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## Oneonta Block Company



would like to congratulate the winners for the Excellence in Masonry Design & Installation category

ACI 2011 Design and Installation Awards

ACI's award competition is a unique design and installation award. To win this competition, the structures must be superior in all dimensions – superior design, quality materials and excellent workmanship.



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Advancing concrete knowledge

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Binghamton Intermodal Transit Terminal	W. H. Lane	LeChase Construction
Maynard Fahs Residence	Fahs Construction	Rittenburg Masonry
Meier Hall, Elmira College	Welliver McGuire	Welliver McGuire



## Landscape Report

**NEW! Items in Stock**

**Bon Paver Tools**



\$9.99

**B21159 -Paver Joint Wire Brush w/Handle**

- "V" angle, 1-1/4" long wire bristles
- Designed to clean debris, mud and dirt from paver joints
- Hardwood block
- Includes 4' wood handle



\$37.99

**21404B - Rubber Face Paver Hammer**

- Will not damage masonry unit
- Use for setting paver or wall units
- Steel with long lasting rubber



**Concrete Screed**

Lightweight, Smooth and Straight



GF11216 6' Screed \$ 68.99

GF11219 12' Screed \$129.95

GF11220 14' Screed \$149.99



In stock at

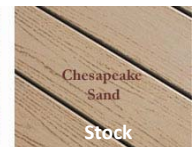
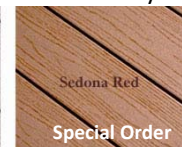


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Composite Decking

**Bestdeck Composite Decking** uses patented Coretech engineering. This innovative hollow core I-beam construction yields decking material that is light yet strong and durable.

**Bestdeck's** Coretech engineering provides a superior alternative to traditional lumber and plastic composite products. Innovative design, less weight, more strength, plus environmentally friendly components makes Bestdeck your best choice for all your dock and decking needs.

- Low Maintenance
- Lightweight and Structurally Rigid
- Easy Installation
- Reversible Wood Grain or Textured Finish
- 20 Year limited warranty



### Chesapeake Sand In Stock

BD12 5/4" x 6" x 12' \$25.50 each

BD16 5/4" x 6" x 16' \$34.00 each

### Accessories

BDEC Deck End Caps \$ .75 each

BDHF Hidden Fasteners \$65.95 / pk, does 50 sf

212DS Sand Deck Screws \$49.95 / pk of 350

BDSB Smart Bit Composite Counter Sink \$15.95

# Quotes from JFK

Our 35<sup>th</sup> President

*"Conformity is the jailer of freedom and the enemy of growth."*

*"Failure has no friends."*



# Market Report

Larry Covell



Commodities in general are overpriced, mills have created and maintained order files to hold prices up.

SYP has started to slide down in price.

Panels (plywood and OSB) continue to be overpriced. Expect the same to continue!!



## Otsego Ready Mix, Inc.

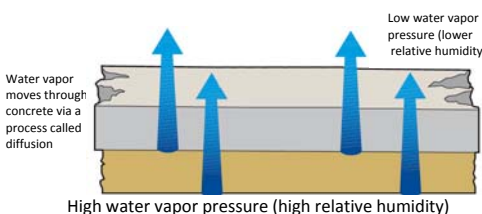
### Moisture in Concrete Floors

#### Concrete is like a sponge

To many, concrete appears to be dry, solid and impermeable. But in truth, concrete more closely resembles a very hard sponge. The concrete matrix includes thousands of tiny pores that are filled with water when the concrete is placed. As the hydration reaction consumes some of the liquid water and as concrete near the surface evaporates, the pores dry out. The liquid water may be gone but there is always some level of water vapor in the pores—just like in the air around us.

