

did you know that ...

Maryland – During revolutionary times Rockville was known as Hungerford's Tavern, the name of its most familiar landmark. One of the first calls to freedom from British rule was heard at the tavern in 1774.

Florida - Fort Lauderdale is known as the Venice of America because the city has 185 miles of local waterways.

California - If California's economic size were measured by itself to other countries, it would rank the 7th largest economy in the world.

Missouri - In 1889, Aunt Jemima pancake flour, invented in St. Joseph, Missouri, was the first self-rising flour for pancakes and the first readymix food ever to be introduced commercially.

New York - The Erie Canal, built across New York State in the 1820s, opened the Midwest to development and helped New York City become a worldwide trading center.

Illinois - The abbreviation "ORD" for Chicago's O'Hare airport comes from the original name Orchard Field. O'Hare Airport was named in honor of Lieutenant Commander Edward H. "Butch" O'Hare.

Utah - Utah was acquired by the United States in 1848 in the treaty ending the US - Mexican War.



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Garden Hose Accessories

Dixon offers a wide range of garden hose fittings and accessories.



For 2008 Dixon expanded its garden hose accessory line to include a full flow aluminum shutoff valve (pg. 249, DPL108). This new valve allows 45% more water to flow than the standard series. Dixon offers these valves in three styles: Straight, Twin Valve and 4-Valve Manifold.

A variety of nozzle styles are available to suit your needs, including pistol-grip, sweeper and twist.

Repair fittings are available in male, female and mender configurations.

For quick and easy hook-up, Dixon offers a garden hose quick coupler with a push-pull ring design.



Adapters are readily available in multiple configurations, including the following:

- rigid thread x thread
- swivel thread x thread
- caps



Safety Recommendation

It is never too late for spring-cleaning, and while you are at it take a good look at your hose assemblies. Hoses, fittings and clamps that have been crushed, severely kinked or have had the cover worn away, to the point that the reinforcement members are exposed, create a risk. They are an accident looking for a place to happen, and should be designated unserviceable, removed from the area and properly discarded. Discarded is the important point. Too many times these old, worn out hoses and fittings are allowed to remain laying around. And when they do, they create a hazard and increase the possibility that they could be placed back into service by an inexperienced person just trying to get the job done. These things happen. Don't let it happen to you. Be safe.

Dates in History

1803

On April 30th, Louisiana Purchase: The United States purchases the Louisiana Territory from France for \$15 million, more than doubling overnight the size of the young nation.

1982 On April 19th, Sally Ride announced as first woman astronaut.

2006 On April 27th, construction begins on the Freedom Tower for the new World Trade Center in New York City.

On the Lighter Side

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

Spotted on the back of a t-shirt worn by the LAPD Bomb Squad: "If you see me running, try to keep up."

Don't you think it's unnerving that doctors call what they do "Practice"?

You have the right to remain silent, anything you say will be misquoted, then used against you.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

A Denver Broncos fan was enjoying himself at the game in a packed Mile High Stadium, until he noticed an empty seat down in front. He went down and asked the guy next to it if he knew whose seat it was. The guy said, "Yes, that's my wife's seat. We have never missed a game since the Craig Morton days, but now my wife is dead." The fan offered his sympathy and said it was really too bad that he couldn't find some relative to give the ticket to and enjoy the game together.

"Oh no." the guy said. "They're all at the funeral."

How many of you believe in telekinesis? Raise my hand...

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