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Hello friends! We are pleased to send you this monthly issue of *Tips & Clips*. It is our way of saying that you are important to us and we truly value your business. Please feel free to pass this newsletter on to your friends and neighbors. Enjoy!

Calendar of Events

Coming up...

October 19: Design & Remodeling Seminar 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at TraVek. 15575 N 83rd Way Ste A-4, Scottsdale, AZ 85260
Registration required, seating is limited. Register at travek.com or call 480-367-1171.

October's Seminar is sponsored by Hughes Supply of Scottsdale



Appledoodle Cookies

Ingredients

- 3/4 cup butter (softened)
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 egg
- 2 cups flour
- 1 3.5 oz box instant cheesecake mix, not prepared
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp salt
- Pinch of nutmeg
- 1 cup apples, peeled & diced small

Cinnamon Sugar

- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon

Visit our Blog at TraVek.com for complete instructions.

Dear Valued Customers and Employees,

We had a wonderful September month celebrating our 20th Anniversary as a company! When you are celebrating 20 years, one day simply is not enough. We may even celebrate the milestone all year!

At the end of September, several of our team members and I attended the annual Remodelers Summit, presented by Remodelers Advantage. We have had the privilege of attending many of these summits that are hosted in a different, prominent American city every year. Last year's summit was scheduled for here in Phoenix, but was delayed due to the events of 2020, and we are so glad Phoenix was still able to serve as the home for their 2021 Summit!

At the Summit, remodeling professionals from all over the country met to share their wealth of knowledge. It was wonderful to have our meetings in person once again. Common challenges for remodeling companies across the nation are the long wait for cabinets and the labor shortage. It is good to know we are not alone and others are working just as hard as we are to overcome those hurdles.

As a leader in the remodeling industry, our team members are always looking for ways to continue growing in their field. Our Designer, Todd, is a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS) through the National Association of Home Builders. This intensive course provided him with advanced knowledge needed to assist homeowners who are experiencing or anticipating decreased mobility whether due to age or other health issues. People can remain independent longer when their home can be adjusted to fit their long-term needs. Our featured project this month shows an example of a Master Bathroom design that utilized Todd's skills and understanding of Aging-In-Place. If you are looking to remodel your home for similar needs, call and schedule with Todd at 480-367-1171 for your in-home consultation.

Our 10-Day Kitchens have been well-received, and now we're excited to start on 10-Day Bathrooms. That means from the start of demo to completion, it is only 10-days! If you are staying with the same layout and not moving electrical or plumbing in your dated guest bath, your project may qualify. Call us for more information.

If you are a skilled carpenter with remodeling experience looking to join a growing, accomplished team, we would love to speak with you more about our Lead Carpenter positions. In this role, you are able to utilize your wide range of experience and operate as a project leader. For more information, email Alex@travek.com.

Best Regards,
Von Raisanen, CR, CKBR
President, TraVek, Inc.





Racquet Club Realty
Scottsdale Remains a Top Market

The housing market in Scottsdale maintained its incline into a seller's market during August of 2021. According to Redfin.com, housing prices were up 26.5% compared to August of 2020. While the percentage of homes sold above list price has dropped in the late Summer months, it is still significantly above last year's records.

The desirability of the Scottsdale lifestyle was even featured in a May 2021 article published on Forbes.com.

Phoenix-based writer Dave Panozzo cites five reasons why Scottsdale is such a hot market. Young families are attracted to the abundance of activities for all ages offered in the valley and the affordable cost of living compared to other growing metro areas. Many might assume the high Arizona temperatures would be a deterrent, but the extreme heat really only lingers for three months a year and the mild winters leave further opportunity for year round events. Lastly, with California and Mexico nearby, as well as Sky Harbor International, Scottsdale is a great home base for travelers!



Racquet Club Realty offers property management services for The Racquet Club at Scottsdale Ranch. Let us help you find the right tenants for 30 day or longer leasing. Start planning and preparing your unit now for the 2023 Super Bowl hosted in Arizona.



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Trades Unlimited Roofing
How Old is Your Roof?

Those strong monsoons this summer wreaked a lot of havoc on homes. Now that they have blown over, it is the right time to assess the state of your roof. If your tile roof is 15 years older or more, you should have your roofing underlayment checked out.

While tile is one of the longest lasting roof materials out there, over time in this dry heat the underlayment can begin to deteriorate around the 15 year mark and leave your roof susceptible to leaks and further damage.

Schedule a roofing specialist to see if your underlayment is still adequately protecting your roof. Call 480-483-1775.



