

## Modern Bolt EV Technology Aims for the Stars

The conquest of space has led to the development of 21st century EV technology.

In July 1971, Apollo 15 astronauts explored the moon in the first electric-powered Lunar Rover, thanks to help from General Motors engineers.

Fast-forward to the 2017 Chevrolet Bolt EV, and it's clear once again that GM remains at the forefront of EV engineering, said GM spokesman Fred Ligouri.

With an EPA-estimated range of 238 miles on a single charge and costing a fraction of the Lunar Rover's \$38 million price tag, the Bolt EV has made driving electric attainable for the Earth-bound, Ligouri said.

The Rover was a textbook example of pushing the envelope of creativity.

Working at light speed, GM, in cooperation with partner companies, developed, designed and tested the Lunar Rover, Ligouri said.

Engineers from GM helped create a revolutionary electric motor drive system, suspension, mesh wire wheels and a unique drive controller adapted for lunar gloves.

Project chief engineer Ferenc Pavlics said he and his team thought outside the box to solve challenges for both astronauts and future EV customers.

Almost 50 years after the project, Pavlics still remembers the innovation and commitment required to build an electric vehicle with unprecedented performance.

"When our team began engineering for the Lunar Rover, there were so many unknowns, including varied terrain, extreme temperatures and the effect of reduced gravity," said Pavlics, now retired.

"We pushed the boundaries of

automotive technology and worked hand-in-hand with the astronauts on the vehicle's design."

Pavlics sees a connective thread between his work then and Chevrolet's contemporary electric vehicles.

Today, Chevrolet EVs have the advantage of finding new roads on Earth, but the team brings the same commitment to engineering cars such as the award-winning Bolt EV.

"The Bolt EV required a new

architecture to upend the status quo on electric driving," said Michael Lelli, vehicle chief engineer.

"We drew on our deep electrification expertise to provide Chevrolet customers the first long-range, affordable electric car."

The same innovative spirit that drove the company to engineer an electric vehicle for the moon

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GM engineered them both – the Apollo 17 Lunar Rover, shown here on the moon, and the earthly 2017 Bolt EV.

## Still Time to Join GM Tech Center Employee Show

Camaro will take the forefront at the 2017 GM Tech Center-UAW Local 160 Employee Car Show July 26.

The show at the Tech Center will celebrate 50 years of the Camaro, said UAW Local 160 car show representative Nick Alexander.

The event will be open to the public at no charge, said Alexander, and will start at 10 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m.

According to the show's official Web site, while advanced registration for the 2017 GM Tech Center Employee Car Show has ended, those wishing to display a vehicle in the show may still register at the show's location on Wednesday, July 26, from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

A \$5 registration fee will be charged when vehicle entrants pick up their window placard.

Due to construction in and around the show's traditional venue near the VEC building off of Van Dyke, vehicles will not be able to enter on the Van Dyke side.

The show will be accessible from the Mound side of the Tech Center.

Signs posted the day of the show will guide visitors to appropriate parking.

## Four-Alarm Fire Can't Shut Down Buff Whelan Chevrolet

by Jim Stickford

Open for business. That was the message that staff at Buff Whelan Chevrolet on Van Dyke in Sterling Heights wanted to get out on July 19, the day after a fire completely destroyed the dealership's service center.

Tom Bechtell, general sales manager at Buff Whelan, said the fire started shortly after closing time on July 18.

"I was driving home to Chesterfield when I received notice of the fire," Bechtell said. "I immediately turned around and headed back to the dealership."

According to the Sterling Heights fire department, the first call came in at about 7:20 p.m. on July 18.

"When we received the call, we sent the regular three trucks," said Edwin Miller, battalion chief for the Sterling Heights fire department, speaking to the media the day after the fire.

"(Firefighters) called for help



Buff Whelan Chevrolet dealership's showroom was not harmed...

as soon as they got to the scene and saw the size of the fire. Trucks and other units from a total of 12 townships and cities in Macomb County were used to fight the fire. As far as anyone can remember, this four-alarm fire was the biggest fire we've

seen in Sterling Heights in living memory."

Bechtell said that the fire could have been much worse.

"Our showroom and our used-car operations weren't affected by the fire," Bechtell said. "The body shop, which is right by the



...but the service center, where the fire started, collapsed.

service center, suffered some minor damage because of the fire, but we don't expect it to be out of operation. Our message to the public is that Buff Whelan is open for business."

Bechtell said the dealership, which employs a total of 182 peo-

ple, will try to keep its repair business going. They will use other facilities and if they can't fix a car right away, they will give the customer a loaner at no cost.

"We can't change what hap-

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Baker, left, and Anness discuss conference as Q&A session neared end.

## MCC Hosts National Automotive Gathering

by Jim Stickford

Macomb Community College's (MCC) Warren Campus last week was home to the 2017 North American Council of Automotive Teachers (NACAT) Conference.

The annual event brings together educators who specialize in the auto industry from across the country to discuss and explore issues that affect them.

This was the 44th NACAT Conference and was co-hosted by The Center for Advanced Automotive Technology and MCC at the school's Warren campus

July 16-21 was chosen as the location of this year's gathering.

This year's keynote speakers were Tim Anness, director of Jeep Forward Exteriors at Fiat Chrysler; and Brian C. Baker, a retired GM designer and current industry consultant. They spoke on Monday July 17.

Baker, who also teaches at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit, spoke about the importance of teaching a passion for cars and for the automotive industry.

Anness spoke about design expectations for modern con-

sumers, adding that it's important to have that next generation of designers who have been trained in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) concepts.

That's why Fiat Chrysler supports STEAM programs at local high schools in and around Detroit, as well as programs that encourage STEAM education across the country, he said.

"We really like what they're doing at MCC with the school's digital sculpting program," Anness

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## Macomb Drain Repair Project Proceeding

As of July 20, the crews digging the 300-foot-by-28-foot shaft have reached more than 50 feet down and are in the process of removing the collapsed pipe. This work is expected to continue through Aug. 1, Then the operation will shift to installing the new pipe in replace of the collapsed section and lining an adjacent section of damaged pipe.

The replacement pipe and liner continues to arrive on site daily. The installation of the new pipe, comprised of a fiberglass and chemical polymer designed to last 200 years or more, is expected to be completed by Labor Day.

