



SOUNDINGS

JANUARY - APRIL 2015

FROM **PT-BOATS** TO **SUBMARINES**

THE ELECTRIC LAUNCH COMPANY AND THE ELECTRIC BOAT COMPANY

Electric Launch and Navigation Company, later known as Electric Launch Company ("Elco"), may be said to have been born at the Colombian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago. 55 launches, each 36 feet long and powered by battery-powered electric motors, carried over a million passengers on the waterways of the Exposition from April 15th through October 31st, 1893.

From 1892 through two World Wars and up to the time of its closing in 1949, Elco designed and built - or had built - more than 6,000 pleasure boats ranging in size from an 18 foot gig or yacht tender to cruising power boats up to 127 feet in length. It also built craft for the government of the United States and other countries, including lifeboats for the U.S. Coast Guard, launches and tenders for

various navies, anti-submarine motor launches in World War I and PT boats in World War II before joining Electric Boat in Groton.

See "WE MADE PT-BOATS" on Page 6 for full story



An old matchbook cover from Electric Boat depicting a PT-Boat.
Courtesy of Pat Clay

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ON THE COVER

Construction of the PT Boats at the Bayonne NJ plant



FROM THE OFFICERS



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SHOWING SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT FOR YOUR UNION

WEAR RED ON WEDNESDAY

In our last general membership meeting held on June 8, 2015, our Union voted to purchase shirts to be worn in support of our upcoming negotiations in November 2016.

Past UAW President Bob King started the Red shirt Wednesdays, which stand for "Solidarity Day" to show their support for public sector workers under attack by governors and lawmakers who are pushing policies that would wreck America's middle class and strip away the gains the Unions in public and private sectors have brought to all workers.

Our shirts will be Red bearing the MDA-UAW 571 logo and "Solidarity" on the sleeve.

We are asking all members to stand together and show Solidarity and Unity during and leading up to negotiations.

We need to put aside our differences and must stand together as one. We are asking for your help and support during this very important time.

This will be our time to show the company that we do stand together as one and that we deserve a fair contract and will accept nothing less.

For all these reasons and more, support your local Union, your family and yourself!

GOVERNMENT DATA BREACH

The U.S. Government acknowledged earlier this month that hackers stole the personnel files and background investigations of current and former civilian, intelligence and military employees, contractors, and even job applicants. Initially, the U.S. said the stolen data included social security numbers, birth dates, job actions and other private information for 4.2 million workers.

Days later, it acknowledged that the cyber spies obtained detailed background information on millions of military, intelligence and other personnel who have been investigated for security clearances. That information included details about drug use, criminal convictions, mental health issues and the names and addresses of relatives and any foreigners with whom they had contact.

The investigation is being

coordinated at the little-known National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force, which is led by the FBI and includes 19 intelligence agencies and law enforcement, including the National Security Agency, CIA, Homeland Security Department, Secret Service and Cyber Command.

Recently, there was an email from the Company concerning this Government data breach.

Two people who spoke to the Associated Press, and a third congressional aide familiar with the case who also spoke on condition of anonymity after classified briefings, said that as many as 14 million current and former employees were affected.

According to Kevin Cassidy, Director of HR and Security Administration, "if anyone was affected by the Chinese hack - you would get a letter from the Office of Program Management (OPM) that will explain what to do."

So far, no one we know here at EB has been affected. But if you have been notified, please contact the Union Hall so that we can keep track of how many members may have been one of the affected people.

Thank you,

Your Union Officers

Send submissions, comments or questions to:
joanne.basile@snet.net

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CONFERENCES YOUR LOCAL ATTENDED

BARGAINING & NEGOTIATING, BLACK LAKE MI
FINANCIAL OFFICERS CONFERENCE, NEW ORLEANS LA

2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

06-27-15 Lake Compounce
08-08-15 Solidarity Day Picnic
08-14-15 Campground Outing
08-29-15 Dodd Stadium Baseball night
09-19-15 MDA Golf Tournament
10-10-15 Fright Fest, Six Flags
12-12-15 Holiday Dinner Dance at Foxwoods

FOR ANY EVENT

PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM WITHIN THE DEADLINES!

We will strive to make sure we can properly
accommodate everyone and have an accurate count.

