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20 AMAZING USES FOR VINEGAR!

Vinegar's not just for salad, you can use it to...

- ✓ Polish car chrome. Apply full strength.
- ✓ Keep cats away. Sprinkle vinegar on areas you don't want the cat walking, sleeping, or scratching on.
- ✓ Tenderize meat. Soak in vinegar over night.
- ✓ Freshen vegetables. Soak wilted vegetables in 2 cups of water and a tablespoon of vinegar.
- ✓ Boil better eggs. Add 2 tablespoons vinegar to the water before boiling eggs. Keeps them from cracking.

You can discover the other 15 amazing uses for vinegar on page 7!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"Some of the world's greatest feats were accomplished by people not smart enough to know they were impossible."

STRANGE BUT TRUE

Fourteen years before the *Titanic* sailed in April 1912 from Southampton to New York, a novel titled "Futility" was published about an unsinkable and glamorous Atlantic liner, the largest in the world. Like the *Titanic*, the fictional vessel was triple-screw and could make 24-25 knots. At 800 feet, it was a little shorter than the *Titanic*, but at 70,000 tons, its displacement was 4,000 tons greater.

Like the *Titanic*, its passenger list was the *crème de la crème* and the ship's designers failed to include enough lifeboats to rescue all those on board. On a cold April night, the fictional "unsinkable" vessel struck an iceberg and sank to the bottom of the Atlantic. The name of this liner, in the story by Morgan Robertson, was "The Titan."

SEPTEMBER'S CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

- Boxer Lennox Lewis – September 2nd 1965
- Actress Raquel Welch – September 5th 1940
- Comedian Adam Sandler – September 9th 1966
- Magician David Copperfield – September 16th 1956
- Tennis star Serena Williams – September 26th 1981

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to YOU the word is spreading! Thank you to all of our clients who graciously referred us to their friends and neighbors last month! Our success is because of good friends like you. We just couldn't do it without *you*! **Thank you for your referrals:**

**** Bill Haffner ** Jim Jamali ** Henriette Lyles ****

**** Jeanne Jacobson ** John & Christine Murray ****

**** Phyliss Zimmerman ** Ralph & Pat Riehl ****

FIRM UP LOOSE CHAIR LEGS!

If you feel like you're one wrong move away from hitting the floor every time you sit down, there's hope, my friend!

Wobbly legs on kitchen and dining room chairs are an easy fix. Here's how:

Step 1 – Tag the legs of your chair so you can return them to the appropriate position. To do so, wrap a small piece of masking tape around each leg and label them accordingly. **Example:** for the left front leg, you can write LF, etc.

Step 2 – After they have been labeled, take off the loose legs. Now it's time to handle the old glue in the joints. In order for the new glue to grip properly, the old glue must be completely removed which can be accomplished by scraping, sanding or filing. Just be careful not to remove any wood from the leg joints.

Step 3 – When the joints are clean, check the fit between the chair leg and the socket to be sure the joints fit nice and snug. If the legs are loose in the joints, you can tighten them by slipping in a few toothpicks when you are ready to glue.

Step 4 – Time to glue. One of the best wood glues you can use is *Titebond*. Place a thin coat of glue around the joint surface. Too much glue will actually weaken the joints, so use the glue sparingly. Once you've applied the glue, re-attach the legs. Use a damp rag to wipe away any excess glue. Allow the legs 24 hours to dry before using the chair.

That's all there is to it! You can find *Titebond* glue at any home-improvement store.

Are YOU This Month's Trivia Contest Winner?

Guess Who Won The August's Trivia Question?

Target Window & Door is pleased to announce the Grand Prizewinner of last month's quiz. And, the winner is Paula Schmieder. Her \$50.00 check is on the way! She was the first to correctly answer this quiz question:

Which Was the First National Monument Established in the U.S.?

(a) Muir Woods (b) Devil's Tower (c) Little Big Horn Battlefield (d) The Grand Canyon

The correct answer to last month's trivia is (b) Devil's Tower!

