

# New to the neighborhood

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**Solatube**, a leading manufacturer and marketer of Tubular Daylighting Devices (TDDs), has introduced the first-ever line of designer daylighting options. The Solatube Designer Touches line provides new options for homeowners looking for stylish lighting options for their homes and for designers integrating daylighting into their projects.

Choose your trim color to match or accent room décor, then pick a diffuser and lens for the perfect lighting effect in any area. You also have the option of adding more function to your daylighting system with a Ventilation Add-On Kit, a Light Add-On Kit, or even a Daylight Dimmer™. For more information, visit [www.solatube.com](http://www.solatube.com).



Developed with their newest and most advanced combustion technology, which ensures optimal and efficient burning of firewood, the **RAIS Mino II** is a distinctive yet highly functional stove that illuminates the "Art of Fire."

Always mindful of modern-day requirements for highly efficient and environmentally friendly wood-burning stoves, RAIS never compromises on function, form, or quality. With over 35 years of dedication to improving and optimizing wood-burning technologies, their elegantly designed high-performance stoves and inserts are not just an economical heating source but also a unique visual experience.

For more information: [www.rais.com](http://www.rais.com).



Each year thousands of children and seniors are severely injured by scalding tap water. In fact, tap water scalds are the second most common cause of severe burn injuries among people of all ages. But now a new product line from American Valve called **HotStop** Scald Prevention Faucets, Tub Spouts, and Showerheads are aiming to decrease those numbers worldwide.

When hot water reaches an unsafe temperature, HotStop quickly reduces the water flow to a trickle to avoid scalding. Once the water in the line cools, the flow restarts automatically—usually in less than 30 seconds. And these showerheads and tub spouts install in minutes and require no special tools or plumbing expertise. For more information: [www.h2otstop.com](http://www.h2otstop.com).



## Arch Treatment Technologies

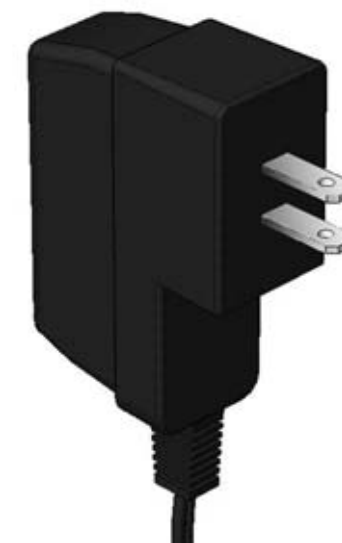
has introduced Wolmanized® L3 Outdoor® Wood, the first decking product protected by a nonmetallic solution. The treating formulation has low impact throughout its production, distribution, and installation, but is very effective as a preservative.

By itself, the preservative would leave wood its natural color. However, to resemble familiar types of treated wood,

pigment can be added to the treating solution, giving the wood a light greenish hue. And it has a built-in water repellent, is protected by an EPA-registered formulation that penetrates a wide range of wood species, and is comparable to untreated wood with regard to corrosion of metal hardware. For more information: [www.wolmanizedwood.com](http://www.wolmanizedwood.com).

**Xantech** is now packaging Energy Efficient Regulated Power Supplies with all of the company's IR Kits. These ERGPS energy-efficient power supplies are every bit as reliable and robust as their previous power supplies, but in addition will reduce electricity costs and benefit the environment with lower energy consumption.

The power supply is also packaged into a smaller form. This allows easier installation onto crowded power strips. Another new feature is a secure-fit plug that interfaces with all Xantech IR connecting blocks. A small indentation on the secure-fit plugs allows a tight and secure connection every time. This will reduce accidental disconnection, which can result in installation headaches and service calls. For more information: [www.xantech.com](http://www.xantech.com).



**PF WaterWorks** has developed PermaFLOW™—the "World's First Self-Cleaning GREEN Drain System." This P-Trap replacement utilizes a patented SELFClean™ feature that creates flow turbulence, minimizes deposition, breaks and propels debris, and cleans itself, thereby not allowing sinks to get clogged.

PermaFLOW is designed and manufactured in the U.S. and has been tested under extreme high-traffic environments, and is UPC Certified for the U.S. and Canada. It is also aesthetically designed and is built using a transparent premium-quality ABS Plastic, which is superior in finishing and longevity,

and provides a clear view in order to retrieve lost valuables. And unlike brass and chrome P-Traps, PermaFLOW is corrosion resistant. For more information: [www.pfwaterworks.com](http://www.pfwaterworks.com).



For more than 100 years, the roofing industry has been defined by unsafe, landfill-cluttering, energy-inefficient products like asphalt, metal, wood, clay, and concrete. But now **ArmorLite**™ has developed roofing material that is 100 percent recyclable and yields zero percent waste in manufacturing.

And from a cost-saving viewpoint, ArmorLite's material reflects heat back into the atmosphere and provides effective insulation, which dramatically reduces homeowners' and building owners' heating and cooling costs. It also saves homeowners money because the material—made from highly engineered polymers—is immune to rotting and mildew. For more information: [www.armorliterateofing.com](http://www.armorliterateofing.com).



**SHER-WOOD**® KemVar® Glazes are easy to use, HAPS-compliant alkyd glazes—with the versatility of traditional glazes, plus the durability required for use with catalyzed coatings. They are ideal for coloring and accenting the details of cabinetry and other interior woodworking, as part of a complete SHER-WOOD finishing system.

Ready to use and easily applied by brush or spray, SHER-WOOD KemVar Glazes are available in Van Dyke Brown, Natural, and White, and they also can be tinted to create

custom colors. Formulated for excellent adhesion between coats and even over unsanded pigmented basecoats, these glazes highlight the wood's grain to create beautiful, three-dimensional looks, with rich depth and color. For more information: [www.sherwin-williams.com](http://www.sherwin-williams.com).