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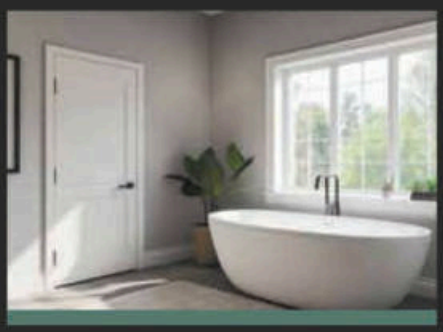
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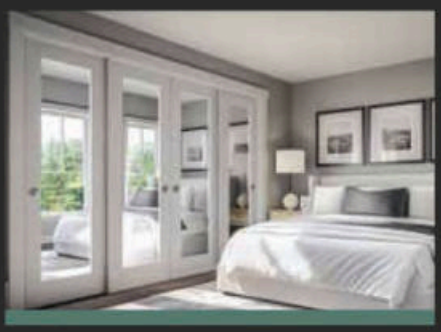
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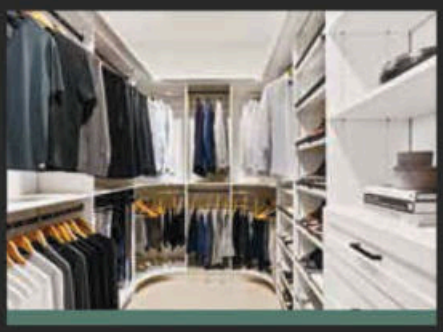
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'We Love What We Do'

The team at **Gill's Landscaping** has a passion for ensuring that every project delivers not only unmatched quality but also an undeniable "Wow!" factor.

An industry leader in South Jersey for almost 35 years, Gill's Landscaping has worked hard to build a reputation as the region's consummate full-service residential and commercial landscaping company, known for its stunning transformations of outdoor spaces.

Offering unique designs for outdoor kitchens, paver patios, driveways, walkways, water features and landscape lighting, it's no wonder Gill's has been voted Best Landscaping Company by both South Jersey Magazine and House & Home magazine from 2011 to 2023.

Among the company's many standout qualities is that it does not subcontract work.

"From start to finish, from design to the completed project, our team is 100% all Gill's," owner Brian Gill proudly states.

With a customer-oriented design process, Gill's consistently delivers desired results for its many clients. Using both 3D and traditional blueprints, homeowners can easily visualize how their project will look before the work begins.

"We have an experienced team of experts who come to your property and collaborate to combine ideas," says Gill. "Our design software is adaptable to all budgets, so you know exactly what the project will cost at the outset."

Landscaping is a dynamic undertaking, which a good landscaper knows—and the Gill's team will help any client adjust accordingly where needed. They have the professional experience and customer-service drive to know that asking some important questions before a project begins can save a homeowner both time and money, like: Is your yard designed for longevity? Does your patio fit the aesthetic of its surrounding landscape? Could your irrigation system be more efficient in its water usage?

Uniqueness of design is another significant factor in all projects with the Gill's name on them, with aesthetic experts suggesting ideas that complement each homeowner's distinctive space and style.

"It's also important that our customers are never left out of the process of their project," Gill adds. "Collaboration with the homeowner is key."

Another important aspect of any project is the materials used. Gill's ensures that they use only the highest quality products, no matter what the job entails.

"We pride ourselves on educating clients about what's out there and guide them on what would work best for their particular project so it will look spectacular for many years to come," explains Gill. "We treat every home like it's our own."

Gill attributes much of the company's success to hard work and determination, with an emphasis on commitment and dedication from its team.

"For any business to succeed, you need to surround yourself with good people. My staff is the backbone of the company, and customers always have good things to say about them," he says. "I truly appreciate everything they bring to the business."

Gill himself is personally involved with every project, checking on progress along the way and giving final approval at the end. As he's quick to affirm, "We love what we do."

