

"George to the Rescue" episode with Pinnacle and Local 78 wins Emmy

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According to the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), member contractor Pinnacle Environmental Corp., Local 78â€"Asbestos, Lead & Hazardous Waste Laborers, and the NBC television series "George to the Rescue," received the Emmy Award for Outstanding Societal Concerns for the episode of the series featuring the asbestos remediation of the Grosvenor Neighborhood House YMCA.

When the "George to the Rescue" crew of contractors began the renovation of the run down YMCA kitchen in Morningside Heights, the team discovered that all of the kitchen's pipes were wrapped in asbestos. This complex obstacle required the specialized expertise of Pinnacle Environmental Corp. and Local 78â€"Asbestos, Lead & Hazardous Waste Laborers to remediate the asbestos with the highest possible standards of safety and quality.

The team of industry veterans sealed off the entire room and installed new pipes, electric work, plumbing, gas lines and ventilation systems. The contractors additionally finished the new teaching kitchen with state-of-the-art appliances, as well as new flooring, ceiling, cabinets, counter tops and an organic herb garden.

The Grosvenor Neighborhood House YMCA serves as a second home for countless residents of the city. The establishment is dedicated to strengthening the community by nurturing the potential of children, promoting healthy living and fostering a sense of social responsibility. The new teaching kitchen at the Grosvenor Neighborhood House YMCA is part of the program Salsa, Sabor Y Salud, created by Latinos for Latinos to engage the community in cooking classes and nutritional education for adults and children in the city.

The Environmental Contractors Association (ECA) is New York's premier trade association of environmental contractors. The ECA has grown from just a handful of contractors in 1996 to over fifty member firms today that specialize in hazardous materials removal, emergency response, asbestos removal and infectious detection and clean-up among other environmental services. The ECA works with a wide range of clients and has built a strong reputation through partnerships with public agencies that shape environmental policy. For more information about the ECA and its services, visit www.ecanyc.org or contact Joyce Nastasi at (212) 682-0062 or via e-mail at joyeca@earthlink.net.

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