# **DIY Oil Stain Removal Techniques**

#### Cat Litter

- 1. Place a generous amount of cat litter over the stain.
- 2. Grind the litter into a fine powder.
- 3. Allow a few solid hours for the litter to absorb the oil
- 4. Sweep away the litter.
- 5. Follow up with a degreasing dish soap and hot water scrub down. Make sure to create tons of suds.
- 6. Rinse with boiling water.

### **Baking Soda**

- 1. Lightly wet the stained area.
- 2. Sprinkle area with baking soda or powdered dishwashing detergent.
- 3. Let sit for 10-15 minutes.
- 4. Pour boiling water over the area
- 5. Scrub until area is clean.

### Oven Cleaner

- 1. Simply spray the oven cleaner on the stain
- 2. Let it set for an hour or two.
- 3. Wash it away and then wipe it up.
  - If the stain remains: Dry it out, reapply the oven cleaner and cover area with plastic to ensure that the cleaning chemical is fully concentrated on removing the stain.

## **Laundry Detergent**

- 1. Soak up the excess oil with paper towels.
- 2. Cover the motor oil stain with a mound of powdered laundry detergent.
- 3. Add 1 cup baking soda to the mound.
- 4. Sprinkle water over the detergent and baking soda, stirring it with a paint stirring stick, until you've created a paste.
- 5. Spread the laundry detergent and baking soda paste over the oil stain with a scraper.
- 6. Leave the paste on your driveway overnight.
- 7. Scrape the detergent and baking soda paste from your driveway the next morning.
- 8. Pour the boiling water over the site of the stain to rinse away the detergent paste and any last remnants of motor oil.
- 9. Air dry your driveway

### **Buy-a-product**

- 1. Pour N' Restore: 16oz for \$9, 32oz for \$14, 1gal for \$45
  - Find it at ACE Hardware
- 2. Oil Gone Easy Home & Driveway S200: 64oz for \$12
  - Find it online at www.oilgoneeasy.com
- 3. Seal-Krete Oil Remover: 64oz: \$12
  - Find it at Home depot
- 4. Valspar Oil Stain Remover: 1/2gal for \$13
  - Find it at Lowes
- 5. Chomp PULL IT OUT! Concrete Stain Remover: 32oz for \$8
  - Find it at Home Depot