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The new showroom at Peninsula Building Materials includes 250 kinds of brick and stone.

The masonry temple

BRICK-AND-MORTAR IS STRONG AS EVER, SAYS LOCAL COMPANY PBM, WHICH JUST OPENED A HUGE NEW SHOWROOM IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

By Alexa Tondreau

Masonry, the practice of inlaid brick and stone bound by mortar, has been around for thousands of years and is arguably one of the oldest construction techniques in the world. Despite its ancient roots, masonry remains a viable option among the modern building methods of today. Walls constructed of stone and brick are considered highly durable and require little upkeep once they've been built — unlike a painted exterior, which requires refurbishment over time.

The material most commonly used by masons is brick, which today comes in

hundreds of varieties and is defined by color and shape. Stoneware, including marble, granite and limestone, is popular too, and concrete blocks are gaining popularity as a comparable material.

The entire range is on display inside Mountain View's largest masonry showroom, the newly opened Peninsula Building Materials Company on Charleston Road. Walking around the 8,500-square-

foot space, visitors encounter fountains, a pizza oven, a barbecue pit, planters, a bench, even a faux rug — all made of brick and stone.

"It will be the last thing you ever build, very low maintenance," said PBM vice president Luke Morey. "You'll never touch a single stone or brick again." Morey said the "pure warmth and beauty" of the products attracts clients building both residential and commercial real estate.

Morey's great-grandfather, Harry, founded PBM in 1923, and the company has locations in Sunnyvale, Redwood City, San Martin and now Mountain View.

The Morey family has wanted to bring PBM to Mountain View for almost eight years, he said, and the showroom's grand opening last Friday was celebrated by the extended family, many of whom participate in the business.

And while a showroom is a great place to go for initial inspiration, interested

■ INFORMATION

Peninsula Building Materials' new masonry showroom is located at 2490 Charleston Rd. near San Antonio Avenue. The showroom is open weekdays 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call (877) 282-0522, or visit www.pbm1923.com.

Other locations in Mountain View that offer masonry design materials include:

- Wismann Pete Masonry Inc., 2550 Wyandotte St., No. E, (650) 969-0721
- Walton and Sons Masonry, 2485 Charleston Rd. (650) 938-1027

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Bright idea or dim bulb?

WAL-MART'S EMBRACE OF COMPACT FLUORESCENTS STIRS UP OLD CONTROVERSY

By Forrest Linebarger

Compact fluorescent light bulbs are a revolution in lighting technology. The lighting industry improved and miniaturized fluorescent technology so the bulbs could be made to fit into regular light bulb sockets. They last 10 years and use about a quarter of the energy of traditional light bulbs.

This technological revolution happened 20 years ago. The trouble is the consumer revolution never came with it. The compact fluorescent light bulb (or CFL) is found in less than 6 percent of U.S. households.



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Then came Wal-Mart.

Wal-Mart recently announced that it will seek to put compact fluorescent light bulbs into 100 million homes. A cacophony of controversy both in print and on the Web has been rising ever since. There appears to be more opinions than bulbs.

Each CFL saves \$30 to \$40 in energy, which translates into about 1,300 pounds of carbon dioxide and 20 pounds of sulfur from coal-fired power plants. What's not to like?

Plenty, say many consumers, who complain about fluorescents' headache-inducing flicker, unflattering color and annoying buzz. We've all experienced the horrors of a buzzing, flickering, ghostly fluorescent that makes you feel like you're trapped in a Frankenstein movie. Who'd ever voluntarily introduce the torturous devices into their own home?

Experts counter that the stereotypes associated with fluorescents are a thing of the past. It is merely ignorance that keeps the fluorescent stigma alive. Who's right?

I admit that before writing this article I thought I knew all that needed to be known about fluorescents. But I found the topic has more twists than a mountain road. Let's see if we can shed some light on it.

Most fluorescents sold today for residential applications are called compact fluorescent bulbs. These bulbs resemble traditional incandescent light bulbs in shape and size and can be screwed into the same sockets. CFLs were made possible by the development of electronic ballasts, which have largely replaced the old magnetic ballasts, and many incremental improvements in fluorescent technology including cost reduction, better gases, and improved manufacturing techniques.

Color and heat

Incandescent bulbs are known for creating warm, comfortable color that is pleasing to the eye. And no wonder: These bulbs burn very hot, in many ways emulating our most ancient artificial light source, fire.

Unfortunately the warm glow from incandescent bulbs, their best quality, is also their biggest problem. When you burn power in any light bulb, the electricity is transformed into either heat or light. The more heat you have, the less light. Incandescent bulbs produce a lot of heat and only a little light, making them the gas guzzlers of the lighting world.

