

Fiber Body Historical Team

10-25-05

Interviewer = Susan Howard

Interviewee = Bob Williams (Supervisor)

Seniority Date = 9-16-1964 in Team Age 27 years old

Married - yes (3) daughters

Military = None

Education 2 years College.

1st Boss 5th Manager

8th Job = installing Door Rubbers in Team (10 hrs a day)

Reason for being into Fisher = a warmer climate

Came from New York City there to working.

African Americans = some but hardly any women.

Pranks = Tell everyone to go pick up their Thanksgiving Turkey.

All tools were electric tools at this time.

1975 transferred to salary in Team Dept.

Transition was well from hourly to salary.

Only layoff was model changeover, sometimes 6-8 weeks or more time.

In the old days no ergonomics, punch card payout, no computers etc.

Bob always stayed in the team shop.

Supervision = In the past hand held counters were done but now the computers do the work

On lunch or at break = try to take a nap.

Wages \$2.55/hr to start

Friendships in the plant = had parties in the plant and dinners

Favourite Memories = good inside job, benefits better than before hired in, also wages

Favourite Job - Utility

Worst job = Doan Rubbers

Benefits = Hospitalization was one of the best benefits that GM offered.

Name changes = when the ~~so~~ changes were made and supervisors from chassis come here they were promoted faster than Fisher Body Busses. Also they had lower ~~+~~ seniority than Fisher Body Busses

Retired 4-1-2000, Come back in 7-10-2000 for just a few weeks but stayed until the present. To retire in 11-30-2005.

Plant closing = Hurt at first, but then realize that we are having a new plant built. Bud felt that he should be able to tour the new plant if he wanted.

Words of wisdom = Treat your people right and they will take care of you.

Most rewarding moment = a gentleman up in point was very sick and he was illiterate. Bud saw him at home and in the street. After this he went to the hospital, Bud then made people understand that he was sick with cancer.