

This is a Redneck “Handy Man’s”
reference book. Feel free to use
any of the ideas.





This is a bathroom outlet. Some people believe in those Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters but they take up a lot of space and cost a lot.



**A new idea but
still needs
some
refinement.**

That's an automotive radiator attached to the floor joists with hot water piped to it. All the pipes and the wood-burning boiler can be constructed of recycled components.



Here, your auto mechanic know how pays off. A radiator hose from a 1945 Pontiac can be used to replace piping leading into the main drain stack.

Why pay a plumber when you have all the know how and parts?



Here's another brilliant idea: Keep the supply & return registers close together so the air can flow freely back to the furnace.

The house seems a little chilly and the furnace keeps running. This needs more study.



Another good idea: It saves cutting a hole in the roof.



The inspector said something about needing flashing.

Flashing—who needs flashing?!?



Here you have your basic downspout planter, with an attractive—and healthy—sword fern contrasting nicely with the red window trim. You, too, can have one of these beautiful planters.

Self watering and the lady of the house will love it.



CPVC pipe touching the flue pipe? The fix? Slip some cardboard between the warm flue pipe and melt-able plastic!



**Like lots of light
when taking a
shower? It's
also handy to
have the light
switch close by.**



FOILED!

Cheaper than buying another section. This section of water heater flue pipe is made entirely out of aluminum foil.



Rain gutter capped on both ends? Needs at least one down spout.



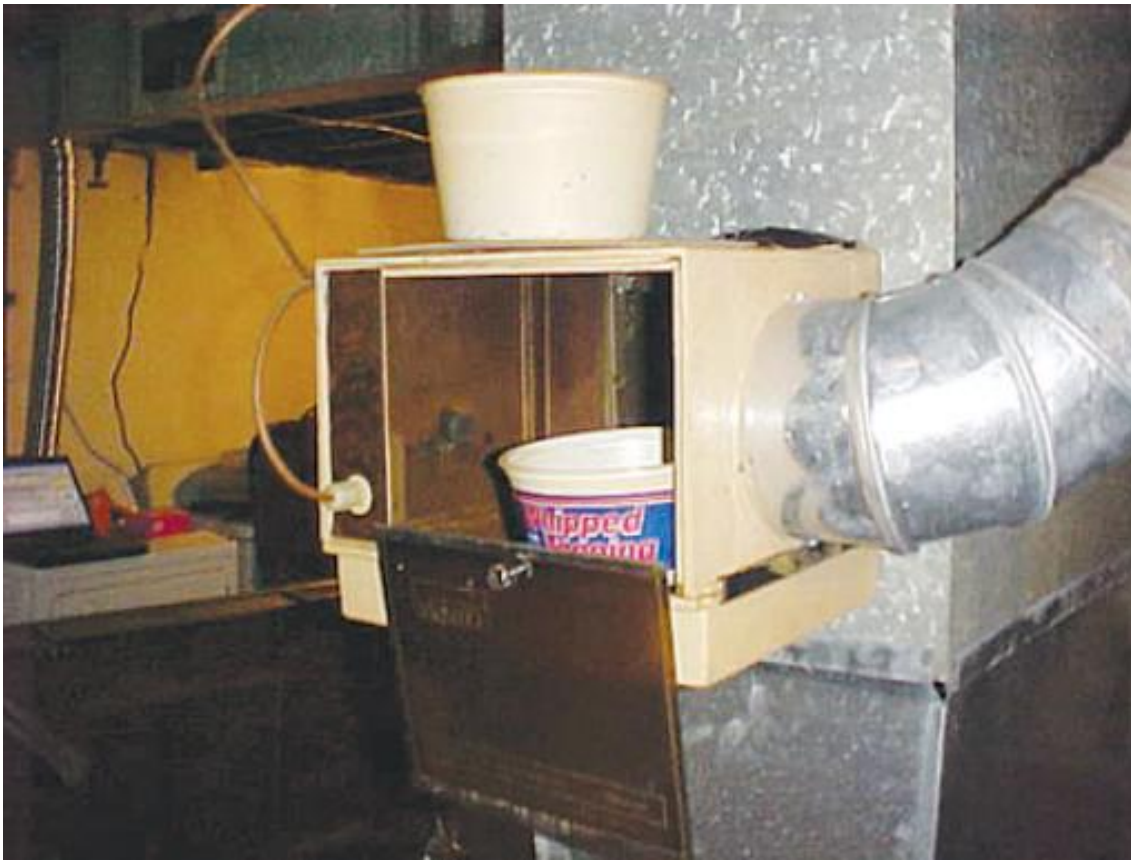
Waterfall

**It's a good idea
to connect all
drain pipes
before using the
bathtub..**



Recycle

**Inexpensive
plug for the
cleanout.**



Homemade Humidifier

Why mess with all that high-tech gadgetry in a humidifier? A Cool Whip container filled with water will do the same thing.



Smell a Rat?

It's a good idea to cover all unused knock-outs.



A Plumbing Odyssey

**If your
plumbing job
looks like this,
you might want
to draw a map.**



Wreching

This might not be the best way to shim between the support post and the beam.



Duct!

If you have a broken framing member in your attic, use the all-purpose structural repair kit — duct tape!



Hot Water Heater Installation

It is not recommended to install hot water heaters on their side. Also use a TPR valve. Not a large pressure gauge.



Chimney Installation

**Be sure to
fireproof the
siding with a
metallic paint.**



RECYCLE

**Clever idea
for recycling
that old
jockstrap.**



Recycle

Another excellent example of recycling. Flex duct support in the crawlspace..



Dryer Wire

Here is the latest in electrical wiring techniques for dryer hookups. No box required. We recommend a piece of duct tape over the connections.



Another Recycle Opportunity

**The people at
Rubbermaid will
be proud of a
new-found use
for a garbage can
lid.**