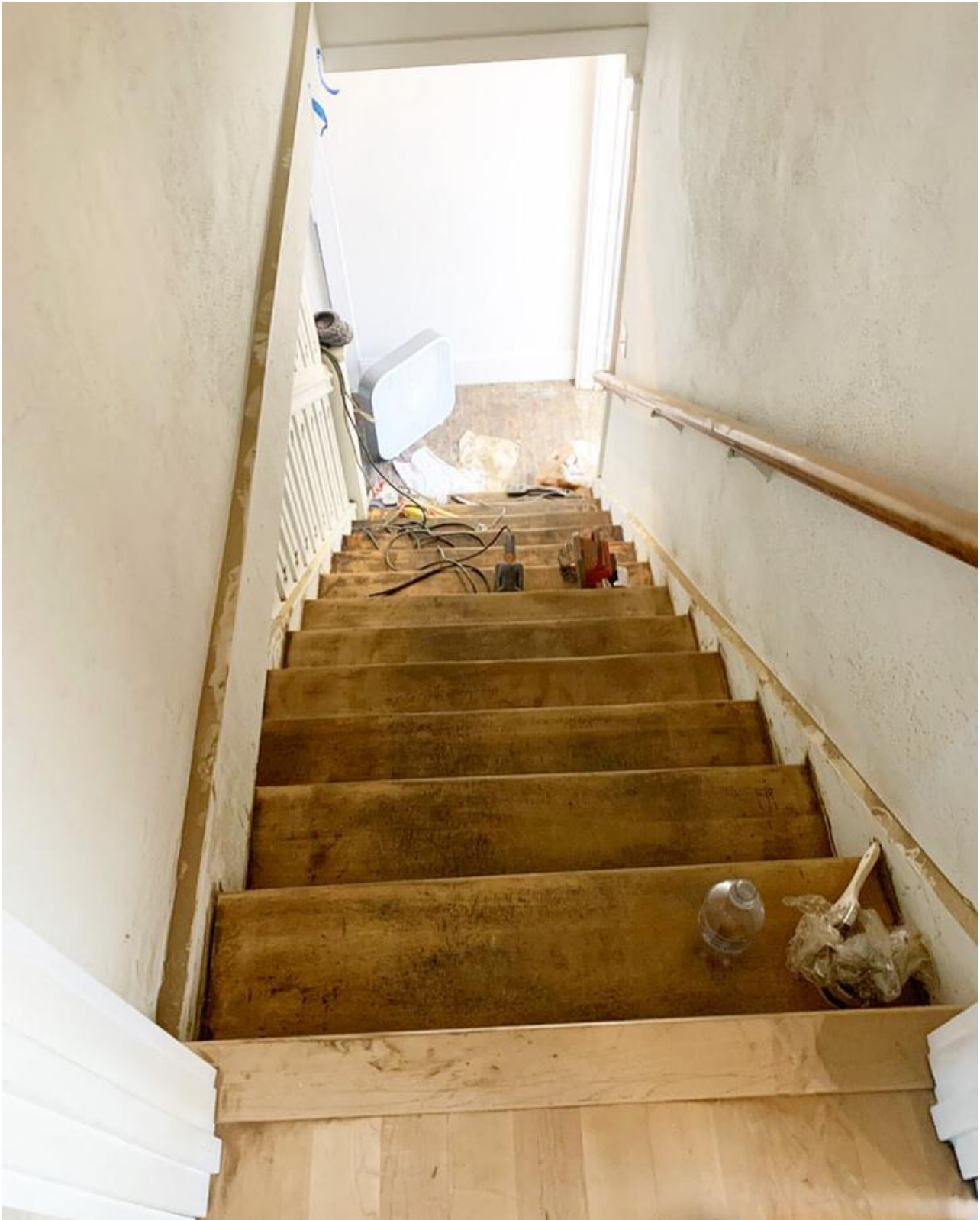


ALWAYS TASTEFUL



AUGUST

Late Summer

"Summer!"

