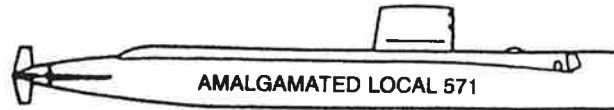




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***MDA-UAW Local 571
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2022***

November 9, 2022

President William E. Louis called the meeting to order and asked that we keep in our thoughts our recently deceased retiree Thomas Avery, Passed UAW Leader Phil Wheeler, family members and our Veterans past and present.

President William E. Louis asked for a motion to accept the October 17, 2022 Executive Council Meeting Minutes as circulated and posted. A motion was made (Mark Ciliano), seconded (Glen Pothier) and passed to accept.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Robert Faraci read the Treasurers Report. A motion was made (Eric Straub), seconded (Joe Marmaud) and passed to accept

Correspondence:

To President Willian E. Louis from the United States Submarine Veterans asking for our support in providing Thanksgiving meals to their Submarine community. Many Submariners will not be able to have Thanksgiving with family. The Sub Vets will serve the dinner to those and family members in need.

To President William E. Louis from the UAW International, Health and Safety Program themed "Coming Together for Health and Safety," May 21st through May 28th, 2022 at the UAW Family Education Center, Black Lake, Michigan.

To President William E. Louis from ConnectiCOSH, the 2022 Ray Elling Health and Safety Convention, Friday, November 18, 2022, IAM Local 1146 Union Hall, 357 Main Street, East Hartford, CT.

To President William E. Louis from the UAW International, the 2022 Virtual UAW Community Services Conference, Thursday, December 8, 2022.

William E. Louis, President
David M. Reagan, 1st Vice President
Amy Stephenson, 2nd Vice President



Martha J. Fletcher, Recording Secretary
Dave W. Evans, Financial Secretary
Robert J. Faraci, Treasurer

To President William E. Louis from the UAW International, the 2022 Virtual UAW Standing Committees Conference, Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

Officer Reports:

First Vice President David Reagan reported no new step 3 grievance filed.

Second Vice President Amy Stephenson reported no new step 3 grievances filed.

Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher reported no new step 3 grievances filed.

Financial Secretary Dave Evans reported no new step 3 grievances filed. Settled grievance U-0014-22, members pay being frozen after being promoted to Charge Person. The member will be made whole.

Treasurer Robert Faraci reported no new step 3 grievances filed. Filed arbitration for grievance U-0013-22 for unjust disciplinary action for alleged dozing.

Standing Committee Reports:

Absentee Committee Wayne Carbone reported the following E-Board members were absent from the October 17, 2022, Executive Council Membership Meeting: Amy Stephenson, Dan Hall, Pam Gonski, James Newman, Mark Ciliano, Tony Giordano, Rob Gaudiano, Mike Alice, Deb Basnight, Jeffrey Carver, Jeremy Deschamps, Kevin Fusconi, Jerry Momplaisir, Eric Nelson, Glen Pothier, Ed Rocznik and Jeffrey Vary,

Joint Apprentice Committee Financial Secretary Dave Evans reported the Apprentice jackets the union has gifted to previous graduating apprentices are no longer available to purchase in quantities of less than 300. We would like to purchase a sweatshirt and a pullover for Cohort 3. There is a small increase in cost from last year's jackets.

Building and Property Committee Financial Secretary Dave Evans reported deposits for the front door and the gutters at the union hall have been sent out. Once the material has been received by the contractors the work will be started. We would also like to welcome Joseph Huffman to the committee.

Health & Safety Committee Chair Rick Gianfrocco reported:

Groton Building 184: There was a flood in closed area 63 the issue has been fixed and the area has been dried out and now has dehumidifiers to help with moisture control .

Eagle Park : The defibrillator has been replaced all fire extinguisher are now up to date . And the Urinals have been fixed.

We would like to welcome Steve Trujillo to the Health and Safety committee.

