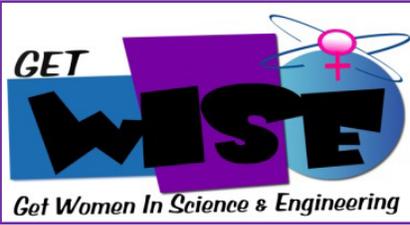




POWERNEWS

WE WILL MANUFACTURE BENCHMARK CASTINGS WITH PRIDE, LETTING SAFETY, QUALITY, COST, AND ON TIME DELIVERY TO OUR CUSTOMER BE OUR GUIDE.

GM Defiance Casting Operations recently hosted nearly 170 5th-8th grade girls from 19 local middle and junior high schools to participate



in the plant's annual Get WISE (women in science and engineering) program. The event educates students about various career opportunities related to science and engineering. During the event, students heard from guest speakers, toured the plant, completed competitive challenges, and had the opportunity



to interact with professional women in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) careers.

While on the production floor tour, students received real-world engineering experience through manufacturing overviews and hands-on demonstrations. Defiance hourly and salaried team members showcased processes used by the plant to produce hubs and a variety of cylinder blocks and crankshafts for V6 and V8 engines that power some of GM's exciting new vehicles.

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Sandy Calabrese, chief metallurgist, Melting Superintendent – Defiance Casting Operations, participated in group activities and was part of a panel discussion with students. "It is so important for young girls to feel confident and to develop



their math and science skills. Activities such as the Get WISE event helps to show that they really can do anything. We are proud to open our doors to the local schools to help showcase real-world opportunities for women," said Calabrese.



Participating middle and junior high schools included Napoleon, Archbold, Maumee, Ayersville, Defiance, Fairview, Holy Cross Catholic, Hicksville, St John Lutheran, Tinora, Ottawa, Edgerton, Sylvania, Findlay, Pandora, Perrysburg, Leipsic, Trenton, Paulding and Continental.



This is the 9th annual STEM program the plant has conducted for local school students.

"The Get WISE program educates young girls about various career opportunities in

STEM. The girls interact with women who have science and technical degrees and participate in competitive engineering activities. Our mission is to leave the students energized with the desire to choose a career in a STEM field," said Joanne Tuttobene, quality launch manager, Defiance Casting Operations.



Defiance Casting Operations is represented by UAW Local 211



Summer vacation safety tips

by Kori Ellis



Summer is here. Time for fun in the sun and family vacations. Before you head off on your trip, follow these safety tips to keep your family and home safe and secure.

Home safety

Before you leave for your summer vacation, you need to do what you can to make sure your home and belongings are protected while you are gone. Safeguard against crime and other issues by taking the following precautions:

*Stop your mail and newspaper delivery. If your mailbox is overflowing while you are away, criminals will be alerted that you aren't home. If you don't have a friend who will be bringing in your mail, contact the post office to temporarily suspend delivery. Do the same with your newspaper — if you are one of the few who still actually gets the paper delivered.

*Keep quiet. You don't need to broadcast to everyone (especially on sites like Facebook) that you are going to be away. You never know who is going to be reading or listening. Instead, tell a few select people in your neighborhood so that they can keep an eye on your house.

*Fake them out. Set up an electrical timer to turn lights and TVs on at various time to fool potential intruders into thinking you are at home. Set the timer to reflect your normal routine.

*Consider shutting off gas and water. If you are going to be gone an extended period of time, consider shutting off your utilities to avoid potential flooding, fire or gas leaks.

Travel safety

While traveling, don't make yourself a target for thieves and pickpockets. Leave your jewelry and other expensive belongings locked up at home. If you are in crowded, unfamiliar areas, keep your money in a money belt rather than in your purse. When traveling with kids, bring along an updated photo of each child — in case you become separated from them. Talk with your family about who to call and what to do in case they get lost or another emergency arises while you are on vacation.

If you are traveling by car, keep an emergency road kit in the trunk with jumper cables, flares and other necessities. Also take along a first aid kit, bottled water and nonperishable foods.

