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# **Choosing the RIGHT Gutter Guard**

#### Jim Carbone **Elyria's Gutter Cover Company**

With all the different choices available for gutter protection, most homeowners want to know which product works the best and can be installed at a reasonable price. Here are some helpful tips about what to look for when choosing a gutter cover and who to call to install it.

A good gutter cover needs to perform in certain areas to be successful:

- Keep out debris like small leaves. needles, spinners, seed pods, and roof shingle grit.
- Handle heavy amounts of rainwater without overflowing.
- Must be wind resistant and strong enough not to "cave-in" under heavy snow loads.
- Must not require any trips up the ladder to maintain performance.
- Cannot have vertical openings like screens or filters that can clog easily.

Hiring the right company to install the cover correctly is very important. Try calling a company that's focused on gutter protection only. This way you can feel confident that all of their time is being dedicated to the task at hand.

The Gutter Cover Company has a proven track record of success and should be the 1st phone call on every homeowner's list.

The Gutter Cover Company has been installing Gutter Topper in Northeast Ohio for over 20 years.

They're a family-owned local business that uses there own people who are properly trained to install their products.

With an obsessive attention to details and professionalism, they have an A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau rating and excellent Angie's list and Home Advisor reviews.

Gutter Topper is proudly manufactured right here in Ohio and made to perform in Ohio weather. It is a smooth, solid aluminum cover that has no holes or gaps on top. A sloped self-shedding design, prevents spinners, pine needles, shingle grit, or seed pods from clogging the gutter.

Independent product Testing by PRI

Asphalt Technologies showed that Gutter Topper can handle heavy downpours up to 22 inches of rain per hour and 110 mph winds.

A lifetime transferable performance warranty gives you confidence that the gutters will remain free-flowing.

Gutter Topper can be installed over the existing gutters and each installation includes cleaning, tightening, re-sealing, and properly aligning your gutters. New seamless gutters are also available.

The Gutter Cover Company also offers a safe and effective way to stop big icicles and ice damming. This is not the old-fashioned zig-zag roof wires. An optional add-on product called Heater Cap can be installed with or without Gutter Topper which gently heats the gutter area with a self-regulated heat cable. An aluminum plate then covers the cable which protects it, hides it and helps spread the heat to a larger area. Controls are even located inside the warmth of your home.

Heater Cap is perfect for problem areas like doorways or areas that have a history of water backup. It also can be installed on most existing gutter covers.

Our staff at The Gutter Cover Company has the knowledge and experience to solve your gutter problems once and for all," said Jim Carbone, the owner of Gutter Cover.

"We would like to have an opportunity to show you what makes our products stand above the competition. Because we are a local business, and all of us are from Northeast Ohio, we treat our customers like neighbors. Our free estimates are punctual and professional, vet friendly and casual."

Schedule a free estimate by May 3, 2019 and receive a \$300 discount on the purchase of either Gutter Topper or Heater Cap by mentioning this offer.

Additional discounts are available for Seniors and Veterans.

For more information call (440) 366-0688. View short videos of Gutter Topper and Heater Cap at:

www.gutterguard1.com. Jim Carbone is the owner of Elyria's

Gutter Cover Company,



# **3 Tips to Create Your Dream Closet**

(Family Features) If you've ever opened your closet doors and been depressed by what you see, it may be time to rethink your closet.

In fact, according to a One Poll survey on behalf of ClosetMaid, 57 percent of women admitted having an organized closet would make finding what they're looking for faster and easier while 3 out of 10 said an organized closet would make mornings less stressful.

However, treating yourself to your dream closet and introducing a new level of organization can help alleviate those worries and provide a fresh perspective. To get started on your closet makeover, consider these tips:

#### Assess Your Needs

Before diving headfirst into a fullblown closet makeover, start by assessing any budgetary constraints as well as the physical aspects and size of your space. Determine your ceiling height and available wall space to give yourself a feel for what your area can accommodate; you may even want to consider converting an adjacent room into your dream closet. Remember to account for any sloped walls and whether you prefer a simple reach-in closet or a more elaborate walk-in. Once you've determined your preferences and completed your measurements, turn to your wardrobe to assess whether you need more hanging space, shelving, shoe storage, accessory drawers or something else entirely.