MDA-UAW LOCAL 571 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE

EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Executive Board	Jul 06	3:00PM	Union Office
Executive Board	Aug 03	3:00PM	Union Office
Executive Board	Sep 14	3:00PM	Ocean Beach
General Membership	Sep 14	4:30PM	Ocean Beach
Executive Board	Oct 05	3:00PM	Groton Inn & Suites
Executive Council	Oct 05	4:30PM	Groton Inn & Suites
Executive Board	Nov 02	3:00PM	Ocean Beach
Executive Council	Nov 02	4:30PM	Ocean Beach
Executive Board	Dec 07	3:00PM	Ocean Beach
General Membership	Dec 07	4:30PM	Ocean Beach



Quick Lemony Chicken Saltimbocca

Recipe taken from *Cooking Light Global Kitchen: The World's Most Delicious Food Made Easy* by David Joachim, published by Oxmoor House 2014. **Around 220 calories per serving.**

Ingredients:

4 (4-ounce) chicken cutlets
1/8 teaspoon salt
12 fresh sage leaves
2 ounces very thinly sliced prosciutto, cut into 8 thick strips
4 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
1/3 cup fat-free, lower-sodium chicken broth
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon cornstarch
Lemon wedges (optional)

Directions:

Sprinkle chicken evenly with salt. Place 3 sage leaves on each cutlet; wrap 2 prosciutto slices around each cutlet, securing sage leaves in place. Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Add 1 tablespoon oil to pan; swirl to coat. Add chicken to pan; cook 2 minutes on each side or until done. Remove chicken from pan; keep warm. Combine broth, lemon juice, and cornstarch in a small bowl; stir with a whisk until smooth. Add cornstarch mixture and remaining 1 teaspoon olive oil to pan; bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Cook 1 minute or until slightly thickened, stirring constantly with a whisk. Spoon sauce over chicken. Serve with lemon wedges, if desired. Serves 4 (Serving size: 1 cutlet and 2 tablespoons sauce)

IN THE NEXT ISSUE:

May through August Events
Officer Election Results



Congratulations and Welcome!

Congratulations to all the returning councillors and Grievance Representatives as well as the newly-elected officials.

There is always on-going training taking place at our Union Hall and opportunities to train at Walter and May Reuther Conference UAW Family Education Center in Black Lake, Onaway MI.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

8 SUMMER TIME STEPS FOR HEALTH LIVING

Improve your health with steps so simple you'll barely notice the effort.

By Kathleen Doheny

WebMD Feature Reviewed by Louise Chang, MD

In the warmer, longer, lazier days of summer, the living may not be easy, but your life probably feels less chaotic. Even adults tend to adopt a "school's out!" attitude in summer. That's why this is a perfect time to improve your health in a fashion so seasonally laid back you'll barely notice the effort.

To get you started, WebMD went to eight health experts in fields such as diet, fitness, stress, vision, and oral health. We asked them this: If you could only suggest one simple change this season to boost personal health, what would it be? Here are their top eight tips.

1. Give Your Diet a Berry Boost

If you do one thing this summer to improve your diet, have a cup of mixed fresh berries -- blackberries, blueberries, or strawberries -- every day. They'll help you load up on antioxidants, which may help prevent damage to tissues and reduce the risks of age-related illnesses. Blueberries and blackberries are especially antioxidant-rich.

A big bonus: Berries are also tops in fiber, which helps keep cholesterol low and may even help prevent some cancers.

2. Get Dirty -- and Stress Less

To improve your stress level, plant a small garden, cultivate a flower box, or if space is really limited, plant a few flower pots -- indoors or out.

Just putting your hands in soil is "grounding." And when life feels like you're moving so fast your feet are barely touching the stuff, being mentally grounded can help relieve physical and mental stress.

3. Floss Daily

You know you need to, now it's time to start: floss every single day. Do it at the beach (in a secluded spot), while reading on your patio, or when watching TV -- and the task will breeze by.

Flossing reduces oral bacteria, which improves overall body health, and if oral bacteria is low, your body has more resources to fight bacteria elsewhere. Floss daily and you're doing better than at least 85% of people.

4. Get Outside to Exercise

Pick one outdoor activity -- going on a hike, taking a nature walk, playing games such as tag with your kids, cycling, roller blading, or swimming -- to shed that cooped-up feeling

of gym workouts.

