

Ladies' Night returns to all COLE HARDWARE locations on October 7. We've put together a fun evening of activities and raffle prizes for all to enjoy. The great news is that you don't even need to be a "lady" to attend—all are welcome: men, women, the young, and the young at heart! Please join us for the exciting evening and bring the family!

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## **Amy Howard at Home**<sup>®</sup>

#### One Step Paint<sup>™</sup>

This new furniture paint can transform your furniture or cabinetry without stripping, sanding, or priming. Amy Howard at Home One Step Paint is a water-based paint that adheres to most any surface. Paint directly on old wood finishes, concrete, iron, stone, Formica, and more. It dries to the flat, chalky finish that we covet on antique pieces

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Ever wish for the thick, rich, high-gloss finish of actual lacquer on a piece of furniture, frame, or home decor items? Well, now all you have to do is spray on Amy's High Performance Furniture Lacquer, and a pale, washy, faded piece is transformed into an edgy, chic, high-fashion statement piece set in lacquer. Assorted colors.





Introducing Amy Howard – furniture expert, teacher, and storyteller

Join us at the Rockridge Out & About for a hands-on project to see for yourself just how easy Amy Howard at Home is to work with. Visit **www**.colehardware.com/outandabout for more information.

### Live Online Workshop with Amy Howard at acehardware.com Learn how to rescue and restore your old furniture with her signature One Step Paint. Thursday, October 22, 10:00 am

## We're Eliminating Roundup® From Our Shelves

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Our pollinator friends, the bees, have had a rough past few years, with their numbers dwindling at alarming rates. A large percentage of our food crops are dependent at least in part on cross-pollination by bees, and some crops, such as almonds, are 100% dependent. Pesticides are believed to be one of the culprits for the demise of the bees, so at COLE HARDWARE we will be ridding our shelves of all products that contain neonicotinoids or glyphosate, the active ingredient in Roundup<sup>®</sup>. We're working to find more bee-friendly alternatives in our garden departments and will be creating signage so that you can easily identify these products. And just a

reminder, even earth-friendly products should be safely applied according to the directions so as to not cause any harm. Bee friendly!

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## LADIES' NIGHT ACTIVITIES!



Please join us for this exciting evening and bring the family!

### **Meet and Greet!**

### NERT Volunteers

Neighborhood Meet the active Emergency Response Team (NERT) member in your neighborhood and learn NERT how you can become NERT certified.

### **Repair Referral**

All stores will have representatives from our Repair Referral Service on hand to answer home improvement questions.

### **Energy Upgrade California**

Representatives will be on hand to provide you with information on how to save energy, conserve natural resources, and help reduce demand on the electricity grid.



- Cutting Edge wine • Cole Hardware
- gourmet chocolates

### Hands On!

We will be conducting these demonstrations during Ladies' Night:

### **Christophe Pourny Furniture Tonic**

Come see how this tonic restores the luster and shine to wood that time and sun can diminish. (Sku 102103, \$17.99)





Bring in a small wooden item that needs some love, and we'll treat it with the tonic free!

### **Planter from Salvaged Items** Almost any old item can be transformed into a

fun planter! Bring in a small salvaged item, suitable to hold dirt, and we'll help you create a fun planter. We'll



Bring in a small salvaged item. We'll supply the soil and succulents to transform it into a planter.

succulents—you just need to bring your treasured vessel.

supply the soil and



### SodaStream<sup>™</sup>

This revolutionary appliance has changed the soda game. Make sparkling beverages in a matter of seconds. See how easy it really is to make soda and sparkling water.



Buy any SodaStream starter kit and receive a free flavor up to a \$6.99 value.

### **Donate!**

## **Dress for Success® and Wardrobe for Opportunity Clothing Collection**

Our Ladies' Night will once again also serve as a donation drop-off site for Dress for Success and Wardrobe for Opportunity, whose missions are to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support, and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Both organizations offer services designed to help their clients find jobs and remain employed.

Our lifestyles and even work attire have become so casual over the last few years, many of us have professional clothing that we no longer need. This is your chance to help someone in our community who can use this clothing. A tax donation form

will be provided at the time of your donation. During Ladies' Night last year, we collected hundreds of articles of clothing and accessories, and we hope to do it again with your help!

The following is a list of appropriate clothing and other items we can accept:

- Matching suit (jacket and pant/skirt)
- Interview-appropriate blouses, skirts, slacks, and dresses

Above clothing must be on hangers—no bags, please.

- Work-appropriate shoes
- Jewelry and scarves
- · Handbags (briefcases, portfolios,
- or work-appropriate purses)



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### Block Oil<sup>®</sup>

Bring in your favorite wooden or bamboo cutting board for a Block Oil treatment that will penetrate, condition, and seal the surface, protecting it from

cracking, drying, and absorbing food odors. (Sku 102004. \$7.99)

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A handheld drill is one of the most useful tools to have around the house, but if you've never used one, it can be a little intimidating. Get comfortable holding this powerful tool and learn how to drill a simple hole for a million and one projects in your home.

