



SOUNDINGS

May - August 2015



Then and Now: Fourteen years later, on May 30, 2015, almost 150 union members visited the new Memorial Museum.

The Museum's mission statement: The National September 11 Memorial Museum, located at the World Trade Center site, bears solemn witness to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and February 26, 1993. The Museum honors the 2,981 victims of these attacks and all who risked their lives to save others. It further recognizes the thousands who survived and all who demonstrated extraordinary compassion in the aftermath. Demonstrating the consequences of terrorism on individual lives and its impact on communities at the local, national and international levels, the Museum attests to the triumph of human dignity over human depravity and affirms an unwavering commitment to the fundamental value of human life.

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SOUNDINGS Newsletter was a big winner at this years LUCA Conference held at the Walter & May Reuther Black Lake Education Center in June 2015.

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ON THE COVER

The Freedom Tower looms over the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in New York City. Photo by William E. Louis



FROM THE OFFICERS



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December.

RED SHIRT SOLIDARITY DAY WEAR RED ON WEDNESDAY

We are close to getting all the shirt sizes needed to order. To date we have over 1970 sizes submitted. Again, this will be our time to show Solidarity and support for our Union while heading into negotiations in 2016. Your support is much appreciated. If you haven't been approached for a shirt size, please do so by contacting the Councillor, Grievance Rep or calling the Union Office at 860-448-0552. Once we get the final orders, we will get them in and start wearing them. Our intentions are to get some extra ones for those we miss.

On another note, I would like to inform the membership that we have started to meet, ourselves, to prep for negotiations. We have met 4 times so far and will continue to meet monthly to make sure we are ready for negotiations. Questionnaires will go out soon to get your input and thoughts. One way we can help today and going forward, is to continue to do the best we can to meet schedule, Quality and budget. Working together will show the company we can succeed as always in designing the finest Submarines in the World.

"Pride, Ownership and Accountability"

Thank you,

Your Union Officers



YOUR OFFICERS HARD AT WORK



Left to Right: President William E. Louis and 1st Vice President Ken Rowland in Washington DC for the yearly CAP (Community Action Program) Conference to meet with Rhode Island and Connecticut Representatives to discuss political Issues.

*Left to Right:
Treasurer Bob Faraci,
Recording Secretary
Pat Clay, President
William E. Louis,
1st Vice President
Ken Rowland and
2nd Vic President
David M. Reagan 75th
Anniversary Dinner
Dance held at the
Fox Tower, Foxwoods
Resort Casino,
December, 2015.*



Left to Right: Treasurer Robert Faraci, Financial Secretary William May, UAW President Dennis Williams and 2nd Vice President David M. Reagan at the 2013 Financial Conference in New Orleans LA.

COUNCILOR TRAINING

Councillor training was held at the MDA-UAW Local on July 11th & 25th, 2015. Dr Mark Sullivan facilitated the day long class about labor movement and what you can do to be a more successful councillor. Dr. Sullivan is also a labor arbitrator and has assisted us in past contract negotiations as well as a board member of the Connecticut Mediation and Arbitration.



CONFERENCES YOUR LOCAL ATTENDED

JACKSON JEFFERSON BAILEY DINNER, HARTFORD CT
WALTER & MAY REUTHER UAW FAMILY EDUCATION
CENTER, ONAWAY MI

2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

09-12-15 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	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

**WEDNESDAY IS
"SOLIDARITY DAY"
WEAR YOUR RED
SHIRT TO SHOW
YOUR SOLIDARITY**

**SHIRTS ARE FREE TO
MEMBERS**

**See your Councillor
for ordering.**

**We are still in the process of
taking shirt orders, to date we
have 90% of our membership
participating!**

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



Shrimp Scampi

From RachelRaeMag.com

Hands On: 15 min Total: 30
min. Makes: 4 servings (about
8 shrimp each)

Nutrition Information

174 Calories, 9g Total Fat,
17g Protein, Saturated fat 2g,
Cholesterol 151 mg, Sodium

846 mg, Carbohydrate 4 g, Dietary fiber 0 g, Sugars 1 g Protein
17 g. US Daily Value: Vitamin A 17%, Vitamin C 16%, Calcium
7%, Iron 3%

Ingredients:

- 1/3 butter
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 jar (2 oz each) diced pimientos, drained
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dill weed (or substitute with fresh Basil)
- 1 pound medium (31/35 count) shrimp, peeled & de-veined

Directions

Preheat oven to 400°F. Place butter in 8x8-inch baking dish and
melt in oven. Add onion, pimientos, garlic, lemon juice and dill
weed; stir together. Add shrimp; toss to coat. Bake uncovered
15 minutes or just until shrimp turn pink.

