



# House Notes

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## Welcome Jim Katen to the AMI Team

- Visit our website at [www.amipdx.com](http://www.amipdx.com) for maintenance tips and service provider recommendations
- Call Lisa in our office at 503.236.1812 to schedule an inspection



AMI is pleased to introduce its new partner, Jim Katen.

Jim has been a licensed home inspector in the Portland area for the past 15 years. He has an easy-to-read narrative reporting style that includes summary pages and photos of problem areas. Jim lives in Gaston, so in addition to the Portland area, he can easily serve the western counties. Further, Jim's many years of

experience have honed his communication skills with buyers, homeowners and real estate agents alike.

Jim is an active member of the Oregon Association of Home Inspectors (OAH) and the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI).

Please feel free to introduce your clients to Jim at your next opportunity.

### Pest Prevention Tip

Prevent carpenter ants by keeping tree branches trimmed well away from your house. Keep cut firewood away from the structure, too.

### YOU SHOULD KNOW...

#### New Construction Warranties in Oregon:

Currently, there is NO statutory requirement that builders warrant new construction. The Construction Contractors Board (CCB) will review consumer complaints for one year only, after the date of sale closing.

Beginning July 1, 2008, ORS 701.320 mandates that residential builders and remodelers MUST offer the owner or first purchaser a warranty against defects in materials and workmanship for the structure. Manufactured dwellings are excluded. It further states that the owner may refuse the warranty and, as long as the two parties haven't signed the contract, the contractor can withdraw the offer to construct the residential structure.

The legislation is silent on the warranty length and whether the contractor can charge for the warranty.

### Green Corner

Some local roofers are seeing green:

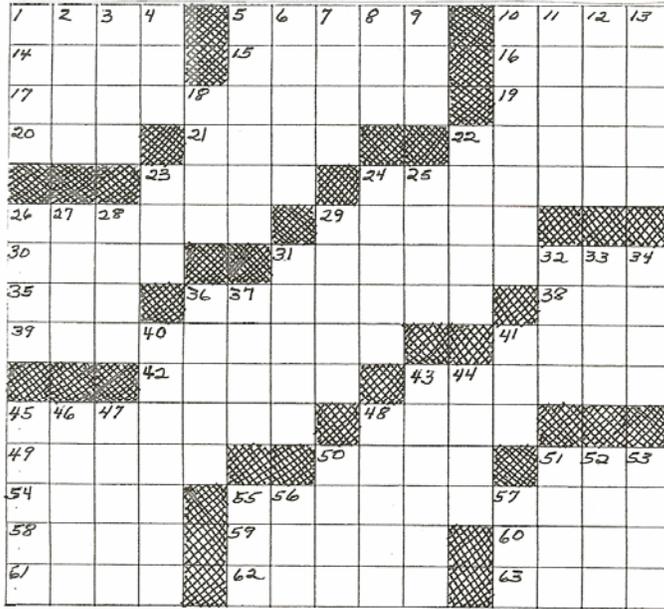
Tom Leach Roofing offers a metal roofing system that is locally manufactured and made of recycled scrap metal. The scraps from each job are also recycled. This roof typically comes with a 50 year warranty. For more information contact Tom Leach at 503-238-0303.

Keith Green Roofing offers shake-like and slate-like products called EuroShake and EuroSlate, which are made from recycled tires. They also offer Enviro-shake, which is made from post-industry polymers, fibers and rubber. It comes with a 50 year warranty. The waste from each job is returned to the manufacturer for reuse. They also offer similar products for siding. See their website

[www.keithgreenconstruction.com](http://www.keithgreenconstruction.com) or call them at 503-681-7912 for more details.



For fun...



DOWN

1. What some publicists do
2. Great rating
3. Destructive insect
4. Dallas, TX college
5. Iowa and Kansas, for example
6. Hod carrier
7. Devastation
8. Possible army address
9. Small benign tumor
10. Speedily
11. Unexpired
12. Goes with pen
13. Rows of seats
18. Animal den
22. Thin hot cereal
23. Apiece
24. Moving parts
26. Pass away time
27. "A year \_\_\_ day"
28. Understands
29. Talks indistinctly
31. How you guide your car
32. Smallest basic element
33. Set charge for service
34. Lock box may be on it
36. Home of birds and bees
37. Texas Hold'em entree
40. Hated wood-eater
41. Filed for office
43. Property sales company
44. Small café sign?
45. Graduated weight or size
46. English estate house
47. Choral section
48. Round aligning pin
50. Could be an eagle..
51. Type of ale
52. Best poker pairs
53. Emit rank odor
55. \_\_\_ Magnon
56. Buttons or Perez
57. Add bogus expenses to bill

ACROSS

1. Tree liquids
5. Little Pig house material?
10. Deeply attentive
16. Hai \_\_\_
17. Heat/cold protection
19. Plumbing connection
20. Remaining after expenses
21. Top female rating?
22. Not a taker
23. Support of masonry
24. Often principle beams
26. Radiation tools
29. South Korea capitol
30. Beaut or standout
31. Shale roofing storage area
35. Lemon or lime follower
36. Not artificial
38. "Ideal" oriental virtue
39. Hasps, nuts, t-bolts etc.
41. \_\_\_ Rooter
42. Colorado park
43. Rotary finishing tool
45. "\_\_\_ than the average bear"
48. Jimmy or Dizzy
49. Subdues
50. Watercraft
51. "Duffer's" goal
54. Opposed to
55. Hard on your H I knees
58. Stolen goods
59. Rent again
60. Toward shelter
61. Gaelic
62. Peculiarly
63. Your Homework Center??

Answers...

