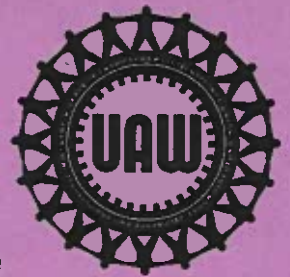


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UPDATE: Brothers and Sisters, as we are attempting to return employees temporarily laid off for Body Shop and Production model changes at the Wentzville Assembly Plant, we are also faced with the continued plant disruptions at the majority of our assembly customers, due to the semi-conductor issues affecting the auto industry globally. These disruptions are resulting in unscheduled down weeks for them, which in turn, cause us to react by adjusting manpower to ease the impact to the Parma Plant on all of you. The adjustment to the original July 19, 2021 return date of those laid off for the Wentzville shutdown was due to the slow ramp up of production, the inventory we have currently on hand, as well as the current state of the semi-conductor supply chain. We are currently planning in mid-August to return those currently on Voluntary Layoff to work as the assembly plants return to full production schedules. The semi-conductor issues are volatile and changing bi-weekly, if not daily. I am printing this newsletter with the information that I have at this moment and if it changes, I will certainly inform all at that time. Everyone, please make sure that you have your layoff and shift preferences up to date so no matter what occurs in this current climate, you will have your preferences current.

GOSSER SCHOLARSHIP: If you have a high school student who will be a senior this year graduating in 2022, please review the Gosser Scholarship application. There are deadlines that are fixed, no exceptions, for the application.

1005 INDIANS NIGHT OUT: is August 29th. Tickets on sale now at the hall for \$24.00. See separate flyer for more information.

LOCAL 1005 CHARITY GOLF OUTING: Sunday, October 3rd. Call the hall to reserve your spot. See additional flyer for details.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: tentatively scheduled for September 12th.

UAW INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT RORY GAMBLE HAS RETIRED: He was replaced by Financial Secretary Ray Curry. See letter from President Curry on the back of this newsletter.

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Brothers and Sisters:

I want to begin this message by thanking our UAW family. You can never know how much the warm welcome and support that I have received in these first few weeks serving as your President has meant to me, and I know it is the strength of that Solidarity that will lead us into the future.

This is an exciting time for the UAW. A time for us to grow as a union and join together to make real change in our nation and in our communities. The challenges will be difficult, but the rewards for our families and working men and women will be great.

I'd like to take a moment here to remind all my brothers and sisters that the UAW highly encourages everyone in our UAW family to get vaccinated against COVID-19. This is not a mandate as some have health or religious reasons for not being vaccinated, but with the Delta variant surging in many parts of our nation, the vaccine is the best way to protect not only ourselves, but our coworkers and families. So if you are not vaccinated, please strongly consider it.

I also want to recognize the brave men and women who have been on the front lines of this pandemic and extend my sympathies to all of us who have lost loved ones to this terrible virus.

As we begin to reopen based on vaccination levels and established guidelines, we are very pleased to be able to welcome the public back to Black Lake. While we are not holding educational programs this summer out of an abundance of caution, Black Lake is open for families to visit and many are already enjoying the campgrounds and other facilities. If you are looking for a great spot to enjoy a summer or fall vacation, take advantage of membership rates and plan a stay at Black Lake.

I am pleased to report that the sale of Cabin 4 at Black Lake was finalized on July 23. The sale had been delayed due to the pandemic and some easement issues, but its closure recouped more than \$1.1 million to the UAW General Fund. I want to make this point very clearly: This sale rights a wrong from the past and I want each and every one of you to know that we continue to implement ethics reforms throughout the organization to ensure that the abuses of the past can never happen again.

Finally, let me say that there are some very important items that impact all of us currently being debated in Washington, D.C. Passing critical infrastructure bills are important as is the Stabenow Amendment, which will tie electric vehicle and electric battery subsidies to good paying union scale and benefit jobs for products assembled here in the U.S.

Equally important is passage of the PRO Act, which will level the playing field for workers who want union representation but face huge obstacles under the current environment, such as forced company meetings and anti-union campaigns at the worksite.

Your voice is so important as we work to pass pro-worker legislation and policies at state, local and federal levels. I would like to encourage you to participate in our CAP programs to help us move our nation forward for UAW families and all working men and women.

Finally, I would like to take a second to congratulate the solidarity and perseverance of Local 2069 UAW Volvo Trucks. Strikes, as we know, are not easy, and even the final ratification had those who agreed and disagreed, but that is what democracy and negotiation is about -- our voices are heard and there is always room for debate. What is very clear in this instance, is that Local 2069's efforts paid off with a path for all current members to reach full pay; a stable health care and benefits plan; and an increased economic package. So to Local 2069 and your families who sacrificed through the strike, on behalf of the entire International Executive Board, I would like to say thank you for the spirit and effort you have shown throughout the collective bargaining process.

I want to reiterate that I will continue to update my brothers and sisters as we move this great union of ours forward and meet the challenges ahead. I will continue to rely on your support and your honest feedback.

In solidarity,

Ray Curry

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