## **ROOFERS IN THE NEWS**

ROOFING STORIES AND EVENTS THAT ARE MAKING HEADLINES

## Local 162 Roofers & Waterproofers Make the Grade at UNLV

nternational President Kinsey Robinson toured the campus of University of Nevada, Las Vegas while in town for the Western Roofing Expo in June. Members of Local 162, Las Vegas, are responsible for roofing and roof maintenance on the campus. The roofers had recently finished the roof on the Robert L. Bigelow Physics Building.











## He Takes His Job Home—and Everywhere Else

Raul Galaz, president and organizer for Local 162 in Las Vegas, NV, is proud of his detailed pick-up truck, which doubles as a roaming "billboard" promoting Roofers & Waterproofers Local 162 and the city he loves. "I think every roofers local should advertise itself to the community," says Brother Galaz. The truck sends a message to the city that the Roofers Union has a strong presence there and is always on the go.





## Las Vegas Plays Host to WESTERN ROOFING EXPO

"The Largest Roofing Show by Roofing Contractors for the Roofing Industry"—that's how the Western States Roofing Contractors Association billed its Western Roofing Expo 2010, held June 20 – 23 at Paris Las Vegas Hotel.

The tradeshow floor this year showcased more than 175 manufacturers of roof-related products, bringing the latest in roofing innovations to the city that never sleeps. The United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers & Allied Workers sponsored a booth as well, giving union representatives a



International President Kinsey Robinson, left, spends quality time catching up with John Plescia, president of longtime signatory contractor Star Roofing in Phoenix, AZ.



Shaun Geiger, CEO at Angelus Waterproofing & Restoration, Inc., in Orange County, CA, pictured second from left, is the lucky winner of the International booth's drawing on Day 2.



Union Roofing Contractors Association Executive Director Ron Johnston, Local 220 Business Manager Brent Beasley, International Representative Gabby Perea and Associated Roofing Contractors Executive Director Bill Callahan enjoy the show.

chance to catch up with some familiar signatory contractors—and make the acquaintance of some new ones. The Roofers booth was a hit with attendees, who appreciated the giveaways and daily drawings, and who walked away with a positive impression of the union roofing industry.

The Expo also featured workshops, speakers and seminars on topics including safety, waterproofing and shingles. Two full-day workshops were presented on green roofing, which is quickly gaining popularity in the western states.



International President Kinsey Robinson; Laura Wallen of Fiddler Roofing in Mililani, HI; and Rick Subiono of Local 221, Honolulu, HI, discuss the roofing industry in Hawaii.



Raul Galaz, President of Local 162, Las Vegas, NV, and International Vice President Jim Hadel are geared up for a long day of entertaining the hordes at the Western Roofing Expo.



George Courtney (pictured second from left), owner of Courtney, Inc., in Irvine, CA, talks trade with Local 220 Business Manager Brent Beasley, International President Kinsey Robinson and International Representative Gabriel Perea.