Interview with Mike Hebert- Remodeling

Name: Mike Hebert

Job:Owner of remodeling company.

How long at job: 16 years

What do you like about the job? Watching a project come together.

What is challenging? Making sure everything works.

How is the job rewarding? Knowing that the customer is satisfied.

What has changed in the profession in the last 5-10 years?

The economy.

What is continuing to change? The projects.

What do you expect to change in the next 5-10 years?

Depends on the president.

What sort of training/education did you need for the job?

Carpentry- learned skills on the job

Was it difficult to find work? Yes that's why I created my own company.

Has the job market changed? Not really.

Do you think it will change? Hopefully only in a positive way.

What advice would you give someone just entering this field?

Work hard and treat people fair.

How should I prepare for to enter this field?

Work with someone who has experience.

What do I need to know in order to be successful in this field?

You need to know the carpentry and business side.

What I learned

What I learned during this interview was that this type of job requires a lot of hands on work. This type of job does not require you to go to school; you can learn on the job. However, you need basic knowledge of tools and a basic understanding of how to fix things that are broken. In this job you cannot slack off. You have to work hard and treat people fairly. When you treat people fairly it can help obtain new jobs and have a good reputation in the field.