



## Apprenticeship Corner

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### Foreman Training Fund Grows

The contributions to the National Fund for Foreman Training continue to come in to our office. The current list of contributors and their amounts is as follows:

Roofing Industry Advancement of Chicago, IL.....	<b>\$25,000</b>
Chicagoland Roofers Joint Apprenticeship & Training Fund ....	<b>\$10,000</b>
Local 33 Labor Management Cooperation Trust.....	<b>\$10,000</b>
Local 2 Industry Advancement.....	<b>\$10,000</b>
Local 96 Labor/Management Account .....	<b>\$10,000</b>
Southeastern Michigan Roofing Contractors Association.....	<b>\$ 7,500</b>
Local 149 Apprenticeship Fund.....	<b>\$ 5,000</b>
Roofing Contractors Association of East Syracuse, NY .....	<b>\$ 1,000</b>
Southern Colorado Roofers Apprenticeship Fund (Local 58).....	<b>\$ 1,000</b>
Roofers JAC of Mahoning Valley (Local 71).....	<b>\$ 1,000</b>
Associated Roofing Contractors of	
Bay Area Counties, Inc (CA).....	<b>\$ 1,000</b>
NERCA Roofing Industry Promotion Fund of Braintree, MA.....	<b>\$ 1,000</b>
Apprentice Training Fund Local 97.....	<b>\$ 500</b>
Roofers Union Local 49 JATC .....	<b>\$ 500</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$83,500</b>

We are grateful to all who contributed to assist the International Union in defraying the costs of the curricula development and startup costs of this very important labor-management initiative. We continue to solicit donations from interested JATCs and contractor associations, although we again caution that we cannot accept monies from local unions or individual contractors.

Contributions by check can be made payable to:  
National Fund for Foreman Training  
United Union of Roofers  
1660 L Street NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20036

### Foreman Training Survey Response

The response from our local unions, members and contractors regarding the foreman training surveys we sent out has been nothing short of phenomenal. To date, we have received over 350 completed surveys from current foremen, former foremen and contractors. The information gleaned from these surveys will assist our curriculum program developer, Dr. Eric Rice, with compiling a curriculum that is both comprehensive and meaningful for foreman training.

We wish to thank all of you who participated in filling out and returning the surveys to us. Your input is invaluable to Dr. Rice for without the collective wisdom and experience of those of you who are or were foremen, and the contractors who utilize foremen, we could not develop a first class foreman training program.

### Apprenticeship Competition

The first apprenticeship competition for the North Central States, Illinois, Michigan and Indiana combined district councils was conducted on April 29, 2006 at the Local 11 Apprenticeship Training facility in Indian Head Park, Illinois. Forty-eight apprentices from Locals 2, 11, 20, 23, 42, 65, 69, 96, 119 and 149 participated in the competition.

The original apprenticeship competition idea was generated by the Mid-States/Northeast District Councils, and they have been successfully conducting them for the last thirteen years. This was Local 11's first attempt at hosting the competition and it was a resounding success.

These competitions give our apprentices a chance to showcase their skills and abilities, while at the same time meeting their peers and brothers and sisters from local unions in their councils. We encourage and support these competitions and suggest that anyone interested in conducting one in their area contact Brother Butch Stockelman at Local 42 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

### Single-Ply Manual Status

The revised single-ply manuals have arrived. We will send out an announcement of its availability, along with the cost.

Many thanks to Carol Markos and Leo Meyer of LAMA Books in Hayward, California, as well as their staff for the work they did in assisting us to revise this manual.

I also want to give the International Union's personal thanks to the Resource Committee that spent countless hours in reviewing, revising and editing the student and instructor manuals, making them the first-class productions they are. Those individuals are:

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| Dan Knight    | Local 2 St. Louis, MO    |
| Marty Headtke | Local 11 Chicago, IL     |
| Gary Menzel   | Local 11 Chicago, IL     |
| Lupe Corral   | Local 36 Los Angeles, CA |
| Dan Craig     | Local 44 Cleveland, OH   |
| Clint Mapes   | Local 49 Portland, OR    |

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**Single-Ply Roofing Manuals**  
(Second Edition)

The second edition of the Single-Ply Manual (student & instructor) are now available.

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