Macomb County Public Works Commissioner Candace Miller said the project continues to move toward a target of re-opening 15 Mile Road by early December and a completion of the work by the end of 2017. The project's total cost is \$75 million, with \$70 million in bonds financed by the Macomb Interceptor Drain Drainage District.

# Four Legends Inducted Into Automotive Hall of Fame

The Automotive Hall of Fame inducted four new members into its ranks at its 2017 Induction & Awards Gala Ceremony at Cobo Center in Detroit July 20.

The Automotive Hall of Fame's 2017 Inductees are:

- Alberto Bombassei, president of Brembo;
- August Fruehauf (1868-1930), inventor of the semi-trailer and founder of the Fruehauf Trailer Company;
- Jack Roush, founder, CEO, and co-owner of Roush Fenway Racing and chairman of Roush Enterprises;
- Edward Welburn, retired General Motors VP of Global Design.

"We are pleased to honor these individuals whose entrepreneurial spirit helped shape today's global transportation industry," said William R. Chapin, president of the Automotive Hall of Fame.

"Each made his unique vision a reality through tenacity, creativity and forward thinking, traits that still drive the industry's evolution today.

"The Automotive Hall of Fame is proud to recognize these individuals and their achievements."

Chapid said induction into the Automotive Hall of Fame is reserved for noteworthy individuals who have made significant contributions to the industry.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the first Automotive Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in 1967, a class which included automotive icons Henry Ford, Alfred P. Sloan, William C. Durant, and Walter P. Chrysler.

Here are backgrounds of the 2017 Automotive Hall of Fame Inductees:

- Alberto Bombassei was a vital asset in Brembo growth from a small family firm in Bergamo, Italy, into a worldwide leader in automotive braking systems. Brembo was founded by Alberto's father, Emilio Bombassei, and his uncle, Italo Breda.

Alberto has served in various roles at Brembo since its inception and has continued the company's expansion and research efforts.

This resulted in breakthroughs such as the design and production of the first aluminum brake calipers, which were adopted by numerous manufacturers including BMW, Ferrari, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Ford, General Motors, Porsche, and Mercedes-Benz.

• August Fruehauf was the founder of the Fruehauf Trailer Company and is credited with inventing the semi-trailer.

Fruehauf was a successful horse carriage builder in Detroit around the turn of the 20th century.

In 1914, a client came to Fruehauf asking if he could devise a method of transporting a boat behind a Model T. Fruehauf agreed, and the result was the first Fruehauf semi-trailer.

The Fruehauf Trailer Company was founded back in 1918 and enjoyed success right away, soon becoming one of the largest and most successful semi-trailer companies in the world.

• Jack Roush is an icon of American motorsports and a distinguished automotive entrepreneur.

As a racing team owner, Roush has won championships in NHRA and IHRA Drag Racing, SCCA Trans Am, IMSA GT, and NASCAR stock car racing.

In total, Roush's teams have won over 400 races across numerous disciplines of motorsports.

In addition to his racing successes, Roush oversees Roush

Enterprises, which encompasses a freelance engineering firm as well as an aftermarket automotive supplier, and ROUSH Clean-Tech, a manufacturer of propane fuel systems.

• Edward Welburn was once referred to as "the man who brought beauty back to GM."

Welburn was just the sixth head of design for General Motors and the first to lead the division on a global level for the company.

During Welburn's 44-year career at General Motors, he oversaw the designs of the latest Corvette and the revived Camaro, as well as groundbreaking concepts that included the Oldsmobile Aerotech, Cadillac Ciel, and Buick Avista.

Welburn also holds the distinction of having been the highest-ranking African American in the global automotive industry.

## Congress Ponders Autonomous Drive Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) – A House panel on July 19 backed legislation designed to allow automakers to increase the testing of self-driving cars on U.S. roads.

The bill would let automakers deploy up to 100,000 self-driving vehicles without meeting existing auto safety standards, a move designed to boost testing of new technology.

The current cap for such exemptions is 2,500. The bill would also require manufacturers to report information about all crashes involving the exempted cars and give the Transportation secretary authority to halt the exemptions for any manufacturer if a defect is discovered.

"We want aggressive oversight of the industry, but with the flexibility needed to test and gener-

ate the safest and most affordable technologies possible," said Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., the chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which could take up the bill as early as this week.

A subcommittee approved the bill by voice vote. The full House would not act on the bill until September at the earliest, giving lawmakers more time to work out changes designed to increase support for the measure.

A top priority for lawmakers and the automotive industry is to limit states on regulations. Generally, the federal government regulates the vehicle while states regulate the driver.

The bill would prohibit any state or municipality from imposing its own laws related to the design and construction of self-driving cars.

Federal officials say 94 percent of auto accidents are caused by human error, so self-driving technology has the potential to save thousands of lives and improve the mobility of many elderly and disabled Americans.

"We can forget about the Jetsons, the future of the automobile is here," said Rep. Fred Upton, R-Mich. "The automotive industry is revolutionizing how we are going to get around for decades to come."

## Ford Dealership Finds 'Mexican Pot' in Car

WARREN, Ohio (AP) – Authorities say more than 400 pounds (181 kilograms) of marijuana has been found in 15 new cars made in Mexico and shipped to Ohio and Pennsylvania to sell.

A drug task force in Ohio's Portage County was called to a Ford dealership July 15 after a service department employee found a package of pressed marijuana in a spare tire compartment during a vehicle inspection.

Investigators then went to a rail yard near Warren and found more packages in the trunks of Ford Fusions pressed into the shape of a spare tire. Additional packages were found at other northeast Ohio dealerships and one in Pennsylvania.

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## Veteran Auto Designers Talk of the Future

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said. “But you still have to see and touch a full-scaled design, which is why we also need traditional clay sculptors.”

Having trained designers who understand a brand’s look is important, Anness said, because, given the requirements of fuel efficiency and aerodynamics, it’s more difficult than ever to maintain a brand’s look.

And the education today’s auto designers need can often be obtained at community colleges, he said. FCA hired three or four contract employees and co-op interns a year for their skills in digital sculpting.