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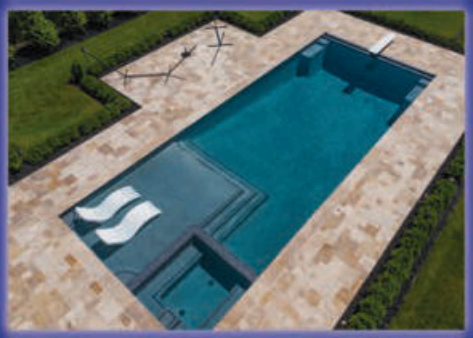
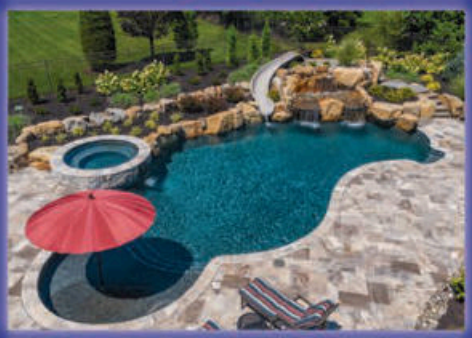
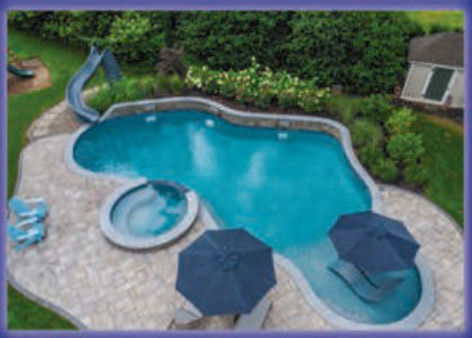
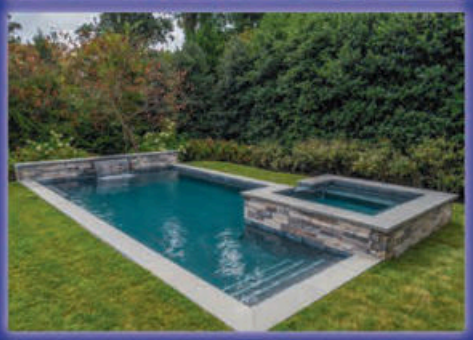
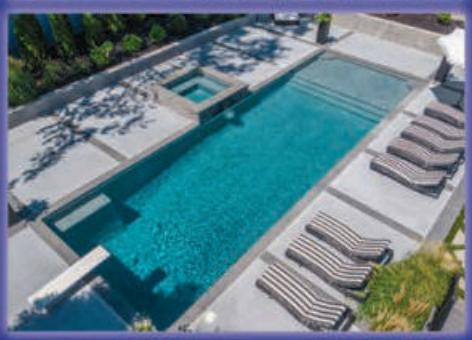
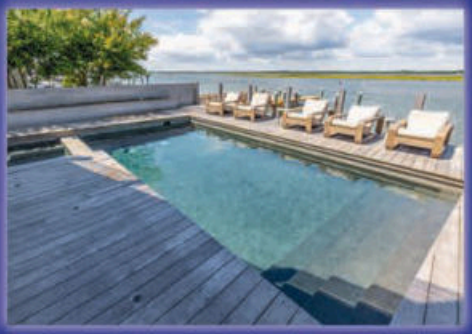




