TsT Home Improvement Services Tip of the Month By Tom S. Truesdale

Think Spring!

The winter season is almost over... I hope! Spring is right around the corner! The upcoming warm months are busy times for everyone, so if you have a home improvement project in mind or one that is needed, planning ahead is to the home owners advantage. This month I have simply listed some general projects that are ideal for the spring and summer season. Also, I have included some planning and organizing tips as you plan your next project.

Ideal exterior, spring and summer projects:

- Gutters Replacement: Check gutters that may have been damaged by winter ice accumulation.
- Siding Repair and Replacement: Check for detached siding and rotted areas.
 Before painting existing siding, determine if it needs to be replaced.
- Painting: Exterior painting is a seasonal activity. If your home is in need of painting, do not wait till the end of the summer to begin getting bids.
- Window Replacement: If during the winter season you noticed icing, condensation or cold drafts around any windows, repair or replacement is most likely necessary.
- Deck Repairs, Staining and Sealing
- Deck/Patio/Paver Construction
- Roofing Replacement
- Sidewalk and Driveway Repairs and Replacement
- Attached or Detached Building Additions



The projects I have listed can range from simple to complex, therefore it is to the homeowners advantage to start the planning process as early in the spring as possible. Selecting products and a contractor can take time. Visiting local home shows is also a smart investment of your time, this type of trade show is a great way for a homeowner to research products and meet local contractors.

Spring will be here soon, my advice this month is to begin planning that spring or summer project before it is to late. As always consult with a local qualified Construction Professional before starting your project. Have a great spring season and I hope this month's tips are helpful, please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions. TsT

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