“The public needs to know,” said Anness, “that these fantastic options at community colleges exist for students who have the desire to create and design the cars of the future. They just need the willingness to learn and the patience to fail. And thanks to programs that schools like MCC have, they can often get the training they need without going into financial distress.”

Anness said that as long as OEMs promote the importance of the work, they will be able to find students with the desire and skills to be designers. That’s important, he said, because the next generation of cars will be greatly influenced by today’s young consumers.

That’s why it’s important for groups like NACAT to fight for art classes, Anness said.

“I didn’t do well in math, that’s why I’m not an engineer,” Anness said. “But my passion was there, and there are students today with that passion and they need art classes to help them realize that passion. That’s what happened to me.”

Baker agreed with that, but said there is also a need for designers to understand the engineering side of things.

“The great difference between now and when I started in design is reflected in the fact that when I started, it was called styling – now it’s called design.”

Computer Assisted Design programs (CAD) allow designers to develop designs that can be tested in terms of strength, safety and aerodynamics in a computer.

## Bolt EV Built in Tradition of Space Vehicles

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lives on in the Bolt EV, Ligouri said.

Except, he added, today’s EV drivers don’t have to wear space suits.

Starting at an MSRP of \$37,495 before federal tax incentives of up to \$7,500 depending upon individual tax situation, the 2017 Bolt EV offers an EPA-estimated 238 miles of range on a single charge.

Standard features include electronic precision shift, one-pedal driving, Regen on Demand steering wheel paddle, 10.2-inch-diagonal color touchscreen and an 8-year/100,000-mile battery and propulsion system limited warranty (whichever comes first).

The top-trim Premier model adds leather-appointed seats, front and rear heated seats, Surround Vision Camera, Rear Camera Mirror and more, Ligouri said.

This actually opens up avenues for designers because they can now create and test so many more designs than in the past, Baker said.

But he said that Anness was right when he said there is still a need for full-size clay mockups of designs. Something that looks great on a computer screen doesn’t always look great full scale in the real world.

Baker also said that while passion is important for tomorrow’s designers, they need to have a basic understanding of the engineering that goes into a modern car. For example, LED lights give designers so many more options and choices, but lights have strict safety requirements and these requirements define the parameters in which designers must work.

And tomorrow’s car will be “transportation” systems as much as they are cars, Baker said.

He preaches to his students a five “P” philosophy they must take into account when designing a vehicle.

The first is purpose. What’s the vehicle designed to do? Go fast? Transport a large family?

The second is people. How many people will the vehicle fit? Too often, designers forget that people actually will sit in a car they design.

The third P is package. What goes in the vehicle. The fourth is proportion. A vehicle has to have proportion. And the final P is passion.

“You can’t teach passion,” Baker said. “But you can teach people how to harness their passion.

“It’s funny – whenever I visit an OEM’s facility, I can always find the parking lot where designers have parked their cars. A good designer designs with his whole heart.”

Another point Baker made was that there are relatively few designers. A few thousand determine what vehicles look like around the globe.

“We don’t need a lot of designers, what we need are a lot of people who buy the products they design,” Baker said.

One thing Baker said he has found during his long career – which included 25 years at GM – was that design is a talent. He said that designers could often pick up enough engineering to be good at their jobs, but the engineers he knew who tried to pick up designing couldn’t “get out of the engineering box.”

Ultimately, design is a balance of art and science, said Baker. A car has to be functional and well-engineered, and it has to look great.

“Another thing I’ve noticed is that each car company has its own culture and that culture affects how vehicles look,” Baker said. “You could give GM designers the engineering specs and first-draft drawings of a Ford Mustang, and I can guarantee that the vehicle they would come up with would look more like a GM product than a Ford. It’s because GM’s culture is different from Ford’s.”

Anness said that design is important for the reasons Baker stated, but he warned against design for the sake of design. He likes to follow what he calls the paperclip principle. A paperclip is simple, easy to use and fulfills its function beautifully. There’s no reason to come up with a fancier design.

That same principle can apply to cars. Anness said that he’s heard of designers who are working on ways to develop expensive and complicated systems to change a car’s color to suit the owner’s whims on any given day.

In the end, Anness said, it’s people like the teachers attending the NACAT event at MCC that will inspire the designers of the future.

That’s a great responsibility and an honor, he said.

## New Autonomous Vehicle Facility Coming to State

The French company Navya, in collaboration with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) and Ann Arbor SPARK, will be opening a new plant in Saline.

According to a statement issued by Navya, the facility will be used to build approximately 25 fully-autonomous shuttle vehicles. With the addition of its new plant in Saline, the company will be able to boost production significantly to serve the growing North American market.

The project is expected to generate a total capital investment of more than \$1 million and create 50 jobs, resulting in a

\$435,000 Michigan Business Development performance-based grant, according to the Navya media statement.

The funds are approved by the Michigan Strategic Fund and administered by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

“We at Navya could not be more pleased to call Saline home to our first assembly plant in North America,” said Christophe Sapet, Navya CEO. “As the greater Ann Arbor area continues to establish itself as a hub for autonomous vehicle development, we feel it’s the perfect location for us.”



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The 2016 Dodge Roadkill Nights proved so popular last year that the brand is bringing it back for 2017.

## Vari-Form Providing Key Part to Audi Q5

Using advanced tube hydroforming techniques, Vari-Form of Livonia is producing the cradle arms incorporated in the 2017 Audi Q5.

The craftsmanship, synonymous with the brand, extends to all-important vehicle underpinnings, including the rear cradle arms from Vari-Form, said Terry Nardone, Vari-Form director of sales and marketing.

"As load-bearing structures, the rear cradle arms must be both strong and lightweight," said Nardone.

"These shaped tubes are expanded during hydroforming and include in-die hole punching, all while maintaining very tight tolerances. Our process for high-pressure hydroforming delivers the specified final surface char-

acteristics to ensure that a flawless final assembly is achieved.

"Vari-Form pioneered the application of tubular hydroforming to produce automotive components and systems. In recent years, we have become the worldwide supplier of choice for pressure-sequence hydroforming. Yet, when Audi engineers specified that these cradle arms be produced using high-pressure hydroforming, Vari-Form had the capability of providing that process as well."