#### Make Your Dream a Reality

Whether you're a motivated DIYer intent on completing the project yourself or would prefer to work with a team of designers and professional installers, there are plenty of options available to bring your dream closet to fruition. One closet system to consider if you're seeking a completely customized, designerinspired space is ClosetMaid's Master-Suite 27th Avenue collection. The professionally installed line can be cut to nearly any configuration and offers a range of matte and premium wood finishes, three drawer styles, elegant hardware options and high-end accessories, allowing you the design freedom to ensure the features and aesthetic match your vision for the space.

#### **Customize Your Space**

No closet is complete without some personal touches. Make your closet work efficiently with some luxurious organization accessories such as jewelry trays, shoe shelving, wire baskets and drawers, sliding mirrors, valet rods, scarf racks and more. Once you have the necessary accessories and hangers, set up a systematic flow by using the zone principle. Keep frequently used items in prime real estate, accessories within reach and tuck away those rarely used items.

With your dream closet complete, the only thing left to worry about is keeping it in tip-top shape. For more closet makeover tips, visit ClosetMaid.com.





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# **Using the Equity in Your Home Wisely**

You've paid down a significant amount of your mortgage and now have a significant amount of home equity.

This is good news. Home equity provides you with a measure of financial freedom. You can borrow against this equity to help pay for your children's college education, fund a major kitchen remodel or pay off your high-interest rate credit cards.

It is possible though to misuse your home's equity. Remember, a home equity line of credit uses your home as collateral. This means that if you miss payments, your lender could take your home from you.

#### Using your home's equity

A home equity line of credit works more like a credit card. Your existing home equity is one of the criteria used to determine the amount of the line of credit available to you. Borrow against the available line of credit as often as you like, but remember, you have to pay back the amount of money you borrowed, with interest. If you have a home equity line of credit of \$100,000, and you borrow \$10,000 to pay for a bathroom renovation, you'll still be able, to borrow up to \$90,000 more before maxing out your credit.

### Being smart

Of course, some uses of home equity are better than others.

For instance, if you take out a home equity line of credit, it is usually smart

to use the funds to pay for a major home improvement project. That is because if you improve your home, you'll probably also be increasing its value. This, in turn, boosts the amount of equity you have in your residence.

Be sure, though, to invest in a homeimprovement project that boosts your home's value. Kitchen updates, the addition of bathrooms and the addition of master bedrooms usually add to the value of a home. Certain cosmetic changes such as new carpeting or landscaping might not.

It might also make sense to use your home equity to make an investment that will pay off for you in the long term. For instance, some homeowners might tap their home's equity to invest in rental property that will both generate monthly rental income and hopefully grow in value over the years.

#### Be careful

There are potential drawbacks with borrowing against your home's equity. The most serious is the threat of losing your home.

If you cannot make your payments on a home equity line of credit, your lender could take your home. So only, borrow against your home's equity if you are certain that you'll be able to pay back the loan on time.

For more information on taking advantage of your home's equity or to apply for a Home Equity Line of Credit visit FFL.net/HELOC.

# **Lorain County Public Health offers lead screening tests**

Lead is a metal found naturally in the environment, but some older buildings have dangerously high levels of lead inside them. High levels of lead can cause health problems, especially in children. Those problems can include hyperactivity, slowed growth, learning problems, hearing problems, and more. Ît's recommended that children get tested for lead poisoning at least once between ages six months to six years. By Ohio law, a child must get tested for lead poisoning if she or he:

- Is on Medicaid (ages 1-6).
- Lives in a High Risk zip code, i.e.

- 44012, 44035, 44044, 44052, 44053, 44055, 44074, 44851, or 44889.
- Lives in or regularly visits a house built before 1950 - this includes a day care, preschool or home of babvsitter or relative.
- Lives in or regularly visits a property built before 1978 that has peeling or chipping paint, or a recent or ongoing renovation
- Has a sibling or playmate who has a high lead level.
- Spends time around an adult working with lead (construction, welding, pottery, painting, casting am-



munition, etc.)

