.

Come see the 2010 GM product lineup along with special interest vehicles: Hot Rods, Custom, Modified, Drag, Muscle, Antiques, Auto Swap Meet, Food, Refreshments and more.

For more information call Bob Mackey at 419-478-3274

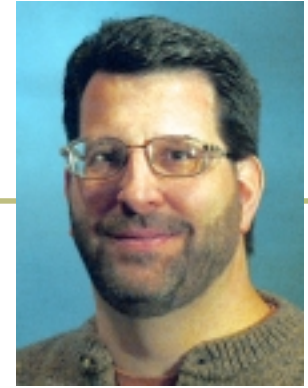
A Seasonal Change

By Richard Brienik, manager GSC

Is it really September already? What a different summer this has been. It doesn't seem like that long ago that we were all surprised with the news that the plant would be shutdown for an extended period of time. Now we are all surprised with the news that we will be working Saturdays for a while. And yes, it is September already. Hope all of you had a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend. This holiday signals a pending change of seasons as the official start of Fall is only weeks away. My calendar also notes three important reminders for me.

A new school year has already started or is just starting for students of all ages. This means that school bus stops will reappear on our routes to work. We will also need to be aware of students walking, biking, skateboarding, running, and driving to school. This means that those dreaded yellow flashers signaling the boundaries of a school zone will be active once more. You remember them, those stretches of road where everything slows to a crawl and you need to be aware of not only the cars in front of and behind you, but for school activity all around you. Take a minute on your next trip to work to reacquaint yourself with the school zones that you pass through and the bus stops you pass by. Be ready for the increased activity on the roads and sidewalks that the school year brings.

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Labor Day also means that there will be an increase in yard maintenance around my house, probably yours too. It's time to get flower beds, gardens, and the whole yard ready for the changing season and much cooler weather. And it won't be too long before the leaves begin to change colors and then fall to cover your yard. To me, this time of year means that my rakes and shovels will be getting a work out. If you are like me it also means that so will our hands and back. Make sure that you take some preventative measures. Get a good pair of gloves to protect your hands from blisters, thorns, scrapes, and cuts. Get your back, arms and legs ready by doing some stretching exercises, it doesn't take much. Just a few minutes a day of stretching will have you ready to take on those autumn chores.

Lastly, the third note on my calendar – get my vehicle ready for the changing season. That car or truck has worked hard for you all summer long, now it is time to get it ready for the next challenge. Take the time to check your fluid levels, that windshield washer fluid will come in handy real soon. Check your oil; after the hot summer temperatures it is probably time for an oil change. Check your tires for the correct inflation and for wear, make sure that they are ready for our changing weather. Take the time to check your lights also, how many other vehicles have you seen with a brake light or turning indicator out? Make sure that your ride is ready for the changing season.

Yes, it is September already and yes, we have to accept that summer is all but over. Our attention to Safety cannot change like the seasons though. We need to keep our Safety Focus, being prepared for whatever season it is, both at work and at home. Stay safe in all that you do at work and at home so you can enjoy the changing season.

Local 14 United in Caring

On September 19, 2009, UAW Local 14 is hosting an event called "United in Caring". We have put together an entire day of fun challenges, that will not only raise money for local charities but to fellowship with fellow Union Brothers and Sisters. The fun will begin at 7 a.m at the Oscar Bunch UAW/ GM Family Park located at 5444 Jackman Rd Toledo, OH with a 4K Run. Other events are chess, checkers, horseshoes, tennis (singles/ mixed doubles), 3 on 3 basketball, closest to the pin, co-ed volleyball and co-ed softball.



We are asking Locals to consider putting together teams for each of the events. This event is open to anyone who would like to participate. Once we receive all the entries we will be contacting each team captain with times of when they are scheduled to play. Questions on this event should be directed to UAW Local 14 Union Hall at 419-473-2854.

We look forward to seeing you and your teams on September 19! United we stand, divided we fall.



Order Pink-Ribbon Apparel Now

GMPT Toledo is gearing up for Breast Cancer Awareness 2009 and teaming up with Team Sports for great deals on pink-ribbon apparel! Visit the link below to view the vast selection of items available under sale code: E95AP — Buy yours today! Visit the site (teamsports.gearorder.com) and purchase the items pictured above and MORE ~ there are 14 ladies style shirts, 4 men's style shirts, tie-dyed Ts, hats, water bottles and coolers too! Harlan Joelson is available in the Action Center uniform office Friday mornings from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. or call him at (cell phone) 419-343-2158. Be sure to place your order.

Team Sports | Order Online : teamsports.gearorder.com or phone: 800-240-6707 or email: info@teamsportsohio.com

Changes to the ATM

The ATM machine located in the cafeteria recently underwent a few changes. It will now dispense movie tickets and books of stamps. Additionally, it will no longer accept deposits. If you have not yet signed up for direct deposit, the forms are available in the Team Centers and the Personnel department.

