



# C2E Expo Features Construction Careers

The annual C2E (Construction Career & Education) Expo hosted by the Builders Association of Greater Lafayette was held this on January 23 at the Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds. Students from high schools throughout

industry. The C2E Expo brings together members of the industry to speak and demonstrate numerous skills used within three core functions: Plan-It, Build-It, and Finish-It.

businesses.

With over 50 companies represented, the students had multiple opportunities to explore the latest technology, learn what type of careers exist within the industry, and the training or education pathway needed to learn career skills. They also learned more about the earning potential of the various careers as they spoke with skilled construction professionals about their experience and career opportunities within their companies.



Derwin Brown awaits the arrival of the students attending the C2E Expo.

The result is a collaboration between industry, students, and the general public showcasing the many rewarding, high-skill careers available within the construction industry and that best fit an attendee’s personality and lifestyle.

Henry Poor Lumber displayed their boom truck and Henry Poor Lumber

and Flooring Express each had booths where they met students and answered questions about the skills and education needed to be successful in their

northcentral Indiana are invited to the event. There were 630 students in attendance interested in learning more about career opportunities in the construction



Tianna Tillotson speaks with students at the Henry Poor Lumber booth.

# Taking the Special Olympics Polar Plunge

The Polar Plunge is the signature Special Olympics Indiana fundraising event. Since its inception, more than 42,000 Hoosiers have taken the plunge supporting Special Olympics Indiana athletes. Each year the Polar Plunge raises funds to support thousands of athletes who participate in Special Olympics sports and other programs.

Individuals and groups jump into the frigid and icy waters of Indiana, soliciting donations from family and friends – often dressing up to make this “bucket list” activity as memorable as possible.

This year’s Lafayette area Polar Plunge took place on February 8 outside Lambert Fieldhouse on Purdue’s campus. The Flooring Express team of Jadelyn, Brian and Charli, appropriately named the “Polar Flooring Express” took the frigid plunge while raising \$900 for our local Special Olympics athletes.



The “Polar Flooring Express” team (L-R) Jadelyn Clugh-Dorsey, Brian Whitus and Charli Turner.

## Flooring Express Acquires Carpet Warehouse

The New Year kicked off with Flooring Express acquiring Carpet Warehouse from Rich and Kathy Franklin upon their retirement. The Franklins owned Carpet Warehouse for over 35 years and have built a strong local reputation for reliability and customer support.



On display are a large variety of brands and styles of vinyl plank and laminate.

### What's New

Carpet Warehouse is expanding its product offerings in its carpet, vinyl plank and laminate lines to provide greater selection and flooring options. The showroom has been remodeled and new product displays are

arriving every day. The warehouse will be enlarged to carry more inventory in the next couple of months.

### Shop-At-Home Now Available

The newest offering by Carpet Warehouse will be its "Shop-At-Home" service. This unique offering will bring an experienced flooring specialist to a home to show samples of all flooring types. They will also measure your room, help you with your flooring selection and provide a quote on the spot. Go to our website to arrange an appointment for a free in-home consultation.

Carpet Warehouse's Adam Cochran remarked, "Shopping at home will make selecting new flooring easier, faster, and more convenient. We look

forward to expanding our offerings through this new way of serving our customers."



Carpet Warehouse has added more brands and choices in carpeting.



Shop-At-Home for new flooring from the comfort and convenience of your home.

## BAGL Show Has Sports Theme

The annual Home Building & Remodeling Show sported a "basketball theme" with 75 vendors on hand to greet visitors looking for ideas to improve their homes.

Henry Poor Lumber and Flooring Express teamed together to promote our lines of cabinets and flooring. Nicole Reece commented, "I really enjoyed the extra time we had to become more aware of our customer's interests and how we might be able to help them with their DIY projects."



Pamela Hall and Nicole Reece in the HP/FE booth.

Nicole also promoted the show in an interview on WKOA radio.

## Mannington Laminate Flooring Sale

Regular Price \$4.49 /sf; Now Just \$3.29/sf  
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Mannington's Restoration Collection® Laminate Flooring offers a beautiful appearance that emulates the warmth of hard-



wood, but with the easy maintenance and super durability of laminate plank.

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