SEPTEMBER'S MEGA TRIVIA QUESTION!

Trivia is one of the most fun features of our newsletter! We love challenging you with questions that will leave you puzzled and we love receiving your answers and feedback. Each and every month brings a brand new question, and a chance for you to win!

As always, YOU have a chance to win EVERY month! The first correct answer faxed to 818-846-1112, mailed to 146 W. Cypress Ave. Burbank, CA 91502 or emailed to mari@targetwindowdoor.com will be the winner of:

!!! 50.00 CASH !!!

What is the red sack of skin that hangs off a turkey's neck called?

(a) Snood (b) Wattle (c) Beard (d) Torrel (e) Bristle

DID YOU KNOW???

- ✓ A person who is "scotophobic" has an intense fear of being seen.
- ✓ In the ten years it was on the air, Alfred Hitchcock actually directed only 20 of the 362 episodes of *Alfred Hitchcock Presents*.
- ✓ Blype is the skin that peels off after a bad sunburn.
- ✓ The GI. Joe toy line got its name from the 1945 movie *The Story of G.I. Joe*, which retold the story of war correspondent Ernie Pyle's days on the front lines.
- ✓ In the old school primer "Now We Read," the name of the cat featured with Dick, Jane, Sally, and their dog Spot, was Puff.
- ✓ A fly can react to something it sees and change direction in 30 milliseconds.
- ✓ The famous nineteenth-century bullfighter Lagarijo (born Rafael Molina) killed 4,867 bulls.
- ✓ Edgar Allan Poe invented the detective story. Before he wrote "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" and "The Mystery of Marie Roget," the genre was totally unknown in English or American literature.
- ✓ The weight of air in a milk glass is about the same as the weight of one aspirin tablet.
- ✓ Rats can swim for a 1/2 mile without resting, and they can tread water for 3 days straight.
- ✓ "American" or store cheese constitutes about two-thirds of the cheese sold in the United States.

WELCOME TO NEW CLIENTS!

Here are a **FEW** of our new clients who became members of our “remodeling family” this past month. We’d like to welcome you, and wish you **ALL** the best!

- ❖ **Mike Serleto from Calabasas – REPEAT CLIENT!**
- ❖ **Phyllis Zimmerman from Burbank.**
- ❖ **Tim & Sherry Stensby from Glendora.**
- ❖ **Laurel Fisher & Elizabeth French from Glendale – REPEAT CLIENT!**
- ❖ **Donna DeRuyter from Ontario.**
- ❖ **Edward & Linda Kaleff from Upland.**
- ❖ **Patsy Sogioka from Redlands.**
- ❖ **Jeff & Jaque D’onofrio from Riverside – REPEAT CLIENT!**
- ❖ **Karen Weimer from Pacoima.**
- ❖ **Jack & Pearl Screeton from Dana Point.**
- ❖ **Joann Huss & Joe Keulman from Lake Balboa.
(Referred by Jim Jamali – THANKS!)**
- ❖ **James & Laurel Gwyn from Los Angeles.**
- ❖ **David Morrish from San Gabriel.**
- ❖ **Michael & Patti Ullerich from Glendora – REPEAT CLIENT!**
- ❖ **Luke Serviss from Long Beach.**
- ❖ **Marcel & Barbara Thibodeau from Pasadena.
(Referred by Bill Haffner – THANKS!)**

News of the Bizarre

San Francisco, CA – San Francisco resident J. Miller is offering a \$2,000 reward for the return of his house. Miller bought 40 acres deep in the El Dorado County wilderness in California. Miller erected a prefabricated house on the property. Sometime in the past two months, somebody stole everything inside Miller's house – and then stole the house, according to the San Francisco Chronicle. Thieves deconstructed his 10-by-20-foot prefab home, yanked a well pump from 625 feet below ground, took his 600-pound generator and hauled away his 2,600-gallon water tank. Miller's financial loss is \$20,000, but mainly he wants his wife's antique furniture back.

