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December 2010 **No Regrets**

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Events & Info

January 8, 7 pm- Christ the King Presbyterian Church in Conshohocken, PA, part 1

January 11- Tredyffrin Public Library- Maintain and Contain Your Home Office

January 22- Prince of Peace Lutheran Church- Clutter Control

January 26- tentative Color Vs Clutter, location TBD

February 5, 7 pm- Christ the King Presbyterian Church, part 2

February 23- Upper Merion Public Library- Decorating on a Dime

See my website for updated times and places. Want a presentation closer to you? Please call me about how we can make that happen.



Dear Darla,

I'm tempted to write a newsletter about technology this month, but it would not be an uplifting one. After having my iPad explode following the much awaited software update, continuing trials with my website and web provider, and a seemingly unending battle to get my wireless printer to actually operate wirelessly as advertised, I'm just about overwhelmed. The only thing that hasn't crashed lately has been my calendar, and that's because I still keep a paper planner. What I really need is someone to make this all easy for me. I need someone I can trust who really knows their stuff, because this just isn't my expertise and it isn't fun for me.

Which reminds me of a conversation I've had with a couple of clients lately. One of them is overwhelmed by the prospect of buying new lamps, which is a pastime that I adore. Another has spent decades avoiding a room that just didn't feel right, but after a one day redesign with me and my crew, she wants to spend all of her time in there. It wasn't the space, but rather the color combinations and overall feel of the room, which had not been consistent with the other areas of her home, that needed attention. Although she was terrified to let someone else come in and move her things around, when she did call in a pro (me), the results ended up being so dramatic that even her teenaged sons exclaimed, "whoa!" (When I get this reaction from the teenaged boys in any family, I consider it a job well done.)

So, this holiday season, one of the gifts that might be most appreciated by you or your loved ones is the gift of expertise. Save time, money, frustration, and anxiety by locating an expert who can make your problems disappear, and then let them do what they do best. If adding color to your home, creating a decorator look for less, or making organization systems work for you are on your gift list, please give me a call. Especially if you are willing to trade tech services with me!

Sincerely,
Darla DeMorrow, CPO® , owner

Recent Posts

[Solving Challenges in Dormers](#)

[Contest Winner Gets Over \\$500 in Organizing Goodies](#)

The RSS button is back. Keep up with tips and encouragement in between newsletters with just one [click here](#) and click the RSS Posts button on the right. When new posts come out, they'll be sent straight to your email!

Quick Tip

\$682.74 is the average amount American households spent on holiday shopping last year according to Parenting magazine.

What do you give the person who has everything?

Time with a CPO ® or Color with NO Regrets Consultant, of course!

- Organizing gift certificates available in any denomination.
- Color With No Regrets consultations at \$120
- In-home decorating consultations at \$120.
- One Day Room Redesigns for just \$450 (great for after those decorations come down!)

Call us for fun and unique ideas on how to present your gift of time.

As a Certified **Color with No Regrets** consultant, I can take you from timid to fearless. Don't make a thousand dollar mistake with



Scroll down to see the One Day Transformation of this before living room

Color With No Regrets

...Does Color Terrify You?

Creating a beautiful room involves blending color, placement, personality and creativity and product. One of the most intimidating parts of the process is color. Many avoid it rather than make a mistake, which results in a room that feels half done. Working with a Color with No Regrets Certified Consultant is one of the best ways to ensure color success and make the process of creating a beautiful room fool-proof. Here are few tips to consider as you are contemplating the color process.

- To visually enlarge a space, keep floor and wall color in similar values. It will create an unbroken line and room will seem larger. Painting the ceiling and walls the same color will do the same.
- Lighting impacts color selection, so chose colors by evaluating the same color at different times, in both daylight and artificial lighting.
- Contrast or lack of contrast will impact the illusion of size. Similar colors (low contrast) will calm the space and make it look more open.
- To add drama to a space, use values with higher contrast. When adding drama, understand that the room will also appear smaller.
- When decorating a master bedroom, use colors that are flattering to your skin tones.

paint, furniture or decor color choices. Call or email for your [Perfect Palette color appointment](#) today.

Survey Results

Thank you to those who responded to the survey that will help us plan the topics and classes for next year. Responses were really good, so I'm leaving the poll open. Only if you haven't already, please [Click here](#) to provide your input.

I'm especially keen on your interest on a pantry/kitchen/crockpot cooking class for early next year.

Thanks to all who responded last month and to Robin W. in PA. She's won a Password Organizer, just in time to help her get her passwords all in one place to start the New Year.

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- Every color has a warm and cool version, such as gray blues and vibrant blues. Take a moment and visualize brick reds versus lipstick red to help understand this concept. The undertone of the color can take it from bold and bright to warm and inviting. Blending similar undertones or saturations for fool proof color.
- Use a color at least 3 times in a space to ground the color. Place at different levels around the room to add interest and create movement.
- Paint finish can intensify or hide imperfections in a poorly finished wall. The glossier the finish, the more it will intensify imperfections.
- Don't forget the fifth wall of a room, adding color to a ceiling for additional interest.
- To lift low ceilings, paint crown molding same as the ceiling.
- Consider using deeper values in a space to add interest and a more polished effect.



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