Need TTO Uniforms?

Clothing Vendor Offers Wide Range of TTO Apparel

Did you know that our clothing vendor, Harlan Joelson, currently has 195 different TTO approved items for sale?

Items range from T-shirts, dress shirts, jackets to shorts and pants. All shirts have the TTO logo and for an additional fee can be personalized with a name.

Stop by to see Harlan in the uniform office which is located in the Action Center between the cafeteria and restrooms.

Office hours are every Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. or make an appointment, any shift, at 419-343 2158.

Become a Member of the GMPT Powertrain Emergency Response Team

Employees can contact Ray Frost, Kurt Swade or their committeeperson regarding their interest in becoming a member of the Powertrain Emergency Response Team.



End of Summer Christmas Charity Event

In an effort to prepare for the upcoming holiday season of giving, the Affinity Group for Women (AGW) is sponsoring an ice cream social on Friday, Sept. 18, 2009, in the RWD6 courtyard. Come join them for an ice cream sundae and all the toppings - \$1 per scoop!



GMPT Toledo Health Fair

Wednesday September 16, 2009
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Auditorium
Free to all!!

Have Your Blood Pressure Checked
 Receive Health, Fitness, and Nutrition Tips
 Learn What “Points” Are Regarding Your Health
 Learn about your Heart, Lungs, and Blood Sugar
 Free Advice For Your Feet
 Get Your Insurance Questions Answered
 Check Your Body Mass Index (BMI)

www.uawlocal14.org

News and Upcoming Events

Notes:

AGW Supports Feed Lucas County Children ... Union Marchers Celebrate the Cause at Downtown Toledo Labor Day Parade (watch YouTube) ... Toledo / UAW Local 14 Blood Drive Coming Soon ... find links to these important stories and more on the GMPT Toledo | Defiance Facebook Fansite! If you're not one of the 347 fans already...join today and be sure to find links to these updates at http://twitter.com/wanda_wellman too ~ facebook: <http://tinyurl.com/nb32oq>

UNCF Events 2009

Corporate and Local Events Raise Funds to Support the United Negro College Fund! Please note, this week's popcorn sale is scheduled for 2nd shift beginning 5 - 8 p.m.

Casino Bus Trip

Get in on the Action join the MotorCity Casino Bus Trip! For more information or to sign-up, see a UNCF volunteer at Friday's Popcorn sale.

Popcorn Sale

UNCF Volunteers are selling Caramel/Peanut and Caramel/Cashew Popcorn be sure to pick up a bag of the delicious JM Gourmet Popcorn this Friday.

Phoneraiser

The AGW is partnering with the UNCF to sponsor a Phoneraiser. Recycle bins are located at the East Gate, West Gate, and the Lobby entrances. So just bring in your old cell phones, ink jet cartridges, and digital cameras. Items must be reusable and not damaged in order to be of value. Please join us in helping out a worthy cause, while saving the environment.

Win A "Permanent" Parking Space, Enter the 50/50 and Silent Auction for Dale Grech's Personal Parking Space

Win A "Permanent" Parking Spot Enter the 50/50 or Win Dale Grech's Parking Space for One Week!

Do you have a favorite parking spot? Would you like the convenience of having it during the cold months of October - April?

Three parking spaces to be drawn, pick your space.

Tickets: one for \$2, five for \$3. Drawing Sept 18, 2009

Also: Enter the silent auction to win Operations Manager, Dale Grech's personal parking space for one week!

And: Purchase tickets for the 50/50 raffle

Buy your tickets at Friday's Popcorn sale!

UAW Local 14 Women's Committee Annual Flea Market

Saturday, Sept. 26, at 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Oscar Bunch / GM and UAW Local 14 Family Park

Open to the public

\$10 donation to set-up and sell

You bring own supplies – tables, pop-ups, etc.
or rent a table for \$5

Note: vendors can enter at the west end of the park off Jackman Road through the big gate – 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Please register by Sept. 23, to set-up and sell either of the following:

Lori Schultz 419-344-4791

Robin Marr 419-297-0609

UAW Local 14 419-473-2854

Come hungry!!

Food sales provided by UAW Local 14 Women's Committee

Powertrain Unit Meeting

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009, at 9 a.m.

Local 14 Union Hall

5411 Jackman Road, Toledo, OH

All members in good standing
are encouraged to attend.

How to contact us...

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Email submissions to daniel.macut@gm.com

Communications Manager - GM: Wanda W Montion - 5280



Deadline for POWERLine is 3:00 p.m. Tuesday.

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Assembly Update:

From our last week ending Sept. 6, 2009

Total build scheduled	6,630
Total actual build	6,785
Production conformance to schedule	94.9 %
Next week's daily build	1326

Schedules are subject to change. These figures are based on the best information we have at this time.