Manufacture of the part involves a four-step process: bending, preforming, hydroforming and laser cutting tube features, Nardone said. Vari-Form engineers worked closely with Autotek, a division of Magna International, supplier of the Q5 rear-

axle/differential assembly to Audi, to optimize the final shape of the cradle arms and develop the processes needed for manufacture.

This collaboration is an essential factor in the overall quality of the 2017 Audi Q5.

"Over the years, Vari-Form has expanded the scope of tubular hydroforming to meet the stringent requirements of vehicle manufacturing," Nardone said. "Our developments in both high-pressure and pressure-sequence hydroforming are leading-edge, and our HIBS initiative (Hydroform-Intensive Body Structures) provides an insight into how future vehicles will be produced. We're proud of that, and of our many years of contributions to the automotive industry."

## Registration for FCA 'Roadkill' Now Open

Participant registration is officially open for drag racing on Woodward Avenue. Racing takes place August 12, 2017, at "Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge," TEN: The Enthusiast Network's popular drag racing event and car festival at M1 Concourse in Pontiac.

Once again, Roadkill Nights legal street drag racing is bigger and better than ever, with a total cash purse of \$29,000, said Fiat Chrysler spokeswoman Eileen Wunderlich.

As part of the overall money up for grabs, \$10,000 will be awarded to the quickest Dodge car (must be powered by a Dodge engine), Wunderlich said.

Race fans will have until Wednesday, July 26, to submit their Roadkill Nights drag racing application. The application asks the drag racing candidates several questions about their vehicle and racing experience and instructs them to submit photos of the car they wish to use. After the Roadkill team has diligently reviewed all submissions, the selected applicants will be given a link and a password to enter the drag race.

The "Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge" event includes rides in the 707-horsepower Dodge Challenger SRT Hellcat and Charger SRT Hellcat and 645-horsepower Dodge Viper; a show 'n' shine area; dyno runs; manufacturer midway; Dodge Demon drag racing simulators; Roadkill stunts and exhibitions; Pro BMX shows; an extensive family zone with activities for all ages; as well as live music, food trucks and much more. Fans will also get to see the new 840-horsepower 2018 Dodge Challenger SRT Demon on the dragstrip and exhibi-

tion runs by NHRA Top Fuel dragster driver Leah Pritchett and Funny Car driver Matt Hagan.

Roadkill Nights schedule:

- 10 a.m. – gates open.
- 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. – drag racing and thrill rides.
- 11 p.m. – event concludes.

General admission for spectator tickets is \$10 per person; \$5 per person for Pontiac residents (at event only). Children 12 and under are free.

This year's event will also include a first-ever celebrity showdown with "Roadkill" cohosts David Freiburger and Mike Finnegan, drag racing stars Leah Pritchett and Matt Hagan, "The House of Muscle" car guru Mike Musto, and "Hot Rod Garage" hosts Tony Angelo and Lucky Costa. Freiburger and Finnegan, cohosts of the most-viewed YouTube automotive original series in the United States, will lead the races.

The celebrity showdown champion will be awarded \$10,000, which will be donated to their charity of choice.

Chris Jacobs of Velocity's "Overhauled," NHRA national event announcer and host of "Put Up or Shut Up" Brian Lohnes and self-confessed car nut Clarence Barnes will cohost the activities both on and off the dragstrip.

Wunderlich said prize money breaks down at follows:

- \$10,000 – 1st place overall;
- \$10,000 – fastest Dodge;
- \$5,000 – 2nd place overall;
- \$2,500 – 3rd place overall;
- \$1,500 – 4th place overall.

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# Pacifica Vehicle of Choice at Sesame Street

If you want to get to Sesame Street, Fiat Chrysler can help you.

As of July 17, Fiat Chrysler became a proud sponsor and supporter of “Sesame Street,” a commitment that includes supporting the show on PBS and new original content on Chrysler’s digital platforms, said Tim Kuniskis, head of Passenger Car Brands – Dodge, SRT, Chrysler and FIAT, FCA – North America.

“Sesame Street’ has a powerful connection with families and this partnership allows the Chrysler brand to support their work around the world,” said Kuniskis.

“As a trusted family brand, we were looking for a like-minded partner who possessed a thoughtful and engaging approach.

“With our all-new Chrysler Pacifica minivan, we wanted to help educate parents about its unprecedented 115 safety, security and technology innovations – and who better than ‘Sesame Street,’ which has been reaching and educating families for almost 50 years.”

“Partnering with Chrysler will help us extend our reach in new and creative ways, and support Sesame Workshop’s nonprofit mission to help kids grow smarter, stronger and kinder,” said Steve Youngwood, COO of Sesame Workshop.

“We’re thrilled to work with a brand that stands for a deep commitment to families and children.”

In addition to sponsoring the show on PBS, Kuniskis said Chrysler is creating a multimedia campaign that will pair Sesame characters and the Chrysler Pacifica and Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid in 10 co-branded videos for parents.

The videos were launched on July 17 across the brand’s digital and social channels, including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

The first four videos, which can be viewed now on Chrysler’s



Bert drives Ernie to Sesame Street in a Chrysler Pacifica minivan.

YouTube channel, take viewers on an unexpected ride as the Muppets play “Listen, Drive, Surprise!,” a new game show hosted by Guy Smiley.

The FCA campaign was created and produced in partnership with Mediabrands Society, the social Agency of Record for FCA US.

Sesame Workshop is the nonprofit media and educational organization behind Sesame Street, the pioneering television show that has been reaching and teaching children since 1969,

said Sesame Workshop spokeswoman Alicia Durand.

“Today, Sesame Workshop is an innovative force for change, with a mission to help kids everywhere grow smarter, stronger, and kinder,” Durand said.

“We’re active in more than 150 countries, serving vulnerable children through a wide range of media, formal education, and philanthropically-funded social impact programs, each grounded in rigorous research and tailored to the needs and cultures of the communities we serve.”

## Tesla Adds Two to Its Board

DETROIT (AP) – Electric car maker Tesla Inc. has named two new directors to its board, heading off criticism from some investors that its board members are too closely linked.

James Murdoch, the CEO of 21st Century Fox, and Linda Johnson Rice, the chairman and CEO of Johnson Publishing Co., are joining the now nine-member board.

