

Scott Klapper Receives Duane E. Branch Award of Excellence



Duane Branch presented the “**Duane E. Branch Award of Excellence**” to Scott Klapper at our annual Inspectors Luncheon. When a deserving individual comes to our attention the Award of Excellence is presented by Greater Michigan PMC. The third recipient of the Duane E. Branch Award of Excellence was presented to Scott Klapper by the Greater Michigan Plumbing & Mechanical Contractors Association.



An active union member, he participated in various programs and events before becoming the part-time Training Director for UA 190's Joint Training Committee. He was then appointed Business Agent and for a number of years he shared his time between training and working at the Union Hall. When the duties at the Training Department greatly increased, he was appointed by the Greater MI JATC to a full-time position where he stayed until accepting the position of UA Program Administrator at Washtenaw Community College.

Scott was honored for the tremendous dedication he has shown to the Industry throughout the years.

Career Fairs and Jobs Fairs Priority for PMC

The Eastern Constructors, the Student Chapter at Eastern Michigan University sponsored by the PMC, recently held the first of their twice annual Jobs Fair. The Fair gives the students the opportunity to speak with potential employers and/or to line up internships for their summer break. Along with familiarizing themselves with the various contractors present, it gave the students the chance to distribute their resumes, which they did to everyone possible.



The PMC held a drawing for the published “Building in Michigan” photo journal of construction in Michigan produced by Dale Fisher, in cooperation with the construction industry. Executive Associate Diane Calmeyn attended and talked with students about the opportunities available in the mechanical industry. She also collected resumes to be kept on file at the association office to be made available to contractors.

Career Night at Huron High School



Ann Arbor Huron High School Career Technical Education (CTE) Department organized their Second Annual Career open house inviting the entire school district. It was an evening for parents and students to attend an open house where they will be able to visit our (CTE) labs, learn about training and post secondary options, and gather information about opportunities that exist for high school graduates in the Washtenaw County area. Executive Associate Diane Calmeyn attended and talked with students about the opportunities available in the mechanical industry. The opportunity to talk with parents and give them exposure to career goals for their children that may not be college driven, was well received. The attendance was better than last year and definitely had the attention of parents.