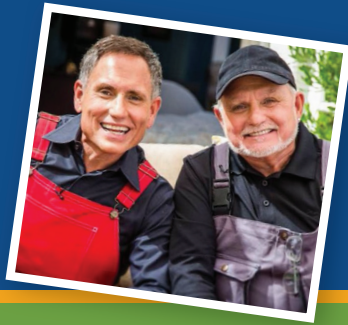


On the House

With the Carey Brothers
Tips of the Month



As veteran remodeling contractors, we are constantly in search of products that offer our clients the best ROI. For our money (and theirs, too), a product must look good, have longevity and other features and benefits that set it apart in its category. During our recent annual visit to the IBS/KBIS show in Las Vegas, we discovered a couple of products that fit the bill quite nicely.



INCREASE FIRE RESISTANCE & DECREASE STRESS

ROXUL Safe'n'Sound stone wool insulation improves your home's fire resistance and reduces unwanted noise – all in one product! The product is made of a combination of natural basalt rock and recycled slag – a mineral by-product of the steel-making process. The product is lightweight, compact and can be 'friction fit' into walls, ceiling and floors. It's ideal for bathrooms, bedrooms, nurseries, home offices, etc. Thinking of building or remodeling and don't share your teenager's taste in music? Consider ROXUL Safe'n'Sound. ROXUL Safe'n'Sound has excellent fire ratings and can add valuable time for evacuation in the event that a fire occurs. Learn more at diywithROXUL.com.

KEEP YOUR TOOTSIES WARM & YOUR UTILITY BILL LOW

Ceramic and porcelain tile have become increasingly popular floor finishes due to their beauty, water resistance, and durability. Since tile can feel cold underfoot, electric floor warming systems have gained popularity. However, the frequent temperature fluctuations caused by floor warming systems can lead to more expansion and contraction of materials, causing gaps and cracks. DITRA-HEAT by Schluter® Systems is an electric floor warming system that directly incorporates uncoupling technology into a floor warming system providing heated floors that are crack resistant. The uncoupling system consists of a single layer membrane between the subfloor and tile that allows the floor to expand and contract without damage. The DITRA-HEAT system can be customized on-site to meet virtually any design challenge. The heating cables are snapped into place on top of the uncoupling mat without clips or fasteners. A digital thermostat controls the floor temperature and is offered in programmable and non-programmable formats. Why crank up the whole-house furnace when you simply want toasty tootsies in the bathroom? For more information visit schluter.com.



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