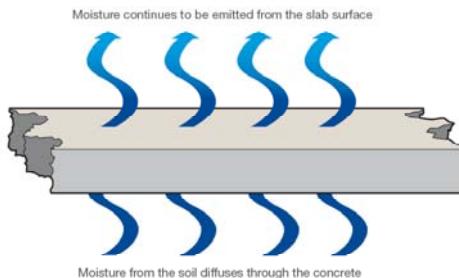
#### Allow concrete to dry completely

Interior concrete floors that are going to have a flooring material installed must be as dry as possible prior to installing the flooring. The moisture coming from a concrete floor will cause adhesives to liquefy, will delaminate flooring materials or coatings, and can cause mildew in carpeting. This problem can be eliminated by allowing the floor enough time to dry out and by making sure there is an impermeable vapor barrier directly below the concrete slab.



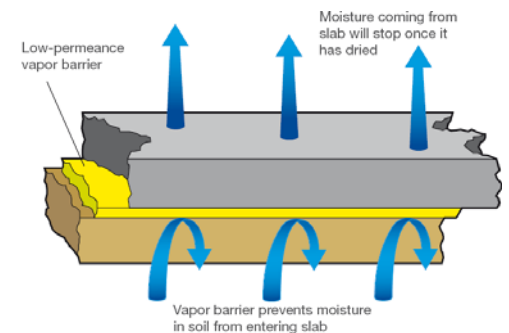
The vapor barrier prevents moisture in the soil below the slab from moving into the floor.

After the liquid water in the slab is gone, water vapor (moisture) continues to diffuse through a slab without a vapor barrier—it is an open system. Since there will nearly always be moisture below the slab at a higher vapor pressure (higher relative humidity) than above the slab, the slab can never dry out. If an impermeable floor is installed atop the concrete (such as vinyl sheeting or a coating), the moisture will accumulate below and can delaminate the floor.

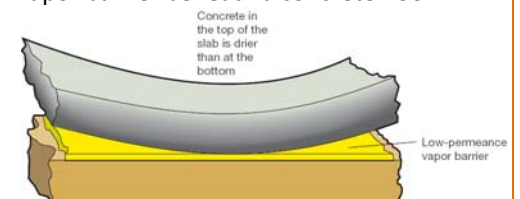


With a nearly impermeable (low permeance) vapor barrier installed directly below the concrete slab, moisture from the soil cannot move up into the slab—we have created a closed system.

The moisture in the concrete slab eventually will evaporate into the air and unless there is some external source of moisture (such as a broken pipe) water cannot accumulate, even below an impermeable floor.



When a concrete slab is placed directly on a vapor barrier, slab curling or warping can be worse due to differential drying. Good concrete design, mostly a low water content, can minimize this curling. But some curling is a small price to pay to eliminate moisture problems with concrete floors. Always use a vapor barrier beneath a concrete floor.



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## Special Offer

Ivory clad 8/0 x 6/8  
Lincoln Sliding Patio Door  
(RSO 94 11/16" x 83 1/8")



- Assembled 6 9/16 Jamb XO
- 2" Clad Brickmold
- Keyed Lock
- Sliding Ivory screen
- Top of the Line!

Original Price \$2447

**Now only \$1700<sup>00</sup>**

Save \$700!+

## Builders Lunch Program



It's that time of year and the BBQ lunches are back... free to everyone... and everyone is invited.

In the past years we've enjoyed lunch get-togethers along with a chance to review new products that our suppliers have presented at our BBQ lunches.

So far for 2012 we have the following suppliers scheduled to display their new items and provide you with useful information to benefit your business. We appreciate them taking the time and efforts they extend. We hope you will continue to take advantage of this opportunity.

