

MASONRY

Light Weight Block
Normal Weight Block
Split Faced Block
Burnished Block
Glazed Block
Slump Block
Fluted Block
Scored Block
Glass Block
Clay Brick
Natural Stone
Man Made Stone
Cement
Lime
Pre-blended Mortars
Reinforcing Wire
Ties & Anchors

HARDSCAPE

Retaining Wall Block
Wet Cast Pavers
Dry Cast Pavers
Oversized Pavers
Outdoor living kits
Natural Stone
Geo Textiles
Polymeric Sand
Rigid & Flexible Edging

PRE-CAST PRODUCTS

Storm Shelters
Feed Bunks
Parking Bumpers
Septic Tanks
Water Tanks
Monument Bases
Infiltrator Systems
Splash Blocks

DOORS & HARDWARE

Hollow Metal Doors
Knock Down Frames
Welded Frames
Safe Room Doors
Bullet Proof Doors
Bilco Basement Doors
Hinges
Locks
Closers
Weatherseal
Door Windows

BUILDING MATERIALS

Fire places
Clay flue tile
Fire Bricks
Chimney Caps
Concrete/Masonry Sealers
Concrete/Masonry Cleaners
Concrete/Masonry Adhesives
Caulking
Expansion Joint
Concrete nails
Expansion Joint
Form Hardware
Wall Ties
Bar Ties
Polyethylene Film
Rebar
Reinforcing Mesh
Concrete Finishing Tools
Masonry Tools
Non-shrink grout
Quikrete Products
Areawalls
Egress Window Frames
Perlite Insulation
Thoro Waterproofing



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The month of April is unique in that it begins with an event known as “**April Fool’s Day.**” For hundreds of years most Americans have either participated in, or been the victim of, this unofficial holiday. However, most don’t know the reason why this day has become a part of our culture. While there is no clear answer as to how April Fools started, the most likely explanation can be traced back to France. In 1582 France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar as required by the Council of Trent. News didn’t travel quickly and so for years many in France continued to mistakenly celebrate the “New Year” on April 1st instead of January 1st. Those who continued to celebrate on April 1st became the target of practical jokes. The tradition of pranks on April 1st has continued for the past 436 years with countless events. A noteworthy example was in 1998 when Burger King ran a full page ad on April 1st in the USA Today. The ad introduced the “left handed” Whopper. This new Whopper had the ingredients shifted 180 degrees to conform to the needs of left handed clients. As a result thousands of customers came in requesting the “new” Whopper. Thousands more wanted to clarify that they wanted the traditional “right handed” Whopper.

Many times a product can appear to be too good to be true making it appear to be a joke. For years Salina Concrete Products (SCP) has been a distributor of Pyzique and Matryx Fire Pits. These products have been popular but were only available as units fueled with wood. **Beginning in April SCP has become a distributor of Fire Gear products.** Fire Gear provides SCP’s customer’s access to gas inserts which fit inside either the 30” Pyzique or the 24” Matryx square fire pits. The value of these inserts is that they enable customers to enjoy a fire at the push of a button. No longer is wet fire wood a concern. No longer is getting dirty in building and stoking the fire required. No longer is it a drawn out process ensuring the pit is fully extinguished. No longer does it require a significant time period of use to justify the work necessary.

The Fire Gear inserts are no joke and should you have more questions about their product line please feel free to contact Greg Lackey at (620)960-2027 or stop by the office.

As always we thank you for your continued business and support!

Best Regards,

Peter Browning
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