Thoughts on our becoming part of UAW Region 1D

By Bill Reed, President, Local 602

During the 36th UAW Constitutional Convention, UAW Region 1-C became part of Region 1-D, covering most of the state of Michigan. UAW Region 1-D Director Gerald Kariem effectively became Director of one of the largest International Regions in the UAW. The move was uneventful to some, but as a local union President, I had the privilege of seeing some of the logistics and planning that went into combining the two regions. The thought of one that goes along with the international union’s plan to cut costs. Many decisions have been made since the convention in order to build strength in areas that will ultimately have a positive impact on our future. These are inevitably hard decisions as change is never easy. Many local leaders had numerous questions amid the hustle and bustle of making the move as smooth as possible for our new director and his staff.

At a recent conference, I had the opportunity to ask our new director to express his vision for the future of our union and to share his plan for the future of our region as well as some insight into the direction he will take us.

I was moved by a statement he expressed midway through his presentation, “we are all our brothers’ and sisters’ keepers and we need to share their pain.”

When he said “share their pain” I sat up in my chair. I wanted to know what he meant, hadn’t we had enough pain already? Who is “their” and what pain are they going through? Furthermore, why should I have to feel it too?

He spoke about a group of UAW members who had recently been out on strike. He emphasized the importance of taking notice and supporting them during their time of need—and wouldn’t we want our support in our time of need? He went on to say how hard it can be sometimes to “connect” with others’ needs if we haven’t experienced the same pain in our life.

His words made me think. If we don’t try to understand, can we truly be able to understand the impact this strike had on their livelihood or the negative ramifications bestowed upon those families? After all, we were not the ones impacted by the loss of wages and the uncertainty of a future. That happened to somebody else.

Before he finished his speaking, I was already evaluating my own sensitivity to those who are fighting the fight. How much emphasis was I putting on their plight as I stayed within my own comfort zone? Can I know exactly what they went through, even when I’ve been there myself? No, every situation is different. Actions speak louder than words. Many times we say, “I know what you’re going through,” when in reality we can never know how that person really feels. So we can’t put ourselves in someone else’s shoes—but that doesn’t mean we can’t try.

One thing is for certain, if we don’t try we will never know the importance of their fight. When we don’t understand the importance to them, we won’t see the importance when that fight comes to us!

As we make our way through the challenge of becoming the largest region in the UAW, I see the importance of “sharing their pain.” As UAW members we really are our brothers’ and sisters’ keepers.

Our circle of friends just became a lot bigger. We need to look beyond our job on the factory floor. We must think about those who we don’t have an immediate connection to. We must stand up to the injustices happening to those we have never met. We are all brothers and sisters in the UAW. An injury to one is an injury to all!

Save Our State!
Vote Schauer on November 4

Now is the time to replace our anti-union, pension-taxing governor. Not only do we need to vote for Mark Schauer for governor and Lisa Brown for lieutenant governor, we need to help their campaign in many ways—be it donating, volunteering, or spreading the word. See the website markschauer.com to help. We do not currently plan another print issue before the election, but we will post UAW-vetted and endorsed candidates on our website, lansinglabornews.org.
At the Doug Griffith Community Service Award breakfast in June, Art Luna from UAW Local 602 was this year’s recipient. The award, presented annually since 1996, also serves as a fundraiser for the Children’s Miracle Network through Sparrow Health Systems. A former president of Local 602, Art is currently on the UAW International Staff for Region 1-D. Congratulations, Art!

LOCAL 652
Mike Green, President

$174 million for stamping plant

I don’t know where summer went, but it’s time for the kids to get back to school and thoughts of fall activities start. I want to thank all our members who got out and voted in the primary election. Our CAP-endorsed candidates fared well, but the job is not done until the November election is done! Please go to the Lansing Labor News website, LansingLaborNews.org, to make sure you know the endorsed candidates. The screening process takes into account all the concerns working people have.

I also want to thank each and every one of our members over the announcement of GM’s decision to invest $174 million in the Lansing Grand River stamping facility. The following are comments from Erin Davis of GM Lansing Operations Communications:

“General Motors will start construction of a $174-million stamping facility that will create or retain about 145 jobs. The new facility, part of the company’s Lansing Grand River Assembly Plant, will produce stamping components for the Cadillac ATS and Cadillac CT5 family of vehicles and a future product.