Sun and water safety

If you are headed to the beach or another sunny locale this summer, sun protection is essential. Bring plenty of sunscreen, floppy hats and UV-resistant clothing. Sunglasses are also a must. Remember to

reapply sunscreen every two to three hours or whenever you get out of the water.

Water safety is also very important in the summertime. Young children should always have swim vests, not floaties. And you should always be in the water with your children, not sitting on the deck or sand. Remember to stay just an arm's length away. It takes just a few seconds for a child to begin to drown.

Staying safe in bad

weather by Bill Shaw, GMNA manufacturing manager



Safety is something we need to think about whether we are at work, at home or even on a trip.

During a recent business trip to Parma, Ohio, I asked the front desk clerk at my hotel about their take-shelter area. Bad weather was moving in and I wanted to be sure I went to the right location if there was an emergency.

Unfortunately, the clerk didn't know the location, and when the manager called me he "guessed" it was the restaurant. He finally decided the restaurant would be the best place, so I headed back to my room.

At 4:30 a.m. the alarm on my phone went off and then the sirens outside started, indicating a tornado warning. I walked down five flights of stairs and headed to the "shelter", only to find it locked and no one else around.

Fortunately, the bad weather moved through without any damage to the hotel. Later that morning I spoke with the manager and he promised to identify and communicate the take-shelter area to guests.

For all of us, this is a great reminder that we need to take responsibility for safety. When traveling, ask desk clerks about take shelter areas, alarms and other safety measures. Own It!

Mackinaw City

is the perfect vacation destination at the base of the Mackinac Bridge on the shores of the Straits of Mackinac, where the Great Lakes Huron and Michigan meet. There is something for everyone in Mackinaw: Mackinaw City is rich in history and four historic Michigan state parks preserve Mackinaw City's heritage, while the natural beauty of Mackinaw City and Mackinac Island captivate your senses. Unique shops and restaurants can be found in downtown Mackinaw City to peak your interest and satisfy your appetite. Catch a ferry to Mackinac Island for the day to enjoy all it has to offer and return



to Mackinaw City and experience our parks, relaxing sandy beaches, unique shopping, restaurants, golf courses, concerts in the park, and a free nightly Laser Light Show. All this and more await you when you visit Mackinaw City!

Jack Pine Lumberjack Shows - Mackinaw City
<http://www.jackpinelumberjackshows.com/>

\$2 off admission printable coupon on the website

Nine-Time World Champion Logroller, Dan McDonough continues to bring you the finest in competitive lumberjack shows. The best in family entertainment featuring world-class competitive lumberjacks.

Shows at Jack Pine Lumberjack Shows are approximately an hour long, delivered in a competition format, in which the audience is divided up into two rival logging camps, each camp cheering for their lumberjack.

It demonstrates the turn of the century skills of the lumberjack including chopping, sawing, axe throwing, cross-cut sawing and logrolling. In addition to the competition, there is also a chain saw carving demonstration.

The show educates the audience in the rich history of Michigan's logging past. It is fast paced, upbeat and keeps the audience involved. The lumberjack show is appreciated by audience members of all ages from 2-102.

Mackinaw City - Sightseeing on Foot or Bicycle

For low-impact, slow-and-steady exploration, try walking around Mackinaw City's and Mackinac Island's foot paths or biking where you will see unrivaled Natural Beauty and famous Historic Sites, like the Mackinac lighthouses, Arch Rock, Devil's Cave, the Grand Hotel, Fort Mackinac, Fort Michilimackinac, and Old Mill Creek.

Mackinaw City - Mackinac Island Lake Cruises

Ride up to three Ferries to Mackinac Island or take a Lighthouse Cruise aboard Shepler's Ferry. Take a majestic horse-drawn carriage ride on Mackinac Island and you'll understand why every one still prefers this ancient mode of transportation. Mackinaw City Summers are action packed from mild family fun to wild back country adventures.

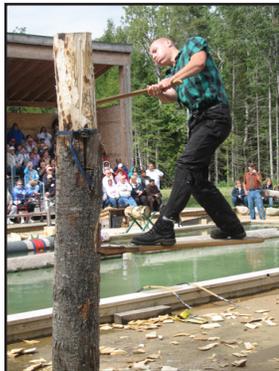
Mackinaw City and Mackinac Island Nightlife and Local Cuisine

Go out on the Town with over 30 great Saloons and Restaurants. Enjoy Dinner at Famous eateries, like the Dixie Saloon, originally built in 1895. Enjoy the best Italian food North of the 45th Latitude at Nonna Lisa's Italian Restaurant. Dance until 2 a.m., enjoy Karaoke, and try over 300 Beers at the Mackinac Island Brewhouse.