## **Re-COLE-mend:** Locksmith, Home Repair, Design + Build, and much more!

## **Repair Referral Service**

COLE HARDWARE'S Repair Referral Service was created to introduce our customers to the finest contractors and tradespeople we know. We have formed alliances with independent businesspeople in order to provide you with the very best in home repair, maintenance, and remodeling. Some jobs may even be performed by qualified members of our staff.

We provide referrals for:

Air Conditioning Alarms/Security Systems/Access Control Antique Restoration **Appliance Repair and Installation** Arborist **Architectural Planning Asbestos Removal Bath Resurface Brick and Stone Masonry** Cabinetmaking Carpentry **Carpet and Linoleum Installation** Carpet Cleaning **Chimney Sweep and Repair** Cleaning/Janitorial **Commercial Kitchen Installation** 

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All of the vendors and tradespeople in our Repair Referral Service have been prescreened and carefully selected. Your satisfaction is 100% guaranteed. Period.\* "If you aren't satisfied, we will work as your advocate until you are.

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## Meet Veronica, Our Garden Guru

Veronica, an aesthetic pruner and garden educator, is the owner and operator of a fine gardening

business in San Francisco and part of our Repair Referral Service. She thoroughly enjoys garden maintenance-likening it to creating beautiful paintings from a messy canvas-and implementing small-scale garden installations. Using organic, sustainable gardening practices, Veronica advocates for native and low-water-need plants suitable for our San Francisco microclimates.

A two-time winner of the Pitschel Prize for Environmental Writing, a contributor to Pacific Horticulture magazine, a



graduate of City College of San Francisco's Horticulture Department, and an alumna of Garden

for the Environment's Gardening and Composting Educator Training Program, Veronica is honored to share her knowledge expertise with the and community. To further this endeavor, one Sunday every month, Veronica can be found at the San Francisco Botanical Garden in the Helen Crocker Russell Library of Horticulture leading story time for children.

If your garden needs some love and you would like to speak to Veronica, please contact our Repair Referral Service at 415/200-3430 or homerepair@ colehardware.com.



## **Mobile Locksmith Services**

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- Rick Karp, President, aka Keeper of the Karma



## WHAT'S UNIQUE

## To Market, to Market-With a Cool Basket

One of the oldest surviving traditions inside the Adirondack Park in upstate New York, Adirondack pack baskets were used to carry the heavy loads needed for pursuits in the mountain wilderness. The structure and flat bottom of the pack basket were ingenious and resourceful, as the design allowed for increased stability. Since the 1800s, these packs have evolved in terms of their recreational use, and today, innovative new designs by ADK Packworks include an internal frame, making it is easy to transport and store your items. These baskets can be used for a variety of occasions, including beach outings, picnics in the park, working in the garden, and a fruitful visit to the farmers' market or grocery store.

ADK Packworks has taken this historical design of the two-handled bag and combined it with backpack capability and rugged durability to create the Packbasket<sup>®</sup>. Not only does the Packbasket work like

a normal, and reusable, bag with handles, it also has the versatility to cross over as a day pack for hiking. Choose dark gray or green. (Skus 926492–3, \$29.99) The Market Basket combines function and style, so you can

both look great and get the job done. Available in blue canvas and a floral print. (Skus 926490-1, \$29.99)

## **Newgate Clocks**

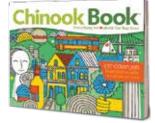
Create a striking wall with a bold accent wall color and one of these impressively oversized wall clocks, heavily influenced by classic, vintage, and retro designs. By adding a touch of modernism, Newgate clocks are versatile as they suit both traditionaland contemporary-style homes. Stunning enough to be the focal point of a living room or kitchen on its own, yet cool enough to anchor an eclectic mix of kitsch. (Skus 663004-14, \$54.99-\$84.00)

## Visit Our Halloween Headquarters



### **Chinook Book**<sup>®</sup> **Deals**—Inspiration—Community

Chinook Book assembles offers from the best green and local merchants throughout the Bay Area, with hundreds of merchants offering valuable deals. COLE HARDWARE is pleased to be featured



with three compelling offers. Also included are dining, entertainment, recreation, and wellness offers, in addition to gift, garden, and grocery deals. Offers do not expire until December 2016, allowing plenty of time to recoup your small investment many times over. (Sku 910001, \$20.00)





## **Riedel** The Wine Glass Company

Producers of fine Austrian crystal in the heart of Europe for over 250 years and through 11 generations, Riedel has perfected the design of crystal glassware to enhance the aroma and flavor of wine. Like COLE HARDWARE, Riedel is still family owned and operated, too.

