

As we wrap up Industry Appreciation Month I want to challenge you to an experiment that shows just how important manufacturing is in our daily lives. I want you to begin removing everything from the room you're in that was NOT manufactured. YES, EVERYTHING. So you will likely need some help, or at least a dolly, because, unless your couch was handmade, it was manufactured. As were your chairs, desk, computer, paper, tables, lamps, candles and rugs. And the building you are in was built with manufactured products as was the vehicle that got you there.

And while you're at it, check your purses and pockets. Your wallets, cellphone, glasses/sunglasses, dental floss, nail clippers, Kleenex, comb/brush, lipstick, lip balm, medications, notepads, nail polish, breath mints, gum, lotion, mirror, hand sanitizer, face masks, Band-aids, granola bar, bottled water, perfume, that mini bottle of bourbon, candy and ink pens were also manufactured.

If you're in the kitchen, all of your appliances came from a manufacturer, as did your pots and pans and your dishes, silverware and utensils, rubber containers, cook books, towels and dish rags, aluminum foil and Saran Wrap, dish rack and trash bags/bins.

And lastly... you might want to be certain you're alone for this part... remove your clothes, because unless you have your own tailor, your clothes were also manufactured.

So now that you are in an empty room (without clothes on) I encourage you to make time today to thank your local manufacturers and their employees for all the necessary things they provide you daily. Now go get dressed. 😊 Happy Industry Appreciation Month and many thanks to all the manufacturers in Franklin County, KY.

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