

SPEEDWAY CHAIRMAN'S REPORT #311

DATE: 4/06/05

ABSENCE FROM PLANT

A Region #3 Shop Committee meeting will be held in Ft. Wayne, IN and is scheduled for April 7-9, 2005. During this absence from the plant, the following elected representatives will serve as our temporary replacements April 7, 8 and 9, 2005:

Chairman	Dale Germain	Pager 235-8338
Zone #2 Committeeman	Joe Murphy	Pager 235-2123
Zone #3 Committeeman	Max McKay	Pager 486-7012

GM STATE OF BUSINESS MEETING

A state of the business meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, April 14, 2005 in Dearborn, MI. Those invited to attend will be all Key 4 members throughout GM's North American Operations. Key 4 members include Local Union Presidents and Chairpersons as well as Plant Operations and Personnel Directors. The agenda for this meeting has been determined to be the "state of the business" within General Motors.

As you know, General Motors recent "poor performance" has been widely reported. Performance measures have indicated market share losses resulting in significant discussion within UAW/GM. I will be attending this meeting with plans to take careful notes. Upon my return, I will provide a detailed explanation of the material being presented. Remember, while the current picture of GM is "blurry", at best, we at Allison Transmission are doing extremely well.

NEEDY FAMILY FUND-RAISER

The Needy Family Christmas Fund is, once again, asking for your support. A Texas Hold'em poker tournament is being held this Saturday, April 9, 2005 at the Avon softball park located at 8103 E. Hwy. 36 (Rockville Rd.) Proceeds will benefit the Needy Family Christmas Fund. The action starts promptly at 5:00 PM. Entry fee is \$125.00 with a "re-buy" at first break. The top 6 spots "win".

Registration forms and additional information can be obtained from the following: Deanna Rooney (Plant 4, days) pager 235-4905; Stacy Richard (Plant 4 Heat Treat) pager 235-6101; Forrester Hatfield (Plant 6) pager 235-9747; Ruth Forkner (Plant 4, afternoons) ext. 3605; Judy Williams (Plant 14, Machine Repair) pager 235-1330; Bonnie Vaught (General Stores) ext. 6624.

SPEAK OUT

With the election results of 2004, it is no secret that the political climate for Indiana's working families has changed. Many of the rights or laws we have fought to win are now being cut or replaced. Preservation of these rights requires someone to stand up and speak out! Now more than ever, our voices must be heard.

The UAW, in concert with the Indiana State AFL-CIO and other independent Unions, joined forces to create an E-Activist network. The "network" is the tool that allows Indiana's working families voice to be heard by enabling you to communicate with your Indiana State Representative or Senator. By signing-on, you will receive e-mail notification when rapid communication and response is imperative. You will have the ability to send a letter, fax, or e-mail in response to the messages you receive. To join the Indiana AFL-CIO E-Activist Network, log on to <http://www.inaflcio.org> and click on the E-Activist banner.

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