Cook's Tip: Serve Shrimp Scampi with linguine, if desired. Start
bringing the water to a boil first and cook the pasta while the
shrimp bakes.



Congratulations to all the returning Officers and welcome
to our new edition, Financial Secretary Bill May as a newly-
elected official to the Union Hall!

Your elected officials are already hard at work working on the
upcoming negotiations and union contract in 2016.

Meet your officers face to face between 11:30 and 12:30 every
Wednesday in the Groton and New London cafeterias where
you can voice your concerns or offer your comments or sug-
gestions. You can also call them anytime at the Union Hall.



FROM YOUR COMMITTEES



HEALTH & SAFETY

PROTECTING YOURSELF FROM HEAT STRESS

By Rich Gianfrocco

Heat stress, from exertion or hot environments, places workers at risk for illnesses such as heat stroke, heat exhaustion or heat cramps. Here are the symptoms:

HEAT STROKE

A condition that occurs when the body becomes unable to control its temperature and can cause death or permanent disability.

Symptoms:

- High body temperature
- Confusion
- Loss of coordination
- Hot, dry skin or profuse sweating
- Throbbing headache
- Seizures, coma

First Aid:

- Request immediate medical assistance
- Move the worker to a cool, shaded area
- Remove excess clothing and apply cool water to their body

HEAT EXHAUSTION

The body's response to an excessive loss of water and salt, usually through sweating.

Symptoms:

- Rapid heart beat
- Heavy sweating
- Extreme weakness or fatigue
- Dizziness
- Nausea, vomiting
- Irritability
- Fast, shallow breathing
- Slightly elevated body temp

First Aid:

- Rest in a cool area
- Drink plenty of water or other cool beverages
- Take a cool shower, bath or sponge bath

HEAT CRAMPS

Affect workers who sweat a lot during strenuous activity. Sweating depletes the body's salt and moisture levels.

Symptoms:

- Muscle cramps, pain or spasms in the abdomen, arms or legs

First Aid:

- Stop all activity, and sit in a cool place
- Drink clear juice or a sports beverage or drink water with food
- AVOID SALT TABLETS
- Do not return to strenuous work for a few hours after the cramps subside
- Seek medical attention if you have the following: Heart problems, are on a low-sodium diet or if the cramps do not subside within one hour.

PROTECT YOURSELF

Avoid heavy exertion, extreme heat, sun exposure and high humidity when possible. When these cannot be avoided, take the following preventative steps:

Monitor your physical condition and that of your coworkers for signs or symptoms of illness.

Wear light-colored, loose-fitting, breathable clothing such as cotton. Avoid non-breathable synthetic clothing.

Gradually build up to heavy work. Schedule heavy work during coolest part of the day, take breaks in shade or cool area.

Drink water frequently, and enough that you never become thirsty.



LUCA COMMITTEE

SOUNDINGS NEWSLETTER BIG WINNERS

The Local Union Press Association Communications Conference is held at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center. It is a chance for local union communicators to sharpen their writing, editing, photographic, Web and video skills as they learn hands on from the Internationals Public Relations staff and from the talented individuals who attend.

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VETERANS COMMITTEE

The Veteran's Committee of the MDA-UAW Local 571 would like to offer a United States Government Authorized Commemoration Certificate to all those who served in the Armed Forces during the Viet Nam War Era.

To be eligible, you will need a copy of your DD214 form stating your honorable discharge and service between 5 August 1964 through 7 May 1975. Also, Veterans who served in country (Viet Nam) between February 28, 1961 through August 4, 1964 will be eligible.

In accordance with Public Law 110-181 Sec 598, Congress authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a program to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Viet Nam War. To that end, the United States of America Viet Nam War Commemoration was formed.

We would like to make the presentation of these commemoration certificates during one of our quarterly general membership meetings.

If you are a Viet Nam Era Veteran and meet the criteria listed above and would like to receive this recognition award, please contact: Thomas Montgomery (860) 433-3951, email: tmontgom@gdeb.com or Melvin Hicks (860) 433-4888, email mhicks@gdeb.com.



