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Connie Swander Interviewee

John Fedewa Interviewer

Hire Date April 8 1985 - Body Shop S.T. Electrician  
1<sup>st</sup> Hire 1972

~~Sanitation~~ Sanitation

Moved from Alabama

Few women, treated good, taken in S.T.

Didn't like the Paint Dept, Returned to Body Shop

Hard off for 5 months

4 generations worked @ ~~Fisher Body~~ <sup>3 @ Fisher Body</sup> ~~General Motors~~ <sup>man @ Plant 143</sup>

Union - Family Background in Unions

1<sup>st</sup> Position Skill Trades Rep Delegate

1 - enters Demands for contract

Can Con - New National Contract meeting

2 - Trustee - 9 years (2 Terms)

3 - Financial Secretary (1 term)

4 - Committee person

All elected positions - treated fairly in most positions. Financial Sec - scrutinized a lot, 1<sup>st</sup> woman in this position since a very long time. People stick together.

On strike over <sup>loss of</sup> wagon.

Family - good Benefits, Medical + Dental

TVA - \$12.40 Top Pay, good benefits

Carla Gates, Teri Brummel - Friend Roy Hartwick - friend

Al Jardo - Favorite memory - (Texas tea) <sup>Alcoholic</sup> Beverages

Prank - Put in barrel roll down aisle, duck tape to chair



~~Work~~ - training on Mig guns  
training on Cincinnati - scrape grease off  
Lunch - Bar with boys.

Generations @ Fishy Body

G. <sup>Grand</sup> Father - 1952 retired, worked for Durant

Grand Mother - died in 1940's - Paint Dept Bondrite - Relief

Uncle 1983 Electrotection Plant 2 + Fisher

Favorite Boss - Didn't have one favorite boss, liked most  
of the bosses.

Worst <sup>Boss</sup> Pat Funch on 3 to 11<sup>30</sup> Shift, went out on medical,  
came back, was partnered with Charlie Jones. She  
didn't like him. <sup>they</sup> <sup>her</sup> wanted moved to another dept.  
she fought back.

Appreciated bargained benefit - Medical, pay  
Injured as Skilled trade, treated fairly  
when returned from medical leave.

Lock out - Lock machine down - doesn't move  
Future - business does well, union representation  
Lansing Jobs, family employment.