Murdoch, the son of media mogul Rupert Murdoch, has held leadership roles at Fox. He also started a foundation supporting environmental sustainability.

Rice heads Ebony Media Operations and has served on numerous corporate and charitable boards.

Earlier this year, some Connecticut pension funds called for annual elections of board members. They noted, for example, that Tesla CEO Elon Musk’s brother serves on Tesla’s board.

But shareholders sided with Tesla, which backed three-year terms.

# Daimler Finds Itself Caught Up in Own Diesel Scandal

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) – German automaker Daimler will voluntarily recall 3 million Mercedes-Benz brand cars with diesel engines in Europe to improve their emissions performance, the company said July 18 in the wake of widespread public debate over the future of diesel.

The Stuttgart-based company said it was taking the step to reassure drivers and strengthen confidence in the technology.

Diesels have been under a cloud since Daimler’s competitor Volkswagen admitted equipping vehicles with illegal software that meant they passed emissions tests, but then exceeded limits in everyday driving. There has been a push for diesel bans in some German cities because of concerns about levels of nitrogen oxide emitted by diesels.

“The public debate about diesel engines is creating uncertainty – especially for our customers,” Daimler CEO Dieter Zetsche said.

He said in a statement that “we have therefore decided on additional measures to reassure drivers of diesel cars and to strengthen confidence in diesel technology.”

The recall will cover nearly all vehicles made under the EU5 and EU6 emissions standards and will start in the next few weeks. The company said it would cost 220 million euros (\$254.2 million), but that customers wouldn’t pay anything.

The recall expands a smaller, ongoing recall offered to owners of compact-class and Mercedes-Benz V-Class vehicles. It said the

fix would involve a software update and would draw on knowledge gained through the development of the company’s new family of diesel engines.

Mercedes has no plans to extend the action beyond Europe.

Daimler said in May that German investigators had searched its offices in connection with investigations of Daimler employees because of suspicion of fraud and criminal advertising relating to the possible manipulation of exhaust controls in cars with diesel engines.

The company has said it is cooperating with the investigation.

The company was also asked by the U.S. Justice Department in April of 2016 to conduct an internal probe into its exhaust emissions certification process. Mercedes spokesman Robert Moran in the U.S. said the internal investigation is ongoing.

The company has stopped trying to get its diesel cars certified by the Environmental Protection Agency for use in the U.S., but continues to sell the 2017 model diesel Sprinter commercial vehicles. The Justice Department and EPA would not comment.

The Daimler announcement came hours after the regional government in the company’s home region of Baden-Wuerttemberg agreed to abandon proposals to restrict diesels if older diesels could be fixed to pollute less, the dpa news agency reported.

The current debate over diesel was launched in September 2015 when the U.S. EPA issued a notice of violation against VW.

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# Four-Alarm Fire Can't Shut Down Buff Whelan Chevrolet

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pened,” Bechtell said. “We can only work on dealing with the aftermath of the fire. We cherish our employees at Buff Whelan and we will work to help them out during this situation.”

Bechtell said he doesn't know how long it will take to get everything back to normal.

“But I can tell you one thing,” Bechtell said. “We won't be lollygagging. We want to continue to provide the great service we always have to our customers.”

When asked what he was most worried about, Bechtell said he was most worried about selling 800 cars.

Determining the total amount of damage was going to take time, Bechtell said. The insurance companies will have their say and, while a couple of vehicles inside the service center were totalled, determining the amount of damage to vehicles near the fire because of heat damage will take some time. Initial estimates indicated that be-

tween 10 and 20 vehicles might be considered totalled.

Bechtell also credited Buff Whelan employees for showing up ready to work the day after the fire. They helped move vehicles as required.

“They want to be here to help,” Bechtell said. “I feel like I lost my best friend. As much as you might want to be angry, I know there will be some major work to be done. This wasn't just a building, it was a part of the family.”

Bechtell said the service center was built in 1972 when Buff Whelan moved to its current location in Sterling Heights.

“I will tell you the thing that surprised me most was the scope of the damage caused by the fire at the service center,” Bechtell said. “It was a steel building with a concrete floor. But the heat was so intense that steel and cars were melted. That's an amazing thing to see. A steel building that was melted.”

Miller praised Macomb County's mutual aid program for the help sent to the city. This aid pre-

vented the fire from spreading to other parts of the dealership and vehicles parked around the service center.

“I want to thank all the people from Utica, Macomb Township, Fraser, Roseville, the Detroit Arsenal in Warren, Washington Township, Shelby Township, Clinton Township, St. Clair Shores, Warren, Mount Clemens and Chesterfield Township for helping out,” Miller said.

“St. Clair Shores and Chesterfield Township also provided backup to handle any other calls that night. And backup was needed. We had a couple of other calls, including an apartment fire.”

Miller declined to comment on rumors that the fire may have been started by the cleaning crew accidentally knocking over chemicals.

“The cause of the fire is under investigation and we won't make any comments until the official report is in,” Miller said. “I can say that we have received no reports of injuries from the fire.”



Fire completely gutted Buff Whelan's service center.

Miller described the Buff Whelan service center as a “total loss,” but said the fire could have been worse.

Once the fire was extinguished, Miller said, the Sterling Heights fire department had to secure the scene, investigate the cause and prevent hazardous materials from leaking into the ground.

“The service center contained many different chemicals, including motor oil, and things like transmission fluid, brake fluid, things like that,” Miller said.

“Because it was a service center, these items were stored in large amounts. So far, we haven't seen any indication of the ground being contaminated.”



This ad celebrates Fiat's early history.



This shot honors Fiat vehicles from the 1950s.



This vintage Fiat Abarth is a vital part of Fiat history.



This 2013 Abarth reflects Fiat's modern success.

## Ford Held Real 'Cool' Mustang Promotion

It's summer and for many that means a couple of things – ice cream and car cruising.

Ford knows that and now two cool classics came together this summer as Ford introduced a limited-edition Mustang-inspired Orange Fury ice cream sandwich, created using Coolhaus Premium Ice Cream – the nationally sweet-treat brand known for unique flavors you can't find anywhere else, said Ford spokesman Dan Jones.

Just in time for National Ice Cream Day on July 16, limited-edition ice cream sandwiches were given out for free for four days beginning on July 14, Jones said, at various locations in New York City in a Coolhaus ice cream truck outfitted with 2018 Mustang decals.

