

truck & SUV gear

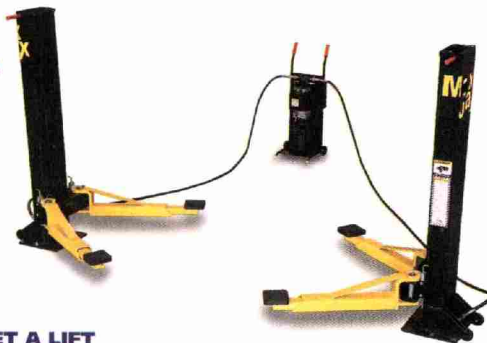
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X MEN

DiamondBack released DiamondBack-X, a new version of its HD and SE tonneaus now treated with Line-X Xtra, a spray-on color composite urethane coating that contains Kevlar. Line-X Xtra permanently bonds to the cover, protecting against extreme heat, cold, moisture, abrasion, rust, and most chemicals including chlorine, fuel, paints, solvents, and fertilizers. DiamondBack; 800/935-4002.

www.diamondbackcovers.com



GET A LIFT

MaxJax serves as a car lift when you need it, but stores out of the way when not in use. It is said to set up in as little as 15 minutes and can be installed in a residential or commercial garage, even those with ceilings lower than eight feet. The steel lift has a 7000-pound lifting capacity and 48-inch lift height (89 inches overall), plus built-in wheels, a mobile power unit cart, safety lock bars, and adjustable lift arms with stackable adapters. It uses a cast-iron gear flow divider for equalized lifting and the hydraulic power unit uses a dual-voltage single-phase motor that requires 115V AC or 208-230V AC. Install permanent anchors in your garage floor and the rest can be connected/disconnected when necessary. Danmar; 877/432-6627.

www.danmar.com



TWO FOR ONE

Transfer Flow's newest fuel tank, a 30-gallon unit, also incorporates a 5-1/2-cubic-foot toolbox. Available for gas-powered 2005-2008 Ford F-250/350s and 2004-2008 GM 2500/3500 Series pickups, the tank/box is made from 14-gauge, black powdercoated aluminum steel and is baffled on all sides. The fuel-filler neck is located inside the storage compartment—you can secure tools and fuel with the turn of a key. The unit automatically transfers fuel to the OE tank. Works with most fifth-wheel hitches. Transfer Flow, Inc.; 800/442-0056.

www.transferflow.com



SEE THE LIGHT

Let's face it—the cargo light that's supposed to help you see what you're putting into or taking out of the pickup bed isn't much help. It's mounted above the rear window and doesn't really provide that much light. 4z Products' automatic cargo light mounts under the bed rail inside the bed, to the side of the tailgate. It lights when the tailgate is open and shuts off when it's closed. There's also an override switch for when the tailgate needs to stay open for extended periods of time. 4z Products; 701/220-9467.

www.automaticcargolight.com



WORLD ACCORDING TO TARP

TarpX is a new alternative to bed nets. The load-securing system, made for use in pickup beds and small trailers, uses 10 coated steel hooks to attach to the bed rails and includes tough nylon cloth coated in water-resistant urethane, polypropylene webbing, and Duraflex buckles. You won't need to untangle ropes, don't have to stretch bungees and no longer need to deal with flapping tarps and things falling out of the truck bed. Available in three sizes, it stores in a sack that fits under a seat. TarpX; 877/866-8779.

www.tarpx.com



CHECKING YOUR PULSE

PulseTech Products introduces its 390PT digital battery and system tester. This battery-health and starting-systems analyzer tests six- and 12-volt batteries and systems and 24-volt systems. The 390PT tests all lead-acid battery types including VRLA (AGM and Gel) batteries, deep cycle and standard designs. It can analyze the status of a battery or starting system in 15 seconds, with a screen to show state of health or state of charge analysis: Good & Pass, Good & Recharge, Recharge & Retest, Bad & Replace, or Bad Cell & Replace. It's housed in a high-impact plastic case with a shock-resistant rubber boot. PulseTech/Xtreme Charge; 800/580-7554.

www.pulsetech.com