

# **SPEEDWAY CHAIRMAN'S REPORT #303**

**DATE: 12/01/04**

## **SCHOLARSHIP FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN (UPDATE)**

Any Member that has applied for a scholarship "reimbursement" (but has **not** received their money) and who elected to have taxes withheld in **weekly increments** will **NOT** receive their reimbursement check in 2004. The Dependent Scholarship Program has advised that 15 weeks must be available in the same tax year in order for taxes to be taken out under the "incremental" taxation option. Therefore, due to the amount of taxes and the 15-week requirement, checks will **not** be mailed until the second week of January (2005) for those choosing "incremental" taxation.

In the past, Members inquiring about the Scholarship for Dependent Children program have been advised to elect the "reimbursement" option rather than the "voucher" method due to past difficulties/delays associated with the voucher. As a result of recent program changes, the voucher may now be a better or quicker option for utilizing this negotiated benefit. If you and your dependent are eligible for the upcoming January 2005 semester and know the amount of tuition fees, you may wish to consider the voucher. In addition, vouchers are now available to be completed online using the web address [www.uaw-gm.org](http://www.uaw-gm.org). As always, if you have any questions regarding Dependent Scholarship matters, please contact Sharron Anderson-Oatts (x-3057), or Dave Crawley (x-2160).

## **NEEDY FAMILY CHRISTMAS FUND** **(UPCOMING EVENTS)**

Your Needy Family Christmas Fund is starting its fund drive for 2004. Many of the collectors have already started collecting your donations and you can expect to see these hard working people making their rounds until December 17<sup>th</sup>. A complete list of collectors (for all shifts) has been posted throughout the plants for your convenience. If you are volunteering to help the Needy Family workers, the following dates and events are fast approaching. 1) Wrapping gifts at the Local 933 Shelter House on **December 12<sup>th</sup>** from 1:00 p.m. until finished. 2) Separating/sorting gifts and produce for delivery at the Shelter House on **December 16<sup>th</sup>** from Noon until finished. 3) Shopping and delivering food and gifts on **December 18<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00 a.m. until finished.

On behalf of the Needy Family "group", I want to thank ALL Allison Transmission employees, in advance, for your generosity. Remember, the gift of giving is the greatest gift of all.

## **POINSETTIA SALE**

The Allison Transmission 2004 United Way Steering Committee will host Goodwill Industries (a United Way agency) for a Holiday Poinsettia sale on **Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** in the Powerama. Proceeds will benefit Goodwill services and programs. Hours for the sale are 10:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

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