

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Keep Your Home's Air Fresh

(NAPSA)—A clean house not only looks clean, it smells clean as well.

The next time your nose knows your house isn't as fresh-smelling as it could be, these tips from cleaning expert Linda Cobb—known as The Queen of Clean®—may help you clear the air.

- Wintergreen oil can make an effective deodorant. Try putting a few drops on cotton balls and stash them in plants and decorative pieces around your home.

- To keep a refrigerator fresh, place a bowl of dry, fresh coffee grounds inside to help deodorize it.

- If you overcook dinner and the smell permeates the house, boiling several lemon slices in water can help cut through the scent.

- To clear up pet odors, remove any waste and blot area with a heavy pad, paper towels or cloth rag. Pour club soda over the affected area and blot again. Be sure to remove as much of the liquid as possible to prevent damage to the floor and help prevent stains from reappearing. It's important to thoroughly clean and deodorize the area where the stain occurred — otherwise pets may return to the spot and re-soil it.

- Try protective products that can repel smell and keep carpets



Linda Cobb, The Queen of Clean® has many tips for keeping your home spring-time fresh.

clean. For example, there's a unique, protective barrier called DuPont™ SpillNet™ that is placed just below the rug surface to catch spills and help enhance the life of a carpet.

The product can protect against stains caused by food and other types of spills, as well as pet accidents. In addition, the rug barrier is now available with anti-microbial protection that can guard against odor-causing bacteria.

For more information on carpet cleaning solutions, you can visit www.stainmaster.com or you can