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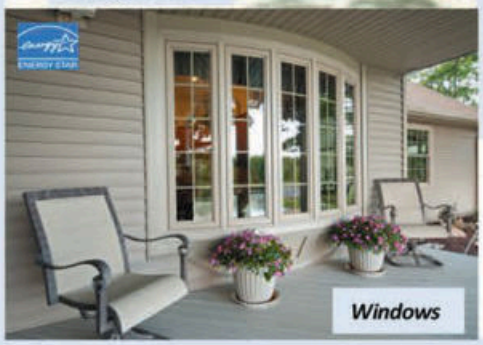
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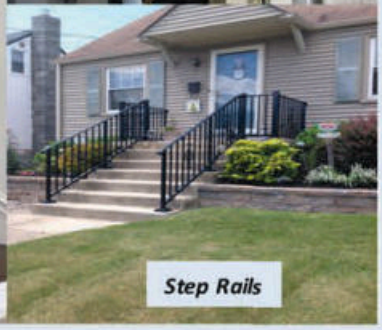
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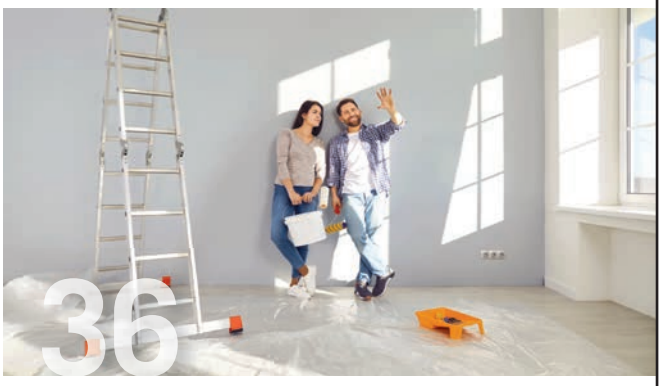
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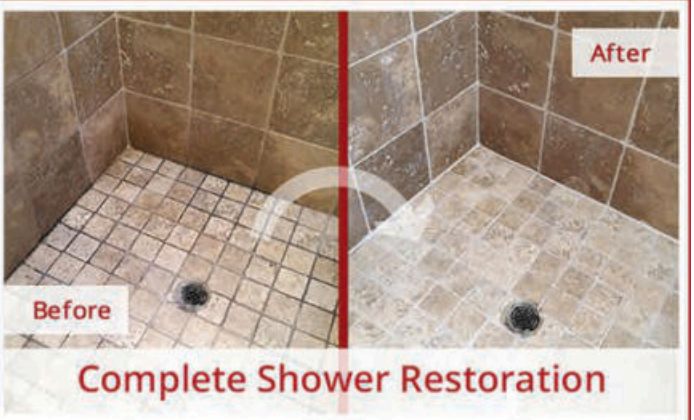
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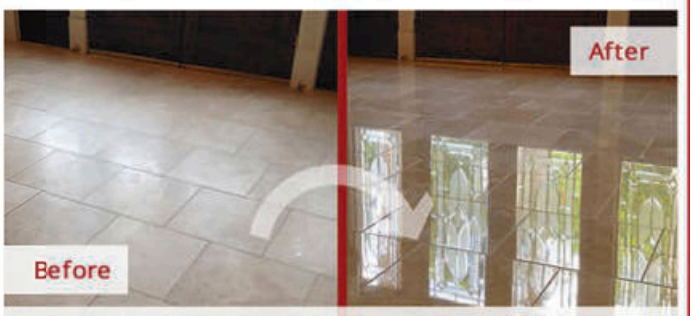
