

June 2009

# Workshop News



**Workshop**  
for *Women*

"Become Your Own Handywoman"

## *New!* *DIY Seminars*

Once a month we'll be offering seminars about various home improvement topics. These seminars will cover topics from how to wire a lamp or repair a facet to all about hardwood floors.

**Learn how to wire a lamp!**

**Thursday June 25th 6 pm**

**ONLY \$29.00**

[Sign up Here](#)

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### Upcoming Classes

Enter **FIVEOFF** in the coupon code and get an additional \$5 off your online registration.

#### [Electrical Basics](#)

Tuesdays 9 am - Noon

June 9th & 23rd

[Register](#)

Wednesdays 6 pm - 9 pm

June 10th & 24th

[Register](#)

### Summer Cleaning and Money Saving Tips

Get ready for summer with these simple cleaning and money saving tips. Take one of our classes and learn to do them all yourself!

**Tip #1: Register for a Workshop for Women Class in June**

Become your own handywoman [REGISTER HERE](#)

Register for any one our classes today and receive an additional \$5 off your registration. Simply enter FIVEOFF in the coupon code during registration or mention this discount when you call.

### [June 2009 Calendar](#)

**Tip #2: Install a programmable thermostat**

Learn how in our [Electrical Basics](#) Class

According to Energy Star the average household can save \$180 each year in energy costs by installing a programmable thermostat and setting it to 70 degrees for 6 hours a day and 62 degrees for the remainder. Programmable thermostat prices range from \$25 - \$100 dollars [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov)

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## **Plumbing 101**

Tuesday June 16 9am-Noon  
Wednesday June 27 6 - 9pm

[Register](#)

## **Basic Handywoman Series**

(Home Maintenance, Drywall Repair  
and How to Hang Things)

2 Saturdays 9 am

June 6th 9 am - 3 pm

June 13th 9 am - 11 am

[Register](#)

## **2009 Festival of Women**



**Saturday  
June 20th  
3 pm - 9 pm  
Dick's Sporting  
Goods Park**

[Click Here](#)

## **Follow Judy's Blog**

If you'd like more regular updates on home improvement tips, new products, links and more, then sign up to follow Judy's blog.

[Click Here](#)

## **Do It Yourself Denver**

Join us on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. You'll meet other enthusiastic "do-it-yourselfers" and hear speakers on a variety of home improvement topics, from interior decorating to concrete repair!

Next Meeting  
Tuesday June 9th @ 6 pm

[Join and RSVP today!](#)

## **Tip #3: Install motion sensor switches.**

Learn how in our [Electrical Basics](#) Class

Do you keep your porch light on for safety reasons? What if the kids leave the basement light on for days at a time? In Denver a light bulb costs about 7 cents a day to stay lit, it may not seem like much but it can add up quickly. Buy a simple conversion switch that will fit in any light socket for as little as \$10

## **Tip #4: Turn down the temperature on your water heater**

Learn all about your water heater in [Plumbing 101](#)

According to the US Department of Energy you can save from 3 - 5% on your energy bill by simply turning the temperature on your water heater down to 120 degrees and it costs you NOTHING!

[www.energysavers.gov](http://www.energysavers.gov)

## **Tip #5: Clean your outdoor furniture**

Learn all about [Home Maintenance](#)

Whether you're getting your outdoor furniture out of storage or you've left it out all winter it probably needs a good cleaning. I recommend you use a product specifically designed for outdoor furniture. I like the CLR brand of outdoor furniture cleaner (<http://www.jelmar.com/CLRoutdoor.htm>). It can be used on everything from wood, to vinyl, to rattan and wrought iron. It can also be used to clean your cushions and covers. It also has UV protectants which will protect your furniture from the fading and discoloration caused by the sun.

## **Tip #6: Fix those leaky faucets.**

Learn how in [Plumbing 101](#)

A faucet that is leaking just 5 drops every 30 seconds wastes 300 gallons of water a year. Currently a gallon of water in Denver costs \$1.91 that's \$573 a year or \$47.75 a month! A complete faucet repair kit

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## Home Inspections

### Offering \$25 Discount Until July 1st

If you're buying a new home or just want to know what needs to be taken care of in your current home. Schedule your professional home inspection with Judy today!

**Call:**

303-456-6789 or

303-284-6354

**Email:**

[judy.browne@pillartopost.com](mailto:judy.browne@pillartopost.com)



## Renovation Bonanza

Between June 1-15, Denver is issuing FREE construction permits to homeowners and licensed contractors making qualified home improvements or repairs to existing one and two family dwellings, which can increase the value of the home. A variety of home improvements are covered by the Home Renovation Bonanza. [Learn More...](#)

at Ace Hardware is under \$15.00.

### Tip #7: Replace the caulk around your tubs and showers

Learn how to caulk in our [Home Maintenance](#) class

The caulk around your tub and shower prevents water from leaking and damaging the walls and floors. Often you won't become aware of a problem until the damage is extensive. A decent caulk gun and tube of caulk will cost you less the \$20 but a call to a plumber to figure out the problem and a handywoman to repair the damage can easily add up to \$200 or more.

### Tip #8: Organize your garage

If you're spending more time looking for things in your garage than you are using them it's probably time to get organize. Before you dive in go through all your items and sort them by category. Some suggestions are: Auto Care, Painting, Lawn & Garden, Sporting Equipment & Tools (plumbing, electrical, etc.). Once you have everything in a category put small items in a clear storage tote and label. When storing your items be sure you store all the items in a category together. Be sure items you need to access frequently are easy to get to. You'll be ready to go for your next project. Take all the items you no longer need and donate them to your local Habitat for Humanity Home Improvement Outlet. <http://www.habitatoutlet.org/>

## [Workshop for Women Calendar](#)

### Festival of Women

Please join Workshop for Women, Boutique for the Soul, the Colorado Rapids, and various women owned businesses and organizations in celebrating the spirit and inspiration of women.

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The 2009 Festival of Women will include:

- Live music • Well-known local speakers • Workshops • Demos • Local women-owned business
- The Colorado Rapids game vs. DC United • And much more will be on hand throughout the day to inspire, educate and motivate the women of Colorado.

**All day admission (which includes all 3 events) is \$15**

\$5 from each ticket will go to the Alliance Foundation.

To purchase your tickets online, please go to [www.blacktie-colorado.com/rsvp](http://www.blacktie-colorado.com/rsvp)

and enter event code: AF09 (All one word, not case sensitive).

[Buy Your Ticket Today!](#)

## **Just for Fun**

### **Habitat for Humanity 2009 Women Build House!**

[www.habitatmetrodenver.org](http://www.habitatmetrodenver.org)

Construction on the 2009 Women Build starts on Thursday, May 7th and will continue through the middle of September. Volunteers are needed to help on weekdays during May and June volunteer opportunities will be posted in the upcoming weeks. To sign up for volunteer opportunities please visit Habitat's Online Registration System.

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