

SUMMER IN THE AIR

Scented soaps, candles and potpourri can freshen up a house sealed to keep the humidity out — as long as the fragrance is soft and not overpowering.



ROCK SOAPS

These pretty veined river rocks are actually soaps made with all-natural ingredients.

\$6 and \$12 at **Black Bamboo**.



LAUNDRY FRESHENERS

▲ These dryer bags by Dee Wagner of Kansas City contain natural dried lavender flowers. They work like dryer sheets but are reusable.

4 for \$6 at **The Bright Side**, 205 S.E. Green St., Lee's Summit, 816-524-1468.

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MOOD LIGHTS

► Christopher Huelshorst of Kansas City makes soy-based candles with cotton wicks and infuses them with natural fragrances. The names of his fragrances do not evoke a flower or fruit, but rather a mood. So depending on what kind of a day you've had you can light up Lovely, Demure, Fabulous or a wide range of other adjective scents. The candles burn for at least 50 hours.

\$28 at **Black Bamboo**, 1815 Wyandotte, 816-283-3000.



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