And remember, the family that plays together not only gets fit together -- it's also a great way to create bonding time.

5. Be Good to Your Eyes

To protect your vision at work and at play, wear protective eye wear. When outdoors, wear sunglasses that block at least 99% of ultraviolet A and B rays. Sunglasses can help prevent cataracts, as well as wrinkles around the eyes.

And when playing sports or doing tasks such as mowing the lawn, wear protective eye wear. Ask your eye doctor about the best type; some are sport-specific.

6. Vacation Time!

Improve your heart health: take advantage of summer's slower schedule by using your vacation time to unwind.

Vacations have multiple benefits: They can help lower your blood pressure, heart rate, and stress hormones such as cortisol, which contributes to a widening waist and an increased risk of heart disease.

SUN EXPOSURE

can be harmful if you do not take the proper precautions. Even on cloudy days, UV Rays can cause damage to your skin, connective tissue and increase the risk for developing skin cancer.

Be prepared this summer. Use proper protection in the sun.



OUR MEMBERS



REMEMBERING OUR MEMBERS

Death often weighs heavier on us by its weight on others and pains us by their pain almost as much as by our own, and sometimes even more. ~ Montaigne

Richard Capalbo, Retiree
02/22/41 – 03/29/15

Kenneth E. Montiro, Retiree
08/29/51 – 03/31/15

Charles Mills, Retiree
12/01/47 – 04/04/15

Antoine Bassette, Retiree
04/19/29 – 04/09/15

Donald Gauvin, Retiree
04/05/33 – 04/10/15

IN MEMORIAM

*We are deeply saddened by the sudden loss of our Union brothers.
Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families.*



KENNETH E. MONTIRO

was a piping designer for D452 for many years before retiring. He will be missed dearly. Rest in peace our Brother.

Please contact the Union Hall to have someone you know remembered or pay a special tribute to.

Congratulations to the MDA-UAW 101 New Hire Classes



New Hire Class 8



New Hire Class 9

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New Hire Class 10



New Hire Class 11

2015 RETIREE LUNCHEONS

09 JUL - Tony D's Restaurant, New London CT
13 AUG - Great Neck Country Club, Waterford CT
10 SEP - Ocean Beach, New London CT
08 OCT - TBD
12 NOV - Richmond Country Club, Richmond RI
10 DEC - Great Neck Country Club, Waterford CT

2015 RETIREES

Sep 26, 2014	Anthony Granata	Apr 20, 2015	James Hill
Mar 20, 2015	Richard Ledzian	Apr 23, 2015	William Owens
Mar 30, 2015	Donald Sherman	Apr 28, 2015	William Muenzner
Apr 06, 2015	Peter Davichik		

ON BEHALF OF LOCAL 571, WE'D LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND BEST OF LUCK WITH YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!





WE MADE PT-BOATS

HISTORY OF GENERAL DYNAMICS AND THE ELECTRIC LAUNCH COMPANY

By Gary Hall and Carol Mauro

The company we now work for was founded in 1899 by Isaac Rice as the Electric Boat Company to build John Philip Holland's submersible designs, which were developed at Lewis Nixon's Crescent Shipyard in Elizabeth, New Jersey. The first submarine this shipyard built was Holland VI, which was later renamed USS Holland (SS-1). On April 11th, 1900 it became the first modern submarine to be purchased and commissioned into the United States Navy.

During the World War I era, the company and its subsidiaries built 85 submarines (via subcontractors) and 722 submarine chasers for the US Navy, and 580 80-foot motor launches for the British Royal Navy. During World War II, the company built 74 submarines, while its sister company, The Electric Launch Company (Elco), built nearly 400 PT boats, with 326 of them 80 feet in length.

Then, on November 10, 1892, the General Electric Launch and Navigation Company was incorporated. The founders of this firm included Henry R. Weston, who was the attorney for the first filing on March 12. The two companies existed simultaneously and appeared to have had overlapping ownership.

Elco first made its mark at the World's Colombian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago. 55 launches, each 36 feet long and powered by battery-powered electric motors, carried over a million passengers on the waterways of the Exposition from April 15th through October 31st, 1893.

