

## Spring time

# Do-It-Now Home Maintenance Tips

Inspect and fix any **exterior** issues, including

- looking for loose siding
- inspecting dry rot of window frames or other trim
- caulking and weather-stripping window frames or other trim
- checking for loose, full or inadequate gutters
- inspecting outdoor faucets and electric outlets for damage
- inspecting and trimming trees
- inspecting fencing for loose boards rotted supports, contact with the ground and need for paint/stain

Inspect and fix any **interior** issues, including

- draining the water heater and checking for leaks, rust or damage
- checking and servicing the AC system and removing debris and overgrowth near the unit
- cleaning the AC condenser coils with a garden hose, rinsing with garden hose from top down
- changing furnace air filters and cleaning vents
- cleaning and vacuuming refrigerator's condenser coils
- cleaning and checking the exhaust fan filter above your stove
- cleaning the vent duct that connects to the back of the dryer
- testing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and replacing the batteries
- flipping the switch on ceiling fans so blades move in counterclockwise direction