

# Focus

PRODUCT

## DRYWALL & ACCESSORIES



### Paintable Fire-rated Drywall Accessory

**CEMCO**

The company's Fire Bead is a paintable fire-rated drywall accessory providing 1- and 2-hour fire-ratings for both dynamic and static joints according to

UL-2079 5th edition for metal-framed standard walls and shaft walls and wood-framed construction. The 1-hour profile has a 1/2-inch gasket with a 5/8-inch flexible horizontal return leg whereas the 2-hour provide has a 1/2-inch gasket with a 1 1/4-inch flexible horizontal return leg. Both versions provide an L-rating less than 1 CFM/linear feet for ambient and 400 degrees Fahrenheit. The product is installed fully cured, unaffected by water or moisture and stays flexible for the life of the assembly. For more information, visit [cemcosteel.com](http://cemcosteel.com).

### Curved Drywall Ceilings

**Armstrong Ceiling & Wall Solutions**

SimpleCurve Molding is a pre-engineered ceiling trim that simplifies the installation of curved drywall ceilings. By eliminating the need to hand-crimp straight trim, the product improves installation speed and can reduce labor by 30 percent or more compared to traditional installation methods. Available in a variety of sizes and gauges, it can be bent to create curves as tight as 32 inches and can be overlapped end-to-end for continuous curves without visible transitions. The product is part of the Armstrong Sustain portfolio, meeting the most stringent industry sustainability compliance standards. For more information, visit [armstrongceilings.com/simplecurve](http://armstrongceilings.com/simplecurve).



### Radius Skimming Blade

**Advance Equipment**

Reduce jobsite fatigue from constantly bending and reaching down to switch tools while skimming and patching walls. The Radius Skimming Blade can be used with a single hand, doing the job of two-handed smoothing blades. Achieve a level five finish with the product. This thin, flexible and light weight skimming blade is ideal for smoothing with

an offset blade and radius corners. The single hand use provides a natural drywall finish feel with little learning curve. It's also great for use behind finishing boxes for less sanding. The Radius Skimming Blade is available in 10, 12, 14, and 16 inch lengths. All Advance Equipment products are proudly made in the U.S.A. For more information, visit [advance-equipment.com/product/radius-skimming-blade](http://advance-equipment.com/product/radius-skimming-blade).



### Paper-faced Composite Cornerbead

**ClarkDietrich Building Systems**

Strait-Flex Gold is a new paper-faced composite cornerbead featuring a memory-free hinge that adjusts to any angle. The product replaces the previous Mid-Flex 250 corner bead and provides durability and impact resistance, while the heavy-weight, diamond-punched paper provides maximum adhesion for an even lay-down. The paper surface is pre-treated to accept paint, and finishing compound is not required over the laminated area. It is packaged in 100-foot rolls and can be cut to minimize scrap loss. For more information, visit [clarkdietrich.com](http://clarkdietrich.com).



### Noise-reducing Drywall

**CertainTeed Gypsum**

SilentFX QuickCut noise-reducing drywall features a viscoelastic polymer between two specially formulated dense gypsum cores that significantly improve sound attenuation. It is ideal for systems requiring high STC performance, achieving ratings of 50 and up in commercial acoustic systems. This functionally superior board is engineered to easily score and snap for faster installation and lower labor costs. The product also features M2Tech technology and is enclosed in 100-percent recycled, moisture-and-mold-resistant face and back paper, providing enhanced moisture and mold resistance as well as improved indoor air quality. For more information, visit [certainteed.com](http://certainteed.com).



### Auto-feed Driving System Simpson Strong-Tie

The Quik Drive PRODW is the improved auto-feed screw driving system for attaching drywall, DensGlass and other sheathing to wood or CFS. The PRODW dry-wall tool has been redesigned to

be lighter in weight and more ergonomic, with additional improvements to the collated screw-feed mechanism. The product's tool's lighter weight results in less user fatigue. Its features include:

- Precise self-locking depth adjustment for consistent fastener drive depth
- Steel-reinforced one-piece polymer nosepiece
- Smooth nosepiece that will not mark drywall surface
- Hardened steel feed pawl for improved reliability
- Fully rotatable driver adapter for fastening hard-to-get-to areas
- Curved, collated strips (U.S. Patent 7,051,875) hold screws away from the surface to prevent damage.

For more information, visit [strongtie.com](http://strongtie.com).



### Liquid-flashing for Gypsum Sheathing G-P Gypsum

DensDefy Accessories is comprised of liquid flashing and a transition membrane primarily used in the DensElement Barrier System. DensDefy Liquid Flashing is a flexible, liquid flashing membrane that seals and protects against water intrusion for transitions between substrates (at rough openings, penetrations, joints, sheathing fasteners, and seams) and unwanted air movement in new or existing wall assemblies as part of the barrier system. DensDefy Transition Membrane is a flexible, self-adhering membrane used to maintain continuity of the above-grade water-resistant barrier and air barrier at complicated transition areas of the barrier system. Complete information may be found at [densdefy.com](http://densdefy.com).

