

Tornado Safety

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Tornadoes are violent: they can completely destroy well-made structures, uproot trees and hurl objects through the air like deadly missiles. Although severe tornadoes are most common in the Plains States, they can happen anywhere. Learn what to do to keep your loved ones safe.

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Top Tips

- Identify a safe place in your home where household members and pets will gather during a tornado: a basement, storm cellar or an interior room on the lowest floor with no windows.
- In a high-rise building, pick a hallway in the center of the building. You may not have enough time to go to the lowest floor.
- In a mobile home, choose a safe place in a nearby sturdy building. If your mobile home park has a designated shelter, make it your safe place. No mobile home, however it is configured, is safe in a tornado.

Know the difference!

A tornado **WATCH** means a tornado is possible.

A tornado **WARNING** means a tornado is already occurring or will occur soon. GO TO YOUR SAFE PLACE IMMEDIATELY.

Prepare in Advance

- Assemble an emergency preparedness kit.
- Create a household evacuation plan that includes your pets.

How to Prepare for Tornadoes:

Protecting your family

- Talk about tornadoes with your family so that everyone knows where to go if a tornado warning is issued.
- Know your workplace tornado emergency plans.

Sign Up for Notifications

Know how your community sends warnings. Some communities have outdoor sirens. Others depend on media and smart phones to alert residents of severe storms capable of producing tornadoes.

Lucas County Alerts, where our facility (TTO) is located, is a free service provided by Lucas County. In the event of an emergency or tornado warning, an alert will be sent to the phone number(s) you provide and/or your email address. Sign up at: <http://www.lucascountyalerts.com/> This site also alerts you to other weather related events such as Snow Level emergencies.

Don't wait until you see the tornado to act! Move to an underground shelter, basement or safe room. If none is available, a small, windowless interior room or hallway on the lowest level of a sturdy building is the safest alternative.

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UAW / GM Wellness Center Renovation

The workout room in the Wellness Center on the mezzanine has recently received a long overdue overhaul. Broken machines have been either removed, repaired or are currently being repaired. The 19 circuit machines have been upgraded with new cables and are ready for your use.

An inventory of equipment includes two stair steppers, seven elliptical machines, two treadmills, a full circuit with 19 machines, a workout room with a full array of free weights with nine workout benches and a men's and women's locker room for you to clean up after. There are also several TVs to enjoy during your exercise. Check out the photos below showing the new changes.

To use the Wellness Center simply grab a form near the entrance, fill it out and submit it to Hourly Personnel and then your badge will be activated to enter. (a Dr's form is no longer required). Please watch for more info regarding more upgrades and improvements.



As you enter the Wellness Center you will see a clean, efficient workout circuit. Below are views of the elliptical machines, circuit, free weight room and locker rooms.



Organizational Announcement

Effective May 1, 2018:



Tyree (Ty) McCullough currently Business Team Manager in Toledo Transmission RWD Assembly will transfer to Orion Assembly. In her new role, Ty is appointed to Shift Leader General Assembly reporting to Jeff Roeschke, General Assembly Area Manager.

In 2002 Ty joined GM in Warren Transmission Operations and had additional assignments in Pontiac Truck Assembly and Lordstown Assembly. Ty has held various assignments in manufacturing including General Assembly (Trim, Chassis, Final), Global Supply Chain (GSC), Body Shop, and Propulsion. Ty has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Rochester College and a Masters' Degree in Lean Manufacturing from Kettering University.



Effective immediately, **Ronnie Soriano**, currently Business Team Manager in Toledo Transmission GF6 Assembly on 2nd Shift, will be replacing Ty. Ronnie's replacement will be named at a later date.

Please join us in congratulating Ty and Ronnie on their new assignments and

offering your support to them during their transitions.

Spring Suggestion Promotion Stihl Pressure Washer Winners



Your suggestion participation in 2018 automatically qualifies you for a chance to wash away the winter with your own American made Stihl brand Pressure Washer. Beginning **THIS WEEK (BELOW)**, the Suggestion Activities will conduct drawings each following week to announce two new winners. There will be a total of six

winners of the Stihl RB Dirt Boss Pressure Washer, valued at over \$550. The only qualification required to be included in these drawings is to be a participant on a suggestion that has been submitted sometime in 2018. If you have not been included on a suggestion yet, now is the time. We will have drawings on successive weeks starting through April 23rd. There is no high pressure in trying to win this prize. Let your suggestions help make spring cleaning a wash this year. Don't miss your chance to make a splash. Your 2018 suggestion participation could really be a blast!

First week winners of Stihl Pressure Washers

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept.</u>
Bill Calhoun	A010
Randy Pitney	F334

Oak Tree Sapling Giveaway for Arbor Day

Arbor Day, April 27, is celebrated nationwide to recognize the importance of trees to improve our air, clean our water and provide food and shelter for wildlife.

GM has partnered with Living Lands and Waters on their Million Trees project. Living Lands and Waters has provided approximately 20,000 Oak tree saplings for GM to give away. GM Toledo will be giving away 700 saplings at the main entrances starting on April 16. Three types of Oak trees will be offered: White, Red and Shumard.

Earth Day April 22, 2018 – Be the Change to End Plastic Pollution

The theme for Earth Day 2018 is to end all plastic pollution. From poisoning and injuring marine life to disrupting human hormones, from littering our beaches and landscapes to clogging our waste streams and landfills, the exponential growth of plastics is now threatening the survival of our planet. Here are some simple ways that you can BE THE CHANGE:

1. Stop using plastic straws
2. Use reusable shopping and produce bags
3. Give up gum
4. Stop buying bottled water
5. Take a reusable container for your restaurant left overs
6. Use matches instead of disposable lighters
7. Use cloth rather than disposable diapers

Earth Day Events:

April 14, 1PM – 4PM Wayne County, Earth Day Extravaganza at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center

April 14, 11AM – 2PM Monroe County, Earth Day Expo at Monroe County Community College

April 21, 10AM – 4PM Lucas County, Party for the Planet at the Toledo Zoo accepting recyclables

April 22, 12PM – 4PM Washtenaw County, Earth Day Festival at the Leslie Science & Nature Center

April 22, 2PM – 4PM Wood County, Community Earth Day Celebration at the Montessori School of BG

Pre-Retirement Classes

Not Just for Retirees...

No sign-up...just show up. Spouses are welcome.

Classes are approximately 2 hours long and have 3 starting times: 8 a.m., Noon and 4 p.m. at the Local 14 Union Hall.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>
Thursday	May 3	UAW Retiree Medical Benefit Trust
Friday	May 4	Fidelity Investments
Tuesday	May 8	Social Security Benefits

Any questions call Jerry at 419-470-5130

How to contact us...

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

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