Ice cream lovers were also able to enjoy the sweets at the Coolhaus shop in Culver City, Calif., as well, Jones said.

Inspired by the new Orange Fury exterior color available on the 2018 Ford Mustang, the treats were the result of Ford color and materials design manager Barb Whelan engaging the creative Coolhaus product developers to capture the essence of the iconic pony car and its eye-popping new color, Jones said.

“I typically focus on things like color research, leather seats and hand stitching, so this was definitely a bit different for me,” said Whelan. “It was fun applying some of those same design philosophies into helping Cool-

haus create an ice cream flavor that really embodies the new Orange Fury color.”

The treats were made of two fresh-baked Vanilla Whoopie cookies covered in orange icing, sandwiched around a scoop of the one-of-a-kind Orange Fury ice cream, then wrapped in a unique Mustang-printed edible wrapper made from potato wafer paper with edible ink.

“I've always been a fan of the Mustang, and was super excited when they came to us with such a special project,” Coolhaus CEO & founder Natasha Case said. “We thrive on helping our customers realize their vision and love to help create that special, one-of-a-kind experience – one that really makes an impact.”

“We couldn't be happier that one of the original American clas-

sics chose Coolhaus, a new American classic, as a way to add excitement to their latest innovation.”

Customization is an emphasis in the new 2018 Ford Mustang, from its 12 different wheel designs to its customizable 12-inch Digital Instrument Cluster, Jones said. Performance and appearance packages extend the ability for customers to personalize their Mustang, as do three eye-catching fresh exterior colors – Kona Blue, Royal Crimson and, of course, the new Orange Fury.

To explore customization opportunities for 2018, Mustang fans will be able to build and price their very own pony car by visiting [www.ford.com/mustang/2018](http://www.ford.com/mustang/2018) starting July 25, Jones said. The 2018 Mustang is due to reach showrooms this fall.



A vendor shows off the ice cream that was inspired by Mustangs.

## Fiat Fanatics Celebrate Brand with FreakOut

Fiat has a storied history that is celebrated every year at an event called the Fiat FreakOut. This year's gathering took place in Milwaukee.

The buildup to this year's Fiat FreakOut in Milwaukee had a bit of a retro-feel with online posts by the host club, Cream City 500, said Edward Cardenas, multimedia editor for Fiat Chrysler.

In the weeks and months leading up to the July 19-23 event, organizers created a series of promotional posts on social media with photos of classic Fiats and comics featuring Fiats from years past combined with catchy graphics and text, Cardenas said.

These creations were the work of Cream City 500 Club founder and president Amado Rodriguez.

“I have a rich background in art and a passion for advertising/marketing,” Rodriguez said. “I created all the e-posters promoting the event and what I refer to as daily FIAT life.”

This year's FreakOut featured a variety of events, including visits to an automotive museum, a drive on a legendary racetrack and the annual awards banquet, Cardenas said.

Other events included an “anchor event” with dedicated time on the Road America race track.

The primer for that event is a member-guided tour around the historic Elkhart Lake road course, which happened the same weekend as a vintage car race.

This year's Fiat FreakOut was also very personal for Rodriguez.

“Every FreakOut is, or should be, considered special because it's an opportunity to discover, and for people to ‘Get Their Freak On’ in a new part of the country,” Cream City 500 Club founder and president Rodriguez wrote in an email to Cardenas.

“For me, it's all about showing off Cream City, aka Brew City (Milwaukee), to people who never thought about traveling here. We have a different brand of passion. We're very much working class people driving working class cars in style.

“I love my town. I love my car. Both impact my life in different, but connected ways,” wrote Rodriguez. “The inspiration behind what I do is a genuine love of driving my 2013 Fiat 500 Abarth, ‘Sombrita.’ She is my second modern 500. My first being a 2012 Fiat 500 Pop, ‘La Fee Verte.’ My ‘Cento is just as crucial to my daily living as I believe the original city cars were in 1955 (Fiat 600) and 1957 (Nuova Fiat 500).”

## Harper Moves Up at Ziebart

Ziebart International Corporation of Troy, a company specializing in automotive detailing, films and protection services, has promoted Rob Harper to director, U.S. Retail Operations on July 12, said Ziebart spokeswoman Larisa Walega.

Harper, a 15-year employee of the company, will manage all U.S. Ziebart corporate-owned locations, including Fine Lines Graphics & Films in Clinton Township, Walega said.

Harper is responsible for the day-to-day operations, including sales, marketing and advertising, as well as budget development, Walega said.

“We congratulate Rob on his promotion and his 15 years of service to the company,” said Thomas E. Wolfe, president/CEO of Ziebart International Corporation.

While at Ziebart, Harper has held various positions in the Sales and Technical Departments.

He was also corporate store manager at the Dearborn and Lapeer locations.

Prior to joining Ziebart, Harper worked at Auto One, Henderson Glass, and AutoPlus Permatech, Walega said.

Ziebart International Corporation is headquartered in Troy, Mich., representing a global franchise network of vehicle protection and appearance services for over 58 years.

The company was founded on Rust Protection in 1959 and operates approximately 400 licensed locations with 950 service centers in 33 countries.

Walega said Ziebart is the world's top providers in automotive services that renew, protect, preserve, and enhance the appearance of cars and trucks.

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Earns Victory at CTMP

Cadillac V-Performance racing team Whelen Engineering Cadillac won the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Mobil 1 SportsCar Grand Prix at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (CTMP) July 9.

The Mustang Sampling Cadillac was sixth and the Konica Minolta Cadillac came home seventh. The win is the seventh in as many races for the Cadillac DPi-V.R prototype in IMSA competition.

Ricky Taylor had the controls of the No. 10 Konica Minolta Cadillac DPi-V.R at the start of the race. Ricky was able to hold off the speedier No. 85 Oreca for the first hour until he got held up in traffic and the yellow 85 went by. Just a half hour later, they pitted together and the Konica Minolta team was able to get him back out in front for valuable track position around the 2.4-mile, 10-turn CTMP circuit.