August is a month I try to soak up. It's starting to get late in summer. The State Fair is coming, and then Fall is not far away. This month, I've got a pizza dip recipe. I think you'll find it interesting and delicious. I also want you to see the old staircase in my house. It's cleaned up and looking good. It took a lot of elbow grease. Enjoy August.



LET'S EAT

Pizza Dip

"Like A Pizza, But It's Dip!"

Ingredients:

1 softened block of cream cheese
2.5 cups Mozzarella Cheese
1 jar of your favorite pizza sauce
sliced pepperoni cut into small
bites (mini's if you can find them)

Directions:

Spread the cream cheese in the bottom of an 8" or 9" dish. Then add a layer of pizza sauce, a layer of pepperoni, and a layer of mozzarella. Repeat this process until you use all the ingredients. Heat in the microwave for 3 minutes and finish off under the broiler in the oven. Serve with a scoopable chip.



"A friend of mine gave me this recipe. He tells me his mom makes it for parties all the time. It's so easy to make and so good to eat."

LET'S EAT

Fast Finds

"Open And Enjoy!"

Sometimes we all need a break from the kitchen. So here's a dessert that's as easy as opening the bag. I was strolling the aisles at Trader Joe's and found these Cookie Dough Bites. They are little balls of ice cream covered in cookie dough. I thought I'd try them. There are only 12 per bag, and I ate them all in one sitting—just so you know!





Summertime equals pool time. I enjoy a morning at the pool. I've found the best time to go is early in the morning before it gets crowded. I'm happy to sit there from mornings from 8:30 to 10:30. Then I can move on with my day. My favorite is a pool with a place to swim laps. Happy Summer.

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

The Great Minnesota Get Together

"So Fun!"

The Minnesota State Fair is one of the best parts of Minnesota. It's a time when everyone comes to enjoy the 12 days of "The Great Minnesota Get Together." Many come for the rides. Others come for the food. I come to watch the crowds of people being together. Living in Minnesota, I find it's something nearly everyone does at some point. I'll see you at the KSTP Building! [Minnesota State Fair](#)



