



Apprenticeship Corner

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Foreman Training Program Is Poised to Begin

The completed modules of the Foreman Training Program are now being forwarded to our core group of instructors, which will permit us to soon announce the roll-out of the program to our local unions and signatory contractors.

The completed modules include an Overview of the Lesson Plans, the Lesson Plans and Exercises, Handouts and Overhead Slides, the Instructor Background Materials, and the Participant Materials.

Once the instructors have received the materials and reviewed them, we will be making an announcement of the availability of the Foreman Training Program to interested local unions, district councils, and contractor associations.

Apprenticeship Competition Scheduled

Local 134 in Toledo, OH, is the host local union for this year's Mid-States and Northeast District Councils Apprenticeship Competition. The Local 134 training facility will be the venue on May 3, 2008, for this annual event.



While the competition is open only to apprentices from the Northeast and Mid-States District Councils, any interested individuals are welcome to attend.

For information regarding the competition, contact Mr. Butch Stockelman, Business Manager of Roofers Local 42, Cincinnati, OH, at (513) 821-3689.

Helmets to Hardhats

The Helmets to Hardhats program is under the new leadership of Executive Director Darrell Roberts. A veteran of the Iraqi conflict, Mr. Roberts has revamped the website and made it more user-friendly for both labor and management representatives.

In addition to providing a link to the building and construction trades unions for those military personnel who are about to transition out of the uniformed services, there is also a "Wounded Warrior" program that allows disabled veterans to find administrative and other construction-related work either through our local unions or our signatory contractors.

We encourage our apprenticeship programs, local unions, and contractors to log on to www.HelmetstoHardhats.org and post available openings for interested veterans and answer requests for information from veterans.

Many states have approved "direct entry" into apprenticeship programs for these veterans. Language must be adopted into your apprenticeship standards to permit such "direct entry." The standard language is available from your registration agency but only if your state's governor has approved "direct entry." ■

Foreman Training Instructors Class Completed

The final installment of the Foreman Training Instructors class was completed in December 2007 at the Local 11 apprenticeship training facility in Indian Head Park, IL.



Those who attended the Foreman Training Instructors class included, front row left to right: Dan Craig, Local 44; James Currie, Local 10; Lupe Corral, Local 36; Dr. Eric Rice, lead instructor; and Brian Brousseau, Local 33. Back row left to right: Dan Knight, Local 2; Marty Headtke, Local 11; Pat Gilliland, Local 54; and Gregg Gibeau, Local 54.

Eight instructors were in attendance for the session conducted by Dr. Eric Rice. Once the modules are completed along with the instructor and student materials, the Foreman Training Program will be available to interested district councils, local unions, and signatory contractors.



Dr. Eric Rice leads the discussion during the Foreman Training Program.