



It's a sizzling summer at Robertson Honda

FOR MOST, summer is their favorite season of all, not only because it is the perfect time to go on their dream vacations, work their ideal summer jobs or just plain relax and enjoy the summer sun and all the joys that come with it. Summer is also a time for the hottest events and the hottest sales.

And at Robertson Honda you get two in one as they are offering the hottest car deals with the best rates all summer season long. Robertson Honda has always been known for their quality service where customers are always valued and provided with the best service all the time. Receiving the 2007 and 2008 Council of Excellence (COE) Award for their strong commitment to a rewarding relationship with Honda Financial Services (HFS) and as the No. 1 Filipino Honda Dealership in the San Fernando Valley are further proof of their commitment to serve their customers with unparalleled excellence.

The Robertson Honda team—composed of Danny Reyes, General Sales Manager; Mike Reyes, Desk Manager; and a Filipino Fleet Department—are always committed to give the highest quality of financial services to their customers.

Danny Reyes, the person behind the 10-people-strong Filipino Department, is faithful in giving the lowest possible monthly payments while making sure that the buyers get the Honda that they want and need. He also helped in establishing a strong foundation of Filipinos from various islands of the Philippines who are willing to serve every person that comes in. So whether you are Visayan, Bicolano, Kapampangan and so on — chances are, they speak your native tongue.

The Filipino fleet has definitely set a high standard when it comes to the car dealership business as more and more Filipinos in the San Fernando Valley area trust Robertson Honda over the others.

And getting to drive home your dream vehicle does not mean Robertson Honda is done with you as their service continues and continues. They have several programs that reach out to the community's needs, one of which is the Newly Graduate Program, which can help rebuild your credit by giving you a car even if you have a bankruptcy or repossession at a very minimal downpayment.

Meanwhile, Robertson Honda's Parts and Service



Mike Reyes, Filipino Desk Manager

Department headed by Joe DeRobertis is responsible for servicing your Honda vehicles and maintaining them at tiptop condition. Here you can relax and mingle with kababayans while sitting in their waiting area where coffee is complimentary, snacks and reading materials are within reach and a state-of-the-art plasma TV with hundreds of channels to choose from can kill your boredom before it even starts.

So let Robertson Honda make this summer season all the more worthwhile with their quality service and the best deals and make the "Number One Filipino Honda Store" for 40 years your choice. Visit Robertson Honda at 5841 Lankershim Blvd. in North Hollywood, and experience quality service that will exceed your expectations. For inquiries, please call 1-800-813-3467 or log on to www.robertsonhonda.com.

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US auto sales fall...

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the Ford Fusion rose 9.4 per cent as the company began selling new 2010 models of the midsize sedan along with a hybrid version. Ford said it sold a record number Fusions - 19,786 in May - which was surpassed only by sales of its F-series pickup trucks.

GM said it delivered 191,875 vehicles in May, helped by 110,866 truck sales.

GM entered bankruptcy protection with the hope of emerging within 60 to 90 days as a smaller, less debt-burdened company.

The Pontiac, Hummer, Saturn and Saab brands accounted for the company's biggest sales declines. GM has said it plans to get rid of those divisions as part of

its restructuring and stick to four core brands: Chevrolet, Buick, Cadillac and GMC.

Saturn sales fell 56 per cent, and Pontiac sales were down 52 per cent.

LaNeve said GM expects to lose some market share given the sell-off or phasing out of some of its brands, but it doesn't expect its share to fall below 16 per cent.

The fact that a bankruptcy filing loomed over the company throughout the month of May did not hurt sales.

Ford says its better cars are driving sales and its increasing market share, not GM and Chrysler's troubles. The company said it plans to increase produc-

tion levels in the second quarter by 10,000 vehicles, to 445,000, in contrast to its U.S. competitors that are cutting production and idling plants this summer.

GM said it plans to produce 390,000 vehicles in North America in the second quarter.

Automakers are facing the worst U.S. sales climate in 27 years. The companies and analysts are expecting a rebound as the consumer confidence improves, but there's concern that heavy incentives to are inflating sales.

Ford said it decreased incentive spending in May but is launching a new program, "Drive the Ford Difference," this month, in which the company will pay three months of car payments, up to \$2,100. Zero-per cent financing will also be available on some vehicles. (AP)

May Auto Sales: General Motors

DETROIT -- General Motors Corp. said Tuesday that its May US vehicle sales dropped 29 percent, but showed significant improvement from their April levels.

GM sold a total of 190,881 light vehicles, down from 268,892 in May 2008.

Light truck sales dropped 20.8 percent to 109,873 from 138,777, as demand for the HHR fell 11.3 percent to 9,671 and Tahoe sales dropped 20.4 percent to 6,306.

Car sales tumbled 37.7 percent to 81,009 from 130,115, as sales of the Cobalt dropped 52.2 percent to 12,764 and Impala sales fell 21.4 percent to 18,709. The company sold 5,463 units of its new Camaro.

The news came a day after the Detroit-based automaker filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in New York. The company hopes to restructure and exit court oversight in 90 days.

Compared with April, GM said its May volumes rose 11 percent, or by about 19,000 vehicles and represented the company's best results to date for 2009.

For the first five months of this year, GM light vehicle sales fell 41.8 percent to 772,733. Light truck sales dropped 39.3 percent to 453,316, while car sales fell 45 percent to 319,417.

GM said it produced a total of 134,000 vehicles in May, representing a 46 percent drop from the same month last year. The company backed its second-quarter production forecast of 390,000 vehicles, which would amount to a 53 percent drop from the same period a year ago. (AP)

German car sales show another rise in May

BERLIN - Auto sales in Germany showed another sharp year-on-year rise in May thanks to a popular car-scrapping bonus, while tentative signs of stabilization in foreign markets also offered cheer, an industry group said Wednesday.