Since lighting represents 15 to 25 percent of a typical household's electricity bills, it really adds up. The heat produced by incandescent bulbs also increases cooling bills in the summer.

That same heat is also what makes them burn out so fast — the average bulb lasts 750 to 1,000 hours compared to fluorescent's 10,000-hour usage.

With fluorescent bulbs, most of the electricity is translated into light, with very little loss in heat — but the light is bluish and ghostly, right?

Yes and no. Fluorescents use phosphor instead of a burning filament to create light. Back in the day, the phosphor used for fluorescent bulbs was very white and of limited spectrum. Compared to incandescent, the light seemed bluish. Now, quality residential fluorescent bulbs contain a number of different phosphor gases with a range of colors that increase the spectrum of color available.

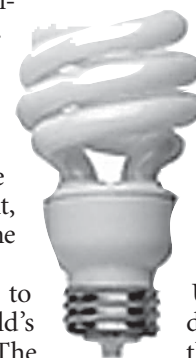
CFLs are now available in an assortment of color ranges. The cooler, whiter shades are more energy efficient and provide better contrast for reading and other tasks, so

they work best in reading lamps, kitchens, garages and offices.

Warmer-colored bulbs are better in bathrooms, where makeup is applied, and in places where softer ambient light is desired, such as family and dining rooms.

The best way to evaluate color is based on the temperature of the light, which is done on the Kelvin scale. Unfortunately, many manufacturers do not provide this information on the consumer packaging, preferring a shorthand that varies among brands.

In side-by-side tests, people cannot distinguish the difference in fluorescent and incandescent light unless they see the bulb. However, when evaluated on a spectrograph, the range of colors varies between the two, with fluorescents tending to peak sharply at certain wavelengths. This translates into perceived color varia-



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tion between objects seen under incandescent versus fluorescent light, which can be important for application of makeup or other color-sensitive uses.

Color rendering is usually evaluated based on the Color Rendering Index (CRI). For color sensitive areas, use bulbs with a CRI of 80 or higher.

Noise and flicker

Back in the bad old days of magnetic ballast fixtures, fluorescents used to buzz like wasps and flicker like old movies. Did I say bad old days? Magnetic ballasts are still common in offices, garage fluorescents and really cheap fluorescent fixtures.

Electronic ballasts have largely replaced the magnetic versions in quality fluorescent fixtures and in all CFLs. So, make sure you get a quality fluorescent fixture and quality bulbs and you will probably not notice any noise or flicker. GE, Philips, and Sylvania all make quality bulbs, and an Energy Star label (www.energystar.gov) is a great recommendation.

The only caveat is that towards the end of their life, fluorescents do not go out with a bang like incandescents do, but a whimper — sort of a humming flickering whimper that reminds us of the loud flickering fluorescents of yesterday. Replace the bulb and all is well again. It also takes a CFL a few seconds to warm up, so they may flicker a bit during start-up.

ROOM	BULB COLOR
Exterior & Garage	Daylight
Office & Kitchen	Cool White
Bathroom & General ambient Rooms	White Bright White Medium White
Living & Dining Rooms	Warm White Soft White

Dimmer switches

It used to be fluorescents did not work with dimmer switches. Those days are past. However, you must choose a CFL bulb that is made for that purpose. Dimming fluorescent bulbs requires electronic ballasts that accept voltage variation. Check the package before you buy; if it doesn't mention dimming, it won't work with a dimmer switch.

Mercury and disposal

Fluorescent bulbs use a small amount of mercury in their manufacture. This has caused some people to question their environmental credentials. However, when comparing the mercury contained in fluorescent bulbs to the mercury discharged into the air by coal-burning power plants (which work all the harder for incandescent lighting), the equation nets out in favor of fluorescents.

Nonetheless, CFLs should not be thrown into the garbage. They should be brought back to the store where purchased or brought to a recycling center for proper recycling.

Cost and kickbacks

Fluorescents use about a quarter to a third of the energy used by incandescents to produce the same light. In addition, since fluorescents last more than 10 times as long, the economics are wonderful. PG&E also offers rebates on CFLs, further reducing their store price.

I recently bought a pack of three for \$1 each. Expect to save \$30 to \$40 for each bulb you buy, with a corresponding reduction in greenhouse gas production and resource depletion.

The California Energy Commission estimates that if every household in California replaces one incandescent bulb with one CFL, consumers in the state would save \$74.7 million a year, reduce garbage by 110 million bulbs and keep 974 million pounds of carbon dioxide out of the air.

How do I choose?