“Lansing Grand River Assembly is known for the high quality of its work and the flexible manufacturing that has been a trademark since it opened,” said GM North America Manufacturing Manager Christine Sitik. “Today’s announcement demonstrates GM’s commitment to strengthening key plant capabilities related to quality and efficiency.”

The new facility, which comes on line in 2016, will save about $14 million a year in logistics costs tied to material handling. Since 2009, GM has announced nearly $11 billion of investment in U.S. facilities, including $777 million so far this year.

“Once again, our hometown car company is hitting it out of the park with a massive new investment at Lansing Grand River,” said Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero. “I’m deeply grateful to General Motors for making the Lansing region a centerpiece of its global manufacturing strategy. Its confidence in our world-class UAW workforce and our communities. I am proud to say that I AM A UNION MEMBER. May the wind be at your back and peace and joy within your soul.

On the reverse side, the Alliance Unit concluded their annual Capital Area United Way campaign. When the dust settled, they raised $676 over last year’s total. Thanks to the donors who have taken the initiative to help out the community.

We mentioned that in May of 2015 we will be 75 years young. The Local is planning to acknowledge the occasion with an event close to the anniversary date. We are looking for volunteers to help out with a variety of tasks the day of the event and leading up to the event. If you are interested, please call the Local at 517-482-7377 and leave your name and number.

Throughout the years one thing has been constant at Local 724, and that is the proud members who have worn the wheel. We can stand on our service to our families, our country, our movement and our communities. I am proud to say that I AM A UNION MEMBER.

Thinking about 75th anniversary

Greetings from the Local. Here it is almost the end of August and school will be starting soon. It seems like we were just getting though the non-stop winter. Here’s hoping your summer has been pleasant and enjoyable.

Things have been relatively quiet here in the hall. Several of our Units have been meeting this summer so they can prepare to meet the needs of the membership. Currently the Dimondale and RSDC Units have been in contract talks. The talks have been rather stressful for the respective committees. With the delicate nature of contract negotiations, it is important that both sides respect each other to find those middle ground areas. This will allow the bargaining committee to bring a fair and equitable agreement back to the membership and their families. The support of the entire Local goes out to these members.

When the workers in the Volkswagen plant in Chattanooga, Tennessee voted this past February on whether to unionize or not, the stakes were high. Win and the UAW would have that all-important foothold in the South. Lose and it could be interpreted as the Labor movement’s continuing decline. Horribly, and with great assistance from anti-union supporters both inside and outside government, the latter came to pass and the UAW was left to ask “where do we go from here?” Another NLRB election vote could not legally be held for at least a year, so a new plan was formed. A bold plan that could be the most important development in the modern history of the labor movement, one that the members-only or “minority union.”

On July 10th the UAW chartered Local 42 in Chattanooga, a members-only union to represent the workers of VW. While not a completely new strategy, the UAW has never before embraced the idea. Unlike a traditional union, a members-only union is voluntary and represents only the workers who choose to join. A company has no legal obligation under the National Labor Relations Act to negotiate with a union of this type; however, the UAW and Volkswagen have come to an “agreement” that the company will recognize Local 42 once it has signed up a “meaningful portion” of the workers. With a majority, Volkswagen representatives would recognize the union as the exclusive bargaining representative of the entire workforce, effectively bypassing the need for an NLRB election.

On the other front, the anti-union forces are already crying foul, commenting that their hard-earned victory in the last election could be thrown out on a technicality. But I find it encouraging that a strategy like this is being attempted. We
have been at a disadvantage for too long in the South and this type of effort could be a game changer.

If the UAW can be accepted by enough workers voluntarily, it gives us a greater chance to win all their hearts and minds and prove the worth of collective bargaining.

Under this course of action employees can take the chance on collective bargaining without the stigma of the old style union which the South is revisited by a good portion of the populace. There, a union security clause is seen as a detriment, not an advantage.

As of this writing, more than 670 employees have voluntarily signed up for membership in Local 42. That number is very significant. If those same 670 people had voted yes in the NLRB election it would have constituted a majority and the Volkswagen plant would today be a UAW-represented plant.

While the outcome of the efforts in Chattanooga are not clear, it is a positive step. Will it work? Maybe, maybe not, but the thing to take away from all is that the effort was made.

We’re not sitting on our hands waiting for the cards to fall. We’re taking the chance and ultimately, that’s all we can ask.

If you would like more information, please google “The New Volkswagen Model: Minority Unionism” or visit www.uaw.org or www.labornotes.org.

LOCAL 652
Scott R. Lounds, Recording Secretary

Things do not go better with Koch

As election time comes near, once again I write today against believing the smears and lies put forward by the PAC’s and super-PAC’s supported by the corporations and the rich; especially that two-headed monster of anti-worker evil, the Koch brothers. In the last election cycle, 2012, the Koch brothers spent an estimated $400 million on hardcore right-wing initiatives and candidates. Now they are spending large amounts to get the outcome they want in this year’s elections in Michigan. They support Terry Lynn Hunt in Michigan. They support Wendy Greuel in Los Angeles. They also support the Koch brothers vehemently oppose and spend their vast fortune to eradicate are the laws, union dues cannot be used for this purpose.

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LOCAL 724
Debra Mills, Financial Secretary

What is V-CAP?

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LOCAL 4911
Rose Van Schoick, Fin. Secretary

Appreciation

Cookout Success

Thank you to all our members who attended our Membership Appreciation Cookout lunch/dinner August 5 and 7. Every year attendance at this event continues to grow. It is your Executive Board’s way of thanking our membership for the good work that they do each and every day.

We had to move indoors to the dormitory room at Sparrow campus due to a stormy forecast, our numbers continue to grow. Perhaps it may be more convenient for our membership to continue an indoor trend.

A sincere thank you goes out to Jim Long at the Sparrow campus and Dennis Mulholland at St. Lawrence for all their expertise in preparing and serving large crowds in a short time frame. Without your input and guidance, this project would not be so successful. We appreciate all that you do to make sure we feed the masses in a timely fashion.

Tiger Game

If you are going to the Tiger game on Sept 28, remember that you must attend the Sept 24 membership meeting which is at 5:00 p.m. at 2722 E. Michigan Avenue. Lansing, across from Bud Kouts Chevrolet. Meetings are held in the first floor meeting room. If you have not paid your deposit, please come prepared to do so. Buses will depart on Sept 28 from the Sparrow shuttle bus lot.

Next Fall Event

We will be hosting a Halloween “Trunk or Treat” night in the parking lot of the UAW Administration office – 2722 E. Michigan Avenue. Details for this event will be in the October Worker to Worker. If you are not receiving the monthly Worker to Worker via your email, you may register on our website. Please go to www.uawlocal4911.org

LOCAL 1753
Nancy Munchbach, Fin. Secretary

My thanks

Hello Local 1753 members! I want to thank everyone for their support in the election and the run-off. I was overwhelmed by the level of support I received. I really “felt the love.”

I wanted to remind everyone that we have tables and chairs available at the hall to borrow for your personal events. We also rent the hall to our members only. It can be very handy for birthday parties, showers, reunions, etc. Please contact me at 517-487-1753 if you are interested or if there is anything else I can help you with. If you will leave a message I will call back when I arrive (usually Tuesdays and Wednesdays).
The annual area retirees picnic was changed to an indoor luncheon this year. It was held at the Royal Scot banquet center and food was provided to a fine crowd. Shown here with some of the retirees are (standing, left to right): Local 652 Vice President Randy Freeman, 652 Financial Secretary Bob Smith, and 652 President Mike Green, You can see more pictures of this gathering on the Labor News website, lansinglabornews.org.

Please let us know of your thoughts on that and any others that could improve the picnic.

Special thank-you to the retirees for those who made the extra trip to the active meeting in June in support of Nancy against the election protest. I believe their speaking out really shifted the balance in her favor. The general membership voted against the protest 19 to 3 with the majority for the election and run-off results.