Parents and guardians can schedule no-cost lead screening at Lorain County Public Health (LCPH) by calling 440-322-6367 or walk ins accepted M-F 8

a.m. to 4 p.m. A lead screening test is a finger prick for a drop of blood that is placed on a testing paper. LCPH sends the testing paper to a lab for lead level results. LCPH will call you once results come in. If children have high levels of lead in their blood, LCPH arranges for a second test to confirm results

If the second tests confirms that the child does have a high lead level LCPH offers the family ways to clean up lead in the home. LCPH also offers information on keeping a home healthy. Learn more about lead poisoning at LorainCountyHealth.com/lead.



## Did you know?

Weeding is a chore few gardeners relish. Weeds can seemingly pop up overnight. And when left to their own devices, weeds can quickly grow out of control. There are a few key tips to weeding that can make the process easier. First off, start with wet soil. Choose to weed after it rains, as wet soil makes it easier to pull the full weed, including the root, out of the ground. Removing the weed all the way down to its root prevents it from growing back. If there's no rain in the forecast, water the garden before attempting to remove weeds. If the ground is compacted and you're weeding in a pinch, at least remove the head of the weed to prevent seeds from spreading and starting new weed growth.



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# **Add Joy to Spring Cleaning**

(Family Features) While spring cleaning can be crucial in keeping your home in tip-top shape, especially for DIYers who find inspiration in the bright season for new home decor projects, the annual ritual can also feel overwhelming.

To add color and whimsy, and make spring cleaning a more joyous event, consider these ideas from mom and designer Joy Cho, the founder and creative director of Oh Joy! - a lifestyle site focused on design, fashion, food and life's joyful moments.

Frame homemade artwork. Once spring has arrived, you may have compiled lots of children's artwork from time spent indoors. To keep it all organized, sift through it in the spring and frame some of your children's hard work to put on the walls as colorful pieces of homemade decor.

Start with a fresh clean. Routinely cleaning your high-touch surfaces with disinfecting wipes and picking up common areas is a good habit to get into and should be a starting point for any spring project. When you start with a

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clean space, you know you won't have to deal with dust bunnies and clutter along the way. Plus, with nearly 1 in 3 Americans (31 percent) admitting to rarely or never deep cleaning their households, according to an online Clorox survey in February 2019, regularly freshening up can help you maintain a clean space and cut down on time spent tackling big messes.

Decorate with color. Make your shared spaces as fun and unique as possible by adding pops of color. After cleaning accumulated dirt and dust off your bookshelves, add contact paper to the inside back section of the shelves and flower vases or decorative jars for temporary color and character. You can also add an unexpected spring time pop to floral bouquets by incorporating fragrant mint sprigs or colorful stems. Picking out an attractive spring print that brings you joy and updating your throw pillow shams can also provide little bursts of color.

Repurpose everyday items. Look for items around the house that can serve

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a secondary purpose, like the limitededition Oh Joy! Clorox Disinfecting Wipes Designer Collection, which can serve as statement pieces while setting the stage for a happy and healthy season by removing unwanted germs and dirt that may be lurking in your home. The stylish canisters can also be rinsed and reused after the last wipe is gone to hold everything from craft supplies to kids' toys or flowers.

"For the first-ever Clorox Designer Collection, I created four unique canister designs that are inspired by fresh blooms, spring sunshine and the feeling of a clean, new start," Cho said. "What I love most is that they make the canisters attractive enough that you no longer

need to hide them under the sink. Leaving them on the counter for cleaning up messes throughout the day is not only convenient but adds a little joy to your spring decor as well."

Maintain your spaces. Spending a little time each day cleaning high-traffic spaces can be easier than devoting an entire day each week to getting your home back in order. Disinfecting wipes make it easy to clean up messes, wipe down surfaces and stay on top of spot cleaning, allowing you to spend less time worrying about dirt and germs and more time with your family.

Find more ways to elevate your space and add joy to spring cleaning at Clorox.com.





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