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## HOUSE ARMED SERVICES CHAIRMAN TOURS SHIPYARD

**T**he influential chairman of the House Armed Services Committee visited Electric Boat's Groton shipyard recently and declared that "this is the finest submarine manufacturer in the world."

U.S. Rep. Ike Skelton (D-Mo.), accompanied by Connecticut's Second District Congressman Joe Courtney, participated in a series of briefings and tours of New Hampshire (SSN-778) and Missouri (SSN-780), and met with sailors from Missouri who are stationed at the Naval Submarine Base in Groton.

At a press conference following his tour, Skelton praised Electric

*Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee Ike Skelton talks to reporters following a series of briefings and tours at Electric Boat's Groton shipyard. At Skelton's side is EB President John Casey.*

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*Welder and burner specialist Kim Kerins burns the initials of ship's sponsor Cindy Giambastiani into the keel of Virginia class submarine New Mexico (SSN-779) as Prospective Commanding Officer Commander Robert Dain watches during the Keel Authentication Ceremony at Northrop Grumman Newport News Shipyard.*

*U.S. Navy photo*

# Submarine New Mexico Marks Construction Milestone

## Keel Is Authenticated For Sixth Virginia Class Sub

**T**HE NEWPORT NEWS, Va. sixth ship of the Virginia class, New Mexico (SSN-779), marked a milestone in its life earlier this month with a keel authentication ceremony held at the Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding shipyard here.

Ship Sponsor Cindy Giambastiani served as the keel authenticator for the event. She is the wife of retired Admiral and former Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Edmund P. Giambastiani.

After Giambastiani chalked her initials onto a metal plate, they were welded onto the plate by Newport News welder Kim Kerins. The plate will be affixed to the submarine before its delivery to the Navy.

"The men and women who build America's submarines build them as if they were going to sail them – as if their children were going to be aboard them," she said. "Because, like the officers and crew who sail submarines, it takes a very defined set of skills to build them."

Electric Boat President John Casey, one of the ceremony's speakers, said the

Virginia program continues to set new benchmarks for cost-effective design and construction, and advanced mission capability for the Navy.

"It is setting the standard for the industry, and all of us on the Virginia team are working with diligence and urgency to ensure that this program is recognized as the finest shipbuilding program in the nation," said Casey, who attributed the program's success to the effective relationship among the shipyards, the supplier base and the Navy.

"When you cobble together the brainpower, experience and commitment of this talented combination of people, you're almost guaranteed to get high performance in return," he said. "As a case in point, we are adhering to a construction timeline that will lead to the delivery of our next ship – the New Hampshire – months earlier than the contract requirement."

The redesign of the Virginia-class bow will reduce costs while increasing capability, he said, while a contract expected to be signed later this year for eight more

ships will extend the construction backlog through the end of the next decade, he said. Further cost reductions and increased efficiency will result when the build rate reaches two ships per year.

"These actions will allow Electric Boat and Northrop Grumman Newport News to accomplish what we know we can – to produce capable ships more affordably, enabling the Navy to procure enough submarines to attain the force levels it requires, and remain the world leader in undersea capability," said Casey.

Mike Petters, president of Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding, said, "It's the shipbuilders who breathe life into the ship. With New Mexico – these shipbuilders are men and women from Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding here at Newport News and General Dynamics Electric Boat – two companies teamed together to provide the most quality-driven and efficient product to the Navy."

New Mexico will be christened later this year; it will be delivered to the Navy in 2009. 🇺🇸

# Welcome to Electric Boat

*Please help welcome the following employees who have recently joined the company.*