This varietal-specific crystal features finely tuned glass bowls consisting of three variables (shape, size, and rim diameter) that affect the flavor and taste of wine on your palate. Wine-friendly stemware translates the bouquet, taste, balance, and finish of a wine to your senses. Recognized worldwide for designing and producing the highest quality glasses and decanters for wine and spirit enjoyment, Riedel has become the wine glass of choice for wine connoisseurs, hospitality

professionals, and those who just appreciate a

fine wine. Riedel is also the inventor of the popular

stemless wine tumbler, and all of its glasses are dishwasher safe. At COLE HARDWARE, you will find the "O" and Ouverture collections of stemware and



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## FROM THE GARDEN CENTER

Visit our garden centers at the Cole Street, Polk Street, Mission Street, and Rockridge stores.



Hopefully, your garden endeavors have yielded abundant harvests and robust plants for you this October. There is a good chance we will enjoy a typical Bay Area Indian summer this month, providing continued pleasant weather to work in the vard. But as the weather starts to cool, it is not time to put away your gardening tools and gloves just yet-October is one of the best months to plant everything from perennials to annual seeds to shrubs and trees.

✓ Trees and shrubs should be fed twice a year-in spring and again now in fall. We recommend Espoma Plant-tone®. (Sku 7122930 \$9.99) Sprinkle around the drip line of the plant and work into the soil, taking care not to damage plant roots. Water thoroughly.

 Most veggie plants require a full six hours of sun per day. Since fall provides fewer hours of daylight than the summer, you may

need to relocate your plot before planting your cool

season crops. Purchase spring-flowering bulbs and plant daffodil, narcissus, iris, and crocus. Plant in full sun in a well-drained area, as overly wet soil will lead to fungus and disease for your bulbs. Chill tulip and hyacinth bulbs in the refrigerator and wait until November to plant them.



✓ Feed established azaleas, camellias, and rhododendrons a bud-and-bloom promoting formula. E.B. Stone<sup>™</sup> Organic Ultra Bloom<sup>™</sup> plant food is a good choice. (Sku 745024, \$9.99) ✓ Sow wildflower seeds now for spring blooms, including larkspur, nigella, and sweet pea. All you need to do is clear an



needed for your new plants. Finally, a 2-inch layer of compost o r fertilizer will give your plants an extra boost of nutrients.

✓ Rake up any fallen leaves and pull up drying annuals. Fall cleanup is important to keeping your garden free of pests and disease.



area, throw the seeds, cover with a fine layer of compost, and mist.

✓ If you are replanting veggies in your summer plot, remove any debris and pull weeds before they go to seed. Fluff compacted soil and add amendments any



Stop by our Cole Street garden center for all your gardening needs. The advice is free from the Garden Guys, Dennis and Bill. E-mail them with any questions: dennis@colehardware.com or blitz@colehardware.com.

> ✓ Divide any overgrown perennials now. On an overcast day, water the plant thoroughly and then dig it up and split the roots into smaller plants with a sharp garden knife or shovel. Plant these newly divided plants at the same depth as the original was, water well, and shade for a few days.

✓ Consider soil amendments to boost the color of your hydrangea blooms. These perennials adore rich, well-drained soil. To get a pinker hue, add Espoma Garden Lime to your soil (Sku 7304959, \$7.49); for a bluer color, add Espoma Soil Acidifier (Sku 7312242, \$12.99). White hydrangeas cannot be manipulated to other shades, but they may change

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color with age. ✓ Discourage snails and slugs by placing crushed eggshells, saucers of beer, or coffee grounds around plants. Or try Sluggo<sup>®</sup>. (Sku 7117120, \$10.49)



See you in the garden!



## **Cool Season Vegetables**

Cool season vegetables are heartier varieties that tolerate, and even thrive, in cold soil. Importantly, soil temperature must be in the 40s for cool season vegetable seeds to germinate. Simply go by the general rule that soil is warm enough when you can easily turn it with a shovel. Here are some cool season vegetable suggestions worth trying:

· Lettuce: Hail, Caesar! Nothing like fresh romaine lettuce for your salad. It takes but a little time, space, and energy. And lettuce always tastes

best when it matures in cool weather.

• Onions: They can be started three ways: sets, seeds, or transplants. Planting sets is easiest. If you can poke a hole in the ground, you can plant an onion set.

• Carrots: For long, straight carrots, plant them in raised beds or sandy loam soil free of stones. Sweet, tender young carrots make a wonderful snack.

• Broccoli: It might not be everyone's favorite, but it ought to be. It's really good for you and easy to start with seeds.

Other plants to try include kale, cauliflower, radishes, turnips, cabbage, brussels sprouts, and cover crops such as fava beans. These plants should be ready to eat beginning in January and continuing into spring. If space is an issue, containers are a great alternative.

### **Five Hot Tips for Cool Season Success**

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1. To get the most vegetables throughout the year, plant cool season veggies now, follow them with warm season veggies in the spring and summer, and then replant more cool season veggies in the fall.

