

This month's product promotions, company news and more.



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"We deliver drywall but we sell service."

Dick Mueller
Co-Founder of GMS

Welcome to the June edition of "Gator Gypsum News Bytes." We're glad to connect with you again!

June Special

GATOR GYPSUM
JUNE DEAL OF THE MONTH!

SIMPSON
Strong-Tie

BUY
40,000 PINS

GET A
FREE GUN

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Gator Gypsum's Monthly Special gives you the opportunity to save on a different product every month. For June, we have a really great deal - a **FREE Simpson Strong-Tie gas-actuated concrete nail gun** with the purchase of 40,000 pins! This nail gun is ideal for attaching drywall track, furring strips, hat track, and angle track. Product features include:

- The power to drive .125" diameter pins
- The flexibility to drive 1/2" to 1 1/2" pins and .25" and .3" diameter headed pins

- A pin-depth adjustment dial
- A battery charge indicator light
- A comfortable "sure-grip" rubber handle and ladder hook
- An easy start-up procedure: insert fuel cell, insert battery, load pins, and begin use
- A FREE tool first-aid repair program (see back cover of operator's manual)

In addition, the Simpson Strong-Tie nail gun has a very efficient ignition system which provides complete fuel combustion, resulting in cleaner operation and requiring minimal tool cleaning.

Hurry, because this offer is only good through the month of June while supplies last!

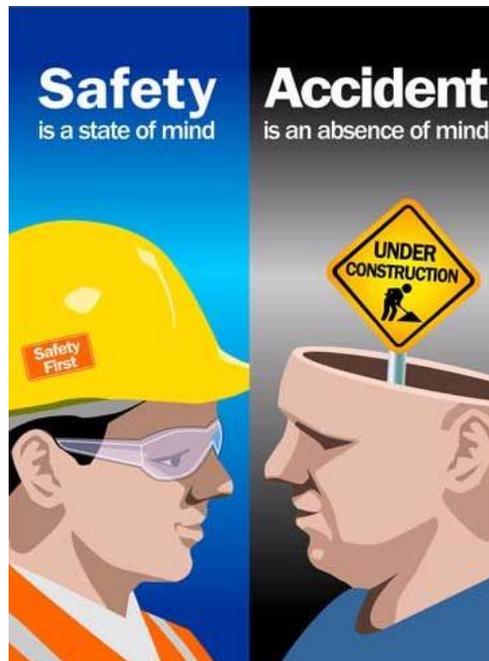
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National Safety Month

June is National Safety Month, and a reminder to renew your commitment to safety. It's also a good time to inspect and upgrade the safety apparel and gear needed to maintain safety on the job. Gator Gypsum carries a full selection of the clothing, gear, and accessories needed to ensure job site safety, and we're continuing our [special on Guardian Fall Protection kits](#) this month, while supplies last.

At Gator Gypsum, we take safety seriously in every aspect of operation. A recent [blog post on our website](#) provides a detailed overview of company safety guidelines and initiatives. As noted in the blog, management makes safety a priority and backs it up with monthly safety incentives for employees. It is important to us that every employee returns home safely to their family at the end of the workday.

For more information about safety at work, home, and on the road, visit [the National Safety Council's website](#). NSC offers a variety of free resources, including safety posters and bulletins, safety training, and safety assessment webinars.



Product Spotlight: Armstrong ShortSpan Framing

If you're not yet familiar with Armstrong's ShortSpan Framing System, what you don't know may be costing you time - and money - on the job. ShortSpan is the fastest and easiest way to frame drywall ceilings up to 17' wide, and accomplishes the job with 2/3 less material.



ShortSpan will support spans up of to 8'-6" with no independent support, and spans of up to 17' with StrongBack or Locking Pocket Main down the middle of the span. The system is engineered to save time on installation, with these features:

- Pre-engineered locking tabs punched 8" on center to work with 16" or 24" O.C. framing and eliminate measuring
- Balanced profile that stays flat during installation
- Locking tabs to prevent lateral and upward movement
- Locking angle molding
- Cross tees that attach to molding without screws, pop rivets, or crimpers
- ScrewStop reverse hem to prevent screw spin-off

Armstrong has produced a [video demo in both English and Spanish](#) to illustrate how fast and easy it is to install ShortSpan, even for one person working alone.

Gator Gypsum carries the entire line of Armstrong ceiling solutions. For more information about ShortSpan or other drywall framing systems, visit our product specialists at [your local yard](#).

Regional News: Florida Gained 36,500 Construction Jobs in Past Year

A recent press release by Florida Trend highlights an Associated General Contractors of America analysis of data released by the U.S. Labor Department in late April. The AGC analysis shows that 39 states have added construction jobs in the past 12 months, with Florida showing some of the largest gains.



Construction employment grew by 7.9% in the Sunshine State over the past year, with 36,500 new jobs added in the industry. On a percentage basis, Florida's construction job gains were surpassed only by Oregon, Nevada, and Rhode Island.

AGC officials noted that shortages of qualified workers are creating a drag on even greater growth, and urged federal, state and local officials to act promptly on measures outlined in AGC's Workforce Development plan to open up more career and technical education opportunities to train new workers for the industry.

[Read the full press release.](#)

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With seven yard locations across Florida.