Adhesives/Bonding Agents/Fasteners


Larsen, Jeff “Plastering Properly.” February 1995, p. 21. Abstract: Proper preparation of the surface before, during and after the bonding agents are applied to Portland cement plaster can make the difference between a successful adhesion and a sticky mess.

Teloh, David W. “Sticky Decisions.” December 1995, p. 36. Abstract: The advantages and disadvantages of using adhesives with wood and steel are discussed in this opinion piece from the technical director and product manager for one of the industry leading drywall adhesives manufacturers.

AWCI


“Exhibiting the Best.” March 1995, p. 41. Abstract: A listing of the exhibitors at the world’s largest wall and ceiling industry exposition.


Major, Michael J. “Ready to Go.” July 1995, p. 37. Abstract: His term as AWCI president began July 1, and T.J. McCartney is ready to tackle everything from member services to OSHA.

“Picture This.” June 1995, p. 35. Abstract: A photo essay that recognizes some AWCI-member field personnel.

Biography

Major, Michael J. “Amazing Grace.” November 1995, p. 19. Abstract: Our AWCI member profile of Grace Construction Products describes how the company got its start as a chemical company and went on to become a business that employs 1,900 people in the fireproofing product Line division and brought in about $387 million in revenues in 1994. Its most recent challenge was a fireproofing job on an exhibition/conference hall that required much of the work to be done from scaffolds 60 feet in the air.

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Major, Michael J. “Brothers in the Biz.” December 1995, p. 24. Abstract: “I couldn’t hang a sheet of drywall,” says Richard Wyatt of Wyatt, Incorporated of his early days in the drywall business, which started out in a basement. Today, the company is included in ENR’s Top 20 companies. Here’s how Richard and his brother Wes took their pre-law and business degrees and became successful wall and ceiling contractors.

Major, Michael J. “Heads Up!” April 1995, p. 37. Abstract: A look at the history of Armstrong World Industries and the ceilings that make the company one of the largest acoustical ceiling manufacturers in the industry.

Major, Michael J. “How’d They Do That?” October 1995, p. 20. Abstract: The Radisson Hotel in Lacrosse, Wis., lost no guest revenue when their renovation project was completed with Poellniger’s, Inc. at the helm.

Major, Michael J. “Philosophy of Success.” January 1995, p. 20. Abstract: From age 12 to the operation of his business from his parents’ garage, the founder of Dryvit Systems, Inc. tells his tale of blood sweat and tears.

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Major, Michael J. “Steel Away.” July 1995, p. 19. Abstract: Bonitz Contracting Company has met with some unusual circumstances on steel framing projects. Read about how the company grew from a roof deck firm in 1953 to the steel framing/drywall/flooring giant it is today.

Business

Brown, Donald L. “Aggressive Claims Management.” August 1995, p. 22. Abstract: We told you in March how to cut workers’ comp costs by implementing an injury management plan. This article tells you how managing your claims and the injured worker also can reduce your premiums.

Brown, Donald L. “Cutting Comp Costs.” March 1995, p. 17. Abstract: Knowing how to prevent injuries is the first step toward lowering your workers’ comp premiums. Then, implementing an injury management plan may cut costs even more. You and your employees will benefit.

Ensman, Richard G., Jr. “Constructive Criticism.” June 1995, p. 31. Abstract: Does your hard hat morph into a dance cap when the boss is offering constructive criticism? Turn criticism into praise—and make sure it never happens again!

Ensman, Richard G., Jr. “Leading Managers.” August 1995, p. 18. Abstract: Managers are one kind of boss; Leaders are another. Which are you?


Gardner, Michael A. “Salaries Scrutinized.” April 1995, p. 68. Abstract: The survey results are in! Find out the going rates paid to laborers in many trades from all regions of the country.


Rice, Hugh L. and Andrew W. Arnold. “Successful Transactions.” April 1995, p. 51. Abstract: FMI experts tell you how to make your construction company more attractive to potential buyers, and how you can make a smart decision if you are considering making a purchase.