2. Choose a well-drained spot that gets as much sun as possible. This kind of space is likely to provide warmer soil temperatures. 3. Use a shovel to turn the soil. Add some organic matter such as compost along with some Gardentone herb and vegetable food. (Sku 7135155, \$9.99)

4. Water deeply, but less frequently. Plants in general need less water in cooler weather. 5. Plant seeds or plants

according to the directions found on the seed packets or plant tags.

If you can't wait to get your hands dirty in the garden, there's no reason to get left out in the cold. Give cool season crops a try!

## Why Use Mycorrhizae?

First off, what the heck are they? Mycorrhizae are tiny fungi that attach to the roots of plants for improved plant growth, better nutrient uptake, bigger fruits and vegetables, more abundant flower yield, improved disease resistance, and reduced transplant shock. And if that's not enough, they also help conserve water. Bio-tone<sup>®</sup> Starter



Plus is the ideal starter plant food. Enhanced with beneficial microbes and mycorrhizae fungi, it nourishes plants for stronger roots and bigger blooms. Simple to use and safe around children and pets. (Sku 7208655, \$12.99)



## **Meet Christophe in Person!**

**Cole Stree Store** 956 Cole Street Saturday, October 10 12:00 pm-3:00 pm

**Rockridge Store 5533 College Avenue** Sunday, October 11 12:00 pm-3:00 pm

Christophe Pourny has been restoring antiques from his Brooklyn-based studio for over 20 years. In that time, he has developed a dedicated following with celebrities and many celebrated New Yorkbased interior designers. Having grown up in his parent's antique store in the South of France, Christophe has a unique appreciation for antique furniture and the restoration process.

One of his proudest achievements is his ongoing work with the City of New York at City Hall and Gracie Mansion (the official residence of the mayor



of New York City). The most celebrated of those projects is the care and restoration of George Washington's writing desk that lives at City Hall. President Washington led the country from New York before the capital was moved to Philadelphia and then ultimately to Washington, DC. This past

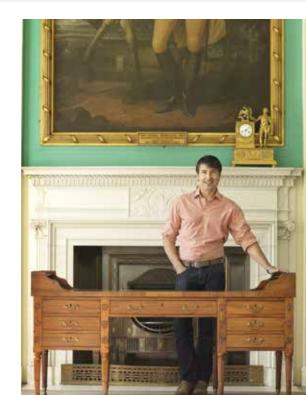
July, This Old House magazine featured a story on Christophe and his work on this historic desk.

The Furniture Bible is the first book from Christophe Pourny Studio. With over 500 photos and illustrations, Pourny gives detailed information on his restoration projects and techniques, as well as an understanding of how quality furniture is made and what to look for when buying antiques.

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Martha Stewart, also an advocate of the all-natural tonics, creams, serums, and waxes produced by Christophe Pourny Studio, wrote the heartfelt foreword as she is a dedicated enthusiast of antique restoration and a longtime client of Christophe Pourny Studio.

Christophe will be making an appearance at our Cole Street and Rockridge locations to give hands-on demonstrations of his products, answer questions, and sign his book. Bring a small wooden item or a drawer from a nightstand or dresser to have it treated. Please stop by!



Christophe is responsible for the care and restoration of George Washington's writing desk at City Hall in New York City.

## Safe at Home

Disasters-especially earthquakes-create fire hazards, including broken gas mains and gas leaks, which can be ignited by sparks or open flames. With care, you can protect your family and home. October is Fire Prevention Month, providing a reminder to check your home for safety as well as to minimize fire risks.

#### **Fire Prevention**

• Secure gas heaters and use flexible gas hoses in gas-powered appliances. Know how to identify gas leaks. Signs of a leak include a strong gas smell and a rapidly moving gas meter (check the wheels without numbers, found above or below the row of numbered wheels). If there is a gas leak, shut down the gas main in your building. Remember, once you shut off your gas, only the power company can turn it back on.

• Check all product labels for flammability. Keep flammable liquids (solvents, fuels, acetone, pressurized cans) away from water heaters and stoves. Keep flammable materials away from heat sources. For example, keep curtains, upholstered

furnishings, and bedding away from portable heaters.

#### **Fire Preparation**

• Emergency ladders: If all or part of your home is above the ground floor, keep a sturdy rope or emergency ladder in all upper floors (make sure they are long enough to reach the ground safely).

• Fire extinguishers: The National Fire Protection Association recommends at least one extinguisher for

every 600 square feet of living area. Fire extinguishers should be located on every level of a building, and kitchens, garages, and basements should each have their own. Do not mount extinguishers close to a location where a fire might occur (such as near a stove)-you should not risk reaching into a fire or going into a burning area to get a fire extinguisher. Put a date on each

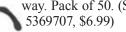
extinguisher (with permanent ink) and have it checked by a professional every three years. Check it yourself twice a year (use the spring and fall time changes as your cue). Make sure the needle is still in the green zone and invert the extinguisher slowly, five times, to insure the materials in it have not settled. Note: Once an extinguisher is used, even partially, you must have it recharged by a professional! Consider purchasing a 5-pound, 3A 40BC fire extinguisher with a metal valve and trigger. Metal handles are sturdier than plastic, and the rubber hose helps to aim the extinguishing agent. (Sku 83559, \$54.99)

#### **Accident Prevention**

Self-adhesive safety treads help prevent slips and falls in heavy traffic areas. Install on steps,

ladders, and ramps. The nonslip tread design provides traction in a wide range of applications. Available in assorted colors in a 2-inch x 5-yard roll.

