

YouthBuild Update

December 2005

Progress on the house continued as YB students worked through the cold, damp and frosty month of December. Students finished up the plumbing, replacing and shingling the roof, and 80% of the exterior siding and soffett.



The wiring for the upstairs apartment is underway and the bathroom fixtures are being installed.

Students continue to prepare for the GED test. Scott Price took the test in December and will get his results back in January.



Community Service Projects



YB students and staff participated in two Community Service Projects in December both revolving around Christmas.

Students volunteered to help both the Stella Fuller Settlement and the Toy Train for Tots programs in their Christmas food baskets and gift programs. Students sorted Christmas gifts purchased and donated by local businesses and individuals to assist the needy with Christmas gifts for their children.

Over \$20,000 worth of new toys, clothing and food were sorted, tagged and prepared for pickup and delivery by the YB students. Five of the YB students were also designated as recipients of the food baskets and gift give-away programs.



Field Trip

After volunteering at the Stella Fuller Settlement in the morning, YB students and staff took a tour of the Huntington Museum of Art in the afternoon.

Students toured the facilities and were enthralled by the art, sculptures, displays and unique pieces on display. Students were fascinated by the various media of art and especially the Conservatory with its exotic flowers.

This was the first time these students had ever been to an art museum and are anxious to return for future trips.



CPR Class

In December, YB students and staff received certification in infant and adult CPR. This three-hour class was taught by Casey McClure and the students did an excellent job in practicing in infant and adult mannequins.

For those YB students who have children, this training was especially beneficial and gave them confidence to provide CPR to their children if it would ever be needed in an emergency.

Girls Nite Out – Michelle Perdue, YB Coordinator hosted a Girls Nite Out at a local bowling alley.

The YB gals thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had a great time of fun and fellowship away from kids, the classroom and the job site.