### Drywall Milling System Grabber Construction Products

Prefabricate parts on-site and reduce material cost with the CM10. The PanelMax series has been specially developed for interior gypsum construction and interior work. The machine is ideally suited for fast, clean and cost-saving precision drywall fabrication projects. Its quick change router and saw heads make set-up and change out easy. Simply unlock the router, slide it out and replace it with another router with a different bit or with a saw unit. For more information, visit [grabberpro.com/panelmax](http://grabberpro.com/panelmax).

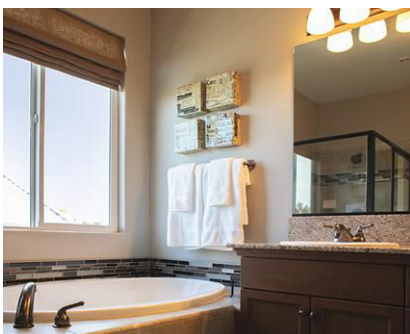


### Trim System Plastic Components

The company's RADii trim system offers the simple, convenient and efficient way to finish a suspended ceiling which terminates at a curved wall or surface. Perfect for outside and inside radius treatments—including compound and seamless serpentine shapes, these trims eliminate expensive add-ons like extruded metal column rings, radius reveal moldings and wall angles. Formed onsite, RADii trims adapt to real time jobsite conditions so they yield a better fit and great looking results. Other features include:

- Non-rusting PVC
- Minimum radius: 15, 24, 30 and 54 inch
- 8 and 10 feet lengths depending on radius size

For more information, visit [plasticcomponents.com](http://plasticcomponents.com).



### Interior Glass Gypsum Panel PABCO Gypsum

The 1/2-inch PABCO GLASS interior gypsum panel is ideal for non-fire rated interior residential applications where moisture is a concern such as bathrooms, kitchens, laundry rooms and basements. Comprised of a proprietary formula providing a mold- and water-resistant gypsum core, the product

has been reinforced with glass fibers to increase core strength compared to 1/2-inch gypsum board. The panel can withstand exposure to normal weather conditions, up to one year, during construction. Therefore, it can be used in pre-rock construction where the structure is not completely closed in, a practice that is becoming more commonplace in the search for faster and more efficient construction methods. The product is noncombustible and dimensionally stable and resists warping, sagging and buckling. For more information, visit [pabco gypsum.com/product/pabco-glass-interior](http://pabco gypsum.com/product/pabco-glass-interior).





# Whistling Bixby

A NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA CONTRACTOR BATTLES THE PERILS OF COVID-19 IN AN OTHERWISE ROBUST ECONOMY. **BY JOHN WYATT**

Well, here we are. The industry almost came to a near standstill in North America and contractors have done their best to combat an oppressive front from the face of the Coronavirus pandemic.

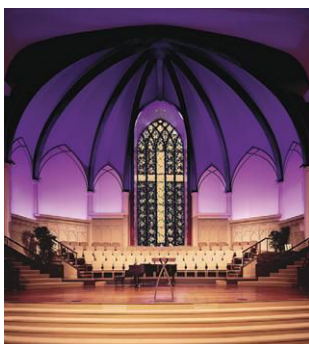
And in that mix still stands Green Country Drywall of Bixby, Okla. The drywall contractor has successfully not only weathered the national

crisis but has hung in there strong, bright and early on jobsites despite a scare that has most people locked up in home. But the show must go on

and the subcontractor knows how to weather the adversity.

Green Country Drywall began in 1999 by Robert and Tammy Cruise, and specializes in many different aspects of commercial construction including metal stud framing, drywall, acoustical ceilings, EIFS, stucco and stone work. The contractor primarily works on large commercial, industrial, and high-end residential projects. It is especially

## PROJECT NOTES



» **Project:** Woodlake Church, Tulsa, Okla.

» **Architect:** Douglas Huber Architect

» **General Contractor:** PLS Construction

» Recently, Green Country Drywall assisted in a project to help a congregation grow. According to Cooper Cruise, the church has outgrown its current building and we are adding on to accommodate their congregation.

» "This job is an expansion of their existing building, so we've got to do the job in phases. We're doing metal stud framing, drywall and acoustical ceilings in three different areas."

» "There are lots of specialty items/elements on this project, which include bleacher and stadium seating, wall and ceiling acoustical systems, Armstrong Axiom perimeter trims, and many EIFS molding and trim details. We will also be installing a large amount of Nichiha architectural wall panels."

» Nichiha, Armstrong, ClarkDietrich, and National Gypsum are some of the main products and systems used on this project.