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AEW Volunteers Help Build Strong Communities!

Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc. believes building strong communities encompasses more than good design and construction, it includes community involvement as a vital building block.

In addition to hosting student interns from Utica Community Schools MST program, AEW supports a variety of educational programs through volunteered time and expertise. AEW engineer, Lyle Winn strapped on waders in order to assist the Shelby Township's Ewell Elementary School's third grade "Stream Leaders" monitor the water quality of their local river. Sponsored by the Clinton River Watershed Council, Stream Leaders hopes to instill students with a life-long interest in water quality through hands-on experience.



Ed Neiman, Lyle Winn and Ryan Kern were judges in the 2009 **Imagineers** competition sponsored by the Optimist Club to bring awareness to Engineer's Week. Begun in 1998, the contest challenges grade school students to "fill a need and solve a problem" using simple household materials.

AEW's President, Roy Rose, offered his time to help coordinate and facilitate the "**Arts and Idols**" benefit for the Utica Community Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence. Open to the community, the benefit raises funds to pay for educational opportunities not covered by the district's annual budget.

Volunteering his time and engineering expertise as a mentor, Executive Vice President Steve Pangori helped the Oakland County School District introduce the **ACE Mentoring Program** in the City of Pontiac this past year. The program challenges teams of urban high school students to fully develop solutions to realistic building-related situations to gain realistic experience in planning and decision-making while guided by a mentor from the building industry.

To AEW it is especially important to support the community where it resides. In April, volunteers armed with gloves, orange vests and garbage bags, participated in **Shelby Township's Annual Spring Clean-Up** by picking up litter along Schoenherr Road from 23 to 24 Mile Roads as well as the AEW office grounds. In May, a team of dedicated walkers participated in Shelby Township's "**Relay for Life**". Walking in shifts from 1 to 4 hours long, the team successfully covered the 24-hour relay raising over \$3,500 for cancer research.

Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc. is proud of the community dedication demonstrated by its employees through their many hours of volunteerism.