We would like to thank Ken O'Brien and Dan Vieira and the union hall for all of the help for getting this done.

parking garage repair is on a 5-year plan. It is in the 3rd year and work starts March through November every year. Please be aware of your surroundings while this work is in process.

Womens Committee Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher reported that on December 3, 2022 the Women's Committee and LUCA Committee will be having their Annual Christmas/Holiday Photo Card event 10:00 am thru 2:00 pm at the Union Hall. Members and their family members are welcome to come by and have their photo taken with Santa or just a Seasonal back drop. The photos will be put on cards with envelopes to be taken home at the event. Crafts such as stocking decorating and refreshment will be available. Pets are welcome too. This is at no cost to all who attend.

Insurance and Benefits Committee Ed Nevins reported:

Open Enrollment 2023:

The Annual enrollment period will be **November 16 to December 2, 2022**. During this time, you will be asked to make benefits selections for 2023. Enrollment packages are being mailed to your home addresses regarding medical, dental, vision, life insurance, voluntary benefits, etc. Information concerning the benefits briefing by adobe connect sessions open to EB Employees and Spouses. Guides will be in the mail early next week, so watch out for them.

Meeting Schedule:

Day	Date	Time	Meeting Type
Tuesday	11/8/2022	5:00 PM	Zoom
Wednesday	11/9/2022	4:30pm	MDA-Union Hall
Tuesday	11/15/2022	3:30pm	Zoom

Links for presentations will be: <https://meeting.gdeb.com/mdaae2023/>

Phone: 646-828-7666, code: 16187062760

Over 65 Healthcare for EB Retirees Medical & Prescriptions for 2023 Open Enrollment:

Medical will continue with Anthem BCBS and Express Scripts Plans.

If you would like to join Beacon at one of the educational and informational meetings to learn about the Electric Boat Retiree Medical and Prescription Drug Plan options available in 2023.

Two Sessions Per Day:

Tuesday, November 8th Great Neck Country Club (Langley's), 9am-1pm

Tuesday, November 15th, Mystic Hilton, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Tuesday, November 16th, Mystic Hilton, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Friday, November 18th, Zoom Meeting, 10:00 am, meeting ID 971 4465 3384

- *You can download the ZOOM app to your iPhone or iPad via the App Store.*
- *You can go to <https://zoom.us> and click on at the top of the home page and join the meeting by entering the meeting ID.*
- *The meeting will be recorded, and we will post the recording in the Electric Boat section of our website and email it to Electric Boat retirees and spouses on our email distribution list or upon your request.*
- *You may also phone in rather than join zoom, at 1-646-558-8656.*

Beacon Retiree Benefits Group:

Invites EB Retiree's to participate in special Medicare Medical & Prescription Drug Plan. Special group program is only available to Medicare eligible EB retiree's and spouses. All plans, rates & benefits are the same in all 50 states. There are no individual plans comparable in these unique group options. Session Information:

- Hilton Mystic Hotel at 10:00 am:
 - Wednesday, December 7, 2022
 - Wednesday, January 4, 2023
 - Wednesday, February, 1, 2023
- Great Neck Country Club at 4:00 pm:
 - Wednesday, February 15, 2023
 - Wednesday, April 19, 2023

To reserve a seat at a meeting of your choice: Contact Beacon Retiree Benefits Group at 1.888.484.0414•Email your request to RSVP@beaconmedicare.com

2022 Vaccination Clinics's – New London

The Electric Boat Medical team in the New London Health Clinic are offering flu and bivalent COVID booster vaccinations during the month of November. Either vaccination is no cost to you.

Appointments are recommended but walk-ins will be accommodated as well. Call 860-433-3470 or 860-867-4000 to schedule your appointment.

Please see dates below. All clinics take place from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. (November 15 & 29).

Be sure to fill out and print [your flu vaccination consent form](#) or [your COVID vaccination consent form](#) to bring to the clinic.