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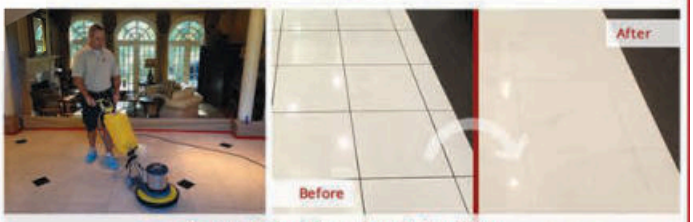
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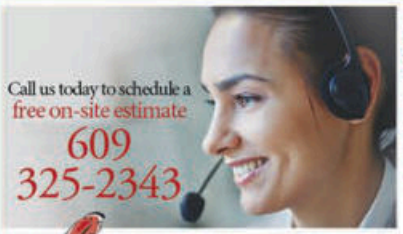
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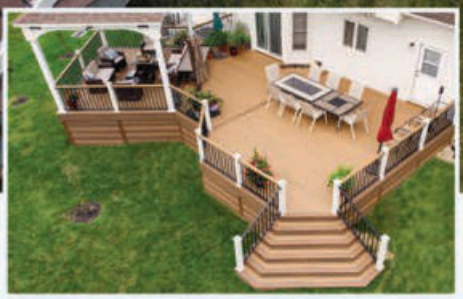
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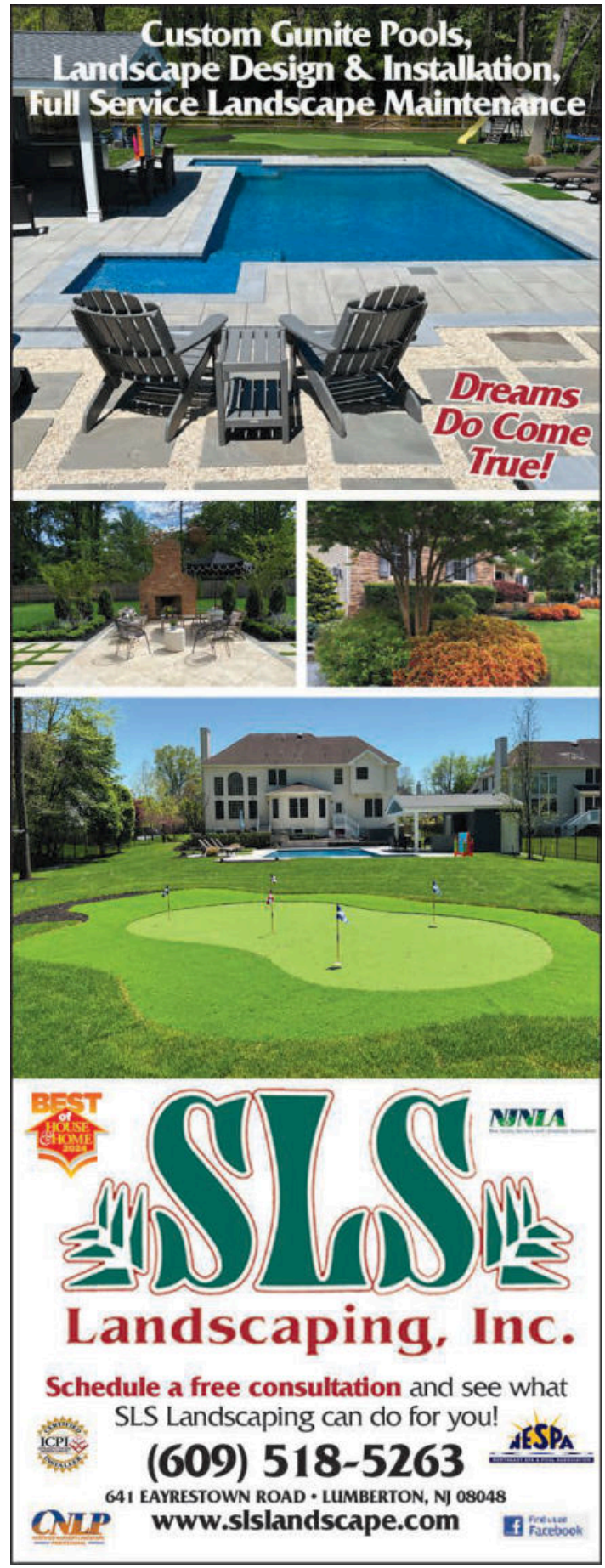
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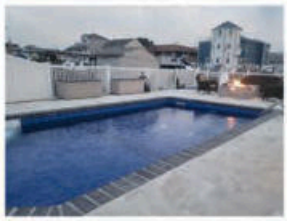




