



HOLIDAY WISHES DO COME TRUE



Mike Pratt of Local 20, Kansas City, KS, has spent the last eight holiday seasons in search of bicycles to donate to area children for the holidays. He hits store sales and thrift stores, raises

funds for new bikes, and salvages any old ones he can get his hands on. This year's bicycle giveaway was no different, as children visited a warehouse full of beautiful bikes hoping to pick their favorite. ■



Scott Tucci and Ed Neuburger on the Benedictine Sisters charity job.

Local 210 Roofers Come to the Aid of the Benedictine Sisters

Members of Roofers Local 210, Erie, PA, recently replaced two more shingle roofs on cottages owned by the Benedictine Sisters of Erie. Volunteers Scott Tucci, Ed Neuburger, Duane Belles Jr., Dave Roach, Will Davis,

Matt Wolf, Jack Lee and Randy Pace performed the work. "We are happy to help when we can, and over the past years our contractors have done four good-sized roof jobs at the Sisters' school and church," said Local 210 Business Manager Jack Lee. ■

A Good Deed for Homeless Veterans

Local 11, Chicago, IL, volunteers Ruben Barbosa, Bob Burch, Jeff Eppenstein and Gary Menzel repaired a leaky roof as part of the renovation of the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans in Wheaton, IL.

The shelter is a not-for-profit transitional living facility that provides assistance to U.S. veterans of any era for the opportunity to return to useful and productive lives by providing them with the skills for independent living. ■



Local 11 Roofers donate their time and skills to repair the roof of the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans.

Building Trades Volunteers Respond to Hurricane Sandy Victims

Steve Chati's home on Staten Island, NY, was prime real estate for the massive flooding that occurred along the East Coast during Hurricane Sandy. The borough suffered some of the worst destruction left by the superstorm, including at least 19 deaths.

Brother Chati, a member of Local 8, New York, NY, was unharmed, but his home was left ravaged by storm water.

Business agents from Staten Island's Building Trades answered

the call to help a brother in need, and together helped perform repairs to the severely damaged interior. Flood damage was so extensive that entire walls were knocked down before being rebuilt.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg and members of the media visited the area when it became clear that Staten Island neighborhoods had suffered some of the worst storm damage in New York, but it was union brotherhood that rebuilt Brother Chati's house. ■



New York City Mayor Bloomberg discusses conditions with Local 8 Business Agent Bill Wilmer.



Local 8 member Fred Carlo, Steve Chati and Local 8 Business Agent Bill Wilmer gather to assess the damage to Brother Chati's home.



A Staten Island Building Trades volunteer gets to work knocking down walls.

PUZZLE WINNERS!

Congratulations to the winners of last quarter's "Monster Sudoku" puzzle contest. Members worked long and hard on the number stumper—over 130 entries were received—and it paid off for these 16 prize winners. Stay tuned for another mystery puzzle, coming soon.

1st Place (\$250)

Kenton Ziegler, LU #96

2nd Place (\$100)

Jose Martinez, LU #40; Oran Ellis, LU #142; Roger Finken, LU #96; Jorge Cervantes, LU #11; Jeffrey Houston, LU #11

3rd Place (\$50)

Edward OBrick, LU #30; Richard Kishur, LU #37; Vito Gioia, LU #8; Tony Rodriguez, LU #123; Mark Conner, LU #220

Runners up (afghan)

Curt Walstrom, LU #96; Ismael Preciado, LU #49; Justin Martin, LU #182; Chris Skrzynecki, LU #11; Robert Klopotoski, LU #11