Fifty minutes into the race, a full course caution flew and rain began to fall on the back half of the circuit. The yellow timing was within the pit window. The No. 10 Konica Minolta Cadillac DPi-V.R team stayed on slicks, the 85 Oreca went to rains, the No. 31 Whelen Cadillac DPi-V.R went on rains, but just for five minutes, which helped them make up position.

The 85 and the 31 car then had to come back to pit lane a few laps after the race went green to put slicks back on. This gave Cadillac a 1-2-3 on the race track with the Konica Minolta Cadillac leading, the Whelen Engineering Cadillac in second and the Mustang Sampling Cadillac in third.

With 21 minutes remaining, Jordan Taylor had a 14-second lead and went to the outside of

two GTLM cars going into Turn 2. The younger Taylor had contact sending him into the wall causing rear wing damage to the black Cadillac. This turned the race lead over to the red Whelen Engineering Cadillac that went on to win.

“Tires without treads in the wet is kind of hard,” Cameron said. “It feels great to get a win on the board. We will take the luck today. It is tricky. The way the track is oriented you can get some rain on just part of the circuit as we did today. You have to rely on the guys on the box for some help to know what is coming. We got some heavy rain on half of the track. Most people put on wets, then it went dry really fast.

“The guys made the right call to keep us on slicks to get us to the front. I couldn't get full throttle on the back stretch. Everyone was fighting for the same race track. It came back to us when some of the cars got together. We will take this luck after our tough start to the season.”

“This was a day where we didn't expect to win,” Curran said. “We didn't have the best handling Whelen Cadillac today, but people were pitting for rains and back to dry and then the 10 car had their incident and it came back to us. We fought it all day and all weekend.

“First win of the year! This is a good start to the second half of the season for us. I am excited for Sonny Whelen at Whelen Engineering and everyone at Cadillac.”

With 10 minutes remaining, Joao Barbosa had an incident in traffic which caused a lazy spin. He was able to recover, but lost track position.



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# 2018 Regal Combines Power, Performance

Where spirited driving meets attainable luxury and sleek, sporty design meets modern usefulness, drivers will find the 2018 Buick Regal GS – a car for commuters that are anything but common.

At least that's the goal, said GM spokesman Michael Ofiara when the 2018 Regal was unveiled last week.

The Regal has been designed to be the brand's most dramatic expression of design and dynamics with the new model balancing these key characteristics to provide customers excellent driving performance every day and in every season, Ofiara said.

The 2018 Regal GS advances the nameplate with 51 more horsepower than the model it replaces, more refined transmission and AWD technology, new, heated/cooled and massaging performance seats and the added functionality and style of a five-door sportback design, said Duncan Aldred, vice president, Global Buick and GMC.

Starting at \$39,990 with destination charges, the Regal GS offers luxury features at a price more attainable than competitors from Audi and BMW.

"This is a sport sedan designed for everyday driving, but one that makes every drive special," said Aldred. "The new Regal GS is in the sweet spot of the market: more refined and luxurious than the mainstream, more value for the price with style and premium features on par with higher-end competitors, and with standard features like AWD with active twin clutch and a rear sportback design that will surprise customers with its usefulness."

Regal GS Highlights:

- New 3.6L V6 with 310 horsepower and 282 lb.-ft. of torque featuring direct injection, cylinder



The 2018 Buick Regal

der deactivation and stop/start technology.

- Standard nine-speed automatic transmission and intelligent all-wheel drive (AWD) with active twin clutch for improved vehicle control, and five-link rear suspension.

- GS-specific, AGR-certified, performance seats that are heated, cooled and massaging with adjustable seat and seat-back bolsters as well as thigh support.

- Second-generation Continuous Damping Control (CDC) capable of 500 adjustments per second and Interactive Drive Control with GS and Sport modes.

- Unique sport front and rear fascias, side skirts and rear spoiler.

- Standard 19-inch wheels.
- Performance brakes with Brembo front calipers.
- Sport-tuned exhaust system.
- Sport flat-bottom steering wheel and metal pedals.
- Available head-up display.

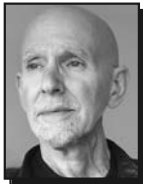
Buick's most advanced new propulsion components come standard on the new Regal GS. With 310 horsepower, its refined 3.6-liter V6 provides more power

than an Acura TLX A-Spec or a Lexus IS350 F-Sport but offers seamless auto stop/start technology and can cruise on four cylinders, Aldred said. The V6 engine is complemented by a sport-tuned dual exhaust system.

Regal GS' intelligent AWD system with an active twin clutch can precisely transfer torque between the rear wheels for more refined and efficient performance, and the GS receives one of the first applications of the nine-speed automatic transmission in the Buick lineup that's mated to AWD. This advanced new transmission will soon be offered across five different Buick models.

Every Regal GS also features Buick's Interactive Drive Control, allowing the driver to tailor the car's dynamics based on different drive experiences through a standard setting or Sport and GS modes selected via the center console, Aldred said. Interactive Drive Control utilizes Buick's second-generation Continuous Damping Control (CDC), which is able to adjust suspension damping up to 500 times per second.

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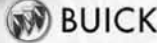
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# Chevy Launches New App Just in Time for Summer

Chevrolet is giving its owners another option to use their myChevrolet app by making it available on Apple Watch.

Chevrolet owners can now remote start and stop their vehicle1, lock and unlock the doors, activate and cancel the horn and lights, locate their vehicle2 and receive walking directions to where it's parked through their myChevrolet app on Apple Watch, said GM spokesman Dan Pierce.

"The use of the myChevrolet app by our owners continues to grow across the entire vehicle lineup, so expanding its availability to Apple Watch was a natural next step and allows us to offer another easy way to manage key vehicle functions remotely," said Paul Edwards, Chevrolet U.S. vice president of Marketing.

"Whether you want to cool down your Malibu on a hot summer day or locate it after attending a crowded baseball game, Chevrolet owners can now make that choice from their iPhone or Apple Watch."

Currently, nearly 1.4 million Chevrolet owners have downloaded and use the myChevrolet app regularly. Silverado, Malibu and Equinox owners are some of the most active myChevrolet users, Edwards said.

Malibu owners alone have used the myChevrolet app nearly 8.5 million times through the first half of 2017, a 44 percent increase over the same time last year.