- |                       |                   |                      |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 330 Kimberly Wallace  | Anne Wurzbacker   | Joseph Barulli       |
| 416 Vicken Rachdouni  | Joseph Zavanich   | Kathleen Brodnicki   |
| 433 Matthew Schoman   | 453 William Cooke | Stephen Curtis       |
| 435 Theodore Kusnier  | Gabriel Dagenais  | Joseph Cyr           |
| 438 Timothy Broughton | Zachary Jordan    | Joseph Dagata        |
| Amber Yates           | Paul Morneau      | Jeremy Deschamps     |
| 446 Derek Leahy       | Robert Nicosia    | Leo Fontaine         |
| 447 Tammie Gauvin     | Kyle Pouch        | Robert Girard        |
| 449 John Tedder       | Jeffrey Reck      | Kevin Leahy          |
| 452 Johnathan Alvarez | 456 John Burns    | Donald Mathieu       |
| John Avery            | Chelsey Elliot    | Robert Somers        |
| Matthew Baldwin       | James Elliot      | Amy Stephenson       |
| Donald Card           | Jennifer Larson   | Elizabeth Strader    |
| Jeffrey Carver        | Stephen Lecy      | Heather Sweet        |
| Timothy Dolan         | Russell Midyette  | Kenneth Tryon        |
| Ryan Keith            | Brandon Sistare   | Joseph Winkler       |
| Nathan Lally          | William Sobieski  | 501 David Richmond   |
| Alexander Lombardi    | Thomas Stern      | 505 Harry Colon      |
| Andrew Remsbecker     | Brandon Williams  | 626 Jo Buetow        |
| Brad Rizer            | 458 Caitlin Hull  | 660 Francesca LaRosa |
| Philip Rutigliano     | 459 Daniel Aceto  | 702 Henry Mabwa      |
| Alex Tousignant       | Raymond Andrews   |                      |
| Luc Tousignant        | Chad Babcock      |                      |

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## *50 Years at Electric Boat*

*A half century after joining Electric Boat as a calculator-learner, Charles Stanton (604) receives his 50-year service award from President John Casey. With Stanton is his wife, Mildred. He now works on application software for the computer-aided engineering network, and is engaged in Oracle database administration.*



## *EBMA Presents 2008 Scholarship Winners*

*The Electric Boat Management Association earlier this month announced its 2008 scholarship recipients. They are, front row from left, Kimberly Betts, daughter of Bruce Betts (341); Jessica Ollhoff, daughter of Steven Ollhoff (463); Kathryn O'Donnell, daughter of Kevin O'Donnell (931); Kelly McVeigh, daughter of Jim McVeigh (274), and Kaitlyn Johnson, daughter of David Johnson (795). In the back row from left are Sean Mador, son of John Mador (492); Nathan Willbanks, son of Bryan Willbanks (413); Jasseigh Ingraham, daughter of Steven Ingraham (462); Kevin Froling, son of Karl Froling (463); and Geoffrey Elliot, son of Douglas Elliot (686).*

## MARINE SYSTEMS NEWS



### Electric Boat Is Awarded \$325 Million For Virginia-Class Submarine Advance Procurement

The U.S. Navy has awarded Electric Boat a \$324.9 million contract modification to buy long lead time material (LLTM) for the FY 09 Virginia-Class submarine, SSN-784, and the FY 11 submarine, SSN-787.

The contract provides funding for steam and electrical plant components, main propulsion units and ships service turbine generator sets as well as miscellaneous hull, mechanical and electrical systems components for the two submarines.

Work will be performed in Groton, Conn., and Quonset Point, R.I. (7 percent); Newport News, Va., (7 percent); Sunnyvale and South El Monte, Calif., (50 percent); Coatesville, York and Cheswick, Penn., (5 percent); Linden, Philipsburg and Florence, N.J. (5 percent); and other sites in the U.S. (26 percent).



The Military Sealift Command dry cargo, ammunition ship USNS Amelia Earhart (T-AKE-6) waits to be launched during a nighttime christening ceremony at General Dynamics NASSCO shipyard. The ship is named after Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic and the first person to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean. Its primary mission will be to deliver food, ammunition, fuel and other provisions to combat ships at sea.

U.S. Navy photo

### NASSCO Launches USNS Amelia Earhart

SAN DIEGO

General Dynamics NASSCO launched the U.S. Navy's newest resupply ship, USNS Amelia Earhart (T-AKE 6) on April 6. The ship is named in honor of the record-setting woman aviator.

The Sunday evening ceremony took place at the NASSCO shipyard. U.S. Rep. Susan Davis (D-Calif.) was the ceremony's principal speaker. Amy Morrissey Klepper, Amelia Earhart's niece, christened the ship with the traditional bottle of champagne. More than 2,000 people attended the ceremony, including Amelia Earhart's stepson, George Putnam Jr.