But to advance this story, we must first go back to 1880, when a Philadelphian named William Woodnut Griscom received a patent for a small electric motor intended for sewing machines. Griscom then created the Electro Dynamic Corp. to manufacture those motors, along with a growing variety of products from voltmeters to switchboards to storage batteries, as well as lighting systems and steering gear for ships. Griscom's company might have rivaled Westinghouse or General Electric had not a series of disasters struck. One of his subsidiaries went bankrupt, an electric power station that Griscom built in Haverford in Philadelphia burned down, and Griscom himself was killed in a hunting accident in 1897. At the time of his death, Griscom was negotiating the sale of patent rights for his electric motor with Isaac Leopold Rice, the man who put together the foundations of an empire today known as the General Dynamics Corporation, builder of nuclear submarines and one of the world's largest defense contractors.

At this point I need to mention that five men whose importance and contribution to the field of electric launches cannot be exaggerated: William Immisch, J. C. Chamberlain, and the brothers Anthony & Frederick Reckenzaun and more importantly the Frenchman Gustave Trouvé, who should be

considered the "Father of the Electric Boat"; which is another story...

Rice's battery company had been selling batteries to the Electric Launch Company, and Griscom's Electro Dynamic (now owned by Rice) had been selling them motors. Rice purchased the Electric Launch Company from Chamberlain and merged it, on February 7, 1899, with another recent acquisition, the famous Holland Torpedo Boat Company, developers of America's first submarines. The Electro Dynamic Co., the Electric Storage Battery Co., the Electric Launch Co., and the Holland firm were then consolidated into the Electric Boat Company. This was possibly the world's first "holding" company and was the birth of General Dynamics (renamed in 1952), now one of the world's largest defense contractors.

The submarine business was not especially lucrative prior to 1915. Rice made money by selling licenses for the Holland submarine for any foreign firm that had the cash. One such customer was Vickers Sons & Maxim of England, at that time vying with Krupp as the world's largest defense contractor. Vickers' famous managing director, Sir Trevor Dawson, bought a submarine license in 1900 and began building subs for the Admiralty at the Vickers yard in Barrow-in-Furness. Vickers' relationship with Rice and Electric Boat continued through World War I, and Vickers was even a major holder of Electric Boat Company stock. This relationship led to the construction of the sub-chasing motor launches.

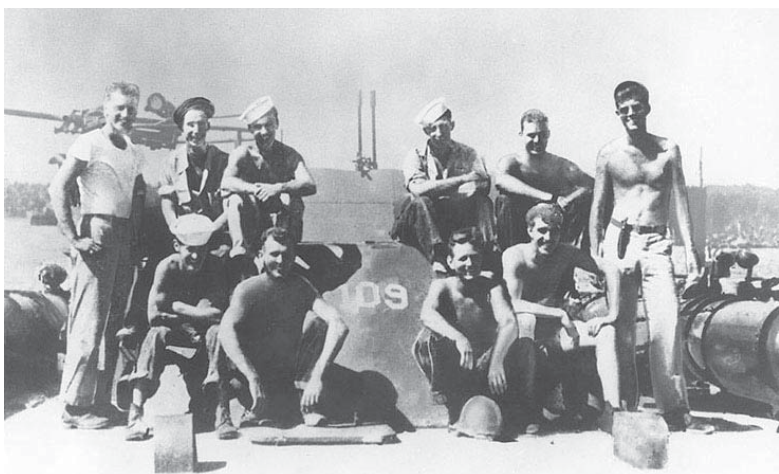
The man who managed Elco for Rice was Henry R. Sutphen, a minister's son from Morristown, New Jersey, and an electrician by trade. Sutphen joined Elco as early as 1892, and may have been the field manager on the World's Fair project. By 1902, the list of Elco customers included Admiral Dewey, two Romanovs, Mrs. Westinghouse, Hiram Walker, John Jacob Astor IV, Baron Nathaniel de Rothschild, and a host of other luminaries. In April 1902 Sutphen was named general manager of Elco, and in June 1904 he became a director of the Electric Boat Co., the parent organization. In 1905, Rice named him a vice president and put him in charge of the Elco division.

By 1900 electric powered pleasure boats outnumbered the combined number of boats powered by steam and explosive engines (as gasoline powered motors were called). By 1910 the advantages of the range and power of gasoline came to dominate the market and Elco converted to motor boats.

