



# POWERNEWS

*Team Defiance, here is your new Mission Statement...*

**"One Team - Innovating the Future"**

## On this day in history (August 24)....

79 Believed until 2018 to be the date of the massive eruption of Mt. Vesuvius which buried the cities of Pompeii, Herculaneum, Oplontis and Stabiae, killing untold thousands. Latest evidence suggests the eruption occurred after 17 October.

1853 1st potato chips prepared by chef George Crum at Moon's Lake House, near Saratoga Springs, New York (popular legend says he invented though earlier recipes exist)

1869 American inventor Cornelius Swarthout patents stove-top waffle iron

1891 Thomas Edison patents motion picture camera

1909 Workers start pouring concrete for Panama Canal

1912 District of Alaska becomes an organized incorporated territory of the United States

1919 Having pitched into the 9th inning Cleveland's Ray Caldwell is flattened by a bolt of lightning; goes on to record final out for Indians' 2-1 win over Philadelphia A's

1932 1st transcontinental non-stop flight by a woman, Amelia Earhart begins in Los Angeles, California

1936 FDR gives the FBI the authority to pursue fascists and communists

1949 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) goes into effect

1950 Edith Sampson named 1st African American US delegate to UN

1954 US President Eisenhower signs Communist Control Act, outlawing the Communist Party, at height of McCarthyism

1956 1st non-stop transcontinental helicopter flight arrived Washington, D.C.

1981 Mark David Chapman is sentenced to 20 yrs to life for John Lennon's murder

1989 Pete Rose is suspended from baseball for life for gambling

1991 Mikhail Gorbachev resigns as head of USSR Communist Party

1992 1st structural steel beams are erected at Jacobs Field (now Progressive Field) baseball stadium in Cleveland, Ohio

2016 6.2-magnitude earthquake strikes central Italy, north east of Rome, killing 268, injuring 400

2016 Astronomers announce discovery of earth-like planet named Proxima b orbiting star Proxima Centauri *By On This Day in History*

## COVID Pay Update

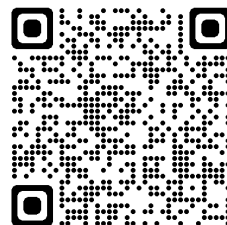
As COVID has become more endemic and the population (including the CDC) treats it like a common illness the need for COVID Pay policies are no longer necessary

- We will continue to abide by CDC guidelines and applicable state and/or federal regulations
- Isolation – Only required for Positive COVID cases (up to 5 Days of isolation – no change; can use contractual absence options such as vacation, etc.)
- Quarantine – No longer required based on current CDC guidelines
- Test Waiting – Testing readily available in the community; employee responsibility; no "wait pay"

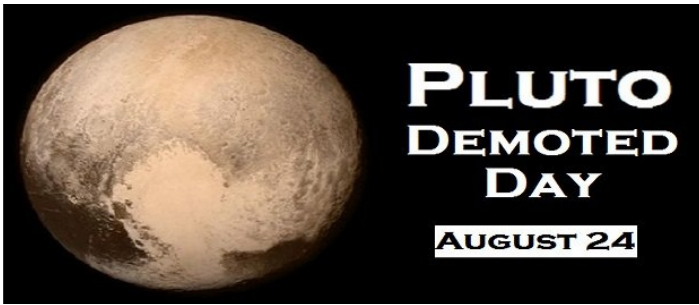
We will treat positive COVID more like other illnesses but excuse up to 5 days off for CDC recommended isolation

- Employees who have a positive COVID test should isolate per guidance of their medical professional and contact Medical Department to report the positive test
- On return-to-work employee needs to provide positive test result GM Medical to be excused
- Employees will be subject to Doc 8 if they fail to call in and provide positive test result on their return

**The Red Cross will be on-site on Wednesday, August 30 for a blood drive. There is an urgent need so please consider donating!**



To sign up to donate blood, you can scan this QR code with your phone's camera and a link will appear. Touch the link and your phone's web browser will open up the Red Cross' website showing the donation dates and times for GM Defiance.



National Pluto Demoted Day is on August 24 and we are busting out our telescopes to get in the spirit of planetary study! Can you believe that after nearly 80 years as an official planet, Pluto was demoted down to a dwarf planet? In 2006 the International Astronomical Union (IAU) determined that since Pluto is not the dominant object in its orbit around the sun, it could no longer be an official planet. Other large bodies — like Pluto's own moon, are found in its region.