Cambridge, MA – To the naked eye, it looks like a fleck of tile decorated with the Greek letters alpha and omega. But magnified by a factor of 600, it is the world's most portable copy of the New Testament. According to the latest version of the Guinness Book of World Records, the 5-millimeter-square tablet is the smallest reproduction yet of a printed book. It was created in 2001 by two scientists in the field of object recognition, Pawan Sinha and Pamela R. Lipson. The two scientists call it a tool for archiving and authentication. They developed software that allowed them to write in gold on a crystalline silicon chip, using a font with letters each 4 microns high, about the height of a red blood cell.

Salt Lake City, UT – A Utah man is signing up people to be mummified when they pass on. Corky Ra tells The Los Angeles Times that 1,400 people have agreed to sign over their life insurance policies, worth at least \$74,000 each, to be mummified by his patented Permanent Body Preservation System. Summum Mummification has a guarantee. "You will stay like this for eternity," Ra promises. "There will be no decomposition." So far, he says, he's received requests from football players looking to be preserved in athletic poses, military men wanting to be mummified in uniform and a radio talk show host hoping to grasp a microphone for eternity.

WEIRD & WILD TRIVIA FILE

- All porcupines float in water.
- In 1996, Americans bought only 12 inches of dental floss per capita.
- The common carp lives up to 25 years in the wild, and up to 40 years in captivity.
- The peach is a member of the rose family and will have a sweet fragrance when ripe.
- Television's Mr. Ed was played by a horse named Bamboo Harvester.
- The Viking alphabet was called the Futhark.
- William Rufus DeVane King was the first and only U.S. vice president to take the Oath of Office from outside the United States. He did this in Havana, Cuba in 1853.

WHAT'S THE BEST ANTI-PLAQUE TOOTHBRUSH?

Not just any power brush will do when it comes to fighting unhealthy plaque on your teeth. The best anti-plaque toothbrush you can get should have rotation oscillation, spinning both clockwise and counterclockwise.

These types of brushes typically remove 11% more plaque than all other types of brushes. Good brands include *Oral B 3D Excel* and *Crest Spinbrush*.

HOW TO FIX A POTHOLE

Not only are potholes unsightly, but they can also cause expensive car damage! If you live on a municipal street, chances are good you'll have to wait a while until a road crew repairs it. If you live on a private street, it's up to you to fix the hole!

This tip is designed for potholes on a blacktop surface, and you'll want to do this job on a warm, dry day, preferably when the weather is at least 65-70 degrees or higher.

Depending on the size of your pothole(s), pick up a bag of **cold-mix asphalt patch**. Cold-mix is asphalt mixed with fine gravel.

To begin, dig out the pothole, removing all loose material and debris. After the pothole is clean, you can either pour or shovel the cold-mix into the hole. Slightly overfill the hole.

Next, you need to "tamp" down the patch with a piece of wood. A 2 x 4 stud works great. Tamp the patch until it is level with the rest of the blacktop. And, voila, no more pothole!

10 QUICK & EASY WAYS TO SKYROCKET YOUR HOME'S VALUE!

When it comes to selling a home, a great first impression is crucial. Many real estate professionals say a home that is attractive from the road will sell in nearly half the time it takes to sell a drab home.