Starting in 1922, Earhart (b.1897-d.1937) made a series of record-setting flights. Her accomplishments include becoming the first woman to make a solo transatlantic flight and the first woman to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross awarded by Congress, both in 1932. She also was the first person to fly solo over the Pacific from Honolulu to Oakland, California in January 1935.

USNS Amelia Earhart is the sixth ship of the Lewis and Clark class of dry cargo-ammunition ships for the Navy. NASSCO began constructing the ship in December 2006 and is scheduled to deliver it to the Navy later this year. The T-AKE class incorporates international marine technologies and commercial ship-design features, including an integrated electric-drive propulsion system, to minimize operating costs over its projected 40-year service life. When the Amelia Earhart joins the fleet, its primary mission will be to deliver more than 10,000 tons of food, ammunition, fuel and other provisions to combat ships at sea.

NASSCO has delivered four T-AKE ships to the Navy and has contracts to build seven additional T-AKE ships. The shipyard is also building a new series of nine product carriers for U.S. Shipping Partners L.P. 🇺🇸



Crew members of the guided-missile submarine USS Georgia (SSGN-729) stand at the ready after "bringing the ship to life" during a return to service ceremony that followed the ship's conversion from a ballistic-missile submarine to a guided-missile submarine.

U.S. Navy photo

## Final SSGN Conversion Is Complete As USS Georgia Returns to Service

**E**LLECTRIC BOAT, Ga. Kings Bay, Ga. Electric Boat's performance on the SSGN conversion program clearly demonstrates that the company and its employees are national assets that are key to the nation's security.

That was the central message delivered by John B. Padgett III, VP – Business Development and Strategic Planning, at a ceremony marking the return to service of USS Georgia following its conversion from a strategic-weapons platform to a guided-missile and Special Operations support submarine.

"Responding to the Navy's requirements and working with the naval shipyards and the crews of the first four Trident submarines, the dedicated men and women of Electric Boat progressed from the design/build contract in the fall of 2002 to Program Initial Operational Capability in the fall of 2007," said Padgett.

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VP – Business Development  
and Strategic Planning

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Padgett pointed out that the SSGNs – USS Ohio, USS Florida, USS Michigan and USS Georgia – were returned to the Navy on or ahead of schedule, and the conversion work was completed nearly \$120 million under target cost. That money was returned to the Navy to fund further improvements to the class.

Following the return-to-service ceremony, USS Georgia and its crew have continued with their busy schedule. The ship has set May 3 as the official date for its crew split to Blue and Gold, in conjunction with an exchange of command ceremony.

USS Georgia is scheduled for its first deployment in July 2009. 🇺🇸

# General Dynamics Reports Substantial Earnings Growth, Strong Revenue In First Quarter 2008

- Earnings from continuing operations increase 30.2 percent
- EPS from continuing operations increases 32.7 percent

FALLS CHURCH, Va. General Dynamics has reported first-quarter 2008 earnings from continuing operations of \$573 million, or \$1.42 per share on a fully diluted basis, compared with 2007 first quarter earnings from continuing operations of \$440 million, or \$1.07 per share fully diluted. Revenues grew to \$7 billion in the quarter, an 11.2 percent increase over first-quarter 2007 revenues of \$6.3 billion. Net earnings for the first quarter of 2008 were \$572 million, a 31.8 percent increase over first quarter 2007.

## MARINE SYSTEMS Net Sales and Operating Earnings (Unaudited) Dollars In Millions

	First Quarter		Variance	
	2008	2007	\$	%
Net Sales	1,378	1,257	121	9.6%
Operating Earnings	122	98	24	24.5%
Operating Margins	8.9%	7.8%		

### Margins

Company-wide operating margins for the first quarter of 2008 increased 150 basis points over the first quarter of 2007, to 12.3 percent.

### Backlog

The company's funded and total backlog each grew by approximately \$2.9 billion in the first quarter of 2008, to \$40 billion and \$49.8 billion respectively at the end of the period. Compared to first-quarter 2007, funded backlog grew by 16 percent and total backlog grew by 14.1 percent.

### Cash

Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations in the quarter totaled \$431 million. Free cash flow from operations, defined as net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations less capital expenditures, was \$346 million for the period.