Thursdays at Pickett's in Oneonta

June 14 Parkside Plunkett  
Kasson & Keller Windows

June 28 Universal Forest Products  
Metal Sales

July 12 Prime Source  
Brosco

July 26 Bestway  
Marvin & Integrity



Thursdays at OBC Masonry in Port Crane, NY

June 21

July 19



## Masonry Closeouts

Limited quantities are available of the following:

### Diamond Seconds

Straight (6" h x 17" w x 12" deep) \$3.25 each  
- Tan L45



Beveled (6" h x 16" w x 12" deep) \$3.25 each  
- Rawhide L2  
- Victorian Red F89



### Diamond Pro Seconds

Straight (8" h x 18" w x 12" deep) \$3.75 each  
- Natural Gray L27  
- Rawhide L19



### Highland Stone Free Standing Wall

Column Block Charcoal F84 \$4.50 each  
18" Free Standing Wall Charcoal F81 \$4.50 each



### Highland Stone Retaining Wall, 36 Sq. Ft. / pallet

3" x 18" Wall, Terracotta R3H \$324.00 / pallet  
3" X 12" & 6" Wall, Terracotta R1H \$295.00 / pallet



### Diamond Cap Units Seconds

3" h x 10" deep, 14 linear inches / cap \$2.50 each  
Natural Gray F55  
Rawhide F132  
Storm F48  
Tan F32  
Victorian Red F96



Please check with us for quantities and availability. Prices are fob Oneonta. Pallet deposits apply.

## Otsego Ready Mix Offers These...

### Products



### & Services

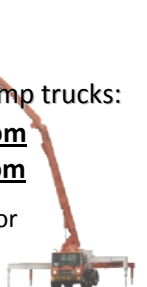
Concrete Pumping

Place Concrete with our two pump trucks:

**30.5 meter, 3 stage boom**

**41 meter, 5 stage Z boom**

Call us at 607-432-3400 for rates and further info.



Call 607-432-3400 for information, quotes and to arrange a delivery

Items can be added to your concrete loads





Our stock of Correct Deck CX series is being closed out as the owner, GAF ceased operations in December of 2011. Correct Deck CX has performed extremely well and lived up to the advertised features made by the manufacturer but is now being phased out.

**Features**

- Looks like natural wood with wood grain
- Resin-Rich surface – Superior wear & moisture resistance
- Protection from grease and environmental stains
- Concentrated UV inhibitors close to the surface for maximum color retention
- Antimicrobial protection
- Won't sag
- Slip resistant both wet and dry
- Minimum of maintenance

**CorrectDeckCX**  
Channeled


**Lot # 1 5/4" x 6" Channeled Design in Mahogany**  
 20 CXS10M 10' Decking Regular Price \$2784.00  
 14 CXS12M 12' Decking Buy Now for **\$1,000.00**  
 35 CXS16M 16' Decking

**Lot # 2 5/4" x 6" Channeled Design in Gray**  
 18 CXS12G 12' Decking Regular Price \$2232.00  
 33 CXS16G 16' Decking Buy Now for **\$950.00**

**CorrectDeckCX**  
Bullnose

**Lot # 3 5/4" x 6" Bullnose Design in Gray**  
 6 CXC20G 20' Decking Regular Price \$414.00  
 1 CXC18G 18' Decking Buy Now for **\$150.00**


Disclaimer: Additional quantities-from what we are told- are not available. Because the product is discontinued, there are No Warranties made or implied on this product.

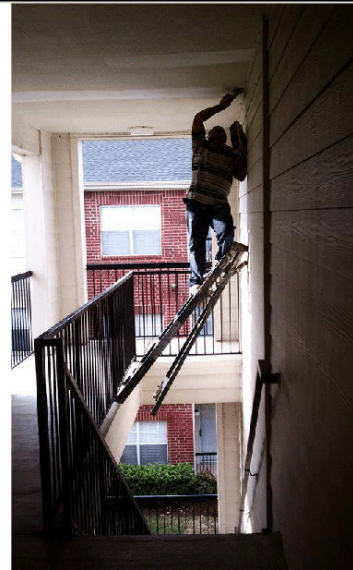


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Meaning; Luxurious, Prosperous

Background; The tastiest parts of a hog are its upper parts. If you're "Living High on the Hog", you've got the best it has to offer.





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