1. **Garage** – Always keep your garage doors clean and closed. Bikes, toys, garbage cans, and lawn care items should be stored neatly inside your garage.
2. **Lawn** – Don't just keep your grass neatly trimmed; edge your lawn as well. A sharp edge will give your lawn and home a well-maintained look.
3. **Trees and shrubs** – Trim back all trees and shrubs. Remove any dead plant life.
4. **Shingles** – Remove and replace any broken roof shingles. Even a few warped or missing shingles will give the impression your roof needs repair.
5. **For sale sign** – Keep your FOR SALE sign straight and facing the road. A sign that's leaning or faded will imply your home has been on the market for an extended period of time. That could suggest problems.
6. **Doorknob** – The doorknob and doorknocker on your front door should be sparkling! Any signs of age will take away from your home's appeal.
7. **Mailbox** – Your mailbox should match your home. For example, a \$10 mailbox does not go with a \$500,000 home.
8. **Drapery** – How do your drapes or blinds look from the outside? Many homeowners purchase window treatments based on how they look *inside* the home. Different colors and shapes in front windows can make a home look unbalanced.
9. **Flowers** – Plant colorful flowers in front of your home to make your residence come alive! This is especially important if your home is white or a dark color.
10. **Sidewalk** – Patch cracks in your sidewalk. Remove all weeds in and around your sidewalk. Also, sweep the walk and keep it free from dirt and debris.

20 AMAZING USES FOR VINEGAR!

(Continued from page 1)

- ✓ Relieve dry and itchy skin. Add 2 tablespoons to bath water.
- ✓ Eliminate onion odor. Rub on your fingers before and after slicing.
- ✓ Cut grease and odor on dishes. Add a tablespoon of vinegar to hot soapy water.
- ✓ Clean the refrigerator. Wash with a solution of equal parts water and vinegar.
- ✓ Clean the dishwasher. Run a cup of vinegar through the whole cycle once a month to reduce soap build up on the inner mechanisms and on glassware.
- ✓ Get rid of lint in clothes. Add 1/2 cup of vinegar to the rinse cycle.
- ✓ Keep colors from running. Immerse clothes in full strength vinegar before washing.
- ✓ Take grease off suede. Dip a toothbrush in vinegar and gently brush over grease spot.
- ✓ Get smoke smell out of clothes. Add a cup of vinegar to a bath tub of hot water. Hang clothes above the steam.
- ✓ Remove decals. Brush with a couple coats of vinegar. Allow to soak in. Wash off.
- ✓ Clean eyeglasses. Wipe each lens with a drop of vinegar.
- ✓ Freshen cut flowers. Add 2 tablespoons vinegar and 1 teaspoon sugar for each quart of water.
- ✓ Brighten fabric colors. Add 1/2 cup vinegar to the rinse cycle.
- ✓ Dissolve rust from bolts and other metals. Soak in full strength vinegar.
- ✓ Fight dandruff. After shampooing, rinse with vinegar and 2 cups of warm water.

COULD YOU USE \$100.00?

In the past, many of you have graciously referred your friends and neighbors our way. And for that, we thank you. For your generosity, thank you. And now, in addition to our gratitude, you'll also get a token of our appreciation!

Here's how it works:

For every referral you send our way that becomes a client, you will receive

\$100.00 CASH!!

By referring your friends and neighbors to us, you've helped our business grow. Offering these special rewards is our way of saying, "**thank you, you're the best!**"

Without you, we couldn't do what we do. To take advantage of our Referral Reward Program, just fill out the enclosed referral sheet and either fax or send it in. That's all there is to it!

Well friends, that's it for this month! As always, feel free to call us with any questions you may have concerning your home! We'll see you in a few weeks!

Thanks from all of us,

Target Window & Door, Inc.

P.S. Don't forget to check out our special Referral Sheet on the last page so we can help your friends and family with their window remodeling needs.

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Here's Your Chance To... WIN! WIN! WIN!

Simply fill out the following information, fax or mail it in, and you'll be entered to win our monthly Trivia Challenge.

Your Name: _____

Your Phone: _____

Your Answer (check one): ___(a) ___(b) ___(c) ___(d) ___(e)

And don't forget the:

Referral Reward Program!

Fax To: 818-846-1112 Mail To: 146 W. Cypress Ave Burbank, CA 91502

If you use this form, we will be able to make sure you get credit for all of your referrals when they become clients. If you have any questions, just give us a call at **1-800-956-7722**.

Client Name: _____ **Phone #** _____

Referrals: If you run out of room you can write on the back.

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Home Phone _____

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Yes! Feel free to use my name as a reference when you contact the referrals!