

Community Partnership brings new windows to Camp Fire North Shore

Camp Fire North Shore, in partnership with GE volunteers and Lynn Vocational Technical Institute (LVTI) carpentry students, recently repaired and replaced all the windows in their office building and summer camp building.

The GE Volunteer Council generously awarded Camp Fire with a grant that allowed them to purchase new exterior windows and framing for their office and summer camp buildings. Several volunteers from the foundation donated their time to remove the exterior frames from the old windows. LVTI carpentry teacher Brian Borders and his senior class students repaired and replaced the windows in just a few weeks' time as part of their curriculum.

"We are so thankful to GE and Lynn Tech for their partnership in accomplishing this important project," said Camp Fire North Shore Executive Director Laurie Hamill. "This will save hundreds of dollars in heating this winter at our office building and get us one step closer to winterizing the camp building. Our hope is to be able



Lynn Tech carpentry students and GE volunteers assisted Camp Fire North Shore in replacing and repairing the windows in its office building and summer camp building.

to use the camp building year round for additional programs to the families we serve."

"I was very pleased when LVTI's Director, Diane Paradis gave us the green light to partic-

ipate on this project with the GE volunteers," said Brian Borders. "The real world environment of this project is an invaluable experience for the students. I could not be more proud of the effort and workmanship the students showed throughout the weeks, and I look forward to participating in additional community service projects and partnerships that not only benefit LVTI students, but the Lynn community as a whole."

"This project is a great example of GE Volunteers working within the Lynn community and

schools to improve educational and recreational opportunities to children and their families," said GE's Mike Macrorie.

Camp Fire North Shore is located on 75 acres of land at 2 Cain Road, off of Highland Avenue on the Lynn/Salem line. They are a co-ed non-profit organization whose mission is to "build caring, confident youth and future leaders." They serve over 3,000 children from Lynn, Salem, and surrounding communities throughout the year including, a state licensed After School Pro-

gram, Self-Reliance Program, Teens In Action, Club Program and a 10 week Summer Camp for kids ages 5-13. The organization also provides over 50 high school and college students with employment each year.

Camp Fire is a reliable source of education, advocacy and support in meeting the evolving needs of boys and girls and their families. Their curriculum and methods have changed through the years to meet the ever changing social environment while keeping their core principals and mission intact.



Students work on replacing the windows at the Camp Fire North Shore building in Salem.



Students are pictured inside the Camp Fire North Shore building.



Lynn Tech carpentry students are pictured outside the Camp Fire North Shore office building.