

MDA-UAW LOCAL 571 2013 YEAR IN REVIEW

JANUARY

The MDA-UAW Local 571 received a thank you letter from the State of CT, Department of Veterans' Affairs, State Veterans Home in Rocky Hill, CT for our donation of miscellaneous toiletries for the Secret Santa Program. Monies donated came from retiree Steve Beck and six officers.

A total of \$2,700,000.00 was raised from the United Way Community Services drive for 2012.

W. Burgess, P. Gonski, E. Johnson, W. Louis, D. Malhotra, C. Mauro, L. Owens, J. Page, D. Reagan and K. Rowland attended The UAW Region 9A Civil & Human Rights Dinner, Hartford, CT.

FEBRUARY

W. Bolanos, J. Doak, M. Garduno, C. Kelly, J. Luppert and L. Zarkos attended the 2010-2013 Leadership Institutes, at the Walter & May Reuther UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

M. Ciliano, J. Husereau, W. Louis and K. Rowland attended the UAW National CAP Conference, Washington DC.

R. Faraci, W. May, W. Louis and D. Reagan attended the Financial Conference, New Orleans, LA.

MARCH

The MDA-UAW Recognition Dinner was held at the Groton Inn and Suites, Groton, CT.

41,688 lbs of food and misc items were collected from the C&S Food Show at the MGM Grand, Foxwoods to support the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center.

APRIL

Many union Brothers and Sisters attended the annual AFL-CIO Workers Memorial held at Washington Park, Groton CT and Hartford, CT in recognition of former MDA President E. Roy Colville and all deceased workers.

MAY

W. Burgess, P. Chreiman, P. Clay, R. Faraci, J. Husereau, W. Louis and K. Rowland attended the joint UAW IAM Lobby Day at the Hartford Legislative Office Building, Hartford, CT.

The Veterans Committee sponsored 2 buses to Washington DC for members and their families.

K. Deschamps, M. Fletcher, P. Gilger, P. Gonski, J. Newman and E. Rocznik attended the UCAN Training at the United Way office in Gales Ferry, CT.

J. Husereau, W. Louis and K. Rowland attended a round table discussion with US Senator Jack Reed from RI.

W. Burgess attended the joint BET and GD Council meeting, New Orleans, LA.

A National Day of Prayer was held. Chaplain Scott Gardner stated there were 3 sessions well attended.

MDA-UAW Local 571 members, Electric Boat employees and their families attended a Day of Caring at the Thames River Community Service, Inc., Norwich, CT.

The winners of the John F. Saffomilla and E. Roy Colville Scholarship are: Sethulakshmi Babu, daughter of member Babu Cheriya; John Delaney, son of member James Delaney; Dominic Jengo, son of member Kelly Jengo; Kaitlin Pealer, daughter of member Jay Pealer; Joslin Phaneuf, daughter of member Alan Phaneuf and Dominique Sobieski, daughter of member William Sobieski.

JUNE

Region 9A UAW 7th annual Charity Golf Tournament was held at Tower Ridge Country Club, Simsbury, CT.

J. Marmaud, K. Rowland and V. Williams attended the Eastern Seaboard Apprenticeship Conference (ESAC) at the Foxwoods, Mashantucket, CT.

Chaplain Scott Gardner attended the 26th Annual International UAW Chaplaincy Conference at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

C. Mauro attended the UAW-LUPA Communications Conference at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

The MDA Family Day at Lake Compounce, Bristol, CT, was enjoyed by many members and their families.

Several members attended the 50 year anniversary of MLK's Freedom Walk, Detroit, MI.

T. Clancy, W. Louis, and D. Witt attended the Siemens PLM World Conference, Dallas, TX.

JULY

The MDA-UAW Local 571 Solidarity Day Family Picnic was held at Washington Park, Groton, CT. The picnic was enjoyed by many.

Members and the families of J. Carver, K. Kelly, S. Jackson, E. Johnson, A. Maglio and P. Medeiros attended the Family Scholarship Program at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

The 2013 Annual AFL-CIO Summer School at the Central CT State University in Bridgeport, CT. P. Chreiman, W. Dwyer, J. Husereau, P. Ryan, E. Straub, and M. Tonucci attended.

Several MDA-UAW Local 571 members attended the AFL-CIO Community Services Golf Tournament in Jewett City, CT to benefit the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center.

AUGUST

The MDA-UAW Local 571 Family Night at Dodd Stadium, Norwich, CT, was enjoyed by many.

B. Barnes, P. Collis, P. Gilger and L. Gilger attended the UAW Women's Conference at the UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

J. Bond and K. Rowland attended the UAW Veterans' Conference at the Walter & May Reuther UAW Family Education Center at Black Lake, Onaway, MI.

The MDA-UAW Local 571 went on a bus trip to commemorate the Martin Luther King 50th Commemoration March for Jobs & Freedom Rally in Washington, DC.

38,400 lbs. of food from a Food Show was collected at the MGM Grand, Foxwoods to support the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center.

A Day of Caring for the "Serve those who Serve" Program was held to support injured Veteran Jon Meadows.

SEPTEMBER

Members of the Executive Board and Retiree Committee attended the Region 9A Leadership Conference at the Cape Codder Resort, Hyannis, MA.

The Peter Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament was held at the Cedar Ridge Golf Course, East Lyme, CT.

W. Burgess, M. Hicks and W. Louis attended the Connecticut Veterans Home Stand Down at the Connecticut Veterans Home, Rocky Hill, CT.

W. Burgess, R. Faraci, W. Louis, D. Reagan and K. Rowland attended the Connecticut AFL-CIO, 10th Biennial Constitutional Convention was held at the MGM Grand at Foxwoods, Mashantucket, CT.

The 10th Biennial Constitutional Convention Women's Breakfast was held at the MGM Grand at Foxwoods, Mashantucket, CT. P. Clay, P. Collis, P. Gonski, J. Page, J. Wessell and A. Wurzbacher attended.

W. Burgess and K. Rowland attended the United Labor Agency 35th Celebration at the MGM Grand at Foxwoods, Mashantucket, CT.

OCTOBER

D. Reagan and K. Rowland attended the Labor Law and Labor Arbitration Conference, Boston, MA.

W. Burgess and J. Husereau attended the Constitutional Convention of the RI AFL-CIO at the Twin River Casino, Lincoln, RI.

R. Faraci, P. Gonski, W. Louis and W. May attended the joint BET and GD Council Meeting, Charlotte, NC.

A Day of Caring was held at several Stop & Shop's with 6,427 pounds of food and \$1,309.32 collected for the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center.

NOVEMBER

The UAW Region 9A Veterans Council 16th Annual Dinner Dance was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cromwell, CT. S. Beck, W. Burgess, P. Clay, M. Hicks, E. Novak, K. Rowland and V. Williams attended.

W. Louis attended the International Leadership Convention, Dearborn, MI.

V. Blanco, N. DeFosses, D. Gonzalez, R. McClung and R. Valentine attended the ConnectiCOSH Annual Convention, Farmington, CT.

The Women's Committee collected 4 bags of gently used Halloween costumes and donated them to one of the local shelters.

Chaplain Scott Gardner was selected to be Region 9A's Chaplaincy Coordinator.

The New England Regional Users Group Conference was held in Worcester, MA. Twenty-two MDA-UAW Local 571 members attended.

DECEMBER

The annual Holiday Dinner Dance is being held at the Mystic Marriott, Groton, CT.