The Lansing Area Council of Retired Workers had their election in June and I was re-elected their chairperson; thank-you to everyone involved. I mention this because I helped spearhead the move from their annual picnic by this group to a luncheon instead. The lunch was held August 12th at the Royal Scot. I believe it was OK since 85 people more than last year attended, but we will find out when we read the suggestions for next year. I would like to hear from you, my friends: did you like it and would you go again?

Neither of these luncheons would have been successful without the help of either of our wonderful executive boards.

Lois Schultz
1618 retirees
Hi out there, all you wonderful people. R e m e m b e r Don Wade, aka “Red”? He gave me a call and said hi to all of you out there. He wanted to know if I had all my ducks in a row because we’re all getting up there. This is true. But life is good.

Lois Dyer gave me this prayer which I really enjoyed:

Lord, thank You for another day. Within this life of mine Give me the strength to live it well. Whatever I may find Bestow from Your abundance, Whatever I may lack To use the hours wisely,

For I cannot have them back Lord thank you for another day, In which to make amends For little slights or petty words, Inflicted on my friends For sometimes losing patience, With problems that I find, For seeing faults in other lives, But not the ones in mine Lord thank You for another chance, In which to try to be A little more deserving Of the gifts You’ve given me For yesterday is over, And tomorrow’s far away, And I remain committed, To the good I do today! by Grace E. Easley

This just about said it all and hopefully I can live up to it.

Happy birthday: Lois Dyer and Leo Gray.

Happy anniversary: Dick and Dorothy Gyger, 36 years.

The final payment for the Cape Cod trip is due. Buses going from Lansing and Flint had 334 signed up at last count. Contact Connie Dunn about this at 517-323-2146 or myself at 517-627-3542.

For all our sick and shut-ins, you are in our prayers.

For all who have lost a loved one or dear friend, we send our condolences.

Laura Clark
1753 retirees
Happy Days—the UAW 1753 June Picnic came off without too many hitches. For those not there, we got the grill out, and Hutch and the boys manned the grill. They produced hot dogs and hamburgers for the gang. Jim (Sharon’s dad) ran the popcorn maker. Shirley Albright came all the way from Ionia to win the dessert contest (it looked good). We rented the tent from Tom as we have in the past, but we (the Executive Board) are wondering if we get enough use of it. Should we play croquet, horse shoes or bean bag toss?

Dorothy Stevens
602 retirees
Where has our summer gone? In a couple of weeks the kids will be starting back to school and that brings us closer to the 2014 Election Day, November 4. It is of utmost importance that you vote for the right people. We must vote for those who will work for us. We seniors should be especially concerned about our Social Security and Medicare. Think: how would it impact you and your family personally if Washington decided to change, cut, or dismantle Medicare and Social Security? A group of politicians, special interests, and pundits are talking about doing just that. They say these programs are too expensive, ineffective, and actually harmful to the economy and the American people.

This is one the most dangerous and deceitful ideas ever to come up in Washington and it needs to be challenged. The vast majority of seniors are NOT living high on their earned benefits as some economic experts claim. Far from it. The average retiree is scarcely able to afford soy food and utility expenses, not to mention out-of-pocket Medicare costs.

While some in Washington claim America cannot afford programs like Social Security and Medicare, without the current level of Social Security benefits, 44% of all seniors would be living in poverty. America cannot afford programs like Social Security and Medicare. Without the money from Social Security and Medicare, without the money from Social Security and Medicare, without the money from Social Security and Medicare, without the money from Social Security and Medicare... Our economy couldn’t exist or our country could not afford Social Security and Medicare.

The UAW Region 1-D Travel Group is now finalizing their next trip, which is to Cape Cod. At the present time, we have eight buses going and we’re taking stand-bys for the ninth bus and possibly the tenth. We will be going October 19-25 at $529 a person. If you’re interested, you may contact Connie Dunn at 517-233-2146 or myself at 517-627-3542.

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Mike Bauer
652 retirees
Happy Labor Day to all. The following is our monthly schedule of events:

First Tuesday of the month is Bingo. The 2014’s start at 5:00 p.m.

Third Tuesday of the month is our potluck dinner and business meeting. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Dinner starts at noon.