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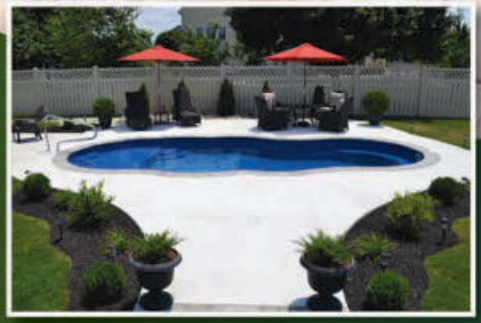
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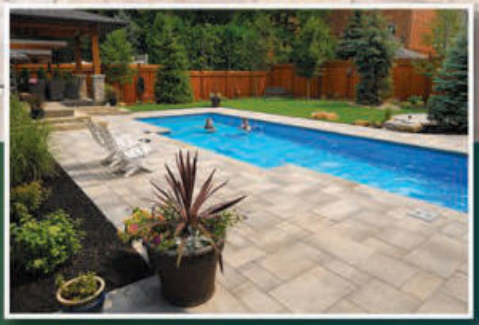
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Swim-Mor Pools & Spas partner and general manager Mike McCool recognizes that there is a lot more that goes into a new pool than there used to be.

"The backyard has transformed over the last 10 years or so away from being just 'your yard' and into another room of your home with the same care and detail put into it," McCool says. "Because of this the design of your pool has become more than just a pool but the focus of the outdoor living room. There is a lot of coordination with creating what a customer's backyard haven is going to be."

Fortunately, the family-owned South Jersey business is more than up to the challenge of bringing a customer's backyard pool vision to life. In its 55 years of business, Swim-Mor Pools & Spas has helped to create thousands of backyard paradises throughout the region.

And what's more, they make the process as easy as possible for their customers.

"We're a start-to-finish gunite custom pool company—the design, the build and the service afterward," McCool says. "We have our own crews that handle the work which helps us control quality and makes the process go smoother."

There are six designers at Swim-Mor Pools & Spas who can help guide customers on a new pool design. The company's countless photos and 3D drawings can provide inspiration, and the final design is what best suits the backyard, according to McCool.

"Size, setbacks, elevations. We're here to help you work through that," he says.

Finding the right pool

"The first step is to give us a call. From there we'll set up an appointment to come out to your home," McCool says. "That way we can see all the aspects of the property. What the contours of the yard are. What the access is like. Even the best location based on where the sun rises and sets."

The timeline to get started is largely based on the homeowner and how decisive they are, McCool adds. Once everything is confirmed, things move to contract and Swim-Mor Pools & Spas starts working on permits.

"Time is of the essence. Permits can take from two weeks to several months, all depending on the municipality," McCool says.

Pool popularity

Prior to March 2020, business was strong for Swim-Mor Pools & Spa. That was only boosted when the COVID-19 pandemic hit the region.

"The pool business was never busier than it was in COVID," McCool says. "The lockdowns forced people to stay at home and they immediately focused on the backyard."

Although that business boom has settled down a bit, things are still busy. But pool trends, according to McCool, have held fairly steady.

Hampton-style pools have long been a customer favorite, but equally popular are the freeform designs, which can be customized to fit into any backyard environment.

"Through COVID there have not been many significant changes in the industry," McCool says, "other than the increased popularity of adding more bells and whistles to the pool."

Natural stone is popular for the coping along the pool's edge, McCool says, as well as darker finishes in the pool. A majority of Swim-Mor Pools & Spa customers are using a salt sanitation system and automated controls in their new pools, as well as choosing to add water features—waterfalls, fountains, deck jets and plenty more. The company also offers many in- pool fixtures for lounging—bar stools and benches that can tie into your outdoor kitchen or can run inside the pool, along with table areas, sundecks for your lounge chairs and custom fire features. Color LED lighting packages come with every pool, too.

The majority of customers also choose elements to lengthen their pool-enjoying season, such as heaters and spas. "It will extend your pool season by a few months," McCool says.

Why Swim-Mor Pools & Spas?

Being a local family-owned independent business makes Swim-Mor Pools & Spas a smart choice for customers, according to McCool.

"We're not national. We're not a franchise. And we do not try to sell everything. Our expertise has been building custom gunite pools for 55 years and that's what we focus on," he says.

Save for a few aspects that are legally required to be outsourced to independent licensed contractors, Swim-Mor Pools & Spas uses all of their own crews for the pool construction, which McCool says is unique for the pool business.

In addition to building new pools, Swim-Mor Pools & Spas also specializes in renovating gunite pools. The experienced team can handle everything from your standard renovation of replacing your coping, tile and plaster finish, to adding features such as raised water features, sun decks, and even spas that were not originally built with the pool. McCool says, "Even though your pool may not have originally been built with the more current popular features doesn't mean that Swim-Mor cannot add them now."

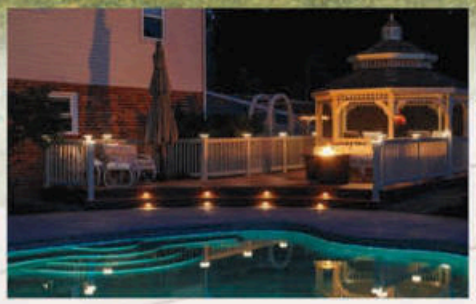
The 2023 pool season is already underway for the business, which thanks to the mild winter meant they were able to start construction early. Pool openings and service will ramp up from mid-April to Memorial Day.

