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## Therma-Tru Doors



This fall has been balmy, warmer than usual, but there is no doubt that winter is coming. For the homeowner, the waning hours of daylight signal the time to start readying the home for snowy days and bitter nights ahead. Did you check the front door?

Therma-Tru doors are designed to do a great job of shutting out the weather and holding in home energy. Construction from durable, insulated materials combined with integral weather-stripping systems help these doors maximize comfort by reducing drafty air leaks, and they save energy by preserving expensively heated air in the winter.

No matter the style of your home, Therma-Tru has doors that match almost any architectural style, to help you create a lasting first impression. Choose doors from the modern home to the high fashion farmhouse to the colonial ranch and anything in between.

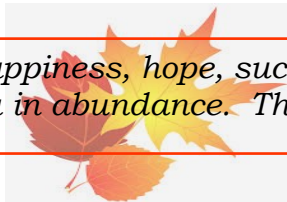
How many ways can you design a Therma-Tru entry door? Therma-Tru offers a wide variety of doors in many different styles. Stain it, paint it, choose a thick fiberglass or steel door. Each door is extraordinary in every detail. The options available are endless. Imagine the possibilities!

Therma-Tru doors don't rot, warp or twist. They are designed to resist extreme weather conditions and the damaging effects of moisture. Both the top and bottom of the door are protected by composite rails for a longer-lasting entryway.

Shut out the bitter, winter weather with a durable Therma-Tru door. They are exquisite in every way to meet your cold weather needs.



*Plant seeds of happiness, hope, success, and love; it will all come back to you in abundance. This is the law of nature.*



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## Coffee Stations



If you're among the many people who like to start off their morning with a jolt of caffeine, adding a coffee station to your kitchen might be a bright idea. Adding a coffee station offers a bevy of ideas, such as installing a water tap to fill up the coffee maker without having to move it, or adding interior cabinet lights so it's easier to brew a pot before the sun rises.



## The Farmhouse Sink

Everyone knows kitchens and bathrooms sell a house. Even if you have no intention of ever putting the family homestead on the market, you should still give your remodel the respect it deserves.

Rustic sinks are trending and if a remodel is in the cards for you, then this might be the best time to swap that dated sink out for an old world charming farm house sink.

This stand out sink is available in just about any type and configuration that you desire. There are pedestal sinks, under mount sinks, drop in sinks and console sinks to choose from.



There are a variety of sizes, shapes and depths, round, oval, square, rectangular and custom made shapes in a material of your choice.



The uses for a rustic sink are endless. Are you remodeling the kitchen, bathroom, laundry room, mudroom or even the outdoor space. These sinks are spacious and give ample room to get cleaned up without splashing water and dirt on the floor.

Consider adding a little country flair to your sink makeover this time with a rustic sink. Your choice will be reminiscent of an old farmhouse and the talk of the kitchen.



*Of all the paths you take in life, make sure a few of them are dirt.*

John Muir

# Email the Expert

**Q —** In our bedroom, we have a hollow door. It has developed a sizable hole in it. How can we make a repair to this door so we don't have to replace it.

**A —** That is a great question! Completely fill the hole with spray foam insulation so the foam is about level with the door surface. Allow it to dry overnight. The foam will expand slightly as it dries, forming a slight mound. Slice off the mound with a razor knife so the foam is slightly lower than the door surface. Apply one or two coats of drywall compound, sand it smooth when dry, and paint it.

**If you have a question you would like to ask? EMAIL THE EXPERT** by sending your question to [steve@sechristconstruction.com](mailto:steve@sechristconstruction.com). Please be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is required to answer your question.



## Tackle the Chores

When the last of summer's heat is a faint memory, and you are pulling out your hoodies more than your shorts, it's time to tackle a few simple chores that will make winter more pleasant and prevent some nasty surprises next spring.

Leaving hoses attached to the outdoor faucets can cause water to back up in the faucets and when the freezing temperatures hit, that water could freeze, expand, and crack the faucet or pipes. Make this an early fall priority so a sudden cold snap doesn't sneak up and cause damage. Turn off any shutoff valves on water supply lines that lead to exterior faucets as well.

De-gunk your gutters. Clogged rain gutters can cause ice dams, which can lead to expensive repairs. After the leaves have fallen, clean your gutters to remove leaves, twigs, and gunk. Inspect the gutters and roof to be assured that they are not worn out and in need of replacement.

Schedule an appointment with a heating and cooling pro to get your heating system checked and tuned up for the coming heating season. Change the furnace filters too. This is a job that should be done every couple of months anyway.

Button up the house for winter by checking for air leaks on the exterior of the home. Use caulk to seal up cracks between trim and siding. Add weather stripping around window frames and doors to help boost winter warmth and cut energy costs.

October is "check your smoke detector" month. Inspect smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to be sure they are working properly and replace batteries as needed.

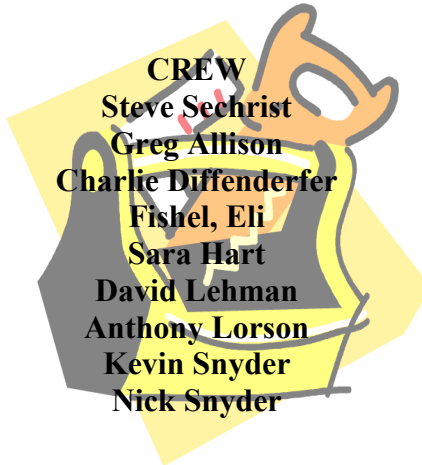


- Start your morning with a sunrise hike.
- Kayak, canoe down the lazy river
- Warm up to the cozy campfire and listen to the night sounds
- Take your kids fishing
- Climb around the boulder field
- Star gaze in the back of the truck
- Walk in the woods
- Skip stones at the lake's edge
- Practice your horseshoe skills
- Birdwatch
- Have a camping scavenger hunt
- Geocaching
- Make up and tell scary stories
- Sip hot chocolate and spiced apple cider
- Jump in the fallen leaves with the kids

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## From My Desk:

Welcome to Fall! We are eager to begin a new season at Sechrist Construction and Remodeling. It has been a very hectic spring and summer around here. We worked on many storm damaged homes in addition to our current construction projects.

Thank you so much for the good projects you have entrusted to us. We are so grateful!

We welcome your indoor remodeling projects as we move into the colder weather.

Thankfully, Steve

## FOOTBALL

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|-----|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 1.  | ---   | Official Rule Keeper                 |
| 2.  | ----- | Violation of the Rules               |
| 3.  | ----- | Center Line                          |
| 4.  | ----- | Instrument that Produces Sound       |
| 5.  | ----- | Rubber Ball                          |
| 6.  | ----- | 3 Point Goal                         |
| 7.  | ----- | Scrum                                |
| 8.  | ----- | Advancing the Ball into the End Zone |
| 9.  | ----- | Last Ditch Attempt to Score          |
| 10. | ----- | Tackle the Quarterback               |
| 11. | ----- | Rush the Passer                      |
| 12. | ----- | Pro Championship Game                |
| 13. | ----- | Kick the Ball to the Opposing Team   |
| 14. | ----- | Losing the Ball                      |
| 15. | ----- | The 12th Man                         |
| 16. | ----- | First Season Player                  |



**Green Tip:** Put raked leaves and other yard waste in a compost bin or blanket the garden with grass trimmings for the winter. Make your Halloween costume instead of buying one. For fall decorating use natural decorations such as pumpkins and squash and reuse decorations from past years. Gather up, declutter and donate items unused during the previous season.