

UA District 2 Apprentice Contest at Greater MI Joint Training Center



The United Association of Plumbers, Pipefitters, Sprinklerfitters, Steamfitters and Service Techs in cooperation with UA Local 190 and the Michigan Pipe Trades Association held the 6th Annual District 2 Apprenticeship Contest in June at the Greater Michigan UA Local 190 Joint Apprenticeship Training Center.

Every year apprentices compete from all around the country to showcase the skills they have learned throughout their apprenticeship.

The skills competition consists of five disciplines related to our trade. They are Welding, Plumbing, Pipefitting, HVAC, and Sprinklerfitting. Along with these disciplines, apprentices are tested on their rigging abilities as well as crane hand signals.



The national competition starts at the state level, followed by a district competition, and ending with the national competition which takes place at Washtenaw Community College during the UA Instructor Training Program.

Joint Labor-Management Fund Sponsors Skills USA State Competition

Ann Arbor Student Home Building Program students won their second straight State Team-Works championship bringing the gold medal home to Ann Arbor. An all first year student team represented four A2 high schools at national competition in Kansas City, Missouri from June 23rd to 28th to compete for the national title. Retired UA member, Gary Dresselhouse was there to witness the event and also served as one of the plumbing judges for the event. As winners of last years event, it was the pleasure of our local program to host this years event.



Materials funding presented quite a challenge with the PMC and UA Local 190 Joint Labor-Management Fund providing funding for all the plumbing materials.

Team Bora Bora and Make A Wish Foundation

With the help of UA Local 190 and the Greater Michigan PMC Team Bora Bora raised \$11,775.00 for the Make-A-Wish foundation. Our



total distance was 318 miles that was covered in three days. There were 900 riders that participated in total and the ride raised \$2 million dollars from this years ride and will fund over 150 wishes for kids' with life threatening illness.