Questions? Please contact EB Medical at ebmedical@gdeb.com

*In addition, COVID vaccine bivalent boosters are available through the EB Pharmacies only. Brand availability varies by location. **Please call your site's pharmacy for more information and to schedule an appointment.***

EB Family Wellness Center, 860-629-8272 or through you My Premise Account (Flu only)

EB Family Pharmacy Groton, 888-578-3457 (Flu and COVID bivalent booster)

EB Family Pharmacy Quonset, 800-891-4235 (Flu and COVID bivalent booster)

November is Diabetes Awareness Month:

EB and Wellness offers several free programs for diabetic and pre-diabetic employees/dependents. Optum wellness coaches offer free screening assessment this month at various locations. Please contact the following:

- Wellness Coaching- AnnMarie Bartelli 860-822-3160 & David Zaldivar 332-257-5164
- Condition Management-Help manage your blood sugar levels call EB Family Wellness at 860-629-8272, Mel Cowen Certified Educator.
- Omada-free management program through cast light, down load app.
- Dimensions- EB pharmacy free diabetes medications, call 888-578-3457

MDA Insurance Committee: Jim Newman at 433-2558 (Groton), Tony Giordano at 867-2458 (NL) and/or Chairman Ed Nevins at 867-2563 (NL).

Community Service Committee Co-Chair James Newman reported Our Annual EBECSA campaign presentations are completed. Anyone who has missed the scheduled presentations is welcome to complete the iPledge online this month. To find the iPledge site using the search bar in HOMEPOR, type in iPledge and press "Enter" you will see the link; which, will be active for a few more weeks. We would like to thank our MDA team members:

Christine Bobinski, Paula Brown, Robert Canova, John Charette, Peter Crizer, Jeremy Deschamps, Kim Deschamps, Brandy Forbes-Gordon, Paula Gilger, Brad Lamphere, JoAnne McClenathan, Don Miller, Stephanie Miller, Jim Newman, Katrina Spanos, Rosemary Taft, Barbra Tanner, Jennifer Wessell, Nicole Wilcox and our MDA Loaned Employees Karen Hensley and Michelle Ingalls for all their help.

October 22nd we were at the five area Stop & Shop stores from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm collecting food for the Gemma E Moran United Way Labor Food Center. We were able to collect 4085 pounds of food and cash donations of \$1,519.52. This equates to a grand total of 7,963 meals. Thank you to the following MDA members and family members who showed up to help. Paula Brown, Peter Crizer, Kim Deschamps, Ashly and Olivia Field, Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher, Karen Hensley, Don Miller and Bonnie, Stephanie Miller, Jim and Dianne Newman, Tanairi and Benvris Acevedo-Ramos, Jen and Zeke Wessell, Nicole Alida and Larkin Wilcox and retiree Joan Gaynor with Larissa Willson.

Sunday October 23rd MDA member Brad Lamphere, Michelle and Ethan Ingalls and retired member Robert Ness helped at St. Marks Church in Mystic preparing meal packages.

Watch for the information on this year's Tommy Toy Drive. This will be a joint effort again this year with other EB Groups. We will be collecting new toys starting Monday November 28th. We are looking for 10 members to help by hosting collections point near their desk. If you would like to sign up for a collection location, please let us know so we can add your name and location on the flyer. We will be collecting the toys from the drop spots with the Teamsters.

Please contact Jim Newman 433-2558 or Peter Crizer 433-2706 if you have any questions.

Election Committee Treasurer Robert Faraci report nominations for Councillors are open in the following areas from November 6, 2022 until November 16, 2022:

1. NL Tower C (Three opening)
2. Kings Highway (Two openings)
3. Bldg. 221 (One opening)
4. Bldg. 1, 1B, 1E, 7, 8N, 8S, 30, 32, 38, 97, 109, 112, 119, 130, 184, & 260 (Two openings)
5. NL Tower B (One Opening)

Flyers are posted in each area.