In 1916, The US Navy was interested in High Speed motor boats, with weapons such as Torpedo's and Machine Guns, and speeds of over 50mph. A few shipyards answered the calling and built several test boats. Between 1930 thru 1939, many boats were tested for speed and endurance.

In 1938, a prize was offered to the winning shipyard for the





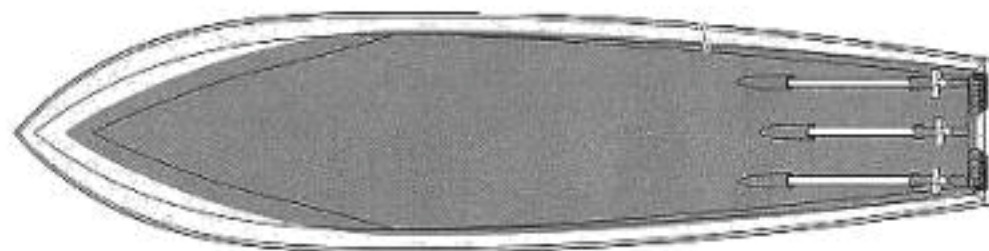
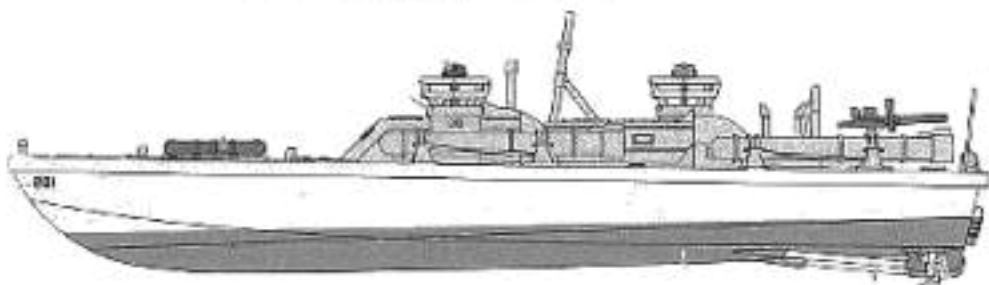
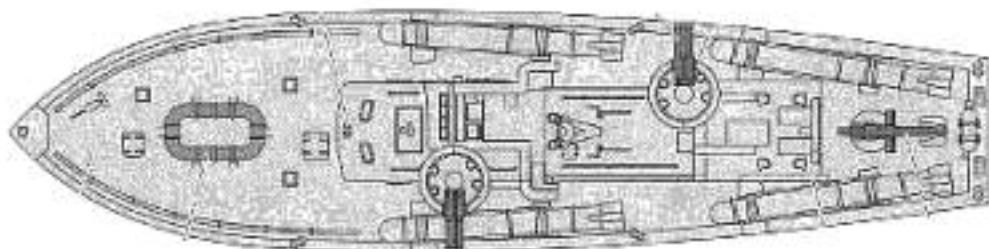
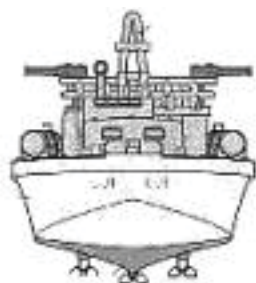
Above, a young John F. Kennedy with crew on PT-109. Lieutenant John F. Kennedy's encounter with a Japanese destroyer on the night of August 1, 1943, may be the most famous small-craft engagement in naval history, and it was an unmitigated disaster. Below is a schematic of a typical PT-Boat.

This ship was built upside down for ease of most trades, then it would be lifted and flipped over for completion. The list of materials included: 62 frames, over 400,000 nails with wood types including Mahogany from Africa and the Honduras, West coast cedar, white oak from Jersey. Brazilian Balsa, Bernese Teak, Maple, Fir, Wisconsin Birch, Alaska and Canadian Spruce, Ash, Poplar, and Heavy Greenhart from the Gihannas. Quite a shopping list.

The first generation PT's would run approx. 27 mph. With a 20'8" beam, these boats were rated at 12 ton and displaced 300 tons (70'). Using a method of gluing, laminating and ironing onto the mahogany strengthened the hull to be equal to the steel hull of a destroyer. Other boats designed and built were the 77' and 81' powered by three 12 cylinder, 1200 HP Packard Engines. These were later pushed to 1500 HP. The 1500 Hp Packard engines were mounted into the boat with the center engine being direct drive.

