

Overhead Door Brand celebrates 100th anniversary



In August, Overhead Door Brand celebrated the 100th anniversary of both its founding, by C. G. Johnson and Owen Dautrick, and the development of the world's first upward-lifting sectional garage door. In addition, Johnson and Herbert Cady Blodgett produced the first line of electric garage door openers in 1924.

Since 1920, Overhead Door has established a legacy as an industry innovator of high-performance solutions for countless homes and businesses. The

company has consistently topped BUILDER magazine's annual Brand Use Study as one of the highest-ranked garage door brands. This year also marks the company's 10th consecutive year to earn the Women's Choice Award by WomenCertified, as the most recommended garage door brand in the U.S. by female consumers.

Through October 22, 2021, Overhead Door Corporation, the parent company of Overhead Door Brand, will host "100 Days of Celebrations." The company's network of over 450 Red Ribbon distributors will participate and be honored during the festivities. An annual Red Ribbon Distributor Meeting will take place in summer 2022. ■

Designer horse barn features Haas doors

In August, Haas announced that its commercial aluminum doors were installed on a designer horse barn in Wisconsin. The heated 3,200-sq.-ft. structure includes four Haas CA315i 10'2" x 10' all-glass doors with heavy duty black anodized aluminum frames.

The homeowners said the new horse barn was a COVID-19 project. With two horses, 27 acres of land, and twin teenage boys in quarantine, the barn structure was created to be a multi-purpose building on their property.

The space serves as both a stable and a family entertainment facility. It stores an eclectic mix of tractors, a large-screen TV, bar cart, hay, and is an ideal venue for indoor and outdoor parties. ■



Midland Door Solutions door featured on Wyoming hangar

In August, a Midland Door Solutions architectural bifold door was featured on a private airplane hangar in northern Wyoming. The 40' x 12' door allows the pilot to use the full height and width of the doorway when entering or exiting in their plane. The door was designed with a barndoor aesthetic, using custom wood sheeting and trim that matches the building and a nearby structure.

The door also features a strap system with 3" nylon straps that gain speed as they wrap over themselves. The opening system has a 5-to-1 safety rating, meaning the straps can withstand stress that is five times greater than the weight of the door. Like all Midland's bifold doors, the hangar door contains heavy-gauge steel tubing and a robust jig-welded truss system. ■

Schweiss bifold doors selected for University of Illinois performance center

In August, Schweiss Doors announced that its bifold doors were selected for the new Memorial Stadium Performance Center at the University of Illinois. The project consisted of three glass-clad bifold doors — one measured 21'6" x 10'8" and the other two measured 9'7" x 11'.

The doors were equipped with electric photo-eye sensors, a door base safety edge, gray lift straps, manual latches, an emergency backup system in case of a power outage, and powder-coated door frames.

The doors were installed on three sides of the 45' x 30' rooftop entertainment and kitchen section of the building, making it accessible from all sides. The university completed the 107,650-sq.-ft. football performance center prior to the 2019 season. The facility is the largest of its kind among the Big Ten Conference schools. ■



Raynor brings back Academy courses

In May, Raynor announced that its popular Academy courses are available. The company's training program combines classroom instruction and hands-on experience in a lab setting. The Raynor Academy is ideal for training new technicians and a great opportunity to keep existing staff members current on Raynor products. ■



DBCI doors installed on unique-sized storage structures

In July, five DCBI Polar White 3250 Series insulated roll-up doors were installed on a project consisting of two uniquely shaped storage sheds located in

Parker, Ariz. Each shed offers living quarters on the second floor. One building had a single 90-degree corner, while the other had no corners at all. While the odd shapes of the buildings didn't affect the installation of the doors, putting up the walls and installing the roofs took some extra time because some the structures were parallelograms instead of rectangles. ■

Nortek highlights Linear garage door openers

In July, Nortek highlighted a company blog featuring nine reasons to buy Linear garage door openers. The post highlighted Nortek's remote controls' groundbreaking radio frequency, their expansive line of automatic door operators, smart app capabilities, LED lighting, and more.

Additional features include interchangeable heads and rails to create over 100 unique models, a simple price structure, installer-friendly installation, on-board self-diagnostic systems for on-site troubleshooting, and dealer support. ■



Wayne Dalton doors complete "Family Handyman Getaway" home

In August, Wayne Dalton announced its contemporary aluminum Model 8850 doors were installed on a 1,000-sq. ft. home featured on "The Family Handyman Getaway." The site shows DIYers how to build a functional second or vacation home from the ground up.

The Wayne Dalton doors, installed by Lakeland Overhead Garage Door, featured a black anodized frame and clear glass for a modern look that offers maximum visibility. Additional features include a rugged, anodized aluminum frame, tongue-and-groove joints, and reinforced fins with a heavy-duty track and brackets.