A Special Election Meeting is being called for the purpose of opening nominations & Elections for the two vacancies of election committee. Nominations will open and close for the vacated

position of election committee and election will take place at the scheduled General Membership Meeting. This will take place on December 5, 2022 at the Mystic Marriott Groton at 4:30 P.M.

A Special Election Meeting is being called for the purpose of opening nominations for the Executive Board vacancy of Membership Representative-At-Large. Nominations will open and close for the vacated position of Membership Representative-At-Large at the special election meeting prior to the start of the scheduled General Membership Meeting. This will take place on December 5, 2022 at the Mystic Marriott Groton at 4:30 P.M. Also at this meeting, the date and places, time and rules for the election will be discussed and voted on.

All nominees wishing to run for Membership Representative-At-Large must either accept their nomination orally or in writing at the Special Election Meeting in accordance with MDA-UAW Local 571 by-laws.

A Flyer went out on Wednesday 10-19-2022.

Old Business

MDA Apparel is available with many options and colors with a new MDA Logo added. The MDA covers 1/2 the cost. If interested contact the union office secretary Karen Heroux for more info.

The MDA purchase \$500.00 worth of hats, mittens and gloves and another \$200.00 worth using Crazy Deal. They were delivered to the United Way to be given out with toys in December at the Tommy Toy Distribution for families in need. Thank you all for your support in making the holidays a little better for families.

Dave Reagan, Ed Nevins, James Newman and myself will be visiting our members out in Newport News, Virginia facility on November 16th. We will be joining the health fair and then taking them out for the afternoon to have lunch and spend some time with them. We will be taking the EB shuttle down in the morning and back in the late afternoon.

The MDA will be hosting an open enrollment at the union office on November 9th. We have 17 who have responded to attend. Food and drinks will be provided.

New Business

The Machinist Union Food Pantry has reached out for some help. They are in need of Vegetables to complete Turkey baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, for families in need in our communities. An email was sent out for support on November 1st and the response was supported 29-1 to spend \$2000.00 on Vegetables to complete the baskets. The cost came to \$2,112.00 for 2400 items and Stop and Shop donated the difference of \$112.00. Thank you Stop and Shop and to all who responded with your support. If you know of a family in need of a food basket, please let us know ASAP and we can get you added to the list to receive one.

Our MDA cohort 3 apprentice class is graduating and we would like to support them with the apparel, as described in Dave Evans report. A motion was made (Greg Maynard), seconded (Robert Canova) and passed to accept.

The ConnectiCOSH is having their 2022 Health and Safety Convention on Friday, November 18, 2022, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at the IAM Local 1146 Union Hall. We would like approval to send up to 4 to the Convention which is in person or virtual. The cost is \$25 registration fee and we would also cover lost time for the day. A motion was made (Brian Brimmer), seconded (Robert Canova) and passed to accept.

The LUCA/Women's Committee would like to hold its Christmas/Holiday card event on Saturday December 3, 2022 at the Union Office, 394 Tollgate Road, Groton, CT. A motion was made to spend up to \$500.00 for the event (Mark Ciliano), seconded (Aaron Pearson) and passed to accept.

For the Good of the Union

We have come through the FTO being taken in tenths. This change now allows the MDA along with the MTC and Carpenters, who never had the option, to take their money in tenths.

The Company has retracted the change to our benefits in regards to coverage for 26-year old's. No change for 2023, anybody turning 26 next year will be covered till the end of 2023. You may see communication in regards to changing that benefit to losing coverage at the end of the month they turn 26 but that is because the communications have been put out prior to the company retracting it for union members only. Salary is still affected.

General Membership meeting in December. We need a head count from Councillors by November 23rd with names, please. Looking to make sure we have a good count for food purposes.

2022 shutdown. This schedule was set within the MTC and Carpenters negotiations. This is not the first time the schedule was for a short shutdown, one week. This has happened in the past. If you have floaters available, they can be used for the Monday and Tuesday following the shutdown if another day or 2 are needed. We have until the end of February to use our unused floaters. Also, Floaters cannot be put in for shutdown. This is due to the program rolling over your unused FTO. But you will be paid all you unused FTO the week we come back from shutdown, "as if" you put it in to cover the days. Charts conflict due to being put out before realizing the issue, on using floaters for the shutdown.