"General Dynamics' performance in the first-quarter of 2008 was excellent," said Nicholas D. Chabraja, chairman and chief executive officer. "Earnings grew substantially over the first quarter of 2007, and significant sales-volume increases in Combat Systems, Marine Systems and the Aerospace segment reflect ongoing demand for each group's products. While revenue in Information Systems and Technology was essentially unchanged year-over-year, the group's operating earnings and margin rates increased for the period.

"Orders in the quarter were very strong, with \$2.9 billion in future revenue being added to the company's funded backlog. Notable contract awards include \$1.2 billion for upgrades to Abrams tanks, \$1.1 billion for a Virginia-class submarine and \$1.4 billion for construction of the first DDG-1000 Zumwalt-class destroyer.

"Strong operating performance, lower interest expense and stock-repurchase activity in the quarter all contributed to a 34 percent increase in earnings per share on a fully diluted basis compared to the first quarter of 2007," Chabraja said. ♦



# HEALTH MATTERS

Bob Hurley, MD  
Medical Director

**Y**ou may have missed the announcement on Feb. 27. For many, the most interesting stories of the day included the latest exploits of sports stars or the gyrations of the stock market. What might have flown under your radar was an announcement from Gov. Jodi Rell, herself a cancer survivor, unveiling a new state initiative. The governor and Dr. Kristen Zarfos, M.D., director of the Comprehensive Breast Health Center at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, launched a statewide campaign to raise the awareness among Connecticut residents, businesses and hospitals of the effects of colon cancer and the importance of early detection and treatment. When detected in its early stages, colon cancer has a 95 percent chance of being cured.

The goal of this campaign is to educate as many Connecticut residents as possible about the devastating impact caused by this disease. The initiative publicizes the web site: [www.coloncancerquiz.org](http://www.coloncancerquiz.org) as a resource where you'll find a 10-question, multiple choice quiz testing knowledge of colon cancer. Those who participate will be asked to take the test (simple) and when completed, your name is entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card.

## Why the Fuss?

Colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of death among cancers in the U.S. More than 1,500 people in Connecticut will be diagnosed with colon cancer this year. Unlike other diseases, individuals with colon cancer experience no symptoms in its early stages. When symptoms persist it could mean something more serious is occurring.

## Signs and symptoms

- ▶ A change in your bowel habits, including diarrhea or constipation or a change in the consistency of your stool for more than a couple of weeks
- ▶ Rectal bleeding or blood in your stool
- ▶ Persistent abdominal discomfort, such as cramps, gas or pain
- ▶ Abdominal pain with a bowel movement
- ▶ A feeling that your bowel doesn't empty completely
- ▶ Weakness or fatigue
- ▶ Unexplained weight loss

You'll note several of these are non-specific and familiar. Blood in your stool may be a sign of cancer, but it can also indicate other conditions. Bright red blood on bathroom tissue more commonly comes from hemorrhoids or minor tears (fissures) in your anus, for example. In addition, certain foods, such as beets or red licorice, can turn your stools red. Iron supplements and some anti-diarrhea medications may make stools black. Still, it's best to have any sign of blood or change in your stools

checked promptly by your family doctor because it can be a sign of something more serious.

## Polyps

Colon cancer starts with precancerous growths called polyps. These polyps are clumps of cells that grow undetected for long periods of time. Mature polyps can be thought of as small thin fleshy mushrooms that grow out of the colon wall. Polyps can also be flat or recessed into the wall of the colon (nonpolypoid lesions). These are more difficult to detect but are less common.

## The three main forms of polyps are:

**Adenomas.** These polyps have the potential to become cancerous and are usually removed during screening tests such as flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy.

**Hyperplastic polyps.** These polyps are rarely, if ever, a risk factor for colorectal cancer.

**Inflammatory polyps.** These polyps may follow a bout of ulcerative colitis. Some inflammatory polyps may become cancerous, so having ulcerative colitis increases your overall risk of colon cancer.

## Risk factors

Factors that may increase your risk of colon cancer include:

**Age.** About 90 percent of people diagnosed with colon cancer are older than 50.

A personal history of colorectal cancer or polyps. If you've already had colon cancer or adenomatous polyps, you have a greater risk of colon cancer in the future.

Inflammatory intestinal conditions. Long-standing inflammatory diseases of the colon, such as ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease can increase your risk of colon cancer.

Inherited disorders that affect the colon. Familial Adenomatous Polyposis and Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Cancer.