Velcro<sup>®</sup> reusable ties are adjustable cord straps that can bundle cords to secure them safely out of harm's way. Pack of 50. (Sku





**Chimney Service** 

COLE HARDWARE is pleased to have a full-service chimney sweep included in our Repair Referral Service. Since 1978, Hugh and Lisa have been proudly servhomeowners, ing contractors, and realtors for chimney and fireplace needs. They service



wood- and gas-burning fireplaces, inserts, and stoves. Their technicians can troubleshoot all fireplace problems, and a visual inspection and report is provided with every sweep. Services include:

- Chimney cleaning
- Flue cleaning
- Flue camera scanning
- · Chimney repairs and remodels
- Chimney maintenance
- Real estate inspections
- Sales
- Installation

If your chimney is in need of a sweeping, call our Repair Referral Service at 415/200-3430, or e-mail homerepair@colehardware .com. We'll put you in touch with Hugh, Lisa, and their team.







Five locations serving you every single day of the year!

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## WHAT'S IN SEASON

## HydraBarrier<sup>TM</sup>

### The Eco-Friendly Sandbag Alternative

With winter rain comes the possibility of flooding. If you have the unfortunate experience of water flooding under doors or into basements this winter,

keep the unique HydraBarrier in mind. HydraBarrier water tubes are an eco-friendly, reusable sandbag alternative that diverts and contains water to prevent damage in your home. They are very durable, made of industrial-strength 22-mil vinyl. When needed, the HydraBarrier is easily filled with water to create a barrier that will divert up to 4 inches of water, providing protection equal to four sandbags! Each HydraBarrier tube is 6-feet long and can be molded to fit around

corners or in doorways. Perhaps the most appealing features of the HydraBarrier are its ability to be



folded flat for storage and its low cost compared to sandbags. (Sku 5466321, \$16.99)

## **Gutter Maintenance**

Plugged gutters and downspouts can be worse than none at all. It's best to check and clean your gutters and downspouts twice a year: in the spring after the winter rains and in the fall before the next rainy season. If big trees are near, clean gutters more often.

All you need to get started is a ladder, work gloves, a bucket, a garden hose, and motivation.



Galvanized gutters are sturdy enough to lean a ladder against, but aluminum gutters are not. When in doubt, use a step ladder or stabilizer. Make sure the ladder is absolutely safe before you climb it!

With a gloved hand, reach into the gutter and sweep it for debris. Put it in a bucket and haul it down or simply drop the debris on the ground to clean up later. When you think you've got that stretch of gutter clean, hook up the garden hose and run a hefty volume of water through the whole system. This will flush out anything that is remaining as well as let you know if the downspout is working.

As you are cleaning, keep an eye out for areas that may need repair. COLE HARDWARE carries a full assortment of caulk and patching materials. Performing repairs in wet weather is not just a drag for you—it also limits your choice of repair materials. So be sure to do your cleaning when there is dry weather on the horizon.

## Time Change Reminder

Sunday, November 1

Clocks are moved one hour back this year on Sunday, November 1, at 2:00 am. If you set your clocks back on Saturday night, October 31, before you go to bed, you'll awaken Sunday morning to the



correct time. While this means we gain a precious hour of sleep, it also means that it gets darker an hour earlier.

Well-lighted entryways help prevent accidents, as well as discourage would-be burglars. Motion-

activated lighting turns on when movement is sensed and saves energy. Both decorative and floodlight styles are available, and many models feature a sensitivity control to adjust the range for



sensing motion and to select the length of time the light stays on after motion has been detected. Cole HARDWARE offers a variety of motion-sensing options, including the Light It<sup>™</sup> wireless LED porch



light, which features a floodlight-wide beam. It's weatherproof, and no electricity is necessary, allowing for instant installation. (Sku 3266087, \$31.99)

At the recommendation of fire departments across the country, take this opportunity to also check the batteries in your smoke detectors or install new ones.

## **Rain Ready!**

If the predictions are as accurate as the hype, we will be in for a healthy dose of rain this winter. Despite the lack of creeks and streams in our urban areas, we can still experience flooding. Be ready for the rain, so you can enjoy it!

**Clean storm drains:** Flooding can easily occur when storm drains are clogged with leaves and debris. Make sure any drains around your home are clear. City maintenance crews do clean the storm drains, but you can bet that if we have a big storm, they will have their hands full.