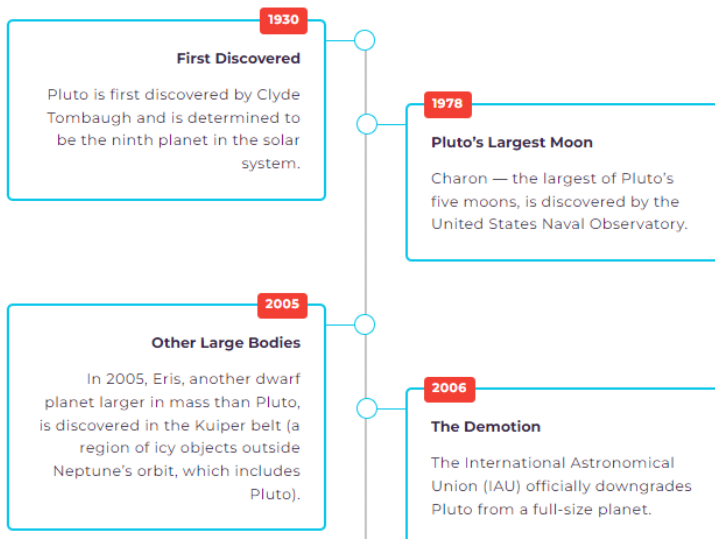
### HISTORY OF PLUTO DEMOTED DAY

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by astronomer Clyde Tombaugh, making it the ninth planet in our solar system. It's a relatively cold planet that exists outside the orbit of Neptune.

After its discovery, Lowell Observatory had over 1,000 suggestions for what to name the newly found planet. The eventual winner was Pluto, named after the Roman god of the underworld.

In 1992, questions arose around Pluto's legitimacy as a planet after the discovery of large objects in its region, including one that actually had a larger mass than Pluto itself. Eventually, in 2006, the International Astronomical Union (IAU) settled on a definition for 'planet,' which ultimately excluded Pluto. From that point forward, it has been known as a 'dwarf planet.'

### PLUTO DEMOTED DAY TIMELINE



A dwarf planet is defined as is a celestial body that orbits the sun and has enough mass to assume a nearly round shape but that has not cleared the area around its orbit and is not a moon.

### 5 FACTS ABOUT PLUTO THAT WILL BLOW YOUR MIND

A day on Pluto is equivalent to six Earth days  
Due to its distance from the Sun, a day on Pluto lasts 153 hours.

### Where the name came from

A youngster by the name of Venetia Burney (only 11 years old) came up with the name Pluto in 1930.

### Bring a winter jacket

The surface of Pluto is super cold, with a temperature ranging from -378°F to -396°F.

### A long way from the Sun

Pluto sits 3.6 billion miles away from the Sun.

### Planet X

Prior to its official discovery in 1930, astronomers suspected that there was another planet, which would help explain Uranus's orbit, known as Planet X.

### WHY WE LOVE PLUTO DEMOTED DAY

#### Everyone likes an underdog

As the smallest planet in the solar system, it's easy to cheer for Pluto. For generations people were taught that there were nine planets, including Pluto, orbiting the sun. Its reclassification as a dwarf planet sparked renewed interest in Pluto and the other planets in our arm of the Milky Way galaxy.

#### Fascination with the universe

There is still much to learn about the solar system and the larger universe in which we live. Pluto's demotion is a reminder that we are still always learning and investigating, not only our planet Earth but also its sister planets. As astronomers and scientists uncover new information, reclassifications like this may be necessary.

#### Planets are fun

Planets are a topic that interests everyone, young or old. Whether you are a child first being exposed to the solar system, or an adult with a passing interest in astrology. Much like dinosaurs, there is something inherently tantalizing about the prospect of planets and their study. Having a day to focus on the now dwarf planet Pluto is a fun excuse to geek out.

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TODAY!  
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AUGUST 24, 2023



3RD SHIFT - 12:00AM-2:00AM  
1ST SHIFT - 10:00AM-1:00PM  
2ND SHIFT - 6:00PM-8:00PM

\$9 Pulled Pork  
\$10 - Classic Smash Burger  
\$12 - Signature Smash Burger  
\$4 Mac n Cheese  
\$4 Fresh Cut Fries

## FITNESS CENTER REPAIR!

See a machine in need of repair? Please scan the QR code outside of the "IN" door -> Rate it a 1 with a description of what needs repaired!

