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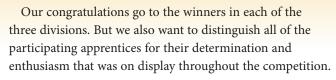
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18th Annual Apprentice Competition Hosted by Roofers Local 33, Boston, MA

The Mid-States and Northeast District Council Apprentice Competition was held June 9, 2012, in Stoughton, MA, at Roofers Local 33 Training Center. Now in its 18th year, the competition remains robust. Seven local unions participated in the contest, including Local 33, Boston, MA; Local 42, Cincinnati, OH; Local 44, Cleveland, OH; Local 71, Youngstown, OH; Local 74, Buffalo, NY; Local 195, Syracuse, NY; and Local 210, Erie, PA.

The enthusiastic first, second and third-year apprentices faced off in events that tested a variety of skills, from proper safety techniques for setting up ladders and donning full body fall protection harnesses for first-year apprentices, to flashing curbs in hot and torching modified bitumen membranes for second years, to heat welding PVC laps and detailing inside and outside corners with EPDM for thirdyear apprentices.

Safety is always a concern at these events and competitors are required to wear the appropriate personal protective equipment.



Sincere thanks go to Roofers Local 33, Boston, MA, and Roofers Local 33 JATC for hosting the event and to all of the affiliated local unions and JATCS for their assistance in helping make the competition a continued success.

FIRST YEAR

1 st Place	Steve Johnson	Local 210, Erie, PA
2 nd Place	Robert Burge	Local 33, Boston, MA
3 rd Place (tie)	Ryan Angelotti	Local 210, Erie, PA
	Mike Hickley	Local 210, Erie, PA

SECOND YEAR

1 st Place	Chris Grey	Local 42, Cincinnati, OH
2 nd Place	Robert Graham	Local 71, Youngstown, OH
3 rd Place	Luis DeJesus	Local 210, Erie, PA

THIRD YEAR

1 st Place	Bradley Patterson	Local 74, Buffalo, NY
2 nd Place	Jayson Hunter	Local 33, Boston, MA
3 rd Place	Tim Harper	Local 33, Boston, MA



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1st place winner in the first year division, Steve Johnson, Local 210, Erie, PA, receives his award from Local 33, Boston, MA Business Manager Paul Bickford (center) and Local 42, Cincinnati, OH, Business Manager Butch Stockelman (right).



Roofers Local 33 Business Manager and International Vice President Paul Bickford welcomes all of the participants and congratulates the competition winners at the awards banquet.



Butch Stockelman, Business Manager for Roofers Local 42, Cincinnati, OH, and longstanding coordinator for the apprentice competition, pulls duty as Master of Ceremonies at the awards banquet.



First-year Apprentice Robert Burge, Local 33, Boston, MA, finishes in second place.



First-year apprentices Ryan Angelloti and Mike Hickley, both from Local 210, Erie, PA, finish tied for third place.



Chris Grey from Local 42, Cincinnati, OH, is the first-place winner in the second-year



Robert Graham from Local 71, Youngstown, OH, takes second place in the second-year division.



Luis DeJesus, Local 210, Erie, PA, finishes third among second-year division competitors.



Bradley Patterson, Local 74, Buffalo, NY, takes first place in the third-year division.



Jayson Hunter, Local 33, Boston, MA, finishes in second place in the third-year division.



Tim Harper, Local 33, Boston, MA, takes third place among all third-year division competitors.



International Vice President Mike Stiens, right, assists judges from Local 42.

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