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Window in Slovenia — Photographed by Dan Heller



# Bright Ideas for Your Home

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## Important Facts About The New Energy Tax Credits

The *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* (i.e., the “Stimulus Bill”) enables homeowners to apply 30% of the material cost of qualifying projects to a dollar-for-dollar reduction in their taxes, with a cap of \$1500. Eligible products include: windows, doors, skylights, central air conditioners, furnaces, hot water heaters, metal roofs, stoves and advanced main air circulating fans.

Here are the requirements for tax credit eligibility:

- 1) Qualifying products must be purchased and installed between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010.
- 2) Products must be installed in taxpayer’s principal residence.
- 3) Products must comply with the new ETC-30 energy standards.
- 4) The lifetime cap for the credit is \$1500 — you cannot take a \$1200 credit for new windows and then later claim an additional \$800 credit for a new air conditioner (NOTE: The 30% tax credit is not limited for certain renewable energy improvements such as solar power and water heating systems)
- 5) You must file a 1040 form to claim the credit (taxpayers filing a 1040EZ tax form are ineligible). Also, if your tax liability is zero for the current year, you can carry the credit amount forward to a year in which you do owe taxes, but you can never get back more in credits than the amount of your liability.

In applying for the credit, the following paperwork will be needed:

- 1) An invoice from your contractor breaking out the material cost portion of your project
- 2) A Manufacturer’s Certification Statement verifying that the product(s) installed comply with the new ETC-30 energy standards (NOTE: You will not be required to submit this with your tax return but will need it in the event you are audited)
- 3) IRS Form 5695 – Residential Energy Efficient Property Credit

Please understand that this is the best information available as of this writing and is subject to change. Taxpayers should check with the IRS regarding updates to the IRS interim guidance Notice 2006-26, and should consult with a professional tax advisor prior to filing their return.

For more information visit our website

[www.freeliteaz.com](http://www.freeliteaz.com)

and download our free publication:

*Homeowner’s Guide to Understanding the Energy Efficiency Tax Credits*

Or visit the Energy Star website:

[www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov)

## WE LOVE REFERRALS!

Many thanks to everyone who’s referred FREELITE to friends, neighbors or family members recently. Your kind actions are really what make us a success. While we don’t have enough room to mention *everyone*, here are a few:

- David & Sue Frome, Dave Lathrop, Juanita OMalley, Ron Masters, Stewart & Andrea Nunn, Aris Gallios, Jenny Hibbard, Pete & Darcy Wekell, Carlos Garreton, Susan Tschider, Luke Blotsky, Tom Schull, Stewart & Andrea Nunn



Come see our vignette at the new HOME & DESIGN IDEA CENTER. Located in Scottsdale at 19120 N. Pima Road (just north of the 101), the building is home to over 200 beautifully designed spaces showcasing home building, interior design, remodeling, landscaping, gardening, home décor and furnishings. Call for hours of operation:  
 (480) 941-4663.

## email the Expert...

**Q:** What is the best way to clean my vinyl windows?

—Eric Doescher

**A:** Wash the frame with mild, nonabrasive soap and water; wipe dry when finished (never use abrasive or acidic cleaners—they might cause permanent damage to the frame finish — and always test cleaners in an inconspicuous area first). Clean the glass with a mixture of mild dish soap and water, rinse completely with water and wipe dry with a soft cloth. Stay away from petroleum-based cleaners, caustic chemicals, razor blades, putty knives and abrasive pads.

Email the Expert by sending your questions to:  
[cmarvin@freeliteAZ.com](mailto:cmarvin@freeliteAZ.com)

## FREELITE BONEYARD

Super Savings on Stuff Lying  
Around Our Warehouse...

(Call Josh for details...)



5068 Alum-clad Sliding Wood French Door	700.00
6068 Alum-clad Hinged Wood French Door	800.00
8060 Tan Vinyl XOX Window	100.00
6068 WoodClad Fiberglass Sliding French Door	250.00
3068 Fiberglass Hinged French Door	100.00
6068 Fiberglass Hinged French Door	250.00
3030 Brown Fiberglass XO Window w/ Grids	100.00
2030 (Tempered) Fiberglass Casement Window	100.00
8040 Tan Fiberglass XOX Window	200.00
1640 Bronze Alum Single Hung	50.00
6040 Fiberglass Dbl Casement Picture Window	100.00
19 x 35" White Alum Single Hung (Obscure)	30.00
4060 Fiberglass Picture Window over Awning	100.00
(4) 4050 Bronze Alum Picture Windows	60.00 ea
6050 Bronze Alum Picture Window	85.00

Ask us about *Skylights*, too!



One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly."

— Andy Rooney

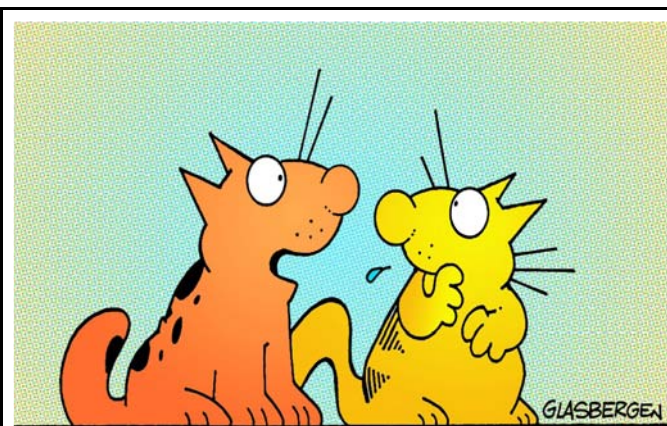
## Be Savvy This Season – eShopping Advice

**Know whom you're dealing with.** Confirm an online seller's physical address and phone number in case you need to get in touch with them. If you get an email from the seller that asks for financial information, don't reply with the information. Legitimate companies don't ask for this information via email.