"The myChevrolet app allows customers to seamlessly interact with their vehicle in a variety of ways, like checking vehicle diagnostics, sending navigation requests or locking the doors," said John McFarland, director of GM Global Digital Experience. "As a result, customers who use the myChevrolet mobile app are some of our most loyal and satisfied Chevrolet owners."

Remote vehicle commands were first introduced by General Motors to Chevrolet owners in 2010 via the OnStar RemoteLink app.

In 2016, the myChevrolet app combined with the OnStar RemoteLink app to offer customers easier mobile access to roadside assistance, parking reminders, owner's manual content, vehicle diagnostics, Wi-Fi hotspot3 management and key fob commands such as remote start and door unlock.

The myChevrolet app for Apple Watch is now available in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. It is available in English, Spanish and French.

All new Chevrolet retail models now come with the OnStar Basic Plan4, which also features remote vehicle access and the AtYourService marketplace via the myChevrolet mobile app, among other features, Edwards said.



The myChevrolet app on Apple Watch can remote start and stop cars.

# Driver Pulls Tesla Claim

by DEE-ANN DURBIN  
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT (AP) – A Tesla driver says his car's partially self-driving Autopilot system wasn't responsible for a crash in Minnesota, despite what he initially told investigators.

In its police report obtained by *The Associated Press* on July 17, the Kandiyohi County Sheriff's Office said David Clark, 58, blamed Autopilot for a crash on the evening of July 15 in Hawick, Minn.

Clark initially told deputies that when he engaged the Autopilot feature, the car suddenly accelerated, left the roadway and overturned in a marsh. Clark and his passengers sustained minor injuries.

But in an email sent July 17 afternoon to the sheriff's office, Clark said he was confused in the moments after the crash. After discussing the crash with his fellow passengers, he now believes that he disengaged Autopilot by stepping on the accelerator before the crash.

"I then remember looking up and seeing the sharp left turn which I was accelerating into. I believe we started to make the turn but then felt the car give way and lose its footing like we hit loose gravel," Clark wrote in the email.

Clark confirmed to the *AP* that he sent the email.

Palo Alto, Calif.-based Tesla said it's investigating the incident and will cooperate with local authorities.

Autopilot automatically maintains a set speed, slows down and brakes in traffic and keeps the car within a lane.

When drivers turn on the system, a message reminds them to remain engaged and be prepared to take the wheel.

Drivers can take their hands off the wheel, but only for short periods.

If they ignore three separate warnings to put their hands on the wheel, the system will turn off.

Federal safety regulators investigated Tesla's Autopilot last year after a fatal crash in Florida. In that case, a Tesla Model S hit a tractor-trailer.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said in January it found no safety defects in the system and declined to issue a recall.

The agency examined the Florida crash and others where Autopilot was engaged and found that, in many cases, driver error was to blame. It also said Tesla's manuals and instructions make clear that human drivers are responsible for driving the car.

It is unclear if the agency will investigate the Minnesota crash. A message seeking comment was left with a NHTSA spokeswoman.

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- 1.4L Turbo DOHC Engine!
  - Automatic Transmission!
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  - Power Driver's Seat!
  - Remote Start and Entry!
  - Rear Vision Camera!
  - Bluetooth for Phone!
- Stock# H39365

Was \$23,475 Sale Price: **\$17,999\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$69\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

NQ Security Deposit required. Tax, title and plate fees extra.

## 2017 EQUINOX "LT"



- 2.4L DOHC Engine!
  - 7" Color Touch Screen MyLink Radio!
  - OnStar with 4G LTE w/built-in Wi-Fi Hotspot!
  - Bluetooth for Phone!
  - Remote Start and Entry!
  - Rear Vision Camera!
  - Power Driver's Seat!
  - Automatic Climate Control!
  - Aluminum Wheels!
  - Deep Tinted Glass!
- Stock# H37719

Was \$29,080 Sale Price: **\$23,999\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$79\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

NQ Security Deposit required. Tax, title and plate fees extra.

## 2017 MALIBU "LT"



- 1.5L Turbo DOHC Engine!
  - 6 Speed Automatic Transmission!
  - 8" Color Touch Screen MyLink Radio!
  - Bluetooth for Phone!
  - Rear Vision Camera!
  - OnStar w/4G LTE w/built-in Wi-Fi Hotspot!
  - Power Driver's Seat!
  - Remote Keyless Entry!
- Stock# H32146

Was \$26,000 Sale Price: **\$21,579\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$99\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

NQ Security Deposit required. Tax, title and plate fees extra.

## 2017 TRAX "LT"



- ECOTEC 1.4L "Turbo" DOHC VVT Engine!
  - OnStar w/4G LTE w/built-in Wi-Fi Hotspot!
  - 7" Color Touch Screen Radio w/Bluetooth!
  - Remote Start and Entry!
  - Bluetooth for Phone!
  - Rear Camera!
  - Aluminum Wheels!
- Stock# H38930

Was \$23,795 Sale Price: **\$16,999\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$109\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

NQ Security Deposit required. Tax, title and plate fees extra.

## 2017 SILVERADO "LT" 4X4 DOUBLE CAB



- ECOTEC 3.6L V6 Engine!
  - Automatic Transmission!
  - GM Bed Liner INCLUDED!
  - 8" Color Screen MyLink Radio w/USB Ports!
  - OnStar w/4G LTE w/built-in Wi-Fi Hotspot!
  - Steering Wheel Radio Controls!
  - Remote Keyless Entry!
  - Aluminum Wheels!
- Stock# H32640

Was \$41,060 Sale Price: **\$33,890\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$119\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

NQ Security Deposit required. Tax, title and plate fees extra.

## 2017 TRAVERSE "LT"



- Style and Technology Package!
  - 3.6L SIDI V6 Engine!
  - 6.5" Color Touch Screen Radio!
  - 7 Passenger "Captain Chair" Seating!
  - Rear Vision Camera!
  - 20" Aluminum Wheels!
  - Bluetooth for Phone!
  - OnStar with 4G LTE w/built-in Wi-Fi Hotspot!
- Stock# 2H2107

Was \$36,740 Sale Price: **\$30,499\***

24 MONTH LEASE



**\$139\***

The Best Price...  
**PERIOD!**

\$999 Down

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