

Retirees' Corner  
Bill Bowers, Chairman

**Trust Changes:** You will be receiving notice from the Health Care Trust putting forth upcoming changes in our health care. These notices should contain the changes with a notice of meetings to explain the changes. The notice will contain the time and location for our meeting and **you must R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend.** The Trust will use this info to determine how many to setup for attendance.

At this point the UAW does not have the changes, but we will receive them when our members do. Once we have the info we can answer questions. **Do not call the hall to ask for info. Again, we do not have the info yet!**

For those who cannot attend the Trust meeting, we will be prepared to answer questions at our September 11, 2017, membership meeting at Mahoning Country Club, Girard, OH at 11:00 a.m. Also the Health Care Trust will be sending a representative to our October 2, 2017, membership meeting to discuss the changes and answer questions. Do not be in a hurry, none of the changes go into effect until January 2018, so we have plenty of time to get our questions answered.

**Membership Meetings:** The fall meeting schedule is as follows: September 11, October 2 and November 6, with the Christmas Party on December 17, 2017. Our monthly meetings start at 11:00 a.m. at Mahoning Country Club. Tickets for the Christmas party will go on sale in October. The Christmas party will start at 5:00 p.m. at the Mahoning Country Club.

**Plant Doing Good:** Sales of the Cruzes are increasing; that along with vacations have resulted in some recalls. The Corporation has earmarked the last two weeks of June as vacation shutdown weeks. The plant is also scheduled for downtime the first three weeks of July. The July downtime is subject to change depending on production.

**Annual Picnic Cancelled:** The annual picnic scheduled for Sunday, July 30, 2017, at Pioneer Waterland and Dry Fun Park, Chardon OH has been cancelled.

**Region 2B Director Retirees:** Our Regional; Director, Ken Lortz, retired June 1, 2017. I want to thank Brother Lortz for his commitment to the UAW, his leadership of our Region and all his help with retiree issues. THANKS KEN!

Our Assistant Director, Rich Rankin, will take over the director duties.

The election for Regional Director will be June 15, 2017, at the Regional office. The local is sending our elected delegates to vote. We retirees are going as guests to be there to support Brother Rich Rankin for the Director's job. Rich is a member of Local 1112. He started in our body shop, spot welding, moved to the cushion room then to Lear seating when GM sold our seat operation. He became the Shop Chairman for Lear, was later promoted to Regional Rep then to Assistant Regional Director. He is currently seeking election as Regional Director.

We have had quite a few of our members go to the International Union but none to this level. I have known Rich for 30 years and I hope he wins his election. GOOD LUCK RICH!