The Importance of Safety

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A serious workplace injury or death changes lives forever – for families, friends, communities, and coworkers too. Human loss and suffering is immeasurable. Occupational injuries and illnesses can provoke major crises for the families in which they occur. In addition to major financial burdens, they can impose substantial time demands on uninjured family members. Today, when many families are operating with very little free time, family resources may be stretched to the breaking point.

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Every person who leaves for work in the morning should expect to return home at night in good health. Can you imagine the knock on the door to be

health. Can you imagine the knock on the door to tell you your loved one will never be returning home? Or the phone call to say he's in the hospital and may never walk again? Ensuring that husbands return to their wives, wives to their husbands, parents to their children, and friends to their friends — that is the most important reason to create a safe and healthy work environment. But it isn't the only reason.

REDUCING INJURIES REDUCES COSTS TO YOUR BUSINESS:

If a worker is injured on the job, it costs the company in lost work hours, increased insurance rates, workers' compensation premiums and possible litigation. Productivity is lost when other workers have to stop work to deal with the injury. Even after the injured employee has been sent home or taken to the hospital, other employees may be distracted or need to take time off from work in the aftermath of the incident. Even a single injury can have far-reaching and debilitating effects on your business.

SAFETY BOOSTS EMPLOYEE MORALE:

Any business knows that employee attrition and absenteeism can be major obstacles. When you create a healthy and safe workplace, you reduce those issues in several ways. By budgeting for safety improvements and making safety part of your operational plan, you engender trust. By involving everyone in safety decisions—through reporting, committees, walk-throughs and meetings—you show that their opinion matters to you. By following through on their input and improving safety, you prove quite tangibly that you care about their well-being.

SAFETY IMPROVES QUALITY:

Time and again, companies that put safety first turn out higher quality products. In some cases, that's because a safe workplace tends to be a more efficient one, free of debris and tangles of cords. In other cases, it's a matter of focus. By working in a clean, efficient environment, people are able to reduce distractions and truly focus on the quality of what they do. The results? Better products that create customer loyalty, bigger margins and increased sales.

In these ways and others, workplace safety is about much more than legislation. It's about creating the kind of productive,

efficient, happy and inspiring workplace we all want to be part of. It's about creating a highly safe and profitable company. And that's why it's important.

Happy Arbor Day – April 28

GM Toledo is giving away Oak tree saplings at the main entrances starting today, April 27. Some of you may already have picked up your saplings...you can take one or several.

Living Lands & Waters has donated Oak trees to GM sites to be given away as part of their Million Trees Project.

Will my trees be separated by species?

Of course! They will be color coded by twine, wrapped around the saplings!

Orange = Red Oak
Blue = Bur Oak
White = Swamp White Oak
How do I take care of these saplings?!
SEEDLING PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS
Soak trees in water ONE day before planting, but make sure tree stays

1. Scout out an area for your tree that is clear from power lines, other trees, buildings and anything else within 30 feet from tree. Call your utilities to have them mark for underground utilities. If necessary, obtain permission to plant in your desired area.

cool and in bag until then!

- Dig a hole, at least 2 times the width of the root system, so the roots can spread without crowding.
- Turn the soil up to 3 feet in diameter around your hole to help promote root growth.



Sapling packaging

- 4. Place the tree in the hole, with the top of the roots just under the soil line. Make sure the roots are spread out in their natural direction. Do not plant with packing materials.
- Partially fill the hole with dirt, firm the soil around the lower roots making sure not to break them. Use water to help reduce air pockets.
- 6. Fill the rest of the hole up, making sure the root collar is at the soil, and pack firmly. Do not pack too tightly as this may break roots and slow root growth.
- 7. Water the tree with plenty of water, making sure to water the entire planting area.
- 8. After the water has soaked in, place mulch around the tree within 1" of touching the tree. Mulch is important for retaining moisture and keeping weeds down.
- 9. Water your newly planted tree every 7-10 days during the first year. Water slowly around the drip line. (The drip line is defined by the farthest reaching leaves/branches)
- 10. Enjoy your new Oak tree!



Proud to be the official credit union of the **GM TTO Plant!**

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Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. **Hours:**

(Lobby & Drive-up)

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Lobby; Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Drive-up

Plus, for your convenience, a Glass City Federal ATM is located at the entrance of the plant's Subway restaurant! As a Glass City member, your withdrawals from this ATM are free!

Not a member? No problem!

As a GM employee, you can join by simply depositing \$25 into a Glass City primary share savings account. Visit our Alexis branch today to join!

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Golfing Bus Trip

Saturday and Sunday, August 19-20, 2017 (Overnight Trip)

One round of golf at Bucks Run Golf Course on 8/19/17, we will be playing the Putting course after your round. One round of golf at Pohlcat Golf Course on 8/20/17

Double occupancy accommodations provided by Soaring Eagle Casino, Mt. Pleasant, MI

Bus leaves at 5:00 am sharp from Local 14 UAW Hall Cost- \$220.00

Includes golf at both courses, cart, driving range and hotel accommodations

All food, drinks and any extras would be at your expense 1st payment \$100 due May 19th Final payment \$120 due June 30th If you don't have a foursome we will put you with one.

Sign-up at the Local 14 Dues Office Mon- Fri 7:30 am- 4:30 pm Cash only please Payable at the Local 14 Dues Office

Joe Saum- Local Rec. Director





2017 Discount Tickets

Tickets sold at the Hall Mon - Fri 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. open late Wednesday to 5 p.m.

5411 Jackman Rd. Toledo, Oh. 43813 (419) 473-2854 Tom Marckel, Financial Secretary-Treas

Opens Daily: May 6th to Labor Day, Sept. 4, 2017

Good Any Day Tickets (Adult) \$49.00 (saves \$18.00)

Good Any Day Tickets (Child/Senior) \$43.00 (saves \$2.00)

Ride & Refresh (Adult) \$53.00 (not available at gate)

2 Day admission -any park, any day (Adults) \$74.00 (saves \$25.00

*Cedar Point Shores Tickets (Adult) \$33.00 (saves \$7.00)

*Shores opens on May 27, 2017 (Age 3 & older and 48" and Taller in bare feet)

Children age 2 & under are free! Info Line: 1-419-627-2350 www.cedarpoint.com



Zoo opens -Memorial Day to Labor Day 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Adult Admission Tickets (12-59) -----\$16.00 (saves 3.00) Child/Senior Admission Tickets (2-11) (60+) \$13.00

Children under 2 are free! For More Information call: 419-385-5721 or visit website www.toledozoo.org





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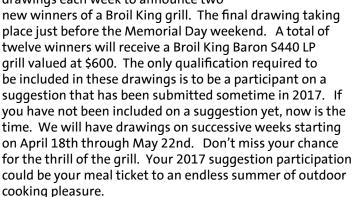
Suggestion Activities Promotion Week # 1 Winners:

Name Dept. F060 **Mark Perry** Jennifer Raleigh F334

Week #2 Winners

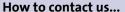
Lindsey Taylor 0611 **Charles Wilhelm** F042

The Suggestion Activities will conduct drawings each week to announce two



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