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CONTRACT 2013

Pratt & Whitney came to the bargaining table on opening day with **no proposals**, just a series of business presentations. The first by *Andy Tanner V.P. of Commercial Engines* and the second by *Joe Sylvestro V.P. of Module Centers and Operations*. **While they did not bring their proposals, the intent is clear.** The future is bright with the unprecedented ramp up of the Geared Turbo Fan and there is significant investment in Connecticut.

Bright for who? The workers in **Connecticut**? Don't fool yourselves brothers and sisters - If you do materials work or receiving inspection, their plans don't include you.

The Union negotiators told the company that their workforce is not disposable, they have mortgages, car payments, kids and college and all the other things in their lives. *Terry Nolan* said, **"We don't view our employees as disposable."** Brothers and sisters look around you; remember when there were thousands more employees. *Chief negotiator Mike Stone* pressed *Nolan* stating, **"there used to be 27,000 employees now there are 2,700. The math is simple. How much of the workforce is disposable?"** While he danced around the question when pressed he reluctantly told your negotiating committee that **10% of the workforce remains today** - Well guess what brothers and sisters, the percentage is dipping into single digits. If you think it doesn't affect you because you don't do that work, think again! Once they eliminate this work, what is next? In 2010 they closed **Cheshire**; previously they

closed **Southington, Rocky Hill, Manchester, North Haven** and drastically reduced the number of our members in the remaining locations. *Company negotiator Nadia Villeneuve* spoke about **partnering with the union to kill the alternative engine to the F-135. Being partners with Pratt & Whitney is like being partners with the devil.**

Their proposals haven't hit the table yet, but they are going to be ugly. The company proposed to add Tuesday November 5th as an additional day at the table to go over the proposals they failed to bring today. Your union agreed to the extra day **so we will meet Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.** We warned you in an earlier newsletter they had eliminated materials employees in Florida and asked you to prepare for the worst. **It looks like the worst is here.**

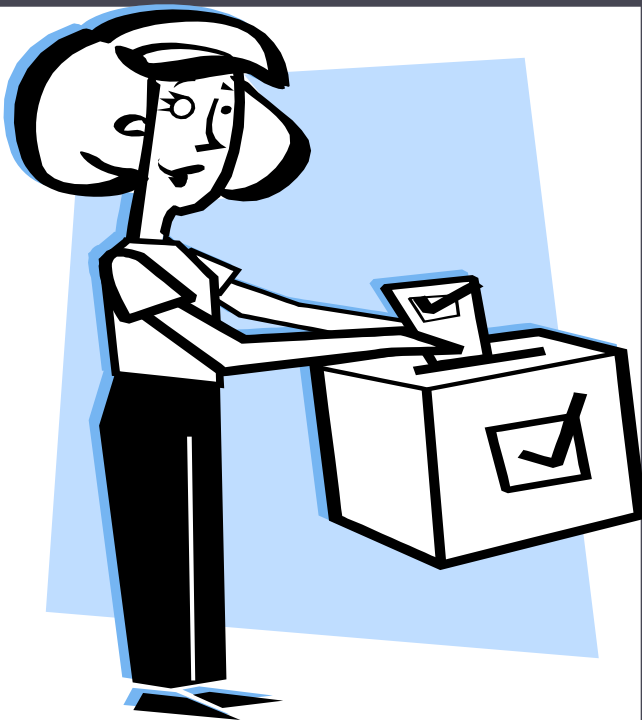
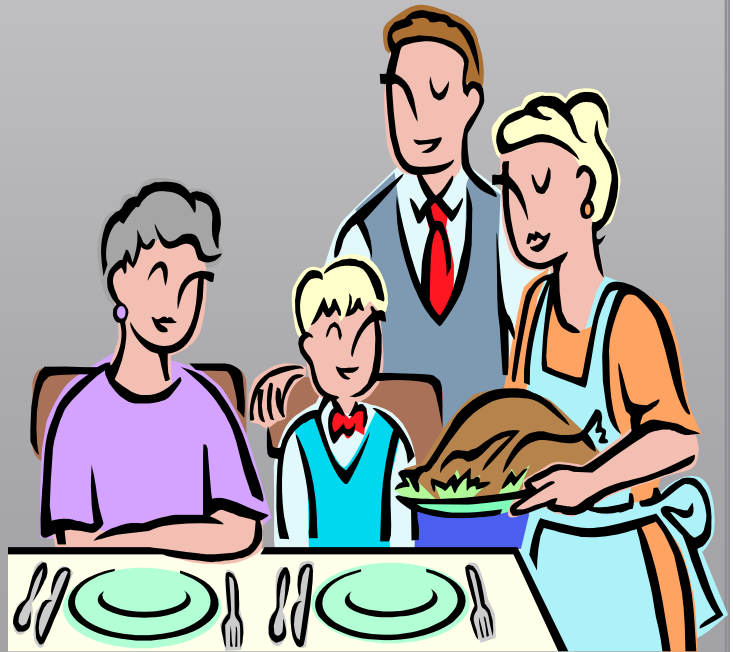
Union negotiators made it clear that they had no intention of recommending that workers vote for the elimination of their co-workers job. We will keep the membership informed every step of the way as the process continues. **~Support your negotiating committee and let the company know loud and clear what you think of them sending more of your co-workers to the unemployment line!!!**



