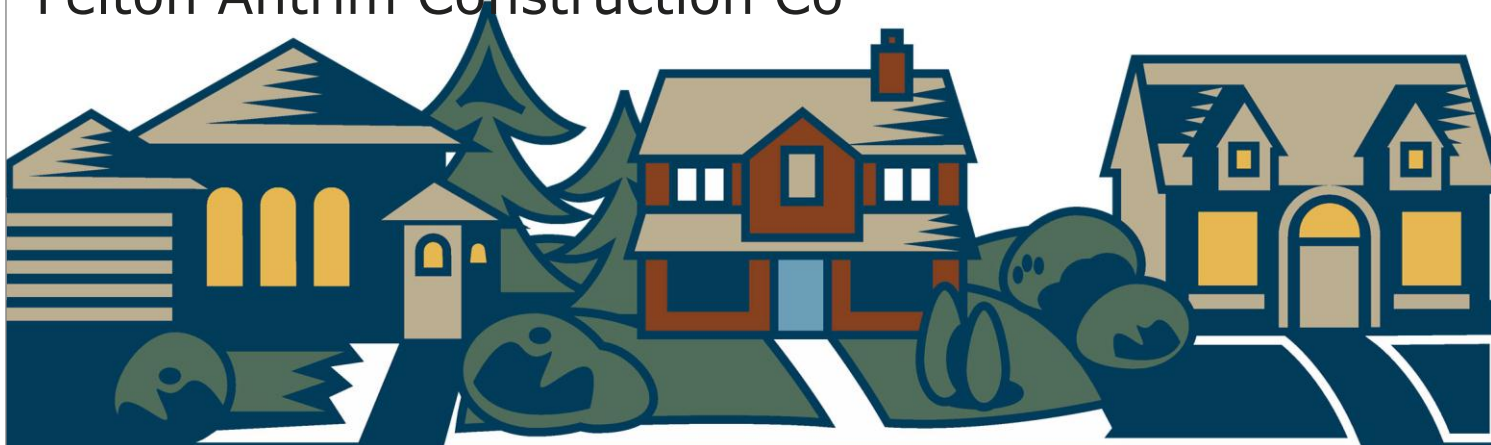


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The kitchen remains one of the most popular places in the home. Even with slowing home sales in many U.S. markets, kitchen-remodeling projects continue to provide positive returns at the time of a home sale. So, instead of major renovations and overhauls, this subdued market has kicked off beautification and smart kitchen re-dos to improve the home.

A successful redesign depends on making choices that enhance the kitchen and its role in today's families. The kitchen is not just a place to eat but also a place to entertain, to show off culinary skills and to gather with your

## What's Cooking in Kitchen Design

family and friends.

Remember, not every kitchen remodeling project has to be a total 'tear it all down' operation to be an effective one. Here is a sampling of some hot trends that are simple, yet effective ways to improve the design and look of your kitchen:

- Consider adding crown molding, corbels and appliques.
- New hardware can immediately revitalize old cabinets.
- Add trash can pullouts and plate and utensil organizers to improve organization and convenience.
- Replace older countertops with more popular ones like Corian or granite.
- Add new cabinet fronts to bring a refreshing look to an older kitchen.
- Consider mixing cabinet colors. This is a growing trend in today's kitchens.

## email the expert

**Question:** Is there anything I should do to "Summerize" my home? - John Young

**Answer:** That's an excellent question, John. Of course it's important to have your home's cooling system checked. It's also an ideal time to look at energy efficient projects such as replacement windows, roofing, etc.

Prepare your home for summer by adding shade trees in your yard. It's a good idea to include planting a shade tree next to your air conditioner's outside unit; the extra shade should help it run more efficiently. Additional vegetation around any paved areas (driveways, walkways, sidewalks, etc.) will also reduce the reflected heat and sunlight. Finally, you can help your home run efficiently by having additional ceiling fans and dimmer switches installed.

*You can email the Expert by sending your questions to <mailto:info@feltonantrim.com>. Please be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is required to answer your*

### THANK YOU FRIENDS FOR YOUR REFERRALS

We cannot thank enough everyone who has referred Felton Antrim Construction Co. to their friends or family this past month. Your kind actions are really what make us a success. While we don't have enough room to mention everyone, here are a few:

John Meyers Referred the Griffith Family  
Mr. Rodgers Referred the Brown Family

### Would you like to have the nicest home in the neighborhood?

Do you know we are experts in a variety of home improvement projects? If you're considering a new project for your home, please give us a call. We'll be happy to answer all of your questions and provide you with our expert advice for free.

Here's a list of some of the projects we specialize in:

Kitchen Renovation  
Bathroom Renovation  
Sunrooms  
Room Addition

## famous quote

"I think men who have a pierced ear are better prepared for marriage. They've experienced pain and bought jewelry."