Nobody wants to become a lighting expert just to choose a light bulb. Environmental Defense (www.environmentaldefense.org) has put together a good Web site to help you chose CFLs based on location, wattage and other factors. Once you've chosen your bulbs, you won't have to worry about buying more until 2017. ▣

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Les Harris (left) sales consultant for Peninsula Building Materials Co., explains landscaping material options to Linda and Edmond Harris.

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MASONRY

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customers might also consider visiting the actual yard location where the materials are housed, PBM's showroom manager Roxanne Kohlin recommended. Because stone and brick are natural products that are quarried, Kohlin said, the distinctive character of their appearance can sometimes vary, and should be viewed in person.

Kohlin added that a good retailer will be aware of any difference between the product in the showroom and that in the yard, and can alert customers. Additionally, long-standing partnerships between retailers and quarries allow for clients to select the best product for their needs.

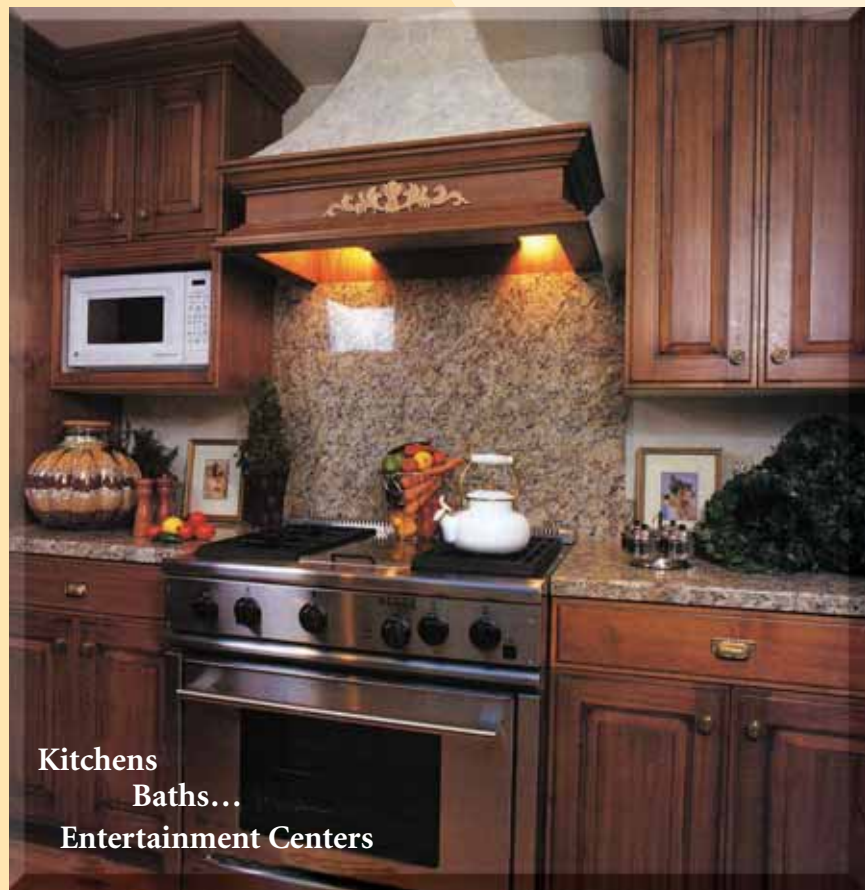
"Because we've worked with some of the quarries for decades, we have relationships in place. We can specify to the quarry, 'Pull more gray tone' or 'Pull more tan stone,'" she said.

And though building with brick and stone can be costly, Kohlin said there is a range of prices, and lower cost options are always available. Faux materials, for instance, are much cheaper and have improved greatly in the past five years, and Kohlin said they bear a strong resemblance to the real thing.

As for building options: While traditional masonry was used for walls, retain-

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Mountain View Trees celebrates first year

By Zunaira Durrani

Mountain View Trees, a group co-founded by incoming Council member Ronit Bryant to help oversee and foster Mountain View's "urban forest," is celebrating its one-year anniversary this month by — what else? — planting some trees.

The community is invited to the tree planting and anniversary party on Saturday, Jan. 27. The neighborhood tree planting ceremony will kick things off at 10 a.m. on Bryant Street near Mercy and

California, wrapping up at 12:30 p.m. About a dozen volunteers will be needed for that event (trees and tools will be provided), and those under 16 must be accompanied by adults.

Then the party will be held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at 491 W. Dana St. Food and beverages will be served.

Bryant is co-chair of the group, formed by local residents committed to sustaining trees through community action, education and advocacy. To RSVP for both events, call Mountain View Trees at (650) 450-0511 or e-mail info@mountainviewtrees.org. ▣

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ing walls and monuments, modern usage can encompass a range of possibilities as wide as the imagination will allow. And the PBM showroom is built to highlight those possibilities.