**Calculate the costs.** Check out websites that offer price comparisons — compare "apples to apples." Be sure to factor shipping and handling into the total cost.

**Check out the terms of the deal.** Can you return the item for a full refund? If so, who pays the shipping costs or restocking fees? Check on when you can expect to receive your order. The law requires sellers to ship items as promised or within 30 days after the order date if no specific date is promised. Can the recipient return your gift? If so, ask that a gift receipt be included.

**Keep a paper trail.** Print and save records of your online transactions, including the product description and price, the online receipt, and copies of any email you exchange with the seller. Read your credit card statements as you receive them to be on the lookout for unauthorized charges.



"Licking your paws is just the first step. After that, you need to use a good antibacterial body wash, then an exfoliating herbal facial scrub, followed by avocado moisturizing cleanser...."

## JUST FOR LAUGHS...

A little boy approached Santa Claus in a department store with a long list of requests. He wanted a bicycle, a sled, a chemical set, a cowboy suit, a set of trains, a baseball glove and roller skates. "That's a pretty long list," Santa said sternly. "I'll have to check in my book and see if you've been a good boy." "No, no," the youngster said quickly. "Never mind checking — I'll just take the roller skates."



# TITAN<sup>®</sup> Designer Gates

Titan uses the same architectural grade aluminum alloy construction in their designer gates as they do in their security screen doors. This allows the manufacturer to offer a **Lifetime Rust-Free Guarantee**.

Available in single, double or RV gate applications, these units come in over 100 designs and 21 colors.

TITAN is the preferred vendor for many of the Valley's premier living communities, including Grayhawk, Mountain Vista, Vista del Plaza, Bella Terra and Mission de los Arroyos.

The pictures below show three options: *No Backing* for full view,



*Perforated Metal Backing* for some privacy and a contrast for the door's design, and *Solid Metal Backing* for full privacy.

Call us for more information or visit the TITAN website:

[www.titansecurity.com](http://www.titansecurity.com)



No Backing



Perforated Metal Backing



Solid Metal Backing

## Trivia Challenge

What is the only one of Santa's reindeer whose name begins with the letter "V?"

The first correct answer faxed to 602.253.8811 or emailed to [emarvin@freeliteaz.com](mailto:emarvin@freeliteaz.com) will be the winner of a

### \$50 Restaurant Gift Card!

(good at Chili's Grill & Bar, Romano's Macaroni Grill, On The Border Mexican Grill & Cantina, or Maggiano's Little Italy)

(NOTE: Only one winner per family per year)

### SEPT-OCT Trivia Challenge Winner...

Congratulations to the winner of our last Trivia Challenge... **Pam Holden** of Scottsdale was the first person to correctly answer this question:

Where was the highest temperature recorded on earth?

ANSWER: C. Libya (136 degrees!)

## WE WELCOME OUR NEW FRIENDS INTO THE FREELITE FAMILY...

We believe in treating all our customers like family — just ask any of our longtime clients. We are excited to welcome each of our FREELITE first-timers. 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.

- Shari Fain
- Jim Brigante
- Gregg & Lynn Geske
- Richard Greene
- Terry Temnick
- Paula Swartz
- Robert Williams
- Ann Pappas
- Julie Swartz
- Kurt and Barb Kinderman
- Jay Rapson
- Michael Diaz

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

## REFER YOUR FRIEND

### \$25 STARBUCKS GIFT CERTIFICATE

Many of our customers find us through other homeowners for whom we've installed windows, doors or skylights in the past. Word-of-mouth advertising has been the cornerstone of our success. 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 giving them the complete back page of this newsletter, or a photocopy, containing your name and address.
2. When the person you've referred presents the form, we will automatically mail you a **\$25 STARBUCKS gift certificate**.
3. Meanwhile, your friend or relative receives a **5% discount** off the cost of their project (NOTE: Discount cannot be used in conjunction with other offers or on existing proposals or contracts).

When you refer your friends, neighbors or family, you've helped our business grow. Offering you this reward is our way of showing just how much we appreciate your "spreading the word."

# Sudoku

The Rules of Sudoku (数独 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.

	5	8		4	2		1	9
4								
	7	9	6	8	1	2		4
			9	5			7	
		7				5		
	3			1	4			
5		3	4	2	7	1	9	
								7
7	2		1	9		8	4	

(The solution to this puzzler can be found on our website: [www.freeliteAZ.com](http://www.freeliteAZ.com))



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**Green  
Tip**

## “Green” Gifts

By giving houseplants as gifts this holiday season, you'll do more than brighten someone's mood: plants like the areca palm, mother-in-law's tongue, money plant, peace lily and certain orchids are known for their ability to remove toxins from the air.



Chip Marvin, President

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS ...

- “ FREELITE was a great experience — would be happy to use you again as well as to recommend you to my friends.”  
— Judy Washor, Scottsdale
- “ We were delighted with the complete process from the estimate to completion of job. Great people! Great product! Great service!”  
— Thomas and Sandra Ames, Peoria