In 1945, the second generation (80') were a planing type and would perform around 46 mph. These models carried four MK8 torpedoes, two M2 .50 cal machine guns, and dynamite on both sides. These engines were modified to

best design. In 1939, Henry R. Stuphen of Electric Launch Co, and Irwin Chase, Bill Fleming and Glenville Tremaine, designers, visited the United Kingdom at the Navy's request to pursue a model to prototype. A 70' Unit was purchased from British Power Boat Co PV70, later renamed PT-9. (Patrol Torpedo). Elco built Eleven of these for the Navy. The Navy had many boats tested and the biggest issue was the hull strength. After experimentation, the first PT boat built in any quantity was the 73-foot type (later the 77-foot and 80-foot types were built, such as the PT-109).



1850 HP with a new Supercharger and After-cooler, making top speeds of 57mph or 50 knots. Each of the three engines used 166 gallons of 100% octane aircraft fuel per hour to maintain a cruising speed of 23 mph, which consumed 498 Gallons for 1 hour. These engines were equivalent to the

Elco's craftsmanship was the finest. All the keels and frames were hand hewn by two men from Scandinavia. These men were unparalleled in their trade. One miss of the axe would ruin the keel or the frame.

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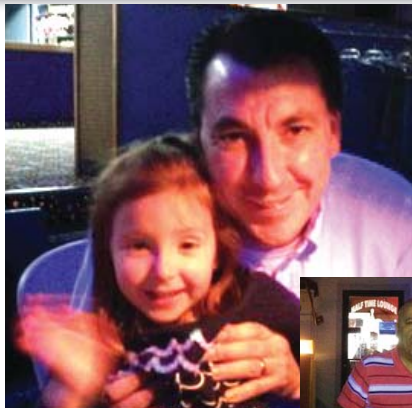
EVENTS

BOWLING NIGHT

For the 2nd year, our Family Bowling Night was held at the Waterford Family Bowl on April 14, 2015.

Members and their families enjoyed an evening of duck pin and 10-pin bowling. Pizza, drinks and cookies were served and enjoyed by all.

The evening was filled with fun and laughter, our members enjoying the bowling, lights and music. Thanks to all who participated.



Photo's courtesy of uwsect.org



WORKERS MEMORIAL

On April 28th, 2015 a ceremony was held locally and across the country to honor the memory of workers killed or injured while on the job.

The Memorial site contains more than 600 commemorative markers remembering workers and their families who have made the supreme sacrifice through loss of life.

The Southeastern Connecticut Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO and AFL-CIO Community Services sponsor the ceremony every year and pledge to stand solid as the rock at the memorial site to continue to fight for every American Workers right to a safe work site. The ceremony was held at 6:00 am at Washington Park in Groton CT.

MOVIE NIGHT

We had our 3rd movie outing for our members and their families on February 28, 2015. The family movie "Paddington" was shown at the Stonington 10 Theater in North Stonington, CT. After the movie, there were many compliments on this family fun filled movie. Thanks to all who participated.



RECOGNITION DINNER

On March 21st, 2015 the Recognition dinner not only honored active union members for their voluntary contributions, but also the retirees. Thank you for all your contributions during 2014.





WEDNESDAY IS “SOLIDARITY DAY” WEAR YOUR RED SHIRT TO SHOW YOUR SOLIDARITY

At the June 8, 2015 Membership meeting, our president suggested we should purchase red shirts in order to show solidarity in our membership. As members of our great union, it is you - the membership - who voice your opinions to the officers you elected. It is a day that we need to come together to recognize and recommit our solidarity. We need to show that we are more organized and energized than ever.

Contracts are coming up in 2016. Lets do our part to represent our brothers and sisters.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

isn't about showing disrespect for managers or being anti-management.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is about supporting the Union in the contract negotiation process.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is having a voice in that process.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is protecting your job and your wages from being reclassified into a lesser status.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is supporting families and working hours that are conducive to the family unit.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

isn't anti-management, it is pro-community.