- Rick Karp, President, aka Keeper of the Karma

**Tarp and bucket:** A bit old school, but these are invaluable to have on hand for unexpected leaks. (Tarp: Sku 75907, \$11.99; Bucket: Sku 1147461, \$4.99)

**Lantern:** There's no need to use candles when the power is out, when there are hundreds of

 inexpensive LED lantern options. (Sku 3165776, \$21.99) A lantern allows you to do some unplugged activities around the house: read a book, play board games with the kids, and so on. Gama Sonic<sup>®</sup> offers a rechargeable LED lantern with flashlight that will automatically turn on during a power outage. (Sku 307004, \$24.99)



rainwater to use in the garden for those dry spells between storms. (Sku 7205396, \$99.99) Make your own rain barrel with our do-ityourself kit. (Sku 7302961, \$34.99)

Rain barrel: Set up a

rain barrel to collect







COLE HARDWARE'S Hardware Hotline

## **ENVIRONMENTAL** INFO

GOOD FOR THE EARTH—WE TAKE ACTION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT!

## **Congratulations, Friends** of the Urban Forest!

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URBAN FOREST

Three cheers to our pals at Friends of the Urban Forest (FUF) for planting their 50,000th tree, which was planted in the West Portal neighborhood of San Francisco. Our cities are more beautiful and our urban environments more livable with trees lining the streets and hills. Besides the obvious green glamour gains, FUF estimates these benefits of 50,000 trees:

- 28,964,518 gallons of water are diverted.
- 1,770 tons of carbon are stored each year.
- 3.8 tons of atmospheric pollutants are filtered each year.
- Capital value (replacement cost) is \$54,308,472.

How cool is that? Congratulations on a job well done!

## **Don't Dump!**

You see it all the time in urban environments: old couches, chairs, mattresses, and other ratty furniture and appliances left on the sidewalk. Oftentimes, there will be a handwritten sign exclaiming that this worn piece of furniture is free! Illegal dumping costs taxpayers millions of dollars each year and increases blight in neighborhoods. While most of us

are law-abiding citizens, a few others aren't so responsible. What to do about it?

### If you see something dumped on

the street, report it to 311 or download the 311 app on your smartphone to report the incident. In Oakland, call the City of Oakland Public Works Agency Call Center at 510/615-5566 or download the ClickFix app to send photos and report the dumping.



## **Coins for the Community**

Thank you to all who contributed to our spare change jars in August to help us collect \$1,055.50 for

my new red shoes

My New Red Shoes, which helps homeless and low-

income children look and feel confident as they start the school year by providing them with new clothing and shoes. Our grand total since our program's inception a few years back now stands at \$31,863.83.

Our September coin collection was earmarked for Coaching Corps, which operates in both Oakland and San Francisco to "change the game" for kids in low-income communities who wouldn't otherwise get to



experience the thrill of being on a team, the joy of overcoming a challenge, or the many life lessons taught through sports with a great coach. We'll report on those numbers next month.

For October, since we are celebrating women with our third annual Ladies' Night, our Coins for the Community program will collect spare change for

8 October 2015



San Francisco residents are entitled to one free bulky item collection up to 10 times per year. Contact Recology, the City refuse company, at www .recyclemyjunk.com or 415/330-1300 to schedule a pickup and for more information.

In Oakland, single-family residences (four units or less) are eligible for one free pickup per calendar

year. Visit www.stopwaste.org/ guide to find ideas on how to best reuse or recycle bulky items. To discard items that are not reusable or recyclable, call Waste Management of Alameda County (WMAC) to schedule a pickup. Appointments are not available the first two weeks of January when holiday tree collection is in effect. Call 510/537-5500 to schedule an appointment.



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Bring to any of our five stores:

**BRITA PRODUCTS:** Includes filters, pitchers, bottles, and dispensers.

**CELL PHONES:** Personal cell phonesbatteries and chargers not required.

**BATTERIES:** Rechargeable (NiCad, NiMH) and household (alkaline and carbon).

### **OLD PAINT:**

• Recycle dry, clean, empty metal paint cans through your regular trash pickup. The paint containers

you bring to us should have paint in them!

- No handwritten labels can be accepted.
- Be sure that lids are SEALED ON TIGHT and containers are rust-free and don't leak.
- Please limit your drop-offs to no more than five 1-gallon-size containers (or 20 quart-size containers or a combination of both) at a time. Containers are counted by size, not by the volume of paint they contain.
- Take paint to the customer service desk.
- PLEASE, no brushes or rags!

### **PROPANE TANKS:**

Small (14 oz. or 16.9 oz.), empty, nonrefillable propane cylinders only. Households only. Limit 5 per visit. (San Francisco stores only; cannot be recycled at our Rockridge location.)

**SCRAP METAL:** Copper and brass.

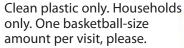
### SPENT FLUORESCENT BULBS:

CFLs, tubes up to 8 feet, U- and D-shaped tubes. Drop-off limit is 10 bulbs.

