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"Building Your Home Improvement Skills"

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Project Highlight

Announcements

New Home-owner Class Coming in August!

Women Build Fundraiser!
(see article below)

Women Build Update!
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Learn to Design and Install a New Closet!

Monday July 23
6 pm - 8 pm
\$40.00

Class size is limited!

[July 2007 Schedule](#)

Happy 4th of July!



Thanks to Sharon for sharing her project with us!



Sharon wrote "I took "What the Guys Never Tell Us", the basic power tool class in March and already had a plan in place. I wanted to make a big planter for some ornamental grasses that needed dividing. Trying to purchase exactly what I wanted was cost prohibitive.

Fortified with a little knowledge after the class, I went to Home Depot and purchased the nine-piece Ryobi cordless power tool kit. Hey, I might as well jump in with both feet. I then looked at wood and wood prices and picked out some plywood for the planters. Add to that some heavy plastic, wood screws and drill bits, I was

ready to go. Well, sort of...I think I made three or four trips to Home Depot over the next few days to get everything I needed, including corner clamps, more screws, wood glue I never used, and better quality plastic.

I measured my space and my wood and cut my pieces. That part went pretty well. I found out that my cats can sleep right through the noise, strange beasts.

While making the base, I thought I would need to pre-drill holes for the screws, I found out that just hammering a nail in a few stokes where I wanted to put a screw worked better than predrilling holes.

After day one, the base was done and I was ready to move on to the planter boxes. That's when I realized I needed something to clamp the two pieces together at the corners and figured there must be some kind of corner clamp. There

are, and I need to thank a male stranger staring at clamps with me for helping me out with that one. Many, many, many screws later, I finished my planter boxes. The final step was to staple plastic to the inside of the box, put the boxes in the base, add some stones inside for drainage and white stone around the outside of the planters to improve the look, add the dirt and plant the grasses. Voila! My first power tool project.

Of course, that's when I took the carpentry class - after the planters were finished. Many thanks to Judy Browne and her wonderful classes."



Habitat for Humanity Women Build & Tomboy Tools

Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver - Women Build has teamed up with Tomboy Tools to raise money for the 2007 Women Build house.

Habitat is selling measuring tapes and a tool bag filled with tools with the Habitat logo imprinted on them. You can purchase the measuring

tape or the tool bag online by visiting www.tomboytools.com/habitat.

60% of the proceeds will benefit the Women Build program.



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