

UAW Local 1268

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MEMBERS AIDING THE COMMUNITY

Our members consistently demonstrate commitment and initiative when called upon. UAW Local 1268 members participate in a wide range of activities, regardless of the request.

In 1967, following the tornado that struck Belvidere, approximately 300 employees volunteered to assist with cleanup efforts. Similarly, in 2005, after Hurricane Katrina, several members registered to go provide necessary support.

During recent downtime from the plant, the Union Hall has continued to host monthly distributions in partnership with the Northern Illinois Food Bank. Additionally, the Tender Touch Project was recently established to support seniors in memory care units and children affected by traumatic events, receiving substantial backing from our membership.

Our committees are at the forefront of supporting organizations in need. Their initiatives have included collecting food, school supplies, hats, scarves, coats, and much more. Also holding events to raise funds for different causes.

- The Women's Committee has organized The Giving Tree, which has collected Christmas toys for over four decades.
- Members of the Veterans Committee have traveled to various states to participate in Vets Days for many years, honoring veterans in care homes through events centered on food and companionship. The committee has also raised thousands of dollars for veterans' aid through initiatives such as the Vets Play Day golf outing and Moonlight Bowl.
- The Community Service Committee has hosted Kids Fun Days, providing enjoyable experiences for both members' and community children.

These are just a few examples of UAW Local 1268 assisting the community.

Sincere gratitude to all members who serve the community in diverse ways and respond generously to calls for assistance. Your ongoing contributions have a meaningful impact.

UAW LOCAL 1268 PRESIDENTS

A select few run for the office of President, a multitasking job that governs our local union. The responsibilities and duties they take on are endless. They manage the day-to-day affairs of the union and oversee the union officers, committees, and activities within the hall. They aid the unit chairs at their units when called upon. They are our representatives and voices outside the Union Hall while keeping their doors open to their members.

In 1965 Don Brady was appointed as president until elections were held. Here are those Presidents who have held that position since 1965.

1965-1967	Dave Davenport first elected President
1967-1969	Herb Bowie
1969-1971	Sam Cazazza
1971-1973	Sam Cazazza
1973-1975	Sam Cazazza accepted an International appointment in 1974
	1974 Vice President Mel Gomez moved up to President
1975-1978	Mel Gomez
1978-1981	Chuck Britnell
1981-1984	Chuck Britnell
1984-1987	Bob Kruger
1987-1990	Bob Kruger
1990-1993	John Byers accepted an International appointment in 1991
	1991 Vice President Larry Rielly moved to up to President
1993-1996	Larry Rielly
1996-1999	Larry Rielly accepted an International appointment in 1998
	1998 Vice President Dave Woody moved to up to President
1999-2002	Dave Woody accepted an International appointment in 1999
	1999 Vice President EJ Parham moved to up to President
2002-2005	CD Graham
2005-2008	Tom LittleJohn
2008-2011	Brandon Campbell accepted an International appointment in 2009
	2009 Vice President John Gedney moved to up to President
2011-2014	George Welitschinsky
2014-2017	George Welitschinsky
2017-2020	George Welitschinsky
2020-2023	Kevin Logan accepted an International appointment in 2023
	2023 Vice President Monica Sago moved to up to President
2023-2026	Matt Frantzen

VEHICLES BUILT BY UAW LOCAL 1268 MEMBERS

1965 Dodge Monaco 2-door	1983 Plymouth Scamp
1965 Plymouth Fury II 4 door	1983 Plymouth Horizon
1965 Plymouth Sport Fury Convertible	1984 Dodge Omni GLH
1966 Plymouth Fury III 4 door	1984 Dodge Plymouth
1967 Dodge Monaco 500	1984 Dodge Shelby Cha
1967 Dodge Polar 500	1985 Plymouth Turismo
1967 Plymouth Fury III Convertible	1987 Dodge Daytona Si
1968 Plymouth Fury III Convertible	1987 Dodge Omni Ame
1969 Chrysler New Yorker	1987 Dodge Shelby Tur
1969 Chrysler Town & Country Wagon	1991 Chrysler Imperial
1969 Plymouth VIP	1991 Chrysler New Yor
1970 Dodge Monaco 2-door	1992 Chrysler Salon
1970 Dodge Monaco Wagon	1992 Dodge Dynasty
1970 Plymouth Sport Fury	1994 Dodge Neon
1970 Plymouth Fury Wagon	1995 Dodge Neon Spor
1972 Chrysler New Yorker	1995 Plymouth Neon
1972 Plymouth Grand Fury Coupe	1996 Dodge Neon Spor
1972 Plymouth Grand Fury Sedan	1996 Plymouth Neon Sp
1974 Dodge Monaco Custom	1997 Plymouth Neon H
1975 Dodge Royal Monaco	2001 Neon
1975 Dodge Royal Wagon	2002 Neon SRT
1977 Chrysler 5th Avenue	2003 Dodge SRT 4
1977 Dodge Omni b	2005 Dodge Caliber
1977 Dodge Omni	2006 Jeep Compass
1977 Dodge Royal Monaco	2006 Jeep Patriot
1979 Dodge Omni 0-24	2013 Dodge Dart
1982 Plymouth Turismo TC3	2007 Dodge Caliber SR
1983 Dodge Omni	2017 Jeep Cherokee

1983 Dodge Rampage

uth Horizon Omni GLH **Plymouth Turismo Shelby Charger** uth Turismo 2.2 **Daytona Shelby** Omni America **Shelby Turbo** er Imperial er New Yorker er Salon Dynasty Neon **Neon Sport** uth Neon **Neon Sport** uth Neon Sport uth Neon Highline SRT SRT 4 Caliber ompass atriot Dart Caliber SRT4 2017 Jeep Cherokee