Family history of colon cancer and colon polyps. You're more likely to develop colon cancer if you have a parent, sibling or child with the disease.

Diet. Colon cancer and rectal cancer may be associated with a diet low in fiber and high in fat and calories. Some studies have found an increased risk of colon cancer in people who eat diets high in red meat and processed meats. What we do know is that people who consume the typical Western diet have a much greater risk of colon cancer than those who reside in the developing world.

A sedentary lifestyle. If you're inactive, you're more likely to develop colon cancer. This may be because when you're inactive, waste stays in your colon longer. Getting regular physical activity may reduce your risk.

Diabetes. People with diabetes and insulin resistance may have an increased risk of colon cancer.

Obesity. People who are obese have an increased risk of colon cancer and an increased risk of dying of colon cancer when compared with people of normal weight.

Smoking. People who smoke cigarettes may have an increased risk of colon cancer. They may also have an increased chance of dying of colon cancer.

Alcohol. Heavy use of alcohol may increase your odds of colon cancer.

Growth hormone disorder. Acromegaly, an uncommon disorder that causes an excess of growth hormone in your body, may increase your risk of colon polyps and colon cancer.

Radiation therapy for cancer. Radiation therapy directed at the abdomen to treat previous cancers may increase the risk of colon cancer.

## Get Screened for Colon Cancer

Regular colon cancer screening should begin at age 50 for people at average risk of colon cancer. Several screening options exist – each with its own benefits and drawbacks. Talk about your options with your doctor, and together you can decide which tests are appropriate for you.

- ▶ Annual fecal occult blood testing
- ▶ Stool DNA testing, though it's not clear how often this test should be repeated
- ▶ Flexible sigmoidoscopy every five years
- ▶ Double-contrast barium enema every five years
- ▶ Colonoscopy every 10 years
- ▶ Virtual colonoscopy (CT colonography) every five years

## Colonoscopy

Colonoscopy is the “gold standard” of colonic screening methods. It is a long, flexible and slender tube attached to a video camera and monitor. It allows your doctor to view your entire colon and rectum. If any polyps are found during the exam, your doctor may remove them immediately or take tissue samples (biopsies) for analysis. This is done through the colonoscope and is painless.

For comfort, you may receive a mild sedative. Preparation for the procedure involves drinking a large amount of fluid containing a laxative to clean out your colon – enemas are no longer necessary. Major risks of diagnostic colonoscopy include bleeding and perforation of the colon wall, but these are rare.

For more information about colon cancer screening, please contact one of the EB Building Better Health team members or call Doria Sklar (433-6391) or the Health Net care advocate in Groton, Sonia Garcia (1-800-848-4747, ext. 8318). At Quonset Point, the UHC Advocate is Mercedes Beres (401-268-2240). 📍

- 241 **Carl F. Bjorge**  
30 years  
*O S Electrician 1/C*
- 243 **Richard L. Ratelle**  
29 years  
*General Foreman*
- 252 **James Munroe**  
33 years  
*Carpenter 1/C*
- 322 **William P. McMurray**  
28 years  
*Qual Cntrl Spec*
- 355 **Stephen Morrisette**  
39 years  
*Prod Planner*
- 355 **Roy D. Perkins**  
44 years  
*Prod Planner*
- 419 **Robert M. Lawrence**  
43 years  
*Engg Project Spec*
- 438 **Richard L. Picard**  
34 years  
*Foreman*
- 445 **Donald E. Wittig**  
30 years  
*Test Engineer Sr*
- 448 **Dennis A. Bacchiocchi**  
31 years  
*Sr Engineer*
- 459 **Brian J. Jordan**  
24 years  
*Struct Sr Designer*
- 460 **Allen W. Choate**  
39 years  
*Eng Coord Spec*
- 650 **N. Geoff Ingham**  
34 years  
*Director of Contracts*
- 706 **George L. Ashbaugh**  
32 years  
*Eng Analyst*
- 915 **Robert J. Booth**  
26 years  
*Struct Fab Mech I*

# Classified

## AUTOS/TRUCKS

1996 FLEETWOOD Prowler M-29S travel trailer. This camper is loaded. A must see. Maintained; everything works. Always been smoke/animal free. \$6,975. OBO. 245-0493.