But, for those looking to add a pool to their backyard this summer, it's not too late. "We're still building for this year. We're still selling for this summer," McCool says. "But don't waste time. Get in!" H&H

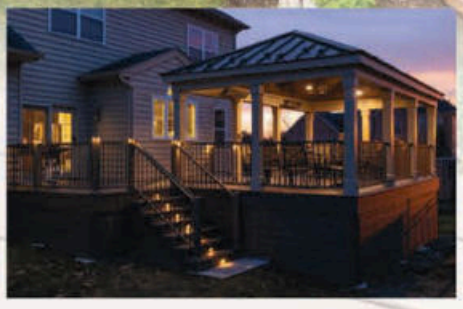
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The owners are three lifelong friends from Pitman, New Jersey and they strive to run a family-friendly, team-oriented company. "Even our children love seeing what we do and our families and neighbors inspire us to do more and create more," says Wisniewski.

For Wisniewski and his partners Frank Redrow and Dan Deopp, doing and creating more means developing new protocols for technology, safety and organization. "Our customers know who we are, who is working on their home and are left with an organized site at the end of every day," Wisniewski adds.

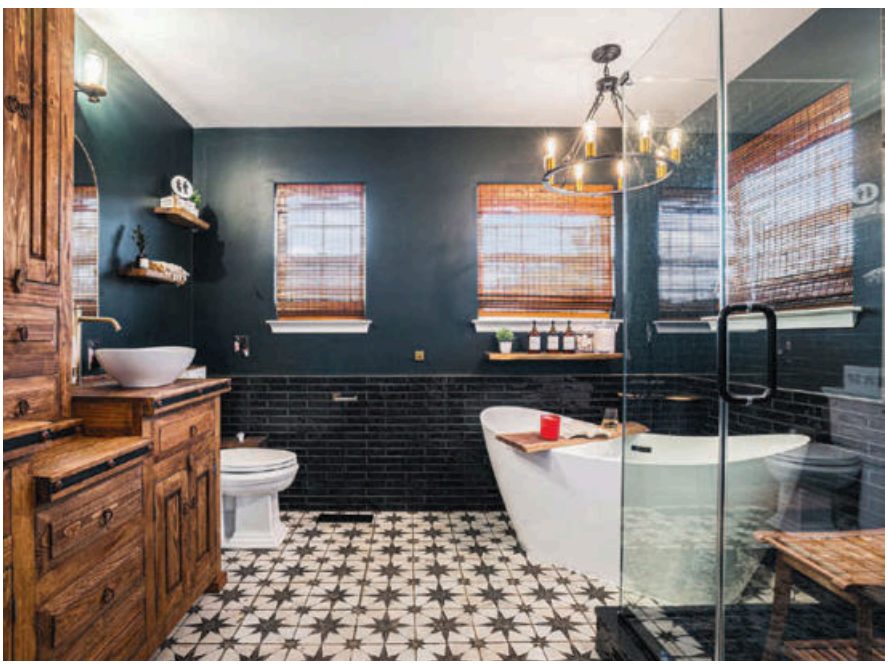
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This value helped Daniel Robert Remodeling create a winning bathroom design for a local customer who had a unique vision. With an already artistic eye, the customer wanted to put in bold tile choices, custom wood elements, a mixture of metals and highlight the style of their home in the master bathroom. The resulting layout had a luxurious soaking tub, expansive shower and double vanity with custom wood details. Utilizing a variety of tiles helped add light to the room and the mixed metal chandelier tied everything together.

"This bathroom is a sensual experience that makes our customers happy and really tells the story of who they are," says Daniel Robert Remodeling Bath Director Aimee Rowson.

With a contrasting design, a recent kitchen project was all about creating a bright and airy feeling with a large island perfect for family gatherings. A custom wood hood and brushed gold accents added to the relaxed atmosphere.

