



## Research & Education

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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 third-year apprentices.

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

Our congratulations go to the winners in each of the three divisions. But we also want to distinguish all of the participating apprentices for their determination and enthusiasm that was on display throughout the competition.

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

### SECOND YEAR

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|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Chris Grey    | Local 42, Cincinnati, OH |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Robert Graham | Local 71, Youngstown, OH |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Luis DeJesus  | Local 210, Erie, PA      |

### THIRD YEAR

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





*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 long-standing 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 division.*



*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.*





## Scenes from the Competition