Together, Building Dreams
Harvest Compassion Center

We are once again partnering with the amazing outreach, Harvest Compassion Center (HCC) for a Fall Food Drive. Donations can be brought to our North Scottsdale Office at **15575 N 83rd Way, Ste A-4**.

HCC offers food, home essentials, clothing, and more to those in need at no cost. Families and individuals in need are able to "shop" at their free markets located across the valley for living essentials.

High demand items requested:

- Cereal
- Soup
- Canned Fruit
- Canned tuna/chicken
- Granola Bars
- Crackers



From the Doc Sustaining Your Body and Health

Are all 1960 Ford Fairlane cars alike?



Yes...in the beginning.

How long do you think you will live? Ever think about how long your body will last and, more importantly, what you must do to increase your statistical chances?

Degeneration is the state or process of being or becoming degenerate; in decline or deterioration. It may not be symptomatic, but the process continues. It doesn't matter if we are talking about conditions related to spine, brain, cardiovascular, or gut.

On September 4, 1961, Congress passed the Foreign Assistance Act, a Cold War Act (among many other measures) which prohibited aid to Cuba and authorized the President to impose a complete trade embargo against Cuba. This meant no more American made cars were being shipped to Cuba. The Cubans were forced to take care of and maintain what they had because no more were coming from us. We here in the States have developed an attitude that everything is disposable because we can get the new model next year.

Hope vs. Fear

Hope is the desire that everything will be ok and, especially in situations of war, likely gets you killed. Fear requires you to take action to avoid an unpleasant outcome.

2 Steps to Take:

- Schedule a RIGHT EYE vision test and CAPS computerized balance evaluation at our office.
- Schedule annual blood work either with your MD or our office to determine what steps to take to improve your health.

Call 480-951-5006 or visit drburdorf.com to schedule a consultation.



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Dr. Burdorf is one of only eight Board-Certified Chiropractic Neurologists in the State of Arizona. He deals with very complex neurological issues, and is a doctor patients go to after they have been dealing with their situations for many months or even years, and have been unable to find help elsewhere.

Designer's Corner Bathroom Design Trends

From *HomesandGardens.com*

It's hardly a surprise, after the year that was 2020, that bathroom trends in 2021 have been headed up by the trend for home spas.

Transforming an interior space into a seamless experience to create a more satisfying usage is key. As homeowners, we tend to use our bathrooms at least twice a day, and studies have shown that the average female spends at least 29 minutes in this space each day, so it's become a necessity to ensure that bathroom design delivers an at-home spa-like atmosphere so we can linger for longer.

Far removed from the starkness of the past, today's pared-back bathroom layout ideas equal relaxed, not sterile. Long gone are the days of clutter. Bathrooms are no longer a maximalist mess.

"Architecturally and visually, it is best to keep a bathroom feeling open by not crowding too many things into it. Edit your amenities often, hang your towels on bars or hooks, keep pattern to a minimum, and generally, make it simple. The room will feel bigger if you use a pedestal or wall-mounted sink rather than a bulky vanity, a clear glass door rather than shower curtain and reflective surfaces such as glossy ceramic tiles in a large scale," says Barbara Sallick, Co-founder, Waterworks.

Statement bathroom lighting ideas are also having a moment. Outsized or crystal, all-out glamour is the way to go. The latest innovations mean that you don't have to completely overhaul a scheme in order to make a difference. Don't be afraid to go big. It takes a little bravery, but you can afford to use larger lights than you might at first think sensible. Big chandeliers, drum pendants and giant floor lamps are all very much in vogue for those who like their lighting to make a statement or are inspired by luxury bathroom design.

"Metals are having a revival in all design disciplines," says architect Natalia Miyar. "Chrome and steel are a popular choice for kitchens and bathrooms, however these metals can sometimes make a room feel cold and stark. Use less obvious choices and warmer metallic tones such as copper and brass. They create visual impact and change the mood from functional to indulgent."

These spa like upgrades don't have to be dramatic. Many of these trends can be incorporated into our new 10-Day Bathroom program for your guest bathrooms. You could also invest in your the luxury and serenity of your Master Bathroom. Call to schedule your consultation. 480-367-1171.



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Featured Project: Accessibility Master Bathroom in Scottsdale

This homeowner was needing to make his bathroom wheelchair accessible. We were able to open up the existing water closet and remove the tub for an open floorplan with a large, beach entry shower that is easy to maneuver. To see more pictures of this project, go to www.travek.com/About Us, and then click on the picture of Todd. These pictures will show up at the bottom of his page for projects Todd has recently completed. Todd is also NARI Certified for Aging in Place.



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Jim Ratliff, Lead Carpenter

