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October 2023 News & Sales Flyer

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While Supplies Last

Tool and Hardware Specials:

DEWALT

8-1/4" Compact \$337.59ea

40pc Impact Jobsite Table Saw Screwdriver Bit Set

\$21.99ea



Saw M18 Lith-Ion

\$210.97ea

(Tool only)

364215 302723

7-1/4" Cordless Circular Straight Cut **Snips**

\$12.49ea



779398 784652

METALTER Adjustable **Drywall Stilts** 18"-30" **\$189.90ea**

339440

347912

Wet/Dry Vac 8gal 12gal \$52.19ea \$60.69ea

CHAN NEL LOCK



352503 352512

Quick Grip Bar Clamp 12" \$12.59ea \$16.29ea



396117 396109

Rubbermaid

Roughneck 32 gal Trash Can with lid \$16.85ea



Silver Duct Tape

1.88"X55vd \$3.99/roll



405248

Paint Specials:

Pro Blue Masking Tape 1.88"X60yd \$6.49/roll



799836

Building Material Specials:

ROCKWOOL

Safe' N Sound **Insulation** 3"X15" 59.75SF \$63.85/bg



RSSW315

ZIPsystem"

Peel & Stick Roof **Underlayment 200SF** (Compare to Grace) \$115.00/roll



ZIWS

fiberon^{*}

Good Life grooved **PVC Decking** "Cottage"

16'- \$37.45/pc 20'-\$44.95/pc



F16CO F20CO

PVA Primer 5gal \$54.89/pail



797832

Purdy

2-1/2"Glide Sash **Brush** \$10.99ea



777092

Around the House Specials:

RICKSON

Folding Arched Aluminum **Loading Ramp** 12"X90" 750lb capacity \$52.99ea

588216

Woods'

Road Power Booster Cables 12' 8 gauge **\$9.89ea**



Polished Brass Locksets Passage Privacy Entry \$8.99 \$11.99 \$12.99



239062 239070



239054

65W Eqivilent Soft White Medium LED Floodlight Light Bulb 6-pk \$10.29pk



503990

Commodities Update:

- Panels: The <u>OSB</u> market, after a strong 6-7 week run, seems to be softening again. Whether it will settle back to the pre-increase numbers is not certain. Time will tell. <u>SYP plywood</u> has had similar upward movement recently, but as with OSB, the price levels seem to be falling slightly as of this writing. Huber products (<u>Zip</u>, <u>Advantech</u>) will soon be back to full capacity after a mill fire. What that does to costs is yet to be determined.
- Dimension lumber: Well, the run-up on the <u>SPF</u> market seems to have fizzled out too. So much for expensive wood this year, huh? A number of people have asked me if now would be a good time to buy their lumber packages. The answer is <u>yes!</u> Prices are back down to or near the lows for the year. <u>SYP lumber</u> (<u>PT</u>) prices are stable to down overall.
- USG Interiors, as reported last month, increased ceiling tile prices by 7% on 9/5/23.
- We've received an increase announcement from USG for <u>drywall</u> effective 10/16/23. No amount was stated, but usually it is \$10-20/MSF. We'll know for sure as we get closer to that date.
- Johns Manville has announced a <u>fiberglass</u> insulation increase of 6% for 11/1/23.

Brain Builder: See if you can figure it out!

A person wanted to encrypt a password but needed to do it in a way that could easily be remembered. Seven characters consisting of only letters and numbers (no symbols like ! or <) were needed. In order to remember it the person wrote down "You force heaven to be empty". What is the password?

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for the answer!

New inventory items:

-Simpson Strong Tie truss spacer/bracer



-National 3" double action cafe door hinges

Words Worth Reading:

Thoughts of life's ephemeral nature often overtake me in the last moments before sleep, when the unresolved questions of the day and the obligations of tomorrow press in on me in my weakest moment. It's then, as I check on my boys as they sleep in their bunk bed, then survey the paraphernalia of our shared lives together strewn around their room—the toys, the laundry, the pictures on the walls—that a sort of dread creeps into my heart: the thought of how, soon, it will all be different, and just a bit later, it will all be gone. How quickly these middle school boys will grow into men and no longer stumble downstairs in their one-size-too-small boxer-briefs to tell me they can't sleep and can I come rub their back, or ask me again to play catch or join them in a video game. How soon their voices won't be calling out to me, asking me for help, reminding me how much I am needed.

And, as I keep going down that path, how soon will the generations flip again, and then again, until another family is occupying this house as were the two before us whose children must be old and gray by now. Another young father will be sleeping where I am now, staring at the same point on the same bedroom ceiling and thinking about his own family's future. The pictures we proudly display now, blown up and framed as daily reminders of that which we most hold dear, will be tucked away in an attic or buried in a basement in 100 years. We will have been displaced, replaced, erased.

And yet, before I close my eyes, there is something inside me that pushes back against the dread, a counterargument, far from fully-formed, that wants to say something about beauty and value not belonging to time, something about all that we give, all that we love, all that we spend and tend to and build—the ear infections treated and swim lessons waited and late night present wrapping and practice pickups and trips planned and tears wiped and work we finish after bedtime so that we can begin it all again in the morning, all the patience lost and burnt toast scraped and dishes washed with water and worry...about disease, and friendships and perception—something about all this being worthy in itself, like a Buddhist sand mural that will be finished and wiped away rather that placed in a museum.

A part of me wonders if, on the backside of this life there is an eternal record we cannot see, where all of our private moments of sacrifice or bravery, heartbreak or loneliness, are placed like bricks into mortar, creating something outside of the timeline we know as life, something beautiful, and vast, and forever.

Either way, I kiss my boys as they sleep, climb into bed as my wife rolls toward me, and I close my eyes, grateful that they are mine, and we are here. For now.

By, Phil Cavo

Hardware Humor: Mother Goose and Grimm



Quote to Think About:

"The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, not to worry about the future, or not to anticipate troubles, but to live in the present moment wisely and earnestly."

Buddha