It is having a strong contract so we can live together as management, designers, technicians, administrative aides - without having to live in fear that one day our job will be replaced and eliminated.

it's about supporting your local economy.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is being proactive during this process so we don't have to be reactive.

WEARING RED ON WEDNESDAY

is showing our collective support for this, our Union Contract,
so we can prevent showing it on the picket line!

For all these reasons and more, support your local Union and yourself! WEAR RED ON WEDNESDAYS!

**SHIRTS ARE FREE TO
MEMBERS**

See your Councillor for ordering

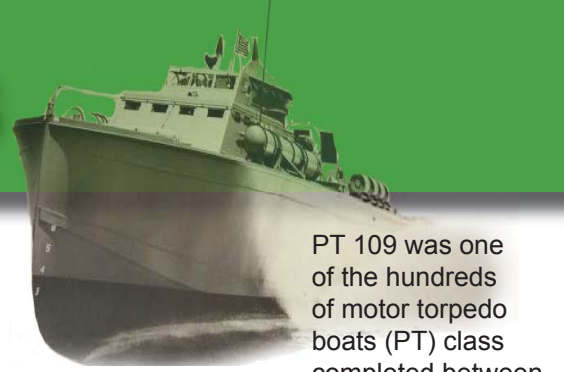
**“RIGHT TO WORK”
IS TEMPORARY**

“SOLIDARITY” IS FOREVER





WE MADE PT-BOATS



PT 109 was one of the hundreds of motor torpedo boats (PT) class completed between 1942 and 1945 by Elco Naval Division of Electric Boat Company at Bayonne, NJ.

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power of a B17 bomber, getting in and out quickly. General McArthur actually used this model in the Philippine Islands.

A testament to it's testament quality, ability and durability, the PT-109 (the boat JFK would eventually man) was split in half by the Amagiri, a Japanese Destroyer, but managed to float for 12 hours after the attack.

At the height of its PT boat production, Elco employed more than 3,000 men and women working three shifts a day six days a week. They produced, on average, one PT boat every 60 hours. This brought Elco six consecutive Navy "E" Awards for defense contracting excellence, and earned the company \$10 million in profits on a cost-plus basis.

After the war, Elco went back to building pleasure boats, and merged with it's sister company Electric Boat to form the nucleus of a new corporation General Dynamics. It was just a small branch of the Electric Boat Conglomerate handled by John Jay Hopkins. Selling boats to the general public did not fit and the company and Hopkins felt that Elco was not a profitable enterprise. So in December of 1949, the work force was let go and the equipment, supplies and plant in Bayonne were sold.

From 1892 through two World Wars and up to the time of its closing in 1949, Elco designed and built - or had built - more than 6,000 pleasure boats ranging in size from an 18 foot gig or yacht tender to cruising power boats up to 127 feet in length and nearly 726 PT boats.

In late 1949, when Tremain and his staff culled through 57 years of Elco records, drawings, and blueprints, they threw out all but the most important papers. Although many documents and important papers were thrown out, they tried to keep one copy of each design in a "fireproof" room

of a two-story building at Elco's sister firm, William Woodnut Griscom's old Electro Dynamic plant in Avenel, N.J., not far from the Elco facility. This building burned to the ground in 1963. For many years it was thought that everything was destroyed in the fire.

But in the late 1980s it was discovered that the night watchman at the plant, aided by firemen, had managed to rescue many boxes of files and records. It isn't clear if the fireproof room survived, or if the firemen just managed to save some things. The night watchman stored them in the basement of an adjacent building - and forgot about them for more than 20 years.

Henry R. Sutphen died in 1951 — of a broken heart caused by Elco's demise, some say. Irwin Chase transferred to the Electric Boat Company's Groton plant after the 1949 Bayonne closing, and died in 1974. Bill Fleming died in 1971. Glen Tremain retired to St. Petersburg, Florida, and died in 1986 at the age of 94. Many of these documents were donated to the Mariners Museum in Newport News, Va., where they comprise the Glenville S. Tremain Collection as well as to the Mystic Seaports collection.

This was the Elco Naval Division of Electric Boat.