**EXPIRED PRINTER CARTRIDGES:** 

Must be in plastic bags to avoid leakage.

### **SOFT PLASTIC:**



For Bay Area recycling resources, visit www.colehardware.com/recycle.htm.









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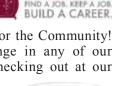
## both Dress for Success and Wardrobe for Opportunity. Both organizations empower women in the job mar-

ket with professional attire to make them feel confident through the



interview process. It's easy to donate to Coins for the Community! Simply drop your spare change in any of our

collection jars when you're checking out at our stores. Or bring in that old jar of pennies that's collecting dust on your dresser. And thanks to technology, you can even make a donation at the time of checkout with our easy donation option when paying with cash, credit card, or debit card. Simply choose how much you would like to donate, and it will be added in to your transaction total. It's that simple!



## **PRODUCT KNOWLEDGE**

## Ladders

Many homes in San Francisco feature high ceilings, making even simple tasks such as changing a light bulb difficult sometimes. A reliable ladder is useful and necessary around the house. For safety and practical purposes, choose a ladder to suit your needs.

The three basic types of ladders are extension (straight), step, and multipurpose. Ladders are rated by load capacity into household, commercial, and industrial grades (see the duty rating chart). Ladder rungs are either flat, round, or "D" shaped. The minimum size considered acceptable for round rungs is 11/4", and 11/2" for "D" rungs. To insure safety, rungs are required to be capable of carrying a much higher load than the rated load for the entire ladder.

When choosing a ladder, take the following requirements into consideration.

### Type of Activity Involved

The type of activity dictates what type of ladder you'll need. Use a stepladder for interior painting, spackling, installing drywall, and hanging wallpaper. Stepladders include step stools and platform ladders, generally for home or light commercial use. Stepladders are self-supporting and

may include a pail hook or shelf. Extension ladders are best for painting exteriors, cleaning gutters, replacing shutters and siding, and so on.

#### **Demands of the Application**

Make sure the ladder is suitable for the physical demands of the application. The rated load capacity must exceed the maximum aggregate weight of the user along with his or her clothing and tools. Duty ratings are also color coded (see duty rating

chart). Look for the proper duty ratings to match your highest level of use. **Height the Ladder** 

### **Must Reach**

For a climber to work from a safe position, the ladder's top should extend about 3 feet

#### **Extension Ladder Size Chart**

Height Ladder Must Reach	Buy This Size Ladder	Maximum Working Height	
9½' max.	16'	13'	
9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ' to 13 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> '	20'	17' 🏾	
13 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ' to 17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> '	24'	21'	
17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ' to 21 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> '	28'	25'	
21 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ' to 25 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> '	32'	29'	
25' to 28'	36'	32'	
28' to 31'	40'	35'	

### **Ladder Safety Tips**

DO

- Learn the proper methods for working with a ladder.
- Keep your ladders well maintained (for wood, treat
- with a wood preservative that leaves a clear surface). • Choose duty ratings to match the highest level of use.

#### DON'T

- Use or repair a bent or damaged ladder.
- Test a ladder by jumping on it.
- Use a ladder on slippery surfaces or uneven ground. • Place ladder feet on power cords or come in contact
- with electrical current or power lines. Climb down a ladder with your back to the ladder or
- carrying a load in your arms.
- Overreach, lean to one side, or stand on one foot.
- · Hurry or skip steps when getting on or off the ladder. · Leave a ladder unattended.
- Position a ladder where it blocks foot traffic or where it could be bumped by a door.
- Place a ladder on boxes, chairs, furniture, or other moveable objects to try to climb higher.
- Climb from one ladder to another or try to move a ladder while on it.
- Climb a ladder when ill or using drugs or alcohol.
- · Drop or throw ladders.
- Paint a wooden ladder (paint hides damage and can create a slippery surface for climbing).

above the working surface when in use. Stepladders should be high enough for the user not to have to stand above the second step from the top. On extension ladders, stand no higher than four rungs from the top.

Use the size chart to determine what size extension ladder to buy to reach the roof of your home (for painting, cleaning gutters, and so on) or for any other outdoor needs you might have.

### **Basic Material**

Common ladder materials are wood, aluminum, and fiberglass. Wood ladders are

electricity-aluminum ladders should never be used when working near energized electrical lines. Fiberglass offers a blend of desirable qualities. It is nonconductive and strong-an excellent choice for a variety of circumstances.