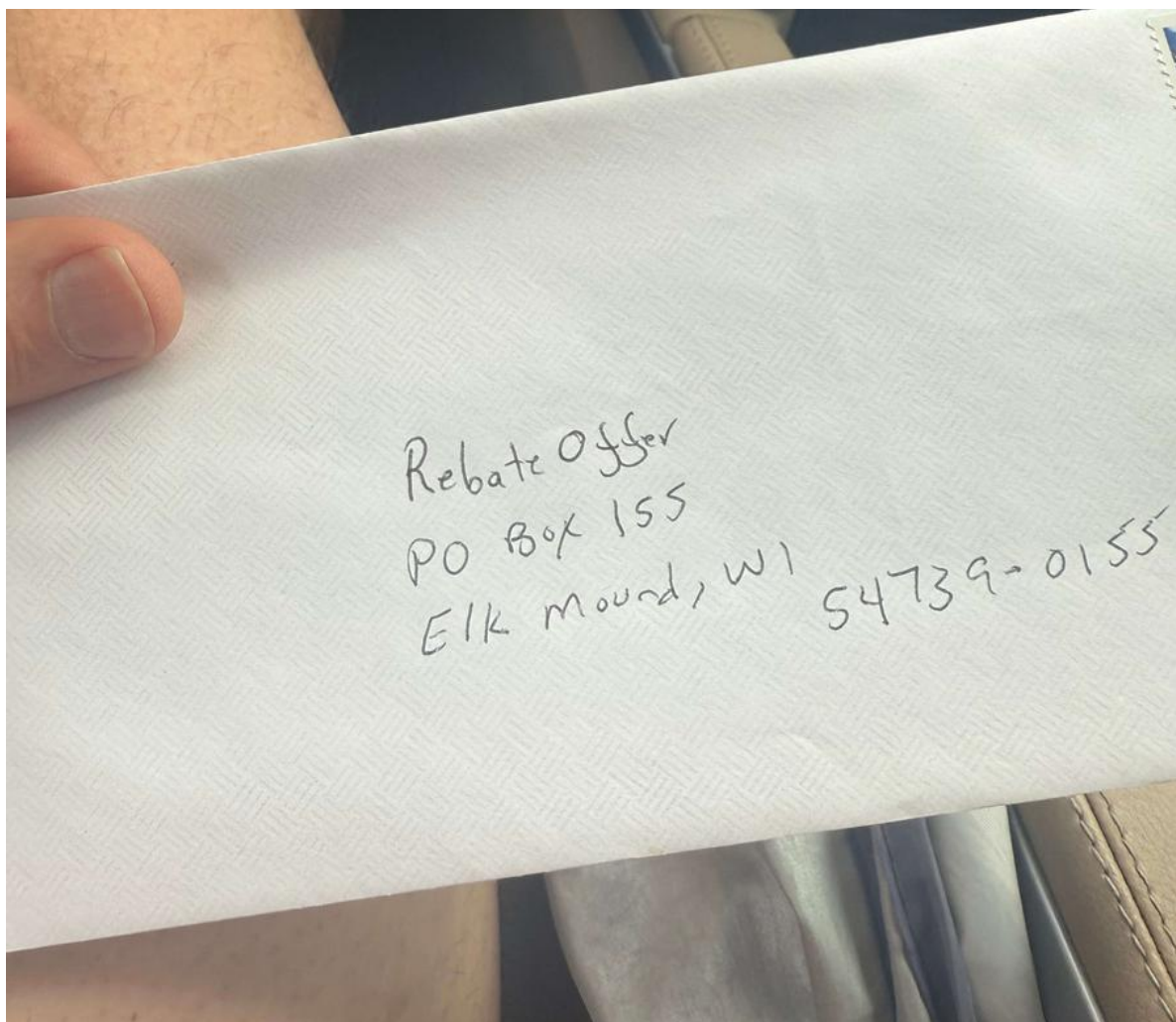
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REBATE OFFER

Money For You

"Cash Back!"



Who doesn't love a discount? Do you use coupons? Will you send in for a rebate if it's offered? I will. I'm sending in a rebate offer from Menards. Try this next time you shop there. Fill out the form and send it in for 11% back. Looks like I'm getting back \$23.35. Guess what? That feels like free money. I use that extra cash to buy snacks at Menards. It feels like a little treat for me.

THE SADDLE OXFORD

"Old School!"

Summer Shoe

When summer hits, I pull out the old saddle shoe. These are a fun addition to any wardrobe. I read that the saddle shoe was created in 1906. It stuck around for decades and was worn by men, women, and children. Now I don't see them around as much, but I always get compliments on them when I wear them.



TAKE A WALK

Plymouth's Hilde Performance Center

"Good Walks!"

I stumbled upon the Plymouth Hide Performance Center. It's a great spot to take a walk. They also have performances there. Plymouth has done a great job making a beautiful summer spot for a stroll. It just feels great. Check it out.

[TC River Hilde Performance Center](#)