Holiday Gate Collection

On **Thursday, November 21st**, IAM Local Lodge 1746 will be conducting a gate collection for the **WORKERS AID FUND**. Contributions from hourly and salary sustain this fund at Pratt & Whitney and Clear Edge Power and are available on the same basis to all. We created this fund to help past and present workers at both companies who are facing extreme emergencies. Our Community Services Committee coordinates this collection and our Financial Office administers the fund. Please give generously to help our Brothers and Sisters.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



Pratt & Whitney Members

Don't forget to **VOTE** on
Friday, November 8th!
The Strike Authorization
vote will be held from 6 am
until 8 pm
Grinders will be available
for a \$5.00 Donation

Industrial Aircraft Lodge 1746

Pratt & Whitney Members Bus Sign – Up Sheet



Don't Miss The Bus

If you would like to take a bus to the Toyota Oakdale Theater for the contract ratification meeting on December 8^h please fill out the form below and drop it off at the Union Hall or give it to a Union Official.

- 4 Buses will start leaving from the Commuter Parking Lot next to the Econo Lodge@ 490 Main Street, East Hartford at 9:00 am. The last bus will leave at 10:30 am or as soon as it is full.
- Buses will leave Toyota Oakdale Theater 30 Minutes after the Meeting ends.
- Parking Is Limited so we **STRONGLY** Recommend Carpooling or Taking the Bus. Only 1800 Parking spaces for 3,000 people. Please be early.
- Sign-Up Deadline: November 29th .

Name _____

Clock _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail _____

The Next Monthly Meeting is November 10th at 11:00 am

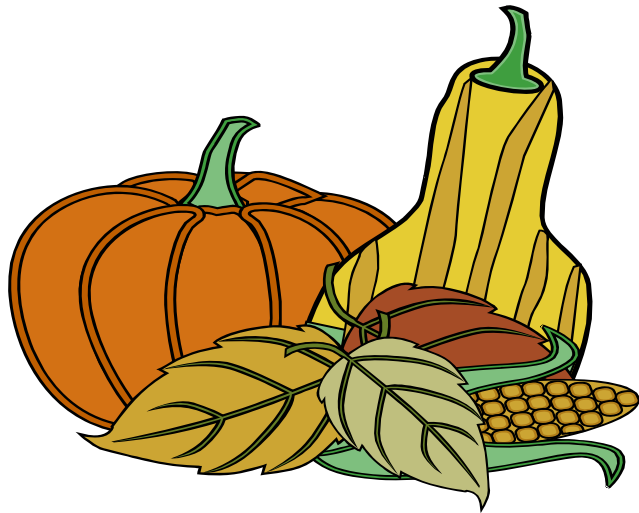
Local Lodge 1746 wishes all a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

The 3rd Annual MACHINIST CLUB OPEN

Golf Tournament to benefit FOODSHARE and ULA was held on , Friday, September 13, 2013. The Machinist Club proudly announces that the event raised **\$2,660** for each of our two recipients.

The Machinist Club would like to thank all of our participants: the fifteen foursomes that golfed, the volunteers, the sponsors and the cooks who provided the delicious Prime Rib dinner after play. All of the players had a very enjoyable day from sign-in to golf to dinner to raffles.

We look forward to seeing everyone again next year !



Remember Our Troops Red-Shirt Friday's!

EAP Corner

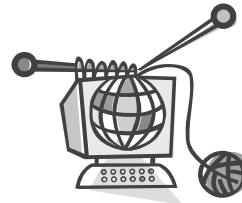
For IAM Local Lodge 1746: P&W in East Hartford and UTC Power in South Windsor.

Please feel free to contact me with any of your issues or concerns and know that it will be in total confidentiality.

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