New car registrations in May were up 40 percent on the year to 384,600, which was the highest level for the month since Germany's post-reunification boom in 1991, the VDA group said.

Over the first five months of the year, new car registrations were up 23 percent to some 1.6 million.

Germany's euro2,500 (\$3,550) bonus for people who scrap cars at least nine years old and buy new ones was introduced earlier this year in an effort to boost the auto industry — a key part of the economy.

Germany, which is in a deep recession as the global crisis pushes down demand for a wide range of exports, is home to car makers such as Daimler AG, Porsche SE, Volkswagen AG and BMW AG.

German car makers' exports were down 24 percent on the year in March to 246,000 vehicles, VDA said. However, that was an improvement on the 48 decline seen in April and the 38 percent fall in the year so far.

Orders from abroad were down 17 percent on the year in May, but saw a 10 percent improvement over April in month-on-month terms, the group said.

However, it said the good news for auto makers at home failed to compensate entirely for the slump in exports, with production falling 9 percent on the year despite a 19 percent rise on the month. (AP)

Business as usual in NASCAR despite GM's Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing

CHARLOTTE, NC — General Motors has become the second of NASCAR's four manufacturers to enter Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, but industry leaders remain confident support will continue as the automakers shore up their finances.

"I've never wanted to race anything else, and I have every confidence that we will continue to celebrate victories together for many more seasons to come," team owner Rick Hendrick said Monday, a day after Jimmie Johnson gave him his 180th win in NASCAR's top series with a victory at Dover International Speedway.

"My Plan A is Chevrolet and my Plan B is Chevrolet and my Plan C is Chevrolet."

GM joined Chrysler LLC, which fields Dodges in NASCAR, in Chapter 11 protection.

Chrysler filed April 30, and a judge on Sunday gave the company approval to sell most of its assets to Italy's Fiat in a move that could help it exit from court protection as early as this week.

Chevrolet, Dodge, Ford and Toyota are the four participating automakers in NASCAR, and each manufacturer spends millions each season to fund its race teams. Ford and Toyota currently have the most financial stability, but neither automaker has escaped the global economic crisis unscathed and both have weathered cutbacks to the racing budgets.

But Chevrolet is NASCAR's most successful manufacturer, with 32 championships in the premier Cup series. But the GM budget has been stretched thin for more than a year now, and last summer the automaker announced it wasn't renewing contracts at four of the 12 tracks it sponsored.

It also moved to a year-to-year deal with Daytona International Speedway, NASCAR's flagship track.

NASCAR chairman Brian France has remained confident that racing budgets will not suffer during the Chapter 11 restructuring, and noted during All-Star race activities two weeks ago that Dodge had conducted business as usual since its filing.

NASCAR also is tied to the auto companies through additional sponsorship deals ranging from large television advertising buys to race naming rights deals.

"Our hope and expectation is that we will fare at the top of the list as to things you would not want to cut. I believe that to be true," France said. "They're still going to be a company that needs to sell cars and trucks. We're still the best place in the country to do that from a sponsorship standpoint and the related benefits that you receive."

There were 16 Chevrolets in the 43-car field at Dover on Sunday, and Chevy drivers claimed seven of the top 12 spots. Johnson, the three-time defending series champion, won a thrilling late duel with fellow Chevrolet driver Tony Stewart to claim his second win of the season.

Hendrick, who has fielded Chevrolets for 25 years in NASCAR and owns 27 GM dealerships across the country, doesn't expect a decline in Chevrolet performance post-Chapter 11.

"I have an unwavering faith in the company's leadership team and our government's commitment to support this reorganization," he said. "After all of the efforts of the past several months, it's unfortunate that bankruptcy has become the only option, but we at Hendrick Automotive Group and Hendrick Motorsports are certain that GM will emerge from this stronger and better equipped to compete than ever before."

NASCAR has experience in automaker pullouts, operating from 1971 to 1980 with almost no factory support for its teams. Chevrolet and Ford returned, but Dodge did not make its comeback until 2001. Toyota became the fourth NASCAR participant — the Japanese automaker is eligible because it produces cars and trucks in the U.S. — with its 2007 entry into the Cup Series. (AP)

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Managers Being Recruited for 2010 Census
Tagalog-Speaking Managers Sought for 19 counties

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The Los Angeles Regional Census Center is actively recruiting managers for 27 Local Census Offices. 26 will be located in Southern California, and one in Honolulu, Hawaii. With the exception of the U.S. military, the nationwide recruiting effort for the decennial census is the largest peace time hiring of temporary federal employees.

In the fall of 2009, these 27 Local Census Offices will open to direct Field Operations for the region's population count on Census Day, April 1, 2010. These offices will be located in strategic areas of southern California and on the island of Oahu, Hawaii. Managers' salaries range from \$19.25 to \$29.00 per hour depending on location and position.

The current focus and priority is on recruiting and testing to fill six key management positions for each Local Census Office before the openings in the Fall, 2009. The positions are: Local Census Office Manager, Assistant Manager for Field Operations, Assistant Manager for Administration, Assistant Manager for Recruiting, Assistant Manager for Quality Assurance, and Assistant Manager for Technology.

Testing will be ongoing in Local Census Office cities and their surrounding areas. To reserve a seat for testing, please call (866) 861-2010, enter zero: "0" and your zip code.

New offices will open in the counties of Los Angeles, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange, Fresno, Santa Barbara, and Honolulu, Hawaii.

For more information on Census 2010 jobs in the Los Angeles Region, please visit

www.census.gov/losangeles.

Click on the link for "Regional Employment."