Fourth Tuesday of the month is card night starting at 5:00 p.m. Card night is for Locals 652 and 602. Our bingo night, potluck/business meeting, and social night is for Local 652 retirees, spouses, and associate members only – no guests.

Our next social night will be on October 14. Social night is for Local 652 retirees, spouses, and associate members only – no guests.

Upcoming cancellations to mark on your calendar: The November 4 bingo night is cancelled. The December 23 card night is cancelled.

Carroll Outdoor Club has supplied us with the following camping dates and locations:

Sept. 12-13 14 Rocks Campground, Albion, And Oct. 10-11-12 Michigan Trout Showdown Association. For more info, call Wagon Master Jay Courser, 517-323-2331. Camping is not limited to retirees; active workers who are members of the Oldsmobile Outdoor Club are welcome to join in the fun.

October 3 the Lansing Area Retiree Euchre Tournament will be held at Local 652, starting at 9:00 a.m. Arrive by 8:45, to sign in, and get seated. Call 372-7581, ext. 147, to reserve a table, or call for the change of address to: Lansing Labor News, 652 retirees. The December 23 card night is cancelled.

Condo Councils to all the families who have had a loved one pass. Condo Councils to Robert & Shirley Abernathy on the loss of their son, Jeffrey Abernathy, Delbert Pearson on the loss of his mother, Peggy Person (retiree), Steve Grant on the loss of his father, Rolland Grant (retiree), Sue Sanders on the loss of her husband, Art Sanders (retiree), the family of Herbert Farrand (retiree).

The following members and associates are in our thoughts and prayers: Robert Abernathy, Jewel Carrier, Joyce and Herb Fernholz, Dave Hodges, Don & Helen Hogan, Dorothy Hossington, Roger & Alice Miller, Leonard Schneider, Bob & Lee Vergason, Macon Williams, Willa Wright, and any others we have missed.

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602 golf outing thank yous

The UAW Local 602 Conservation & Recreation Committee thanks the following Companies and Individuals for donating to the 16th Annual UAW LOCAL 602 golf outing, which raised money for the National Children’s Home, VFW. The event took place at Timber Ridge Golf Club in East Lansing on July 27. We would also like to give a big THANK YOU to all the golfers who participated!

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UAW Local 602 Women’s Committee presents…

Second Annual Bowling for Breast Cancer
Sunday, October 5
1:00 pm–5:00 pm
Spare Time Entertainment Center
3101 E Grand River Ave, Lansing MI 48912
HELP PUT BREAST CANCER OUT OF WORK!

Sign up now! Loads of fun!
$88 4-Person Team! ($22 each)
Includes 3 games of bowling with shoes, 1 item large pizza & unlimited refills on pop.
Sign-ups taken until Friday, September 19
You can get a form at Local 602 or at the Labor News website: lansinglabornews.org

UAW Local 602 Women’s Committee presents…

All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast!
$5 Adults  Kids 12 & under FREE
Sunday, September 7
8:30am-12:00pm
At UAW Local 602 Union Hall
2510 W Michigan Ave, Lansing MI 48917
ALL proceeds to Local 602 Union Label Community Outreach
Joining us to sample our breakfast will be pro-labor candidates, feel free to meet them!

Letter to the Editor

Elect Dawn Levey

Republican state Sen. Rick Jones introduced Senate Bill 958, allowing citizens to be strip searched for something as simple as being arrested for forgetting to pay a parking ticket. Do you want your wife or daughter to undergo such a humiliating experience? For a parking ticket? Jones has lost touch with reality, and this career politician needs to be put out to pasture. Vote for and financially support Ovid/Elsie school teacher Dawn Levey!

Levey, a two-term president of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs is an advocate for hunting and gun rights as well as your civil rights!

– Lyle Birchman, Local 602

Meet the candidates

UAW Local 602 Citizenship & Legislation Committee Presents Meet your UAW-endorsed candidates!