Ceilings

“Atypical Acoustical Installation.” April 1995, p. 63. Abstract: The 120,000 square feet of acoustical ceilings at the Chicago Ridge Mall and the unusual installation made many contractors turn down the job. Those who accepted the challenge made it work by cultivating good communications with other contractors on the job and with the architects.


“Hooked on Metal.” December 1995, p. 48. Abstract: The Tampa International Airport expansion features a hook-on suspended metal ceiling system that required panel lengths up to 10 feet.

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Thomas, Gerald K. “Sealed by a Pro.” February 1995, p. 27. Abstract: Pipes and other penetrations need to be sealed tight to meet exacting firestopping criteria. This article will teach you about the different materials and their proper applications.

Verhalen, Jim, Jr. “Tons of Steel.” November 1995, p. 24. Abstract: Estimation and application were obstacles to conquer in accomplishing the fireproofing of North Carolina’s Charlotte Convention Center, which weighs in with 850,000 square feet.

Walker, Jerry A. “Protecting People.” November 1995, p. 35. Abstract: Keeping out of the path of smoke is the goal of everyone, from the building owner to the occupants, and it’s the reason for local fire codes. Gypsum products are effective smoke barriers when they are applied using the proper techniques.

Insulation

“Insulation Inflates.” September 1995, p. 42. Abstract: Good news! The Freedonia Group, Inc., predicts the demand for world insulation is going to grow steadily for the next two and a half years.

“Take a Closer Look.” February 1995, p. 30. Abstract: The infrared telescope in Hawaii is the NASA equipment used to capture the sights of comets crashing into Jupiter. But the space-age technology would have been useless had its dome not been properly insulated.

“Warehouse Wrapped.” October 1995, p. 52. Abstract: Raise three football fields in the air and put walls around it and you have the Defense Logistics Agency Warehouse #260 in Memphis, Tenn. Then try to insulate it . . . .

Lumber

**Products, New**


Major, Michael J. “New Products!” May 1995, p. 22. **Abstract:** What's new on the shelf? Find out in this interview with 19 of the industry's major manufacturers.

**Renovation/Reuse**

“Hoping for Baseball.” March 1995, p. 26. **Abstract:** Laminated veneer lumber company makes for a sturdy scaffold plank, enabling Denver's Coors Field to be renovated in time for the first pitch.

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**Safety**

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Caswell, Charles. “Heaving with Ease.” March 1995, p. 33. **Abstract:** Proper lifting techniques will save you from feeling that pain in the back.

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“Time Out for Safety.” March 1995, p. 40. Abstract: Giving a toolbox talk doesn’t require a lot of time and energy, but the rewards will be worth the effort.


Steel


Moss, Stephen M. “Speeding into Steel.” February 1995, p. 36. Abstract: Automated fasteners make steel framing more popular in the residential market, but where will we find the skilled labor to do the job?

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Tools and Equipment


Godek, Gary and Edward Veome. “Rev It Up!” May 1995, p. 43. Abstract: Accessorize your power tools and see how easy it is to get the job done.
Sedgwick, Kathy B. “Future Townhouses . . . Today.” January 1995, p. 41. Abstract: Several of the construction industry’s top manufacturers are experimenting to find the best product mix to increase energy efficiency and improve the manufacturing and installation processes.

Major, Michael J. “Cranes on the Back.” December 1995, p. 28. Abstract: What do Canadian suppliers and contractors know that their American counterparts don’t? That rear-mounted cranes can reach higher, expedite delivery, and allow residential contractors to perform commercial-type work.

Miscellaneous

“Curving Concrete.” October 1995, p. 26. Abstract: Las Vegas soon will have a tower that’s three times taller than any building currently on the city’s landscape. How it came to be offers a rare look at the power of hydraulics.


Major, Michael J. “Wagons Ho!” June 1995, p. 17. Abstract: Whether you call it the Roach Coach, the Maggot Wagon or something a little more inventive, mobile service is a $5 billion industry. And you thought you had to get up early? These guys rise before 3 a.m. to get your business.

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“Skylight, Sky Bright.” October 1995, p. 44. Abstract: People and plants are known to thrive in natural daylight, so the Methodist Center in Omaha, Neb., has found a way to brighten their patients’ days.