References: William C. Swanson, Introduction & notes to Launches & Yachts, 1902 Elco Catalog, 1984; Electric Launch Co., Wikipedia; U.S. Navy PT Boats, Naval History & Heritage Command; The Elco Story: By William Swanson; Giant Killers - The story of the Electrical Boat Company, Princeton Film Center, Inc. (1941-1968); Records of the Electric Launch Company, G.W. Blunt White Library, Mystic Seaport



As with so many of his achievements, Wayne has received numerous awards, as well as numerous public speaking engagements like the one he did for the Malloy Rally (shown right).

Thank You Wayne!

A special dedication of thanks and happy retirement goes out to our longest standing Financial Secretary, Wayne Burgess.

Putting in 50 years of service with Electric Boat, and having 27 of those years as the Financial Secretary with the MDA-UAW Local 571 is a great achievement.

Wayne leaves behind big shoes to fill as he is actively involved with United Way and the AFL-CIO, to name a few.



Don't worry - Wayne will be staying on as a Trustee for the Union . . . at least for a little while!



COMMUNITY SERVICES



UAW REGION 9A LOBBY DAYS

By 1st Vice President Ken Rowland

Members of MDA-UAW Local 571 recently attended Lobby Day events at the State Capitol to speak in favor of several bills which were identified as important to the UAW Region 9A by the CAP (Community Action Partnership) Council.

This year's Lobby Day effort was a departure from previous years' events, as the council decided we should do several days focused on a limited number of issues, instead of trying to address multiple issues in one day.

UAW Region 9A CAP Chairperson Beverley Brakeman organized six days on which the Connecticut State Legislature would be in session, and members of various Region 9A locals volunteered to travel to the Legislative Office Building in Hartford for the events.

Members Paul Chreiman, Bill Dwyer, Joe Husereau and I attended at least one of the sessions each. Beverley Brakeman brought in subject matter experts to help explain the UAW's position on the issues to the lobbyists during briefings held prior to our contacting the legislators.

We lobbied for issues that affect UAW members such as:

HB 6874 which would require UCONN to provide Graduate Assistants (Local 6950) health benefits through the state's partnership plan;

SB 913 which would help reduce municipalities' health insurance costs;

SB 1044 which would require large employers to pay a \$15 per hour wage, or pay a \$1.00 per hour fee to the state to defray the cost of health care and child care services these low-wage working families require.

Other issues included support for: Expanded Casino Gambling to prevent revenue from leaving the state (passed House and Senate). Retention of Legal Aid funding (Local 2325). The Labor History Education bill, which passed and was signed by Gov. Malloy. This bill received a level of bipartisan support not seen in previous years, perhaps influenced by our advocacy.

Overall, the Lobby Day efforts seem to have had a significant and positive effect on the bills under consideration. It was great to have interaction with our legislators, and have an impact on the issues we support.

Our elected representatives understand and respect the

voting power that UAW members possess, and they really do listen when we take the time to meet with them.

Members are urged to contact the Union Hall if they are interested in participating in future years.

GET INVOLVED

If you would like to volunteer or get involved in any of our committees, events and volunteer efforts, contact the Union Hall at 860-448-0552.

FOOD COLLECTION

On March 4th, 2015 a food collection was done at the Foxwoods Fox Tower for the C&S Spring Show.

Over 50 volunteers came out to help, saving 39,081 pounds of food and other items from the local landfills. This was in excess of 4000 pounds from last year. This was then brought to the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center where it will be distributed evenly throughout the New London County.

So many people made it that we almost completely finished by 5:00 pm, with the last of us loading the pallets on the truck out by 6:00 pm. Many hands make light work!

Thanks again to everyone who helped!

If you would like to help, please contact Kim Deschamps at 860-433-7552 for more information.





HINK PINKS

Hink Pinks are fun rhyming word riddles. The answer to the riddle is a pair of words that rhyme with each other.
For example: Large Feline would be **Fat Cat**.

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| 1. Move, Female Deer | 6. A blue-green moray | 11. A contest for who ties | 14. A feathered animals |
| 2. 24 hours with toys | 7. A boring Choo-choo | their shoes the fastest | droppings |
| 3. 50% giggle | 8. A boy slug with a shell | 12. A daring removal of hair | 15. A fragile end of the finger |
| 4. A totally cool dad | 9. A cap that got sat on | from the face | 16. A large branch |
| 5. A birds foot defect | 10. A cloudy 24 hours | 13. A fake formal dance | 17. A pig meat rip off |

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