Sunday, September 7
8:00 am—Noon
UAW Local 602 Union Hall
2510 W Michigan Ave
Lansing MI 48917

Gather the information you need to make your informed decision! (In conjunction with the Union Label Pancake Breakfast & Women’s Committee Ice Cream Social) Questions? Contact Chair Julie Hartshorn, UAW Local 602 Citizenship & Legislation Committee at 517-281-4552

Ice cream social September 7

Local 602 Women’s Committee is hosting an Ice Cream Social to benefit Strides Against Breast Cancer.
Come make your own favorite Sunday or Cone.

12 pm–2 pm
Multiple flavors & toppings to choose from!

Sunday, September 7
UAW Local 602 Union Hall
2510 W Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI

This event is being held in conjunction with the “Meet Your UAW Endorsed Candidates” hosted by the Local 602 Citizenship & Legislative Committee & begins shortly after the Local 602 Union Label Pancake Breakfast.

Contact Bobbie Ledesma-Chairperson, Local 602 Women’s Committee with questions OR any member of the Women’s Committee: Co-Chair Shaconda Warren, Bonny Clark, Gladys Gerard, Ofelia Glasgow, Nicki Jones, and Demohra Stanley.

UAW Local 602 Union Label Committee presents…

Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale
Saturday, September 20
At UAW Local 1753
3204 W. St. Joseph, Lansing
All You Can Eat:
Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Hash Browns, Juice & Coffee
Serving from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Donation: Adults, $6.00, Children under 12, $3.00

Local 1618 retirees Lois Schultz and Hanna Fox at the annual area retirees luncheon. They wanted to remind readers of their annual pancake breakfast and bake sale on September 20 (see the notice below).

ICE CREAM SOCIAL
September 7

Local 602 Women’s Committee is hosting an Ice Cream Social to benefit Strides Against Breast Cancer.
Come make your own favorite Sunday or Cone.

12 pm–2 pm
Multiple flavors & toppings to choose from!

Sunday, September 7
UAW Local 602 Union Hall
2510 W Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI

This event is being held in conjunction with the “Meet Your UAW Endorsed Candidates” hosted by the Local 602 Citizenship & Legislative Committee & begins shortly after the Local 602 Union Label Pancake Breakfast.

Contact Bobbie Ledesma-Chairperson, Local 602 Women’s Committee with questions OR any member of the Women’s Committee: Co-Chair Shaconda Warren, Bonny Clark, Gladys Gerard, Ofelia Glasgow, Nicki Jones, and Demohra Stanley.

UNITED WAY

worksite campaigns have begun.
We look forward to another year of excellent support from our membership.
Thank you for all you do for our communities!
602 Obituaries

Christine Oliver – Mother of John Oliver,
Leonard Cunningham – Retired
Everett Heady – Retired
Christine Oliver – Mother of John Oliver,
Eliseo Ornelas – Retired
Robert Burnett – Retired
Roger Cole – Retired

652 Obituaries

David Amato – Retiree
Lawrence “Larry” J. Bauer – Brother of Mike Bauer, Brother-in-Law of Diane Bauer
Helen A. Brown – Spouse of Edgar Brown, Mother of Helen E. Brown
Elizabethe Bishop – Spouse of Raymond Bishop
Ronald L. Cole – Retiree, Spouse of Mary Cole
Ofelia Garza Cruz – Mother of Juanita Chelf
Ronald J. Cuthbert – Retiree, Father of Richard, Pat and Jack Cuthbert
Edgar G. Dixon – Retiree
Betty Fish – Retiree, Mother of John Fish
David Vernon Grove – Son of Vernon R. Grove, Brother of Jennifer Gilbert, Uncle of Jayson Grove
Robert Harry – Retiree
William “Bill” Henry – Retiree
Frances Hill – Retiree, Spouse of Bryce Hill
Frank Kesseler – Retiree
William Kobiska – Father-in-Law of Kim Livemore
Kenneth LaCourse – Retiree
Iris Lapointe – Mother-in-Law of Phil Smith
Billy Ray McDaniel – Retiree
Charles D. McKease – Retiree
Lucille Mueller – Mother-in-Law of Mike Smith and Joseph Schaffer
Lowell J. Muma – Retiree, Father of L.J. Muma
Daniel V. O’Brien – Father of Gerald O’Brien
Dorothy O’Brien – Mother of Gerald O’Brien

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