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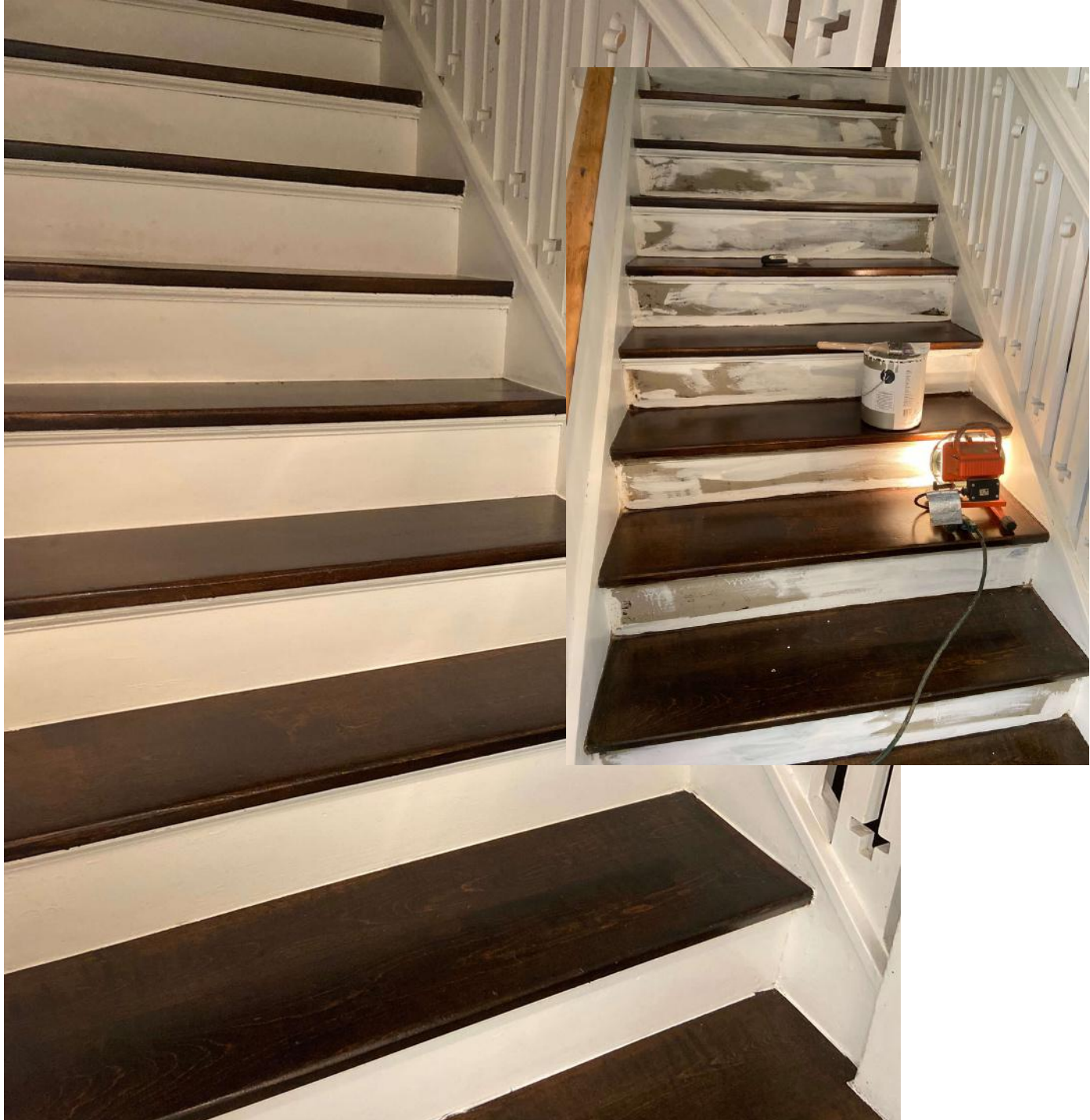
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CHRONICLE: LIVING IN A LOVE STORY

Staircase Renovation

"Worth It!"



Fixing up the staircase is a job I am proud of at my old house. When I moved in, the steps had been freshly carpeted, and I hated it. The carpet always looked trampled on, and I was never happy with it. So I decided one day that I was just going to pull off that carpet. It's risky because you never know what's underneath. I got lucky. The steps were finished and trimmed properly. They were painted grey and scuffed up. They looked like what you'd find going into a basement, but I felt like they could look better. So I stripped off the paint and decided to stain the treads and paint the risers white. I think they turned out great.

Final Thought:

"August signals the end of summer, and that's hard to accept because I do love the heat and warm weather. I hope you've enjoyed what Minnesota has to offer so far this season, and I hope you enjoy what's left."



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