Almost every inch of the showroom is paved, with more than 250 materials on display from all over the world. The floor is a jigsaw puzzle of stone paths and brick borders, and several wall sculptures defy expectation.

One, called the “brick wave,” shows a series of swirling concentric patterns made entirely of brick. The appearance of fluid movement from this rigid material can be startling.

The facades of four different houses, showcased in actual size, give a sense of how diverse the effect of the masonry can be based on the materials involved.

The exterior of a house called the “Tuscan Villa” looks like it was lifted right out of Italy. The stones used to create the exterior wall are a deep, warm honey color, and the window sills are made of rustic limestone.

In stark contrast, the “modern house” has simple lines and minimal ornamentation. Made of gray and white brick, this facade shows how this building material can conform to the most contemporary architectural design. ▀



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Several life-size house façades showcase masonry design techniques.

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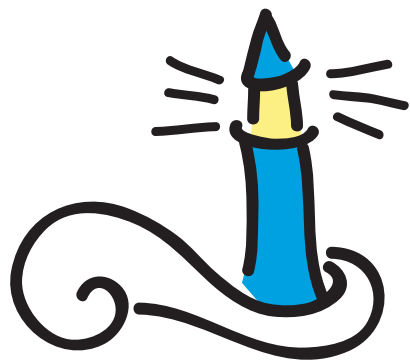
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One car garage

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275 Los Altos Ct Sun 1:30 - 4:30
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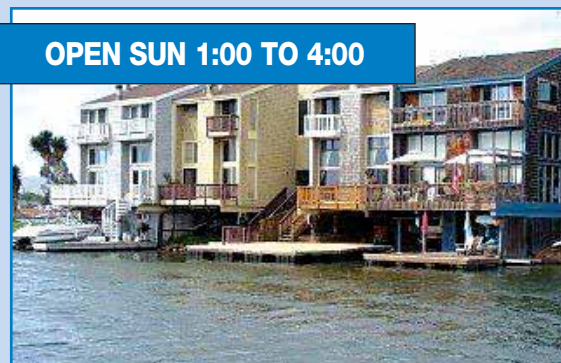
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Mountain View \$948,900**

Located in desirable Whisman Station Community, this gorgeous 4bed/2.5bath home is just 9 years new. Located in a prime central area this property features a great floor plan w/abundant open space. Upgrades include granite countertops, maple cabinets, hardwood floors, central A/C. Oversized 2-car garage. Great community offers pool/spa, parks, and playgrounds. Easy access to parks, downtown, major highways & light rail. Call listing agent Sandra 650-346-3885.



**220 Central Avenue
Mountain View \$699,000**

Beautiful end unit town home featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with over 90K of improvements. One bedroom & bath located on ground floor, family room with dining area, hardwood floors, fireplace in living room, central heat & A/C, patio/deck opening from living and dining area onto lush green area, 1 car garage and carport. Lush grounds with tennis court, pool, spa and club house close to light rail, Cal Train, freeways and VTA. Come see!



OPEN SUN 1:00 TO 4:00

**694 Port Drive
San Mateo \$999,950**

Wonderful water front home featuring 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, major remodel includes custom kitchen, bathrooms, hardwood floors, radiant heating, double pane windows and a large boat dock. Located on a quiet cul-de-sac with beautiful bay views you must come see this home.



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Beautiful custom built home with Magnificent Valley Views. Features large 20,000 square foot lot with 5400 square feet of spectacular living space, located within the lovely gated community of Silverado Crest. Call 408-691-3940 or 408-219-0725 for more information.



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**1662 Latham Street
Mountain View \$778,000**

Old world charm with modern amenities await you. Beautiful landscaping front and back, with spacious lawns, graced by delicious fruit trees. The warm bamboo floor, granite counters and abundance of cabinets make this a kitchen you will love. Enjoy cozy fireplace, 3 bedrooms and deep one car garage. Sleep contented, knowing roof is new, plumbing pipes have been redone, and there are enough circuit breakers to keep all of the electronics working. With it's close proximity to Mountain View's downtown delights, this is a wonderful home to enjoy now and in the future.



OPEN SUN 1:30 TO 4:30

**3586 Payne Avenue #14
San Jose \$449,950**

Charming condo in a desirable west San Jose area. Located in a quiet and friendly neighborhood, this cozy condo featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, major upgrades include carpet, kitchen & bath room floors, kitchen countertop, stove, sinks, double pane windows through out, interior paint. Extra closet, walk-in closet, end unit with beautiful view of swimming pool. You don't want to miss this one.

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