

CHANNELLOCK® Lends a Helping Hand Tool to Make Labor Day DIY Projects Easy.

Labor Day is traditionally a time when Americans put aside the stress of their jobs and get those end-of-the-summer projects finished. What's calling your name? Leaky faucet, showerhead or toilet? Old-fashioned light fixtures? Car in need of a little post-summer love? How about preparing the boat for the end of the season?

Start in the garage.

Check the oil and battery in your vehicle. Use the **209 oil filter plier** to change out old filters. The **6" WideAzz® adjustable wrench** helps loosen and tighten cable connections to clean battery posts or change out the battery. And while you're at it, put a small toolbox with basic hand tools in the trunk: a pair of **420® tongue and groove pliers**, **317 long-nose pliers**, an **8" WideAzz®** and some **Code Blue® screwdrivers and nutdrivers**.



209 Oil Filter Plier



415 Smooth-Jaw Plier

Room redux.

Do you have a bathroom or kitchen in need of updating? How about installing new, water-saving fittings or fixtures? The **415 smooth-jaw plier** from CHANNELLOCK® are made specifically for these applications. It doesn't mar chrome and PVC surfaces.

A little light remodeling.

Freshen the look of any room with new lighting. Install dimmers to add drama. And, consider swapping out that old ceiling fixture for an energy-conserving ceiling fan. Reach for your **369CRFT® linemen's pliers** to do the job right.

Put the boat in storage.

Labor Day typically means the end of boating season, especially in the Northeast and Midwest. Use the **6" WideAzz®** to detach ski poles and take down sun canopies to make the job less complicated.



8" WideAzz®



Every Firefighter and First Responder Needs the #89 Rescue Tool.

Firefighter Roger Scheirer
Allentown (Pa.) Fire Department

I've been a firefighter with Third Platoon at Central Fire Station, the city's busiest, for seven years. Allentown is Pennsylvania's third-largest city, so we respond to our fair share of emergencies.

We started using the #89 Rescue Tool in June. In that short time, I've realized two big advantages to using the tool.

First, the #89 replaces several tools – reducing clutter and weight in my pockets. Now, I don't have to carry separate tools to cut battery cables, shear metal, tighten hose couplings, break safety glass, pry open windows and shut-off gas valves. The #89 does it all.

Second, the #89 is perfect for responding to motor vehicle accidents and residential emergencies. Before the #89, I carried a heavy, homemade Halligan bar. It's useful in industrial or commercial applications, but I don't need it for every emergency. The #89 does more than the Halligan and eliminates the weight and bulk.

It is a durable, quality tool. I recommend that all firefighters and first responders get their own.

Two CHANNELLOCK® Traditions Help Local Organizations.

Old Pliers Benefit Future Leaders.

Last month, CHANNELLOCK® held the annual “Tool Trade-Up” promotion during its hometown Crawford County Fair. In one week, a total of **902** people visited the CHANNELLOCK® booth – more than tripling the previous record – to trade in used pliers for a new set of **GRIPLOCK®** pliers.

The company made a contribution to the Pennsylvania FFA Foundation and the Crawford County 4-H Fund as part of the promotion. Thanks to this year’s successful event, CHANNELLOCK® set another record – a donation of \$1,804!



GRIPLOCK®

Fishin’ for a Cause.

CHANNELLOCK® is a proud sponsor of the annual United Way Bass Classic on Conneaut Lake, just down the road from our headquarters in Meadville. National Sales Manager Mark Yoder and angler-in-training Matt Jastromb represented CHANNELLOCK®.



United Way
of Western Crawford County

This year’s event netted \$12,000 for the United Way of Western Crawford County. Congratulations to winners Scott Welker and Ron Henderson, and thanks to everyone who participated in supporting a worthy cause!

“Eights and Nines” Sweepstakes Ignites Expectations.

More than 10,000 entries in seven weeks made “Eights and Nines” Channellock’s most successful sweepstakes to date. Seven lucky winners received the #89 Rescue Tool, and two very appreciative, appropriate people walked away with the first and second prizes.

Troy Maynor of Nashville won the trip to the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Ceremony and Game. He and his wife, Rella, had a great time with fellow Titans fans in Canton’s Fawcett Stadium as Tennessee topped the Buffalo Bills.

Larry Logan is a deputy fire chief with the Fort Lewis Volunteer Fire Department in Roanoke Co., Va. He won custom-engraved, polished #89 Rescue Tools for all of the firefighters and first responders at Station 9.

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