



Cleaner Living

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This Month's Special

Visit www.freecarpetcleaning.net and we'll give you \$10 off for each referral you submit that uses KleenRite. You could get up to \$200 worth of free carpet cleaning! We'll also send your friend(s) a gift certificate for one FREE room of cleaning (up to 200 sq. ft.). No worries, their information is safe. We'll simply send them the gift certificate absolutely FREE!

Thank You

Thank you to those who have referred us:

- Micki Lindquist
- John & Barb Bonacorsi
- Kelly Simmons
- Steve & Shari Hall
- Mike Cross

Make Your Yard Functional - Landscape Lighting

A landscape project isn't fully complete until you add the finishing touch--lighting. Why spend so much time on a garden or waterfall to only look at it during daylight hours, when you are probably away at work or school anyway (especially in the winter when it gets dark so early). By adding lights, you can enjoy these features into the night. There is more to landscape lighting technique than just using high power floodlights to light up your entire yard. Instead, you should strategically place lights to highlight the most important areas of your yard.

You can use floodlights still, but they should be focused on certain areas that you use often such as a patio or deck. Without lights, you will probably feel much less comfortable being outside at night with family or friends.

The lights can also focus on your favorite plants, or larger groups of bushes. You can use low watt lights for a more mellow effect if you'd like. If you need to see well enough to use the area though, so you may need lights with more power.

Rope lights are another option if you don't like floodlights. They are often seen with multiple colors, and used for decoration

around the holidays. They can also be used to outline a walkway or path. They help guide you so you know where to walk at night. You will have less chance of tripping on a root or slipping in the grass if you are well guided along a walkway by lights. Lighting can add beauty and function in your yard.

Landscape lights will also add an element of safety to your home because it will deter thieves from coming too close out of fear of being seen.

Landscape lanterns add an interesting style to your home. They can be solar powered, battery powered, lit with candles, or powered by standard electricity. Outdoor low voltage landscape lighting doesn't have to be difficult to install at you home. Thoughtfully adding lighting will greatly increase the usability of your yard, while adding a dramatic look at the same time.

For more information on outdoor low voltage lighting visit <http://www.plant-care.com/landscape-lighting.php>



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Spring is in the Air!

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TRIVIA: THIS MONTH'S TRIVIA WINNER

Congratulations to Sara Yant, who answered this month's trivia question correctly!

You could win, too! Look at the trivia question on the back of this newsletter, find the answer, and visit our web site

online at www.kleenrite.net to send us your answer! If you don't have internet access, call our trivia line at 353-5244 and leave us voicemail including your name, phone number, and your answer. All correct answers will be entered in the drawing to win!

Ask the Expert

Q.What is the best way to remove tar from carpet, and what percentage realistically can be removed?

A. Light tar on a dark carpet can be removed by applying a paint/oil/grease remover to a white cotton towel and dabbing the tar spot. Avoid spreading the tar, but work it toward the center. Repeat until gone.

Then, wet a clean towel with water and wring it out. Blot the spot to remove all paint/oil/grease remover. Place a dry, clean towel over the spot and step on it.

Medium tar on carpet requires more work, though. Spray paint/oil/grease remover on the tar, place a white cotton towel over the spot and step on it. Repeat this until the tar no longer transfers to the towel. Next, spray an acidic rinse diluted 1:5 on the spot, place a towel over the spot and step on it. Note: the paint/oil/grease remover will remove the tar, but not the color. Acetic acid is required for removing the color. Then, rinse with an extractor or use a damp towel and dry towel as mentioned above.

Heavy tar on light colored carpet is a real challenge! If paint/oil/grease remover does not remove most of the tar, use a volatile spotter (usually containing perk).

This isn't the easiest of cleaning processes, so if you want to get the job done right and prevent any staining, call our technicians at KleenRite for help!

Damon Hackleman
KleenRite



Spring is Finally Here!

This Month's Events

May 10th, 9:00 am - Twin Cities Twosome

USATF-certified course in scenic Crystal Lake Park in Urbana. ALL race proceeds go to the T.I.M.E.S. Center, A Woman's Fund, and Crisis Nursery. Visit www.twincitiestwosome.com for more information!

May 17th-18th - Kidfest

\$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 children, under 4 free. Games and entertainments from times past. Family fun at Kidfest. For more information, call 268-4106, or visit www.rockome.com

May 24th - Take Me Fishing!

Middle Fork River Forest Preserve, 3433 County Rd 2700 E, Penfield - Demonstrations, kids' activities, prizes. Basic fishing instruction. License requirement waived. Available poles limited. Adult supervision of children required. For more information, call 896.2455, or visit www.ccfpd.org.

This Month's Joke

A family of mice were surprised by a big cat. Father Mouse jumped and said, "Bow-wow!" The cat ran away. "What was that, Father?" asked Baby Mouse. "Well, son, that's why it's important to learn a second language."

What Clients Are Saying

"Thank you for your professionalism and friendliness. Everyone from KleenRite that I interacted with was wonderful and helpful. I really enjoyed working with all of you."
- Dolores Doane

"Very professional, my carpet has never been so clean."
- Cora Johnson

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What Do You Know?

Find the answer to the trivia question below and submit your answer at www.kleenrite.net or call our trivia line at (217) 353-5244 and leave us voicemail including your name, phone number, and answer to be entered to **win a \$50.00 Target Gift Card!**

This month's trivia question:

What is another option for landscape lighting if you don't like floodlights?

- Lightning Bugs/Fireflies
- Rope Lighting
- Gasoline and a match
- Lots of flashlights

Look for the answer inside this newsletter!

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Chai Raisin Oatmeal

- * 3/4 cup of 1-minute oatmeal
- * 1/4 cup of chai instant mix
- * 1/4 cup rasins
- * 2 teaspoons of sugar or splenda
- * 1 1/2 cups of skim milk

Instructions: Combine all ingredients and mix well. Cook in microwave for 2 minutes or bring milk to a boil on stove top and add dry ingredients and cook for one minute while mixing. Great for a quick warm breakfast!