Rita Rudner

## Customize Your Walls with Personalized Monograms

A monogram is a motif made by overlapping or entwining two or more letters to form one symbol. It can also be a letter or letters combined with other graphic elements, like leaves or flowers, to form one symbol. Admirers of monograms have always appreciated the air of elegance that a simple letter (or two or three) can lend to stationery, luggage, sheets and towels. Increasingly, though, monograms are becoming art. □□

A large family monogram, hung over a fireplace mantel, reinforces an already powerful focal point. A large monogram over a master-suite bed is not just a strong focal point, it's also wildly romantic. In a couple's monogram, the woman's first initial appears on the left, the groom's first initial on the right, and the shared last name initial in the middle. □□

A monogram over an entry table is an arresting way to welcome visitors. Try nestling your monogram into an array of framed family photos, perhaps on a hallway wall or in the family room. Small monograms are fun in unexpected places, like over the hand towels in a guest bathroom or next to the key rack by the back door. □□

What about a traditional circle monogram that looks like it's been printed on the wall? Don't be afraid to take your monogram to unexpected places by turning it into a personalized piece of art.

## JUST FOR LAUGHS :) –

A six-year-old boy called his mother from his friend Charlie's house and confessed he had broken a lamp when he threw a football in their living room. "But, Mom," he said, brightening, "you don't have to worry about buying another one. Charlie's mother said it was irreplaceable."

# Kitchen Island Innovations

Kitchen islands are increasing in popularity. Islands are easily accessed and ideal for kitchen tasks such as food prep, cooking, clean up and entertaining. Here are the newest kitchen finds and options to consider when building or turning your fantasy island.

**Create Levels** - Multi-level islands are becoming increasingly popular since most homeowners not only want a work area, but also an informal place for entertaining guests. With the kitchen as one of the main gathering areas in a home, your guests will be able to sit, chat or rest their beverage glasses on the high-top counter, while the lower tier of the island features an ample work area.

Be sure to incorporate enough drawers and shelves below the work area to keep key ingredients,

utensils and your favorite cookbooks right at your fingertips.

If you love to entertain, consider adding a wine refrigerator to maintain proper temperatures for your reds and whites.

**Turn Up the Heat** - Installing cook tops as part of your kitchen island brings counter top burners within easy reach, while also creating room for amenities below, such as additional storage or warming drawers.

**Easy Clean Up** - Install a sink and faucet in your kitchen island to make food prep and clean up quick and easy.

**Top It Off** - Add character to your island countertop with a dramatic surface finish, such as granite, metal, solid-surface, marble and new custom, hand-applied finishes with unique designs, such as full circles and waves. Finish off your counter with a thick butcher block, making it an easy spot for all your cutting needs.

## trivia challenge

The first portable MP3 player was released 12 years ago and held up to 8 songs. Which company was behind this music-playing marvel?

- A. Rio
- B. Saehan
- C. Apple
- D. Sanyo

The first correct answer emailed to <mailto:info@feltonantrim.com> will be this month's winner of 2 Movie Passes at Harkins theater.

### LAST ISSUE'S TRIVIA WINNER

**Felton Antrim Construction Co.** is pleased to announce last issue's Trivia Challenge winner. **Gloria J. of Mesa Gloria J.** was the first person to correctly answer this question:

Several stories are passed around to show how the month of May was named. The most widely accepted explanation is that it was named for Maia, the Roman goddess of spring. Her name related to a Latin word that means what?

**Answer:** Prosperity

## WE WELCOME OUR NEW FRIENDS INTO THE FELTON ANTRIM CONSTRUCTION CO. FAMILY

We believe in treating all of our customers like family, just ask any of our longtime customers. We are excited to welcome each of our first time **Felton Antrim Construction Co.** customers. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and hope to see you again very soon. Here are just a few of the new members of the family.

- Richard and Nancy of Sun City West.
- Scott G of Glendale

Thank you and welcome to everyone who recently joined our Felton Antrim Construction Co. family... we couldn't do it without YOU!

## REFER YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY AND GET A \$50.00 HOME DEPOT GIFT CARD

Many of our customers "find" us as a result of word of mouth. This simple, yet gracious, act by our customers has allowed us to be successful. For this generosity, we offer our gratitude and a token of our appreciation through our Referral Reward Program!

### Here's how:

1. Simply refer someone to our services by sharing our name, phone number, email or by giving them this newsletter.
2. Ask them to mention your name.
3. When your referral becomes our client we will automatically mail you a \$50 **Home Depot Gift Card**.

When you refer your friends, neighbors or family, you've helped our business grow. Offering you this reward is our way of letting you know just how much we appreciate your actions

Remember to tell your friends to mention your name whenever they use our services!

## WHAT OUR CLIENTS ARE SAYING...

"Your Company did a great job, We Appreciate your hard work and are very pleased with the finished Job.

- Jim H

Ball Charter

## Sudoku Puzzler

The Rules of Sudoku ( sūdoku<sup>2</sup>)

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution.

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For the solution to this issue's Sudoku  
Puzzler, email us at  
<mailto:info@feltonantrim.com>

## Green Tip

**Squirrel Proof Your Plants and Bird Feeder:** To keep squirrels from eating your plants and eating your birdseed, use cayenne pepper. Sprinkle the pepper on your plants and in the birdseed. It doesn't hurt the plants or affect the birds and the squirrels won't come near.

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