THE JOURNEYMAN ROOFER & WATERPROOFER

LOCAL ROOFERS GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Local 2 Roofers Help Children's After-School Program

Roofers Local 2, St. Louis, MO, apprentices and trainers performed charity work on Catch A Falling Star, an afterschool program located in St. Louis. The program aims to strengthen physical and social skills of children by promoting socialization and inclusion in a safe after-school environment.

On Saturday, September 29, Local 2 roofers spent the day making roof repairs to the building that houses the Catch A Falling Star program. All materials for this project were donated by Roofers Mart.



Scott May assists at Catch A Falling Star.



James Scott and Robert Kent of Local 2 volunteer their time for the children of St. Louis.

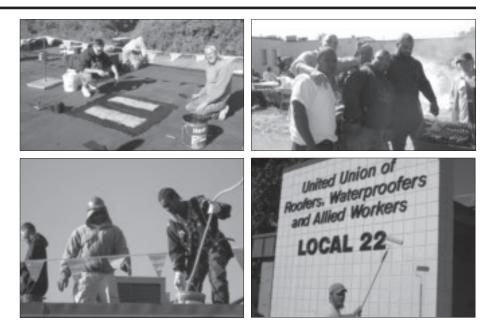


Local 2 volunteers, front row, left to right: Instructor Terry Ferguson, Josh Donahue and Instructor Tom Brumitt. Back row, left to right: Scott May, Zack Fisher, Ronnie Melton, James Scott, Robert Kent and Brian Hodge.

Taking Care of the Union House

The apprentices of Local 22, Rochester, NY, led by instructor Ed Curran and coordinated by Executive Director of Apprenticeship Todd Robinson, did preventative maintenance and repairs to the union hall as a class project. After they did a great job on the building, everyone relaxed and had a cookout.

Business Agent Michael Monaghan wants to thank all those who participated from the bottom of his heart. "They saved us a great deal of money," he said.





Tacoma Roofers Lead by Example

The Pacific Harbors Council of the Boy Scouts of America contacted the Pierce County (WA) JATC about the boathouse roof at Camp Hahobas. It had been leaking for some time, and equipment in the boathouse was beginning to get water damage.

JATC Chairman Don Guthrie said that his company, Wayne's Roofing, would provide equipment and materials for the project. Tacoma, WA, Local 153 President Darren Witham and Business Manager Matt Thompson took the project to the membership of Local 153 where brothers Ed Ehnat and Chuck Richmond took over recruiting. They quickly rounded up volunteers to train apprentices in the installation of an APP160 torch-down roof.



Thanks to these Local 153 roofers, the boathouse at Boy Scout Camp Hahobas now has a leak-free roof. Pictured from left: Francisco Alvizar, Bob Bruner, Ryan Weichert, Marc Rummig, Mike Matson, Jeremy Nelson, Ed Ehnat, Cruz Bruner, and Blake Stokke.

On a sunny Saturday in June, the volunteers met and in no time had the roof prepped and ready for installation. Under the watchful eye of a supervising journeyman, every apprentice was given the opportunity to install the roof system. The journeymen were able to share their skills and knowledge, the apprentices picked up some great hands-on experience, and all their hard work benefitted the Boy Scouts of America.

Thanks to the staff of Wayne's Roofing for obtaining materials and donating time and equipment, and thanks to the volunteers of Local 153 for giving their time and skill to help others.



Apprentice Blake Stokke applies torch-down material while supervised by Ryan Weichert.

Apprentice Francisco Alvizar shows his skills on the boathouse roof at Camp Hahobas.



So Others Might Eat

When the congregation of Christian Union Church in Rockford, IL, called looking for some help, the members of Roofers & Waterproofers Local 11, Chicago, IL, responded. Officials at the church, which helps provide meals for the less fortunate in the Rockford area, said they could no longer serve food due to the leaks in the roof over the kitchen.

With a few phone calls to the members and signatory contractors of Local 11, the church was up and serving meals again in no time. "That is what unions are all about: coming together for a cause," said Local 11 Vice President and Business Agent Mitch Terhaar.

Special thanks go out to the members who volunteered their time and skills to help with this project, and to McDermaid Roofing and Roofing Systems for donating the roofing material.



Pictured left to right: Jerry Davis, Mike Swanson, Greg Verkuilen, Elias Monreal, Business Agent Mitch Terhaar and Anthony Caccamise. Not pictured is Penny Verkuilen.