## FURNITURE

BUNK BED. Wooden. \$100. 464-2216.

## MISCELLANEOUS

AMERICAN Girl Doll clothes and furniture. Wooden child's rocking chair. Fisher Price doll house, new porcelain doll, children's books, puzzles, records, 1950s Ken Doll, Mickey Mouse earrings. 401-596-5788.

BEAUTIFUL Kohler (pale green) cast iron tub, sink and toilet. A screaming deal at \$500. Bought new from Shetucket, never installed, and sitting in my garage on Montauk Ave in New London. 442-6613 evenings.

EZ BROADCAST SPREADER by Republic. Pull-behind tractor type, excellent condition. \$40. 885-3419.

FIREWOOD (Seasoned), mostly red oak. Cut, split and delivered for \$180 a cord. Before 5 PM call 715-1299; after 5 PM call 401-377-9055.

FOSTORIA glassware. Ladies' fur coat, size medium. Men's big & tall 3-piece blue suit. Men's linen look big & tall sport jacket. New blue gowns, sizes 6 and 14. 401-596-5788.

GRILLE-TO-GO with Travel Case by Thermos. Like new. Red with fold-up legs, \$90. 885-3419.

## MOTORCYCLES

2006 Ducati 800 Supersport with 3000 miles. MSRP is \$8,495; will sell for \$6750. Call 235-6926.

To submit a classified ad, send an e-mail to [EBNewsAds@gdeb.com](mailto:EBNewsAds@gdeb.com) with the following information:

CATEGORY *choose from*

Appliances	Computers	Pets	Real Estate / Sales
Autos / Trucks	Furniture	Real Estate / Rentals	Wanted
Auto Parts	Miscellaneous		
Boats	Motorcycles		

ITEM NAME; DESCRIPTION; ASKING PRICE; and HOME TELEPHONE (include area code if outside 860). Deadline is the 15th of the month.

Maximum of two 25-word ads per employee per issue.

Please include your name, department and work extension with your ad (not for publication).

Employees without e-mail can submit their ads through interoffice mail to:

Dan Barrett,  
EB Classified, Dept. 605,  
Station J88-10.

## REAL ESTATE/SALES

LOCATION!!! Island Estates Community, Clearwater, FL. Million \$ view of Gulf of Mexico. Condo. 2 BR/2BA, pool, docks, fishing, walk to beach. \$199,000. 739-2469.

## EB Business Ethics and Conduct

### Internet Use

Supervisors and managers may permit internet use during non-working periods. However, internet access should not be used to support a personal business or political venture, violate any of the standards in the Blue Book, or in any way be an embarrassment to Electric Boat or General Dynamics.

You may never use the company's internet access to view, send or forward information that is sexually explicit, discriminatory, derogatory, illegal, profane or abusive.

Electric Boat may monitor or filter internet use in order to maintain and

enforce company standards.

Be reminded that it is the responsibility of each employee to report internet concerns or abuse to his/her supervisor, manager, union steward or the Human Resources department.

EB Ethics Director Frank Capizano (860-433-1278) is available to assist anyone regarding questions or issues that may relate to ethical decision making. The GD Ethics Hotline is available 24/7 at 800-433-8442, or 700-613-6315 for international callers. 

Remember – when in doubt, always ask.

## HOUSE SERVICES CHAIRMAN VISITS EB *continued from page 1*

Boat employees – “You are a world-class workforce.” He also expressed his strong support for increasing the size of the Navy's fleet to 313 ships from its current level of about 280.

Referring to the U.S. as a seafaring nation, Skelton said the nation relies on the Navy fleet to confront current and future challenges. Submarines play an important tactical and strategic role in meeting these challenges, he said.

Electric Boat employees support this effort by working as one team with one purpose, Skelton said. “There's so much knowledge here that cannot be found elsewhere in the world.” 

