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ASA MIDWEST COUNCIL MEMBERS COMPLETE BERNSTEIN PROJECT AFTER ORIGINAL CONTRACTOR FAILS

ST. LOUIS, MO—The American Subcontractors Association-Midwest Council members have graciously stepped forward to donate labor, material and assistance to 78-year old Carol Bernstein of Overland, Missouri after the remodeling contractor she hired, subsequent to taking her money, failed to complete and properly construct her room addition. Also helping with the construction management of the project is John Shea, President of Callier, Thompson, Shea who is best known for his efforts in building last year's Extreme Home Makeover which aired on ABC-TV and the RSCA (Roofing & Siding Contractors Alliance) a coalition partner with the ASA.

Ten years after Jeffrey A. Wolfson was banned for life from the home remodeling business, city officials of Overland, Missouri discovered him back in business as Home Centers America. Misleading customers and performing substandard work were just a couple of the issues that consumers had complained about to the Better Business Bureau and the Missouri Attorney General's office in 1999. These were the same practices that Mrs. Bernstein was concerned about as work on her room addition had stopped. In addition, Mrs. Bernstein had paid over \$18,000 upfront to Jeffrey Wolfson for the addition in October 2008. The City of Overland placed a "Stop Work" order on Mr. Wolfson for his subpar work. Mr. Wolfson is currently in contempt of the 1999 Missouri Attorney General's ruling and it is ASA's understanding that he is awaiting a court date that may impose incarceration and penalties.

With the coordinating efforts of Jim Compton of Compton Roofing, ASA members have donated time, money and talents to complete Mrs. Bernstein's room addition. The project was completed in about 30 days, slightly behind schedule, due to weather delays.

We thank the following companies/individuals for their donations: Allen Roofing, Frederic Roofing, Compton Roofing, Roofer's Mart Supply, CRI Building Supply, Certain Teed Building Supply, Callier Thompson Shea Construction, Hanneke Hardware & Industrial Supply, Castle Contracting, Hawkins Construction & Flatwork Contracting Co., Inc., Hardscape by Design, Inc., Oreo & Botta Concrete, T.J. Wies Contracting, Dawson-Dodd Heating & Cooling, Bruce Electric, City of Overland, Kirkwood Masonry, Freeman Contracting, Bazan Painting, Prestige Flooring, Metro Electric & Lighting, Seiler Instrument, Frost, American Steel Fabrication, Arlyn Snitker, Chris O'Hagan, Mays-Maune & Associates, Raineri Redi-Mix, Kienstra, Richard's Building Supply, Lindberg Waterproofing & Gateway International Raceway (who donated tickets to all the workers who were involved in the project).

The American Subcontractors Association Midwest Council is a construction trade association of quality specialty contractors and suppliers serving the construction industry and the community. Our purpose is to improve the construction process through active participation in education, legislation and cooperation.

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