

2007-2008 OUTSIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

COMPLETED BY STUDENTS AT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

- The Habitat for Humanity house project on L St. was nearly completed for the Speeks family. The conclusion of the house for the family “move-in” is slated for December 1. This is a long-term collaborative effort of the “construction cluster”: **Carpentry, Electrical, and Plumbing/HVAC** programs.
- The students in **Carpentry** completed a sign for the town of Leyden, installed in the spring. They re-built 80% of the fencing surrounding a small—but not forgotten—cemetery on Bernardston Road in Greenfield. The students built and delivered a child & dog-house for the Wildwood Elementary School in Amherst for “Brody,” the school’s therapeutic dog. In addition, the carpentry students nearly completed a library sign for the Bernardston Library, to be installed in a few weeks.
- The **Electrical** team completed phase one of a longer-term commercial installation in a residence hall at the Peace Pagoda in Leverett; the school was honored in the spring at the Cave Hill Classic, the organization’s road race that raises money for their cause.
- The electricians installed and wired several more classroom projectors in elementary schools in Whately, Sunderland, and Deerfield.
- The **Plumbing** team wrapped up the second phase of the extensive plumbing and electrical renovation of the Vet’s Field House at the Greenfield High School. The American Legion’s Post 81 was the central sponsor for the undertaking. The electricians completed their second phase of the lighting renovation in the field house as well in time for football this fall.
- The plumbers completed a heating/piping renovation for the headquarters of the Central Massachusetts Steam, Gas, and Machinery Association in Orange.
- **HVAC** students, in collaboration with the National Association of Heating Oil Service Managers’ “Oil Heat Cares” program, performed a complete boiler upgrade in a residence in Greenfield.
- The **Auto Body** program completed a restorative and finish project for the Emergency Response Team bus and two cruisers from the Montague Police Department. The Erving police department had some work completed on one of their cruisers. And a Shelburne Falls Highway Department vehicle underwent repair and was re-finished.
- The **Landscape-Horticulture** group performed two days of extensive fall clean-up at the Hill Cemetery in Shelburne. They have since informally adopted this cemetery for every fall thereafter.
- Business Technology (formerly **Office Technology**) re-developed for production a brochure for the Sheep and Woolcraft Fair in West County.
- In addition to operating the Techniques Salon, students in **Cosmetology** spent a day per month at Charlene Manor performing manicures for the residents—by all reports, the students and the residents both enjoy the experience immensely.

- **Health Technology** continued to deepen their involvement with regular service days at the Franklin Medical Center, the Buckley Nursing Home, and the Adult Day Center in Greenfield.
- **Culinary Arts** ran the Apprentice Restaurant for approximately 150 days, serving very affordable, expertly prepared and served meals to our community members. In addition, the catered several important events, including a quarterly breakfast for AIM, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts and the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce
- Our **CAD** instructor, Guy Lapollo, conducted a series of free computer-aided design classes for veterans that was funded by the Franklin/Hampshire Regional Employment Board.