# Service Awards

## 45 years

- 230 James T. Cunningham Jr.
- 452 Paul A. Losacano

## 40 years

- 221 Robert B. Beattie
- 241 Wayland W. Hedding Jr.
- 333 William R. Warner
- 459 William L. Crandall

## 35 years

- 100 Samuel F. Christie Jr.
- 229 Jack L. Discullo
- 241 Robert W. Leonard III
- 241 Janet L. Schuster
- 241 Earl M. Thomas

- 248 Gordon T. Chambers
- 251 Richard Rogers Jr.
- 272 John T. Fischetti
- 272 Steven A. Johnson
- 274 Wayne D. Peccini
- 274 James L. Wise
- 278 Bruce R. Adams
- 321 Edward T. Swan
- 323 Pamela A. Wright
- 355 Michael J. Hewko
- 355 Donald A. Hoagland
- 404 Judy A. Brewer
- 411 Aretha L. Tremblay
- 415 Jeffrey J. Kulo
- 441 Michael R. Perry
- 447 Robert A. Irvine
- 447 Judith E. Page
- 452 Thomas K. Chapman
- 452 Frederick P. Doerfler
- 459 Patricia A. Clay
- 459 Charles G. MacNeil
- 501 James E. Tefft Jr.
- 505 Christopher S. Kindel
- 545 Michael V. Vernott
- 707 Michael L. Drawdy

## 30 years

- 413 Reed B. Shipman
- 459 Anthony J. Souza
- 467 Jeffrey H. Shafer
- 496 Robert A. Leuzarder
- 545 Emmatt H. Strickland

## 25 years

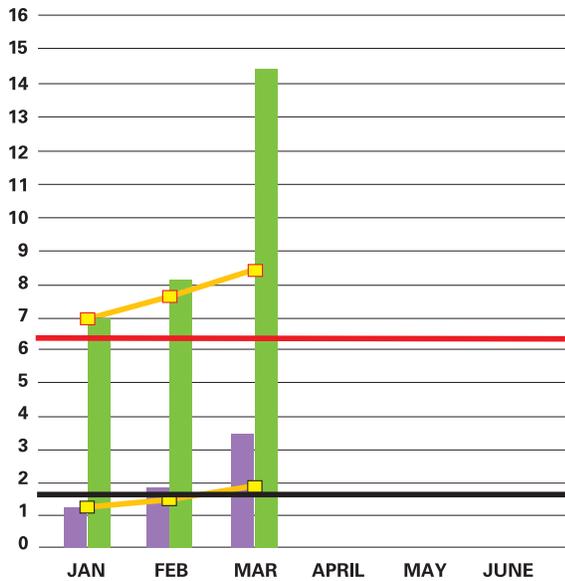
- 100 Roland A. Woodward Jr.
- 229 Dawn E. Gray
- 230 Joseph H. Prendergast
- 243 Arnold P. Johnson
- 252 Timothy K. Pont
- 252 Jose A. Valentin
- 403 Kenneth V. Tate Jr.
- 413 Pete K. Wong
- 425 William M. Fiske
- 449 Daniel B. Bennett
- 459 Thomas L. Gibeault

- 459 Vernon W. Musser Jr.
- 492 Linda M. Morrison
- 505 David G. Coon
- 604 Lee Ann Swan
- 650 Mark J. Kuhn
- 650 John L. Sullivan
- 662 Peter E. Baker
- 691 Jeffrey P. Nelson
- 702 David W. Pierce
- 740 John J. Degregory
- 904 Douglas M. Peckham
- 915 Michael A. Gaudiano
- 931 Paul M. Vinacco
- 957 Nancy G. MacLaine
- 957 Steven C. Weekley

## 20 years

- 242 George E. Turner
- 243 Robert M. Bergeron
- 243 Robert W. Pothier
- 251 Russell E. Spaulding
- 323 Robert W. Costello Jr.
- 438 Roberto Barreto
- 445 Sharon L. Biltcliffe
- 452 David M. Maynard
- 456 Randal L. Jacques
- 456 Alan L. Stearns
- 458 John A. MacGeachie
- 459 David M. Smith
- 472 Jane H. York
- 501 David B. Belanger
- 660 Jeffrey J. Noga
- 691 Patrick L. Casey
- 774 Philip M. Devine
- 901 James J. Pimentel





# 2008

## ELECTRIC BOAT CORPORATION INJURY INCIDENCE RATES

RECORDABLE INJURIES FOR 2008 = **167**

RECORDABLE INCIDENCE RATE YTD = **8.28** 2008 GOAL = **6.35 or less**

LOST TIME CASES 2008 = **38**

LOST WORK DAY CASE RATE YTD 2008 = **1.88** 2008 GOAL = **1.70 or less**