OUR MEMBERS



REMEMBERING OUR MEMBERS

"When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure." ~Author Unknown

Thomas O'Connor, Retiree
09/26/28 – 07/12/15

Tim Vasquez
03/19/47 – 07/16/15

Charles Schmeelk, Retiree
01/14/39 – 08/12/15

Lowell Benton
02/12/53 – 08/15/15

IN MEMORIAM

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



Lowell "Jay" Benton
Feb 12, 1953 – August 15, 2015

Jay was a S/Des. Sr. Spec for Structural Design. He started at EB in 1976, left and then returned in July of 1990. He was a good supporter of the MDA Union and loved to play golf. Jay will be missed, rest in peace our Brother.

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

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ALL:

NOTICES - UPDATES
PICTURES - ARTICLES COPY
OF NEWSLETTERS
The MDA-UAW Website can be accessed through EB's Home Page. Always use care and responsibility during working hours when on the web.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Scholarship Winners were recognized at Tony D's Restaurant in July 2015 by Dr. Mark Sullivan, Chairman of the Selection Committee. Pictured in group photo and below from left to right are: Megan O'Connor, Kevin Konrad, Patricia Dunn, Nicole Canova, Dr. Mark Sullivan, Mikaela Maher, Lindsay Phaneuf and Mia Ferguson (Alex Viera not shown in group photo, shown below). Each awardee received a \$2500 scholarship.



2015 MDA-UAW LOCAL 571 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

2015 RETIREE LUNCHEONS

SEP 10 Ocean Beach,
New London CT
OCT 08 Holiday Inn, Norwich CT
NOV 12 Richmond Country Club,
Richmond RI
DEC 10 Great Neck Country Club,
Waterford CT

2015 RETIREES

April 29, 2015	Larry John Kloiber	June 12, 2015	Erin C. Golden	July 24, 2015	James F. Barrett Jr.
April 30, 2015	Donald P. Cheverie	June 17, 2015	Susan M. Cournoyer	July 24, 2015	Michael J. Haney
April 30, 2015	William L. Owens	June 18, 2015	Amanda Wingard	July 30, 2015	Peter Smith
April 30, 2015	Donald B. Sherman	June 26, 2015	Normand E. Frechette	July 31, 2015	John Holt
May 18, 2015	Kyle J. Siderewicz	June 27, 2015	James R. Hull	August 1, 2015	Brenda Scruggs
May 21, 2015	Wayne A. Kennen	June 30, 2015	Wayne J. Burgess	August 14, 2015	William E. Daimler
May 29, 2015	Sandra M. Goode-Ferguson	June 30, 2015	Florence R. Duncan	August 16, 2015	William E. Runde
June 5, 2015	Paul F. Cournoyer	June 30, 2015	Jeffery Wells	August 28, 2015	Pamela Springer
June 6, 2015	Daniel J. Lewis	June 30, 2015	Paul Cournoyer	August 31, 2015	Wayne R. Lenington
June 11, 2015	Richard L. Lashbrook	July 24, 2015	Susan M. Sullivan		





911 MEMORIAL VETERANS TRIP



The Memorial Pays tribute to the victims of 9/11

"WE SHALL NEVER FORGET"

On a clear, sunny summer day in September 2001, Al Qaeda terrorists aboard three hijacked passenger planes carried out coordinated suicide attacks against the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., killing everyone on board the planes and nearly 3,000 people on the ground. A fourth plane crashed into a Pennsylvania field, killing all on board, after passengers and crew attempted to take control from the hijackers.

For nearly a year after the terrorist attacks of 9/11, workers continued to remove debris and recover bodies from the ruins of the Twin Towers at Lower Manhattan's former World Trade Center complex.

Local, state, and federal reaction to the September 11 attacks on the World Trade



A firefighter looks up at the remains of the South Tower on September 13th.

Center was unprecedented. The equally unsurpassed events of that day elicited the largest response of local emergency and rescue personnel to assist in the evacuation

of the two towers and also contributed to the largest loss of the same personnel when the towers collapsed. After the attacks, the media termed the World Trade Center site "Ground Zero", while rescue personnel referred to it as "The Pile".

In the ensuing recovery and cleanup efforts, personnel related to metalwork and construction professions would descend on the site to offer their services and remained until the site was cleared on May 2002.

