

DEFIANCE, OHIO



August 15, 2024

POWERNEWS

Defiance Mission Statement...

"ONE TEAM - INNOVATING THE FUTURE"

On this day in history (August 15)....

1620 Mayflower sets sail from Southampton, England, with 102 Pilgrims
 1635 1st recorded north American hurricane hits the Plymouth Colony
 1848 M. Waldo Hanchett patents dental chair
 1858 Regular US mail to the Pacific coast begins
 1870 Transcontinental Railway actually completed in Colorado
 1906 1st freight delivery tunnel system begins, underneath Chicago
 1911 Procter & Gamble unveils its Crisco shortening
 1914 Panama Canal opens (under cost) with the SS Ancon making the 1st official steamship through the canal
 1939 "The Wizard of Oz", American musical fantasy film adaptation of L. Frank Baum's book, premieres at Grauman's Chinese Theatre, Hollywood; directed by Victor Fleming and King Vidor with cast featuring Judy Garland (Dorothy), Ray Bolger (Scarecrow), Jack Haley (Tin Man), Bert Lahr (Cowardly Lion), Frank Morgan (Wizard), Billie Burke (Glinda), and Margaret Hamilton (Wicked Witch); songs by Harold Arlen and Yip Harburg
 1945 US wartime rationing of gasoline and fuel oil ends
 1945 Victory over Japan Day, Surrender of Japan marks the end of World War II (August 14 in the Americas due to the time zone difference)
 1971 US President Richard Nixon announces 90-day freeze on wages, prices & rents
 1977 "Wow" possible alien radio signal from deep space received at "The Big Ear", Ohio State's radio telescope in Delaware
 1979 "Apocalypse Now", directed by Francis Ford Coppola and starring Marlon Brando, Robert Duvall, and Martin Sheen, is released (Palme d'Or 1979)
 1995 "Macarena" single is released by Los del Rio
 2019 Disney Studios is the first studio to have five films earn over \$1 billion each in one year with "Toy Story 4", "Avengers: Endgame", "Captain Marvel", "Aladdin" and "The Lion King"
 2019 Whistleblower releases damaging report on General Electric titled "General Electric, a Bigger

Fraud Than Enron" claiming \$38 billion accountancy fraud *By On This Day in History*

On-Site Blood Drive Wednesday, August 28. 10:30a – 4:30p

1. Scan this QR Code with your phone's camera
2. Tap the link that pops up on your phone's screen
3. Type "powertrain" into the search bar that appears
4. Sign up to donate blood



American Red Cross



Or Contact Jeremiah Fleischman in the Lab between 6a and 3p or 419-769-1859 to sign up. Volunteer spots are available also!

BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

DRIVERS

Watch for pedestrians!

Especially children walking on the street or congregating near bus stops
Be alert. Children arriving late for the bus may dart into the street without looking

Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to stop to load/unload children. Motorists should slow down and prepare to stop

Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate that the bus has stopped, and children are getting on or off.

Motorists must stop their cars and wait until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop sign is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving before driving again.



CHILDREN

Crossing any road is dangerous!

- Get to the bus stop ahead of time
- When the bus approaches, stand at least three giant steps (6 feet) away from the curb, and line up away from the street.
- If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk along the side of the road (least five giant steps) ahead before you cross.
- Be sure that the bus driver can see you & you can see the driver.
- Never walk behind the bus.
- Walk at least three giant steps away from the side of the bus.

PARENTS

Teach children to follow these safety tips to arrive safely everyday!



Celebrating 70 Years



We're Celebrating 70 Years In Northwest Ohio!

It's a milestone moment at Midwest Community Federal Credit Union as we celebrate 70 years of serving our community. For seven decades, we've been your financial partner, helping you achieve your dreams and secure your future.

From your first savings account to your home loan and beyond, we've been there every step of the way. And as we mark this special occasion, we want to thank you, our members, for trusting us with your financial journey. We hope you'll join us in celebrating at Midwest Community as we continue adding to our story.

Join Us!

To celebrate, we invite you to our Defiance branch for a day of fun, where we'll be serving complimentary food and drinks, prizes and giveaways, offering several bounce houses for the kids, and hosting our first-ever GM Car Show event. Midwest Community got its start at the Defiance GM plant, and we're going to show our appreciation for our past by showcasing some of the best GM automobiles around.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, September 7th, 2024
 11:00am - 3:00pm
 Midwest Community Federal Credit Union
 08770 State Route 66N
 Defiance, OH 43512



Saf-Gard Shoe Truck

Onsite Wednesday, August 28

6 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Shoe Truck will be closed for lunch for one hour.



