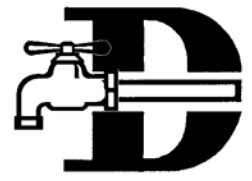


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Dertzaugh Construction, Inc

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Dertzaugh Plumbing Division

“YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD CONTRACTOR”

WHAT'S NEW FOR YOU?

Dertzaugh Construction has completed work on a new residence for one of our customers. What makes this residence special is that it contains many energy efficient construction features. It was built with super insulated walls and ceilings. The framing was well sealed to reduce air infiltration. The heating and cooling system was a geothermal, or ground-source, energy recovery system. Because the house was made so energy efficient, the unit was sized to less than half of what a traditional built home would have required. We used energy efficient windows and doors, as well as energy efficient lighting. Water use was reduced by using water-saving fixtures. The cost of these energy saving features was minimal, and our clients should be able to take advantage of substantial tax credits for these features.

Speaking of tax credits, we can save you money, just like H&R Block! Do you know that tax credits are available to you for energy saving improvements you make to your home this year? The Federal Tax Credits for consumers are available at 30% of the cost, up to \$1,500 for things like windows, doors, insulation, roofing, HVAC systems, water heaters, etc. Many of these items have an Energy Star Rating, **but not all Energy Star Rated products qualify**. Give us a call, we can help you qualify your products for installation. You can also get a tax credit of 30% off the cost of Geothermal heat pumps, solar panels and heaters, wind systems, and fuel cells. Check with your tax professional for additional tax credits.

Darren Andrews and I have both earned our **C.G.P.** (Certified **G**reen **P**rofessional) designations recently from the National Association of Home Builders. No, that doesn't mean we are running around town in green suits! It means you have access to qualified building construction professionals, who can help you protect the environment and save you money with energy efficient construction. We are among the select few in our industry that can offer these services.

Darren Andrews was recently presented the Frederick County Homebuilders Awards of Excellence for the renovation work to the fire damaged Olde Towne Restaurant. It was a challenging project that has resulted in a beautiful new building inside. It is worth the visit, and the food is great! In case you are counting, we have earned **7** different awards since 2001 for various projects including kitchens, bathrooms, additions, and renovations. We are judged by an independent body against our fellow competing peers, so it makes us very proud of what we do in this industry.

If that isn't enough, Darren Andrews has recently earned his **C.G.R.** (Certified **G**raduate **R**emodeler) designation after taking extensive course work thru **N.A.H.B.** Back when I took the courses, we used slide rules and chalk boards, today they have computers! This is one more step beyond what the average contractor does to promote professionalism and assures you that we are the best and will be the ones you can trust!

After being in business for over **34** years, we still build on what you can't always see..**Trust!**
Have a Great Summer.

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Send us your email address and we will start emailing our newsletter to you in the future to help conserve resources!

WORM DIRT CAKE

1 to 1 1/4 lb. pkg. Oreo cookies
1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese
1/2 cup butter, softened
1 cup powdered sugar
3 cups milk
1 (12 oz.) tub Cool Whip (can use chocolate)
2 (3 1/2 oz.) pkg. instant vanilla or chocolate pudding
1/2 tsp. vanilla
4 gummy worms and/or other critters

You'll receive many appreciative compliments from your guests such as "Ewww, that's gross!" It really resembles a pudding more than it does a conventional cake.

Crush Oreos. Put 1/3 of the crushed Oreos into a new, clean flower pot. Set aside. Mix butter, cream cheese and sugar and vanilla together. Set aside. Combine milk and pudding mix. Fold Cool Whip into the pudding. Fold together pudding mixture and butter-cream cheese mixture. Layer this mixture (about 1/3 of it) onto the crumbled cookies in the pot. Next, add another layer of the pudding mixture, then another layer of cookie crumbs, continuing until all ingredients are used. As you're layering the ingredients, decoratively place several gummy worms and critters in the "soil" so they will be seen emerging. If you have a toy (clean) garden trowel, a plastic daisy, or some edible flowers, these can also be used creatively to embellish the presentation. Chill in refrigerator for 3 to 4 hours before serving.

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Don't Forget!

Referrals have always been an important piece of our marketing puzzle. They are what have lifted Dertzbaugh Construction to its status of premier remodeler. We would like to take this time to say "Thank You" to everyone who has referred us to one of their friends or neighbors. On this note, we would like to introduce everyone to our "Referral Program". If we are able to turn your referral into a job, we will send you a gift card to one of the area restaurants. The only stipulation is that the job be over \$3,000.00. Please make sure that the one who is referred lets us know that it was you that referred them. Thanks again to each of you for making 2008 one of the best (if not the best) years we've ever had.