Meanwhile, intense debate raged over how best to rebuild the World Trade Center, as well as how to memorialize the thousands of victims. Though initial plans called for the rebuild to be completed by September 2011—the 10th anniversary of the attacks—a combination of political struggles, financial problems and legal squabbles among the various parties involved led to repeated delays, and the 9/11 Memorial was finally dedicated on September 11, 2011.

Watch "BOATLIFT, an untold tale of 9/11 Resilience" on youtube.



THE GREAT BOAT LIFT

During the attacks, millions of people ran for safety. Subway, rail and road were immediately closed. Thousands ran to the water for safety. That was then, they realized, Manhattan was truly an island; and they were trapped. There was no way for them to get off - except by water. Dozens of ferries started loading people onto the boats. They stood on the docks, ten deep, waiting for rescue. Some were jumping in

the water, swimming no where except to get away.

The Coast Guard decided they needed to get organized and put the call out to help with the evacuation of lower Manhattan.

Within 15 to 20 minutes, hundreds of boats filled the harbors horizon and converged on the city.

Ferries, private boats, party boats, Coast Guard and tugboats stepped up and began loading and shuttling droves of people - completely disregarding any harm to them that they too, may be attacked.

Robin Jones, an engineer for the ship the Mary Gellatly said "When that call came on the radio...they were comin'. If it floated, and they could get there - they got there" he went on to say "I've worked on the water for 28 years and I've never seen that many boats come together that fast".

The most memorable to these brave volunteers was that everyone helped everyone. There was no training, just

people doing what they had to do that day. Average people stepping up to do what they had to do.

The great boat lift of

911 became the largest sea evacuation in history. Nearly 500,000 civilians were rescued by boat, and it all took less than 9 hours.

THE MONUMENT

With its huge reflecting pools, ringed by waterfalls and skyscrapers, and a cavernous underground museum still under construction, the National September 11 Memorial and Museum at the World Trade Center is an

awesome spectacle that moved and inspired some 4.5million visitors in its first year.

Since then, more than 20 million have visited the center, including visitors from all 50 U.S. states and around the world, heads of state and foreign officials worldwide and members of all branches of the U.S. armed services as well as foreign military installations. It's also used as an Education Outreach Center in partnership with the New York City Department of Education and the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education. 9/11 lesson plans were also developed for K-12 classrooms and educators nationwide. 9/11-related resources include speeches, executive orders, legislative facts, debates and government fact-finding. Web casts include an online video series exploring the continuing effect of 9/11 on the United States and the global community.

The nature of the violence that obliterated the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, killing 2,753 individuals is core to understanding the history and legacy of grief inflicted on victims' relatives. Since 2001, the majority of World Trade Center relatives have received only fragmented remains of loved ones, sometimes receiving successive notifications from the City of New



The Memorial during its 11th year of construction



"WE SHALL NEVER FORGET"



York's Office of Chief Medical Examiner.

More than 12,500 artifacts remain on display with over 23,000 images depicting the destruction of the towers, volunteers, firefighters, police and those who lost their lives on that horrific day. These include:

- Personal stories about, and tributes to each and every victim of the attacks
- The bombing of the World Trade Center ("WTC") on February 26, 1993, including stories about those victims and the nature of the evacuation and response
- A factual presentation of the terrorist perpetrators, including their methods and means of preparation
- The contextual history of lower Manhattan, the WTC and its signature Twin Towers, evoking the importance and meaning of the site
- The everyday "life" of the WTC at the turn of the millennium, evoking the tenor of the time and human and physical character of the WTC complex
- The trans-formative, unprecedented nature and impact of the 2001 attacks, locally, nationally, and around the world; and the breadth and variety of response they elicited
- The evacuation of lower Manhattan on 9/11, and rescue and recovery efforts, including eye-witness stories of those involved and consideration of the multiple forms that recovery and volunteerism took
- The spontaneous memorials, improvised rituals, public commemorations, philanthropic efforts, and other demonstrations of sympathy and solidarity shown in the aftermath of the 2001 attacks
- The clean-up and rebuilding of the WTC site, chronicling the individual and collective



An original piece of the tower still remains: it says: "In Commemoration of the skill and industry of the thousands of construction workers and port authority personnel whose efforts created the work trade center." Dedication day April 4, 1973

- achievements that went into clearing "Ground Zero"
- The congruent, often controversial processes of planning, designing and facilitating the site's rebirth
 - The evolving historical significance of the 1993 and 2001 terrorist attacks over time for New York City, the nation, and the world
 - As a public service, and to support the study of visual response and retrospective art triggered by the events and memories of 2001, the Museum has launched and will continue to manage through its website an initiative called the Artists Registry at the National September 11 Memorial Museum.