Food Truck Onsite

Thursday (Day 4)

August 22

12 am - 2 am

10 am - 1 pm

5:30 pm - 8 pm

Pharmacy Update

Rite Aid Pharmacies have been closing due to a Chapter 11 bankruptcy. The Defiance and Napoleon locations are two of the latest locations to close. They are transferring prescriptions to Walgreens Pharmacies. Unfortunately, Walgreens is not an in-network provider for our prescription plan. If you have any current prescriptions with Rite Aid, you will need to contact an in-network pharmacy and have them request the prescription be sent to them or have your doctor write a script to the new pharmacy.

Below is a list of in-network pharmacies in Defiance and Napoleon, You can log on to www.caremark.com and perform a pharmacy lookup if you need a different location or stop in the Benefits Office.

Defiance

Genoa Healthcare LLC	211 Biede Ave (Room 103)	419-770-6245
Kroger Pharmacy	1890 E 2nd St	419-782-8079
Meijer Pharmacy	137 Elliot Rd	419-784-2810
Mercy Defiance Clinic	1400 E 2nd St	419-783-3376
Okuley's Pharmacy	1201 E 2nd St	419-784-4800
Walmart Pharmacy	1804 N Clinton St	419-784-2404

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Walmart Pharmacy	1815 Scott St	419-599-0170
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Rob Searfoss

UAW/GM Benefit Plans Representative

419-784-7750



Congratulations to Kenneth Earl Jr. (Production) who retired effective June 1, 2024. He has 20.3 years of service, and his DOH is 06/05/1995. We wish him all the best!

Register for the Defiance Facebook Group



GENERAL MOTORS
DEFIANCE OPERATIONS



- Private Facebook group for current hourly, salaried and contract employees.
- Employees can join to receive important business updates, the latest COVID-19 safety protocols and additional plant information.
- When registering, you must request access using your own personal Facebook account and you will be prompted to enter your GMIN and answer additional questions for identification purposes.

This is a private group and only current Defiance employees will be permitted to join.

To sign up visit: www.facebook.com/groups/GMDefianceTeam/

GM Defiance Veteran's Wall Refresh



We need your help as GM Defiance gives our Veteran's Wall a make over!

Please join us in submitting your Veteran Nominee and sharing photos of them in service

(It can be yourself, or a family member you are proud of)

Click the link below or scan the QRcode to submit your Veteran



[Veteran's Recognition Form Link](#)

Due to IT security, the form must be filled out on a GMOnline Computer or GMOnline Phone

Computers are available in the UAW Team Center

Please reach out to Tonya Huss, Mary Boyd, Steve Rieger or Dave Argumedo for any questions



BGSU FALCONS FOOTBALL!



ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN
4 TICKETS TO ANY HOME GAME!

\$5 for 1 entry or \$10 for 3 entries

Drawing will be on Friday August 23rd

Please contact Rachel Peters, Mary Boyd, Alex English, or Sue Scott to purchase

Proceeds will go to GET WISE 2025!

2024 HOME GAMES:

8/29 Fordham, 9/28 Old Dominion, 10/12 Northern Illinois, 10/19 Kent State, 11/12 Western Michigan, 11/29 Miami (OH)

HELP REDUCE FINANCIAL STRESS

Improve Your Financial Wellness

Money is just one major source of stress that we deal with. According to the American Psychological Association, 64% of Americans say money is a significant source of stress in their life. While the connection between money, stress, physical, and behavioral health is understood, recognizing how stress impacts your financial wellness can help you take control of your finances. While financial wellness takes time to understand, it is possible to attain!



Tips to Improve Financial Wellness



- **Hit the Reset Button**
Give yourself a clean slate to reset your financial plan
- **Credit**
Credit affects important services you will need - take steps to improve and manage your scores
- **Manage Debt**
Understanding your debt is the first step to managing it

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- **Make a Budget**
Set time aside to write down your income and spending
- **Set Realistic Saving Goals**
Set aside small amounts of your income over time
- **Loans**
If you are in need of a loan, be sure you can afford the payments
- **Protect Your Identity**
Be aware of potential risk and take steps to safe guard yourself
- **Get People in Your Corner**
While talking about finances is taboo and uncomfortable, reaching out to others for help is a way to success



Quick Tip

If you find errors on your credit reports, file a dispute right away. Be sure to keep records and follow up.



AUGUST MEETING

Rescue Training Stokes Basket & Reeves Sleeve

When:

August 29th, 2024

Where:

Training Center Room 135

Time:

3rd Shift 0230 – 0630

1st Shift 0630 – 1030

2nd Shift 1430 – 1830

Spirit Wear Fridays – August

Support Local, Shop Local, Keep it Local



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

August 2

August 9

August 16

August 23

August 30



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