



# THE HARDWARE HERALD

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## BOSTON HARBOR

Here's something new for all of us bargain hunters who still require at least middle-of-the-road quality backed by a complete satisfaction guarantee and yet carry really **cheap prices**. Boston Harbor has 699 items listed in our Orgill wholesale catalog. Besides a complete line of household plumbing fixtures, you'll find lighting fixtures, yard lighting, grab bars, and even multicolored paper clips!

Now we don't recommend Boston Harbor's cheapest plastic fixtures. No flimsy plastic units are worth the savings if you have to reinstall a free replacement often. Their brass units are about half the cost of our premium brands (Moen, Delta, & American Standard). If you're on a strict budget, take a long look at our Boston Harbor lines. Order by Thursday and pick up at the store the first of the week—no freight!

## MARCH ON DOWN TO SAVINGS!



7-pc Ratcheting Wrench Set (fractional)  
Retail 62.19, Sale 39.99



Heavy Duty Corn Broom  
Retail 15.59, Sale 9.99



Wild Bird Food, 14 lb  
Retail 15.69, Sale 10.99



Corn Whisk Broom  
Retail 6.39, Sale 3.99



Surge Protector, 7 outlet, 10' cord  
Retail 21.39, Sale 14.99

## BIODIESEL IS BACK

Many years ago, Island Hardware became one of the very first "in ground" 99% biodiesel retailers on the west coast. Recently, our supplier suddenly ceased operations, but our reliable local fuel distributor has located a new source that's local in Anacortes. More importantly, it's a part of a nationwide organization assuring legitimate methods of production. No backyard bathtub brewed products here!

Ok, the \$4.99-a-gallon price is a bit steep, but in many cases, you'll be dumping it into a vehicle with at least a \$50,000 replacement cost! We've been burning biodiesel in our three delivery trucks and two forklifts for as long as we've owned them with no issues—just cleaner emissions. Would you like to have your tractor's exhaust smell like **french fries** again? Come see us.

## 2000 REASONS WHY YOU NEED TO READ THE HARDWARE HERALD

This month there will be **twenty** green copies of the Herald enclosed with invoices sent to account holders. If you're one of the lucky ones, bring your green copy to the store and we'll donate \$100 to your favorite Orcas charity in your name. Here are just a few of the fine organizations that can use your help. We've mixed them alphabetically to not show favoritism & 'cause this store is just different.

Friends of Moran  
Orcas Actors Theater  
Orcas Island Yacht Club  
Orcas Island Off-Leash Park  
Salmonberry School  
Orcas Island Land Bank  
Orcas Island Rowing Club  
Orcas Island Food Bank  
Orcas Island Lions Club  
Opal Community Land Trust  
Orcas Youth Sailing Program  
Senior Service Center  
Orcas Island Historical Museum  
Orcas Island Garden Club  
Orcas Island Medical Association  
Friends of Orcas Island Library  
Orcas Island Animal Protection Society  
Orcas Island Volunteer Firefighter Association  
YMCA  
Kiwanis  
Oddfellows  
Mercy Flight  
The Fun House  
Kaleidoscope  
The Grange  
Orcas Center  
Montessori School  
Coffelt Farms  
American Legion  
Sea Doc Society

## LISTEN UP FEDERAL GOVERNMENT!

Costco hasn't raised its \$1.50 price for a hot dog & drink in 30 yrs!



## I LEARN FROM THEIR GIVING

These are pictures of the interior of two 40' cargo containers “jury-rigged” to make the Community Church Of Pahrump, Nevada’s food bank. It serves 1100 extremely needy families with all volunteer help. Over the years, I’ve taken it upon myself to supply hot dogs to all these families. Why hot dogs you ask? Well many of these folks are homeless with no refrigeration or cooking facilities. A 12 oz package of hot dogs will not spoil easily and can supply much needed protein for a day. A few years back, I popped for a \$3,000 compressor so they could have a cool room. Boy, they made me feel really important. Well, they were wrong! Scratching out a check is nothing compared to what they do!

The folks in the pictures volunteer at least 3 days a week,

week after week—even when it gets to be **over 100°** all summer! Me (known as “the hot dog man”), well, I just come by and pick up Chris (in picture on right) to load and unload the hot dogs. The last order was over 10,000 dogs! They think I am so generous. Well, they’re wrong. **They are the generous ones!** Linda, in the picture on the left, is the director. Not only is she responsible for the food and volunteers but she hands out much of the food. She treats these folks with such dignity. Whether a meth addiction or a single mom down-on-her-luck, folks are treated as you’d wish to be treated at the fanciest grocery store in America. These lovely people make you want to be a better person. I love them!

## HAPPY 20TH ANNIVERSARY, BETTY HALL!

After a distinguished career in the Orcas Postal Service that saw her rise to Postmistress, Betty Hall retired to a life of leisure. Well, idleness did not suit her for very long. She accepted a “little part time” job at her local hardware. In the last 20 years (!), Betty has become a mainstay in our 2500 member local charge account family.

Much of the credit for your monthly statements being processed in Eastsound, Washington, instead of somewhere overseas can be attributed to Betty’s many years of solid work.

For those of you who’ve employed an individual for 20 years or more, who among you can say there was never a reason for a cross word? I have not had a reason! Thank you, Betty, and keep up the good work!