To deepen content resources for interpreting the September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993 attacks from the perspectives of survivors, first responders, eye-witnesses, family members, and others directly affected, 9/11 Memorial records and oral histories. Over 1,970 oral histories are recorded (in both audio and videotaped formats).

Responsibility for the growth, care and routine uses of the Museum's permanent collection resides with an internal Staff Collections Committee.

The total cost of the facility is an estimated \$700 million

dollars with and annual cost of around \$60 million just to operate.

The foundation plans to spend at least a fifth of its operating budget, or around \$12million per year, on private security because of terrorism fears. Visitors to the memorial plaza pass through airport-like security, and armed guards patrol the grounds.

'The fact of the matter is that this was a place that was attacked twice,' said Joseph Daniels, the foundation's president and chief executive.

Just operating the two massive fountains that mark the spots where the twin towers once stood will cost another \$4.5million to \$5million annually, according to a spokesman.

THE DISPLAY OF NAMES

The nearly 3,000 names of the men, women, and children killed in the attacks of September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993 are inscribed on bronze parapets surrounding the twin Memorial pools. The display of these names is the very heart of the Memorial. The design of the names parapet provides a direct relationship between the visitor, the names, and the water, allowing for a feeling of quiet reverence between the visitor and the Memorial.

Names are stencil-cut into the parapets, allowing visitors to look through the names at the water, and to create paper impressions or rubbing of individual names. At night, light shines up through the voids created by each letter of a name.

MEMBERS EXPERIENCES

On May 31st 2015, close to 150 Union members boarded 3 buses from the Rainville parking lot at 6:00 am to head to New York City to visit the 9/11 Memorial.

Member Chris Williams

children, Christopher Jr. and Debryana, shared their experience with us.

"My experience at the 9/11 memorial was extraordinary. I learned what happened on that tragic day. The videos, pictures and commentary made me relive and feel the impact of that day. My thoughts and prayers will continue to be with the victims and their families."

He went on to say "The museum was immense, overwhelming and remarkably put together. There were so many things to see that it was hard to complete all in a day."

The trip for Chris and Debryana to the 9/11 memorial was an emotional and interesting learning experience for them. They weren't born when the attacks occurred and had never truly understood what 9/11 meant.

"I would hear people talk about the twin towers but never really felt the full effect of the attack. To actually see videos and listen to audio tapes of that tragic day made you relive the events that occurred, said Christopher.

As my family and I sat in Audio/Video rooms with tear filled eyes, it made me realize how precious life, family and friends are and how fragile our world really is.

Thank you MDA for this experience that we were able to share as a family."

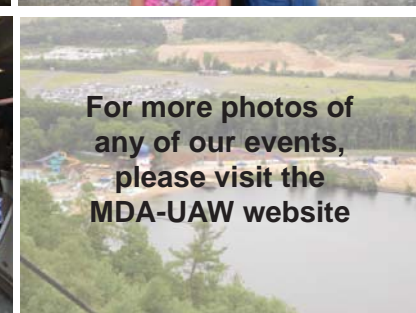
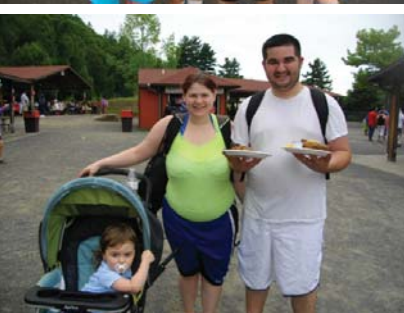
Information and images obtained from 911memorial.org, 911-remember.com, History.org, Wikipedia, Eddie Rosenstein, BOATLIFT, an untold tale of 9/11 Resilience and dailymail.co.uk





EVENTS

LAKE COMPOUNCE JUNE , 2015



For more photos of
any of our events,
please visit the
MDA-UAW website

CAMPGROUND OUTING AUGUST 14, 2015



SOLIDARITY DAY PICNIC AUGUST 08, 2015





MDA-UAW LOCAL 571

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Probably the most important part of the conference is to hear from other UAW communicators on how they go about their job of keeping members at their local unions informed and motivated.