The featured home, along with a step-by-step building guide, will appear online and in the September 2021 issue of the publication. ■



Photo Credit: This Old House

Fimbel highlights "This Old House" project

In August, Fimbel announced that "This Old House" completed a project with Sweenor Builders and Garage Headquarter in Narragansett, R.I. The renovated seaside home featured Fimbel American Legends LV13S-Wright garage doors, which provided a modern upgrade without overpowering the existing structure or comprising the integrity of the original architecture. ■

HDI completes purchase of Novo Building Products

On July 31, the sale of Novo Building Products from Blue Wolf Capital Partners to Hardwoods Distribution Inc. (HDI) was finalized. Based in Langley, British Columbia, HDI is one of North America's largest wholesale distributors of architectural building products to the residential and commercial construction sectors. HDI operates a network of 70 distribution facilities. ■





Schweiss doors featured on ocean-view project

In June, Schweiss Doors announced that its 21'4" x 13'2" bifold door was installed on a 2,800 sq.-ft. home in Santa Monica, Calif. The door is equipped with a manual latch system, top-drive motor, black lift straps, photo eye sensors, and weather protected roof-mounted motors. It also features energy efficient, argon glass double-glazed windows.

To install the door, workers opened the main entry to the house, removed the header, cut the walls, and weaved the bifold door through the house in two pieces with the assistance of heavy-duty dollies and 26 workers. Once a third of the door was sticking out of the house, they crew used a crane to pick up the door by the frame on the other side of the house to mount it in place. ■

Clopay sponsors Southern Living 2021 Idea House



(L to R) Chris Cunningham, Cindy Cunningham, and Pat Lohse

In August, Clopay sponsored the Southern Living 2021 Idea House in Louisville, Ky., which is now open to the public for tours. Clopay Reserve Extira doors with a custom arch overlay are part of the courtyard entrance to the family home, which features scenic river views.

Cunningham Overhead Door and Window managed the installation and joined the Clopay marketing team

for a sneak peek of the house. The 2021 Idea House will be featured in the October issue of Southern Living magazine. Tours run Thursdays — Sundays through December 19, 2021. ■

ArmRLite spotlights welded construction

In August, ArmRLite highlighted the welded construction on their aluminum overhead sectional doors. ArmRLite sectional doors are available in a variety of panel options including solid, perforated, stamped, mesh, and louver designs.

Additional features include speedy open/close times, quiet motors, and flood vents. ArmRLite doors are ideal for carwashes, parking garages, and cold storage, pharmaceutical, agricultural, and food facilities. ■



CornellCookson Smokeshield provides advanced safety solution

In August, CornellCookson's SmokeShield Elevator was installed at the Goethe-Institut Washington. Installers needed to follow the institute's German building standards, including the requirement that all elevator shafts include deployable smoke curtains. The SmokeShield Elevator was the ideal solution to meet the stringent guidelines and German fire codes required for this project.

In the event of a fire, the curtain acts as a barrier to prevent smoke and hot gases from entering the hoistway. The SmokeShield Elevator has patented guide technology ensuring that the curtain mechanically seals the opening with every cycle. ■



Buffalo Rock Brewing opens with Haas doors

In July, Haas Door highlighted a project transforming a dilapidated six-bay car wash into the Buffalo Rock Brewing Company located in Waterville, Ohio. The installation featured six custom-made Haas doors with an industrial feel.

Four CA110i aluminum commercial doors, featuring half-inch insulated glass, were selected for the patio areas in the front and rear of the building. Two additional solid insulated doors were installed in operational areas. ■

Schweiss Doors launches smartphone app

In August, Schweiss Doors announced that its new SMART Doors phone app is now available. The new app allows users to remotely connect to and manage building doors whether they are at home, at the farm, on the road or even in an aircraft cockpit.

SMART Doors can be used to open and close a new or existing Schweiss bifold or hydraulic door, and it is also compatible with doors from other manufacturers.

Utilizing 4G inside and outside camera links, the app can also be used to adjust temperature, view security footage, and turn on engine/cabin pre-heat. SMART Doors provides a custom-built HangarBot for high-quality Schweiss hangar doors or a similar app for other building doors. ■



Action Industries on YouTube

In August, Action Industries promoted its YouTube channel. The company has been producing video content for their YouTube channel steadily since the Fall of 2019. Their content is aimed at educating and instructing customers on services, products, and applications.

Customers can view installation videos on a variety of products, including operators, dock leveler seal kits, strip doors, and brush seal kits. Visit Action Industries' channel to subscribe to their content. ■



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