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"Building Your Home Improvement Skills"

Workshop News

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How to Find a Stud (the wooden kind...)

Announcements

NOW ON DVD!

Finally Fixing That Hole (Drywall Repair)

Available May 1, 2007
Order your advanced
copy today!

Call 303-284-6354

New Class!

Old Faithful in Your Backyard? (Sprinkler Repair)

[May 2007 Schedule](#)

Special Events

Benefit Concert

100% of ticket sales go to
Habitat for Humanity
Women Build!

April 27th @ 7:00 pm

Montview Blvd.
Presbyterian Church
1980 Dahlia Street
Denver, CO 80220
\$12 for adults, children 12
and under are free.

Tickets are available at the
door, please join us!

[MORE INFO \(CLICK HERE\)](#)

Mothers Day May 13th!

Are you looking for a unique
gift for that your mother,
sister, wife or friend? How
about making a donation to
Habitat for Humanity and
Women Build with an Honor
a Woman Card?

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A Good Place to Start

To find your first stud look
for a receptacle (electrical
outlet) in your wall. The elec-
trical boxes which hold your
receptacles are attached di-
rectly to a wall stud. You will
find a stud located on one
side or the other of the recep-
tacle.

Electronic Stud Finder (the best method)

The surest method of stud-
finding is the electronic stud
finder. This stud finder lo-
cates studs by measuring the
density of a wall. These units
flash a light when a stud is
found. By coming toward the
stud from both ends, you can
find and mark its edges, and
then accurately determine its
center. After finding the ap-
proximate location of your first
stud by starting at a recepta-
cle, you can verify it's location
using the electronic stud
finder. The remaining wall
studs should be located at 16

or 24 inch intervals along your
wall.

No Stud Finder?

Try this Simple Method

To determine on which side
of the receptacle the stud is
located you can drive in a
small test nail. You can feel
immediately if you have hit
wood. Measure 16" or 24"
from that location and using
the nail test again, verify the
location of the stud.

The "Traditional" Method

Tap the wall lightly with
your knuckles or a hammer
wrapped in a cloth. The solid
sound of the wooden stud
beneath the wall will be differ-
ent from the hollow sound
produced by the spaces be-
tween studs.

Once you locate a solid
area, drive in a small test nail.
If you do not hit the stud you
will have to move slightly in
one direction or the other and
try again.

Magnetic Stud Finder

A low-tech and inexpensive
stud finder uses a magnet to
locate nails or screws which
fasten wall materials to under-
lying studs.

These units will find
the nails and screws, but they
can also pick up metal con-
duit and galvanized pipes, so
you should verify by checking
16" or 24 " to the side of a
given reading to see if there is
another stud.

Last Resort

Drill a small, sharply angled
hole in an inconspicuous spot,
push in a piece of coat hanger
wire or other stiff wire until it
hits a solid surface. Mark the
wire with tape, remove it from
the hole and measure the
length of wire from the tape to
the end. This is approximate
distance from your hole to the
side of the stud. Measure 16"
or 24" and using a small nail
verify the location of the next
stud.

Workshop for Women DVD and New Class!

DVD - Finally Fixing That Hole
(Drywall Repair) for only \$19.95.
If you haven't had time to take
the class or if you have taken the
class and would like a reminder,
order your DVD today! The DVD
will be available for pick-up on
May 1st at Workshop for Women.
It can also be purchased at Ace

Hardware -Alameda Station. If
you would like your copy
shipped to you we can do that
as well.

NEW CLASS - A new class in
sprinkler repair will be avail-
able on the May schedule. In
this class you will learn all
about your sprinkler system,

basic troubleshooting skills,
how to repair and replace sprin-
kler heads, risers and fittings
and piping and how to start up
and shut down your system. The
class meets twice for 3 hours
each for \$150. Don't forget
about our multiple class di-
counts. [Register Today!](#)

Benefit Concert for Habitat for Humanity

Safonia, a Denver based
women's choir, is performing
music from their spring concert
"The Poet Sings" which features

music set to the works of
Shakespeare, Dr. Ysaye M.
Barnwell, Pat Lowther, Christina
Rosetti and Sara Teasdale. To

learn more about Safonia visit
www.safonia.org or
[HFH Women Build](#)