We have had some request for some food vendor options at Eagle Park. They will start on November 8th, serving from 11:00 to 12:30. <http://everythingan.com> is the web-site if you want to check it out.

Our 2nd annual MDA-UAW Local 571 Veterans Committee Cornhole fundraiser is Saturday, November 12. We have 126 teams registered to date. We raised \$9600.00 last year and looking at breaking \$10,000.00 this event. I would like to give out a HUGE thank you to our retirees. Our retirees donate every month at the lunches to our Veterans. Since December of 2021, the retirees have donated \$1,526.00 to go towards the Veterans. Thank you for all you support through the year.

Lawrence Memorial Technicians will be doing an information walk for their upcoming contract info and possibly a 2-day strike in the near future. More info on dates and times to come.

Hopefully everyone has received their ballots for the UAW elections. Please let us know if you have not or if you have any questions.

Financial Secretary Dave Evans provided a list of the new member applications:

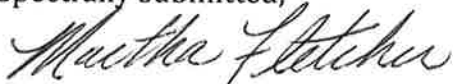
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164160	ETHAN GONCALVES	456
159785	JENNIFER LAWSON	275
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163718	AIMEE FESTA	681
163992	MATTHEW MORGERA	459
163285	CYNTHIA CLEARWATERS-PALKO	456
163637	SHAWN BIRDSEYE	447

A motion was made to accept the new member applicants (James Newman), seconded (Steve Karavolis) and passed to accept.

A motion was made to adjourn (Mark Ciliano), seconded (Glen Pothier) and passed to adjourn.

Please see Flyers attached to these Meeting Minutes:

Respectfully submitted,



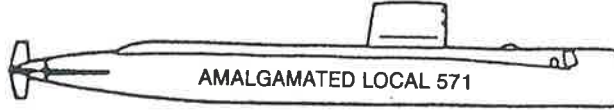
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RECREATION NOTICE CHRISTMAS / HOLIDAY DINNER DANCE

- DATE:** Saturday, December 10, 2022
- PLACE:** The Premier Ballroom at Fox Tower, Foxwoods Resort Casino
350 Trolley Line Blvd., Ledyard, CT 06338
- PRICE** **\$25.00 per person (NO CASH)** Check or Money Order Only. Make checks payable to "MDA-UAW LOCAL 571"
- TIME:** 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Social Hour (Hors D'oeuvres & Cocktails)
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM Dinner
- MENU CHOICES:**
1. Filet Mignon
 2. Fish
 3. Chicken
 4. Vegetarian/Vegan
- DANCING:** 8:30 PM to Midnight, music provided by the band Sugar
- TICKET SALES:** Each ticket will include 4 drink tickets to be used during the night. A cash bar will also be available.

**MORE INFORMATION ON
MEALS TO FOLLOW**



- 11/15/22 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM - New London Cafeteria
 - 11/16/22 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM - Eagle Park Cafeteria
 - 11/17/22 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM - Groton Bldg. 88 Atrium Cafeteria
 - 11/18/22 - 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM - Kings Highway Cafeteria
 - 2nd Go around for New London & Groton:**
 - 11/21/22 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM - New London Cafeteria
 - 11/22/19 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM - Groton Bldg. #88 Atrium Cafeteria
- NOTE: This is the Monday & Tuesday of Thanksgiving week**




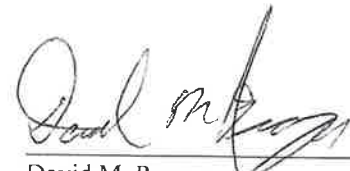
2nd Shift call Dave or Karen at the Hall (860) 448-0552
 Satellites - Please order through your Councillor or call the Union Hall
 Retirees - Please see Karen Heroux at the Union Hall
 Work From Home will have to come to the Union Hall

Any questions please call Dave Reagan or Karen Heroux at the Hall 860-448-0552

For room reservations visit <https://book.passkey.com/go/mdauaw2022>

NOTE: Rooms are available until 11/16/22.


