MDA-UAW LOCAL 571 2011 YEAR IN REVIEW

JANUARY
Financial Secretary Wayne Burgess, Human & Civil Rights Chairperson Leon Owens and six (6) members of the Civil & Human Rights Committee attend the UAW Region 9A Civil & Human Rights Dinner in Hartford, CT.

President Robert P. Canova, First Vice-President William L.Guistini, Second Vice-President Tracy A. Nickerson, Treasurer William E. Louis and Grievance Rep Joe Husereau attend the UAW Cap Conference in Washington, D.C.

FEBRUARY
Electric Boat announces due to lack of work in Design. Some Designers will be loaned to Engineering for periods of six (6) months to one (1) year.

William Dwyer wins Trustee election.

MARCH
MDA-UAW Local 571 holds its annual member Recognition Award Dinner.

President Robert P. Canova and Second Vice-President Tracy A. Nickerson attend opening session of EB Technical Excellence Week.

Treasurer William E. Louis and Grievance Rep Joe Husereau attend a rally in Providence R.I for the state workers in Wisconsin.

APRIL
The Union Officers and the Technology Committee attend a meeting on IPDE processes and communications for the new technology.

The AFL-CIO Worker’s Memorial Ceremony was held at Washington Park in Groton, CT on April 28, 2011.

The first two moves of the year to the New London Facility with many more to follow.

MAY
President Robert P. Canova, Second Vice – President Tracy A. Nickerson and Sergeant – at – Arms David Reagan attend the UAW General Dynamics Council Meeting in Detroit MI.

President Robert P. Canova, Human and Civil Rights Chairperson Leon Owens and eight (8) members attend the Electric Boat Black Engineering Council 16th Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet.

Members Velma Oliver and Kim Wood attend the 67th Annual Eastern Seaboard Apprenticeship Conference (ESAC) in Niagara, NY.

Joint Technology members First Vice-President William L. Guistini, Doug Witt, Joe Sobanski and Tony Niedojadlo attend the 2011 Siemens PLM Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

JUNE
President Robert Canova announced the six winners of the 2010 John F. Saffomilla and E. Roy Colville Scholarships. They are as follows Matthew Savona son of member Gary Savona, Rachel Markow, daughter of member Susan Markow, Alyssa Smallridge, daughter of member David Smallridge, Tara Pealer, daughter of member Jay Pealer, Samantha Brodnicki daughter of member Kevin Brodnicki and Taylor Perry daughter of member Robert Perry.

For the 22nd consecutive year, Flag Day buttons were distributed to the membership.

The Annual MDA-UAW Local 571 Family Picnic at Lake Compounce, Bristol CT.

JULY
The Union Hall has a new roof installed.

The Unions life insurance policy for the members is renewed with Lincoln Insurance with life insurance benefit increased to $4000.00

 AUGUST
Elections for Councillors in Tower C New London.

Solidarity Day Picnic is held at Washington Park Groton, CT on August 13th 2011. Good time had by all in attendance.

SEPTEMBER
President Robert P. Canova, First Vice-President William L. Guistini, Second Vice-President Tracy A. Nickerson, Treasurer William E. Louis and Sergeant- at- Arms David Reagan attend the UAW Region 9A Leadership Conference, Cape Cod, MA.

The 18th Annual Pete Johnson Golf Day was held at the Cedar Ridge Golf Course in East Lyme, CT.

OCTOBER
Second Vice President Tracy A. Nickerson and Human and Civil Rights Chairperson Leon Owens attend the 28th Annual UAW Civil and Human Rights Conference, Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

First Vice President William L. Guistini, Financial Secretary Wayne Burgess and Treasurer William E. Louis attend the UAW General Dynamics Council Meeting Nashville TN.

NOVEMBER
Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta and Congressman Joe Courtney tour the Groton shipyard.

Electrical, Structural, Ventilation and Piping Design move a majority of our members to New London Tower B.

DECEMBER
The Annual MDA-UAW Local 571 Holiday Dinner Dance was held at the Mystic Marriott on December 3, 2011.

President Robert P. Canova attends christening of the 782 USS Mississippi.

THE OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A HAPPY & HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON