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#### <u>New inventory items:</u>

- Milwaukee hex shank multi-material drill bits- various sizes.
- Rustoleum cold galv spray paint 20 oz

EXTRA CONTRACTOR

#### Words Worth Reading:

Daniel (Summer Night)

You're mostly asleep, my precious boy, arm wrapped over a new stuffed animal, heavy breaths moving your body up and down, impossibly soft forehead somehow even softer now.

I sit next to you on the worn wooden floor by your toddler bed, Humming mommy's lullaby's over and over... do-do, do-do, do do do do do do.

And for a moment, now that your day is done and my responsibility has momentarily lifted, I instinctively reach for my phone, to fill the moment with whatever might be brought to my attention next.

But instead, I don't.

I sit here and breathe heavy breaths with you, looking up from the floor out your window at the maple tree silhouetted like a stencil against the orange-grey-blue of after sunset. A hard, warm breeze blows the tree about and gusts into the window from time to time.

There is nowhere I'd rather be, my boy, than right here with you this late summer night looking out at the horizon and at your future, watching you dream and dreaming of you.

Phil Cavo

## Hardware Humor:



In a tremendous stroke of luck, Dr. Remley has the opportunity to perform surgery on the contractor who renovated his kitchen.

# **Commodities** Update:

• Panels: With the tight supply, prices continue to work their way up on <u>OSB</u>. <u>SYP plywood</u> is a bit more stable, but pricing has not decreased as of this writing. Huber products (<u>Zip sheathing</u> and <u>Advantech underlayment</u>) has, of late, been increasing steadily with each week seeing a \$15-20/MSF increase. It is up over \$100/MSF in the last 6-7 weeks or so.

Seeking 1 or 2 drivers/yard personnel interested in driving a brand new truck similar to the above pictured vehicle. Competitive wages, full time year

round work. Driver would need a CDL Class B license. Some heavy lifting involved.

- Dimension lumber: Mills and European producers for <u>SPF</u> are in the driver's seat again getting sizeable increases for the last few weeks. \$25-\$50/MBF increases each week has not been uncommon. 2X6 is especially tight in availability with distributors limiting 8' trims and 10' on each load. It would not be totally unexpected to see increases continue well into 2025. <u>PT lumber</u>, on the other hand after eight weeks of increases is now seeing falling prices. The decreases are nothing extreme, though, and we can expect firm prices in 2025.
- Gypsum plants have again gotten busy and there is a strong likelihood that the deferred <u>drywall</u> price increase from October will be reinstituted in early 2025.
- Packaged <u>cements</u>, <u>portland and masonry</u>, will increase by \$.50 and \$.30 per bag respectively, on 1/1/25.

## Quote to think about:

"Do not pray for an easy life, pray to be a strong person."

Nadia Comaneci - world famous gymnast

# <u>Helpful hint</u>:

Zip System Tapes are pressure activated to create a powerful bond that gets stronger over time. Huber recommends that all Zip tape should be rolled after installation.