 William E. Louis
 MDA - UAW Local 571 President


 David M. Reagan
 Recreation Committee Officer

William E. Louis, President
David M. Reagan, 1st Vice President
Amy Stephenson, 2nd Vice President



Martha J. Fletcher, Recording Secretary
Dave W. Evans, Financial Secretary
Robert J. Faraci, Treasurer

Seating is based on 10 people per table, "first come, first serve".
 Event is open to members in good standing. The member is eligible to bring one guest at the \$25 ticket price ... NOTE: If both parties are members and wish to bring another guest, the guest's price is \$150.

NO CASH: MONEY ORDERS OR CHECK ONLY MADE OUT TO MDA-UAW LOCAL 571

TABLE # _____

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

	NAME	BADGE	CHECK or MONEY ORDER #	FOOD CHOICE "Beef, Chicken, Fish or Veg"
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IF YOUR PLANS CHANGE AFTER YOU SIGN-UP, AS LONG AS YOU CONTACT THE HALL ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 7, 2022, WE WILL BE ABLE TO REFUND YOUR MONEY.

CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY FAMILY PHOTO CARD EVENT

SATURDAY DEC. 3RD, 2022
MDA UNION HALL 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

OPEN TO ALL
MDA MEMBERS
AND IMMEDIATE
FAMILY INCLUDING