#### **Ladder Duty Rating Chart**

Grade	Туре	Rated Load	Color Code
Extra-Heavy-Duty Industrial	IA	300 lbs.	Black
Heavy-Duty Industrial	I	250 lbs.	Blue
Medium-Duty Commercial	II	225 lbs.	Yellow
Light-Duty Household	III	200 lbs.	Red

## **Big Green Egg**

Our mild climate in the Bay Area allows us to cook outdoors year-round. Enjoy our lovely fall weather by cooking dinner on your very own Big Green Egg! More than just a barbecue, the Big Green Egg is a complete cooking system that allows you to grill, slow cook, bake, smoke, and roast. Versatility is the name of the game with a Big Green Egg. Perfectly prepare anything from a steakhouse-

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## ArtSpan Open **Studios:** Tim Guydish



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Tim Guvdish is not only a Polk Street

crew member, he is also an accomplished photographer. He is the official photographer of our fabulous window displays and was a featured artist in our crew art exhibit window at our Fourth Street location earlier this year. If you missed the window, you can check out Tim's work as part of ArtSpan Open Studios 2015. He will be featured in the artist group The Oddists in the third weekend of the popular Open Studios.

#### The Oddists

26 7th Street (at Market) Suite 202 Friday, October 30, 6:00 pm-10:00 pm

(Opening reception, all are welcome.) Saturday, Oct 31, 10:00 am-6:00 pm Sunday, November 1, 10:00 am-6:00 pm

For more information, visit www.artspan .org or www.artspan.org/artist/timguydish.



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nonconductive when clean and dry. Wood also provides a natural, firm grip for feet and hands. However, wood tends to be

heavy and is vulnerable to moisture/rot. Aluminum is lightweight and strong, but it does conduct

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**



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### Sunday, October 25 10:00 am-6:00 pm

Join Mission Street store manager, Vic, and his merry crew at Fiesta on the Hill, as it celebrates its 27th year with live bands, dancing in the street, street artists, pumpkin carving, petting zoos, a wide variety of food, and more. Fiesta on the Hill celebrates the diversity that is integral to the rich fabric of Bernal Heights and its surrounding neighborhoods and is a family-friendly, alcohol-free festival featuring activities and entertainment for all ages. Stop by the Cole Hardware booth and take the "Wheel of Cole Hardware" for a spin to win fun prizes. We hope to see you there!

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Saturday, October 24 Z 12:00 pm-6:00 pm



San Francisco's very first barbecue festival and competition is coming to the Yard at Mission Rock on Saturday, October 24. Enjoy an afternoon of sampling competition barbecue, live music, and everyone's local favorite: Anchor Steam beer! Additional catering provided by City Smoke House and The Whole Beast. For tickets and information visit www.sfbbqfestival.com.

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Send an e-mail with "BBO" in the subject line to service@colehardware.com by Saturday, October 17, for a chance to win a pair of VIP

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## The Victorian Alliance **Fall House Tour**

The Storied Houses of Alamo Square Sunday, October 18 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

The Victorian Alliance of San Francisco is hosting its 43rd annual house tour this month. Splendid interiors of eight exceptional residences and a landmark church will be open to guests on this selfguided walking tour of the Alamo Square neighborhood, still home to San Francisco's largest collec-



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tion of preserved Victorians.

Visit Italianate, Queen Anne, and San Francisco Stick-style homes, including a beautifully restored painted lady of "Postcard Row." Docents will be on hand to provide historical background on the architects, contractors, and craftspeople of these houses and the families who lived in them. Complimentary light refreshments will also be served.

Prices for the tour range from \$40 to \$55. Discounts are available for Victorian Alliance members, groups of 10 or more, and for purchases made before October 10. For tour information and online ticket sales, please visit victorianalliance.org or Win a call 415/824-2666.

Send an e-mail with "tour" in the subject line to service@cole hardware.com by Wednesday,

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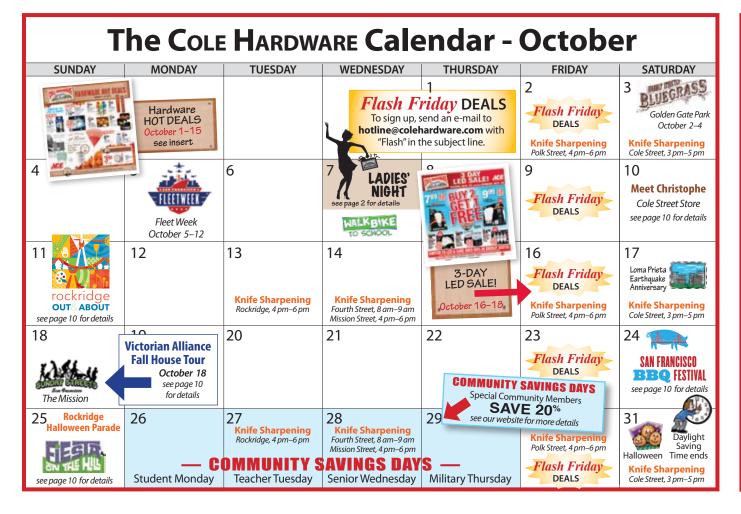
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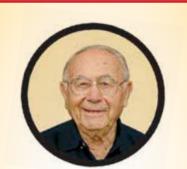
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