Every year we enter our newsletter in various categories along with the other two to three hundred people who also attend the conference. And up until this year, we have never even got an honorable mention....But this year, this year we were winners!!

We received First Place for Best Workplace Coverage, Best Front Page and General Excellence for the May - August 2014 75th Anniversary issue (they did not hold a conference in June of 2014 due to the International Convention held in Detroit).

Competition for any one of these coveted awards is stiff and people are competitive, with participation from locals all over the U.S. Canada and Puerto Rico entering. Of course, it's all in good fun and the excitement and comradery is something that needs to be felt and heard.

Categories were General Excellence, Best Front Page, Best Original News Article or Editorial, Best Use of Original Photo's or Graphics (this category also receives the Fred Taylor Award), Best Political Coverage and Best Workplace Coverage. Newsletters are also categorized by distribution size and type of publication.

Each year that I attend these conferences, I bring back new ideas with better means of communicating to you, our members.

Thank you for all your help LUCA Committee, our Officers and all the members who contribute to our newsletter. It's members like you, that make our newsletter what it is.

I humbly thank you for allowing me to be your editor and publisher.

Carol A. Mauro



Congratulations to the MDA-UAW 101 New Hire Classes



New Hire Class 13



New Hire Class 14



New Hire Class 15



New Hire Class 17



JEFFERSON JACKSON BAILEY DINNER

By 1st Vice President Ken Rowland

On Monday evening, June 29, 2015, three MDA members attended the Jackson Jefferson Bailey Dinner (JJB) at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford CT. This event is held annually and is hosted by the Connecticut Democratic Committee.



Senator Chris Murphy looks as Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro talks of income equality.

Members Carol Mauro, Joe Husereau and Ken Rowland heard a rousing speech by Keynote speaker US Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA), who spoke of income inequality and lack of banking regulations which has led to the collapse of the housing market and decline of the middle class. She spoke of her efforts to address these issues, such as the Dodd/Frank bill which

created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, dedicated to ensuring that banking and mortgage institutions have oversight to prevent future collapse.

Her story of raising children as a single parent and attending college simultaneously was inspirational to many in the crowd of 1000 or more attendees. She spoke of her family's working class background, and her support of Union values and ideals.

Governor Malloy repeated his support for the working class, and related his efforts to minimize budget decision impacts on the poor and middle class, while rebuilding the state's infrastructure to attract businesses. Other speakers at this event included many leading Democratic elected officials in Connecticut. Senators Richard Blumenthal and Chris Murphy, along with Congressional Representatives Rosa DeLauro, John Larson and Joe Courtney also spoke at the event.

A common theme was attacks on Unions by organized, well funded groups which are trying to undermine collective bargaining rights. These campaigns are said to be undermining the work organized labor is doing to help raise standards of living for working Americans.

The JJB Dinner proved to be an educational and entertaining event, which improved understanding of the cause of unionism and the role of elected officials in promoting our common cause: Raising the standard of living for working men and women and ensuring the future of America's middle class.

2015 UNITED WAY HONORARY BREAKFAST

On Thursday, August 20th, the United Way staff was invited to a breakfast in honor of the essential role that United Way Campaign Coordinators played in the success of the campaign.

This years breakfast was held at the Paragon Restaurant in the Grand Pequot Tower at Foxwoods Resort Casino. In addition to a wonderful breakfast, staff had the opportunity to preview what was in store for the 2015 United Way Campaign, see best practices from Coordinators and shared ideas to ensure the fundraiser is a success.

MDA-UAW Members that were in attendance included: President William E. Louis, Trustee Wayne Burgess, Kim Deschamps, Joe Wessell and James Newman.

EB EMPLOYEES



Thank you to all the hard working volunteers that made it to the EB Employees' Community Services Association food drive yesterday at Foxwoods. With so many people, we were able to get out well before dinner time.

The results? We collected 37,315 pounds of food! That's equivalent to: 2,000 watermelons or 248,766 boxes of cereal or 1,082,135,000 grains of rice. WOW!

Our wonderful drivers brought it all to the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center. This morning another set of volunteers weighed and sorted it all, so that the over 70 feeding sites and sister programs will be able to get those needed supplies.

Sincerely thank you for coming to help. We hope to see everyone again in the near future.

Kim Deschamps



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