PETS

HOLIDAY
PHOTO CARDS
WITH ENVELOPES
WILL BE PRINTED
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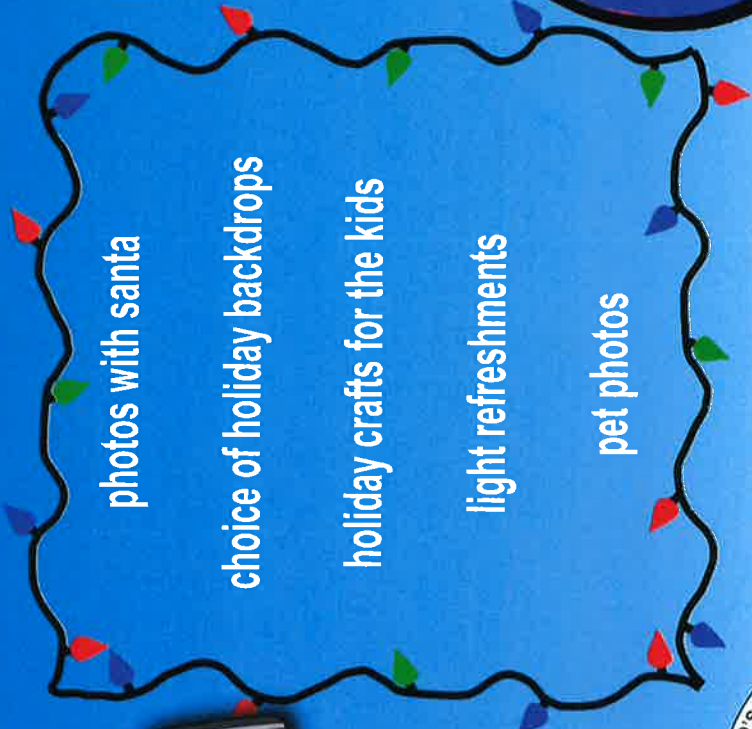
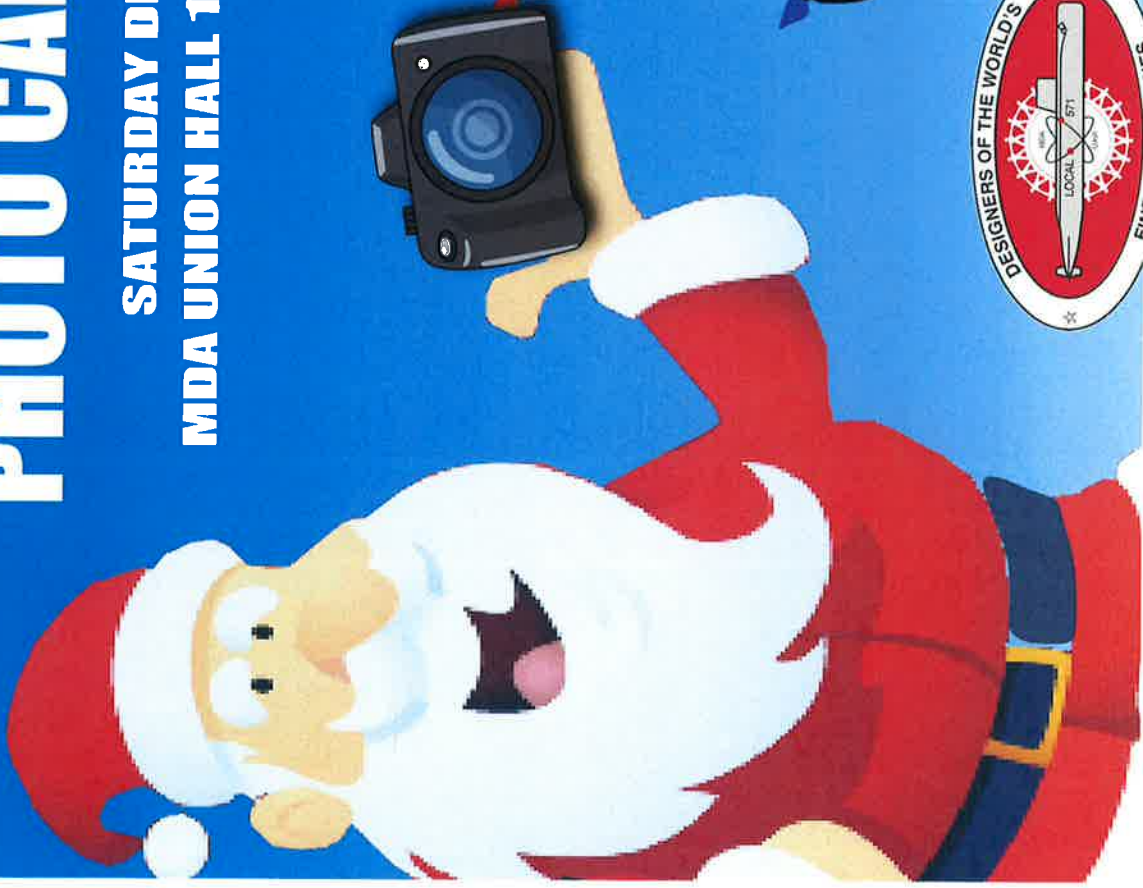
photos with santa

choice of holiday backdrops

holiday crafts for the kids

light refreshments

pet photos



Free Event Sponsored By

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LUCA (Local Union Communications Association)



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Seniors**

RSVP VETERANS' COFFEEHOUSE

Meet and socialize with other veterans.

Receive information about veterans' benefits and services.

GROTON

*2nd and 4th Friday 9am - 11am
Groton Public Library
52 Newtown Road*

MYSTIC

*1st and 3rd Thursday 9am - 11am
Masonicare Mystic
45 Clara Drive*

NEW LONDON

*1st and 3rd Friday 9am - 11am
New London Senior Citizens Center
120 Broad Street*

PAWCATUCK

*2nd and 4th Thursday 9am - 11am
Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center
27 Chase Street*

NORWICH

*1st and 3rd Tuesday 9am - 11am
Easter Seals Rally Point
24 Stott Avenue*

MONTVILLE

*2nd and 4th Tuesday 9am - 11am
Montville Senior Center
12 Maple Avenue*

*For information, contact: James Hodge,
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