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Restroom Cleanliness Feedback  
DFM GM\_PLT1\_DEF\_FITNESS\_CENTR

\* Required

1. Please rate the condition of this Restroom.

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1 Star : Poor.  
5 Stars : Excellent.

2. Additional Feedback (optional)

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### LOCKOUT REVIEW REMINDERS:

- There is a new lockout audit form. Old forms will not be accepted.
- The new form is 2 pages. Be sure to scan both sides before sending.
- Copy (tonya.huss@gm.com) on all lockout emails.
- Add TEAM MEMBER'S GMIN and the date on the Lockout Review Sheets.
- Deadline for 3rd Quarter lockout audit is September 30.



# The Loaded Gastro

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Alex English (419) 770-9446 or alexandria.english@gm.com

**AUGUST 29, 2023**

3rd Shift – 12am-2am  
1st Shift – 1030am-1pm  
2nd Shift – 530pm-8pm

ENTREE	
<b>Philly Cheese Steak</b> SIRLOIN STEAK, ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, MAYO, WHITE CHEESE, SERVED ON A TOASTED HOMEMADE HOAGIE BUN	\$13
<b>Chicken Philly</b> GRILLED CHICKEN, ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, MAYO, WHITE CHEESE, SERVED ON A TOASTED HOMEMADE HOAGIE BUN	\$13
<b>Gastro Cuban Sub</b> ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, BANANA PEPPERS, MAYO, WHITE & YELLOW AMERICAN CHEESE, TURKEY, HAM, SALAMI, SERVED ON A TOASTED HOMEMADE HOAGIE BUN	\$13
<b>Cheese Quesadilla</b> ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, QUESO CHEESE	\$8
<b>Chicken Quesadilla</b> GRILLED CHICKEN, ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, WHITE MEXICAN BLEND CHEESE	\$10
<b>Steak Quesadilla</b> SIRLOIN STEAK, ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, WHITE MEXICAN BLEND AND JALAPENO PEPPERS	\$10
SIDES	
White Mac-n-cheese \$6	Chips/Sun Chips \$2
Loaded Mac-n-cheese \$8	Water \$2
Loaded Broccoli Slaw \$6	Pop \$2
<small>BROCCOLI, CHEDDAR CHEESE, SHREDDED CHEESE, BACON BITS, SUNFLOWER SEEDS, HOMEMADE SLAW DRESSING</small>	

## Revised!! Shoe Mobile Schedule

8/17/2023

*The Shoe Truck will be closed for lunch from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.*

<b>Red Wing</b> 6 a.m.-10:30 a.m., 11:30-4 p.m.	<b>Saf-Gard</b> 6 a.m.-10:30 a.m., 11:30-4 p.m.
	Aug. 30 Sept. 21 Nov. 16 <i>(The Aug. &amp; Sept trucks will be their non-met guard truck)</i>
Oct. 10	

A limited number of boots are available in the GSC office in the crib for emergencies.

In addition, employees may:

- 1) obtain a shoe authorization form from Alex English or Brian Kempe and take it to a Red Wing or Saf-Gard store,
- 2) place an order in the crib office,
- 3) contact me for any special needs

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## Automated Notification System – Stay Connected



Get notified of events impacting your safety and our facility. GM's Automated Notification System (ANS) communicates urgent information about workplace safety situations and business interruptions, such as severe weather, shift cancellations, building closures, time-sensitive information, and more.

To begin the registration process, go to the following web address...

<https://socrates.gm.com/programs/company/ans/global/en/gm/home.html>

## Spirit Wear Fridays – August

**Favorite Vacation Shirt/Jacket**



Send your Spirit Friday Pics to [Jeremiah.Fleischman@gm.com](mailto:Jeremiah.Fleischman@gm.com) 419-769-1859, [Tim.Hauenstein@gm.com](mailto:Tim.Hauenstein@gm.com) 419-769-1795 or [Brandy.Thompson@gm.com](mailto:Brandy.Thompson@gm.com) 419-769-2175

August 4

August 11

August 18

August 25

**NO JOB IS SO IMPORTANT & NO SERVICE IS SO URGENT THAT WE CANNOT TAKE TIME TO PERFORM OUR WORK SAFELY**

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