Mackinaw City - Guides & Tours

Professionally guided old fashioned trolley tours in Mackinaw City focus on the dynamic intersections between the area's unique cultural history, commerce, and abundant natural wonders.

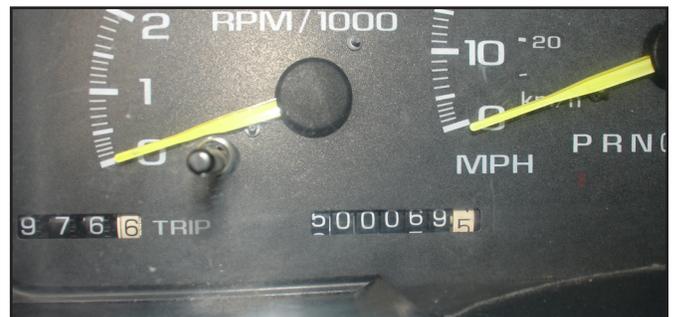
\$17.00 Adults 15 and Over
\$12.00 Seniors 65 and Over
\$12.00 Children 5-14
4 and Under - FREE



I'M WATCHING. ARE YOU?
 Keep an eye out for motorcycles.

Share the Road. The Way to Go.
 Transportation Safety - ODOT

Kip Mansfield, a semi driver from Continental, Ohio stopped by on Wednesday, May 24. He owns a 1998 Chevy K 1500, 4 wheel drive truck with a 350 engine. The truck now has over 500,000 miles on it.



Cinco De Mayo HIT Luncheon

On Friday, May 5, the Defiance Hispanic Initiative Team hosted its 2nd annual Cinco De Mayo Luncheon. All Proceeds went toward a GM Defiance HIT Scholarship. Thank you to everyone who participated.



Helping Save the Honey Bees

On May 15, Rob Turner discovered a bee colony on the picnic table outside the south exit door of 116. Jeff Bantam approved the extraction of the honey bees by Jeff Ort of Home Harvest Honey (Defiance). Numerous people were involved in the process; Rick Boecker (Safety), Gary Hoehn, John Carr, Rick Cline, Dave Goecke, and Mike Merritt. Here is



yet another example of the Defiance team working together to improve the environment!



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**Articles
due
the 1st
Monday
of the
month.**

Urgent Bulletin: Employees IDs Being Disabled

What is the Issue?

Employee IDs are erroneously being disabled and the employee cannot access the GM network or Socrates.

Some (hourly/salaried) employees have reported receiving an error message "Your account has been disabled by an administrator. To resolve please contact the GM Global Service Desk."

These employees have been told to contact their local HR Rep and get a new GMID. **This is not the correct action.**

Who does this impact?

Both hourly and salary employees have reported this issue.

Why is this happening?

Although the root cause has not been determined. The Identity and Access Management team has identified a remediation and can resolve the problem within 24 hours.

What is the correct Action?

Report the problem:

1. Call the GM Help Desk @ 1-888-337-2400
2. Type in your GMIN number
3. Select Prompt 2
4. Tell the agent:

What is the error message you received?

What activity were you trying to do?

Provide the agent your contact information.

Ask the agent for your ticket number.

5. After 24 hours, try to access the GM network.
6. If you still receive the error message:

1. Phone the help desk.
2. Reference your ticket number.
3. Tell the agent the problem is not fixed.
4. Ask the agent to escalate your ticket.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, June 29

12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Conference Room

EMERGENCY SIGNALS:

Fire: 5s . 5s . 5s . 5s . 5s Leave Area as Directed

Tornado: 30s . 30s Take Shelter

Evacuation: 15s . 15s . 15s Exit & Assemble

All Clear: 60s Return to Work

For plant emergencies, dial **7911** from an in-plant phone or **419-784-7400** from a cell phone.