"Our best design is the one that makes our client's home the star," Wisniewski says. "We could not be more grateful for our amazing customers that really have become family to us." **H&H**





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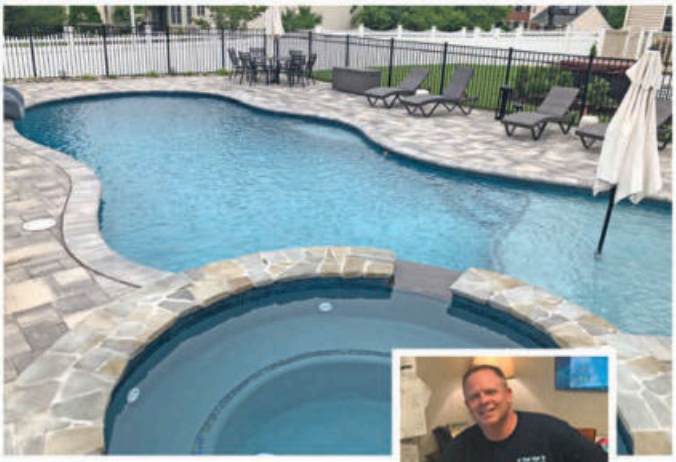
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What do you find most rewarding about this industry?
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What makes you the best in your industry while separating you from your competitors?
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How does it feel to be recognized among *House & Home's* Best of Winners?
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What keeps you motivated every day to do the work you do?
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What do you find most rewarding about this industry?
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How does it feel to be recognized among *House & Home's* Best of Winners?

We are humbled by the people we meet every day in this business. We work extremely hard to make all their dreams come true, and to be honored with this gives us the feeling of doing it right. Without the referrals from the friends/clients we have worked with we would not be here.

What keeps you motivated every day to do the work you do?

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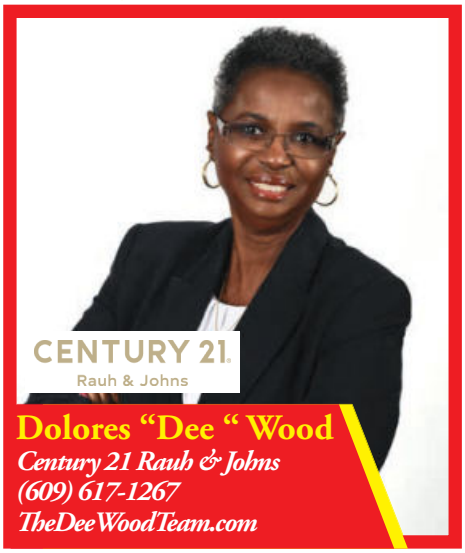
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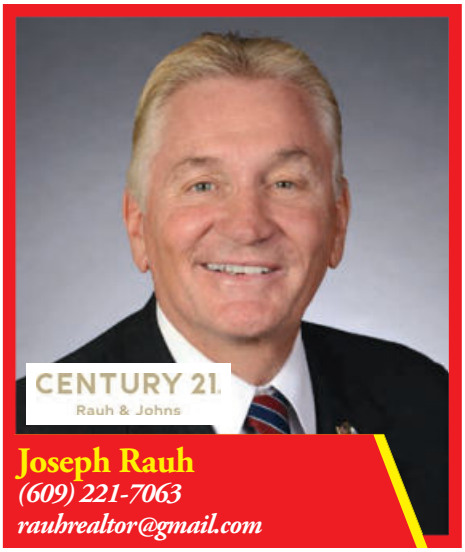
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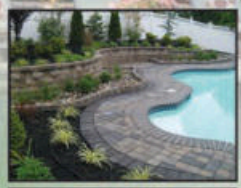
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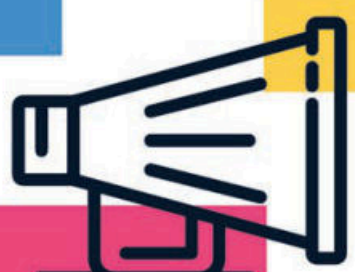
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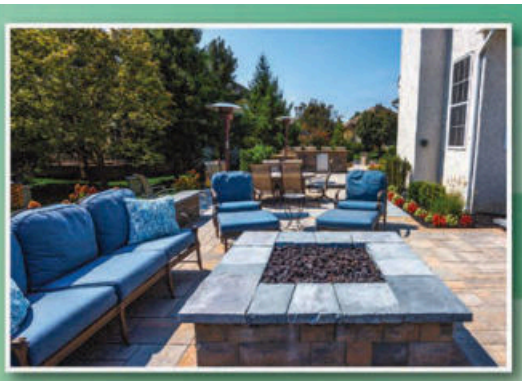
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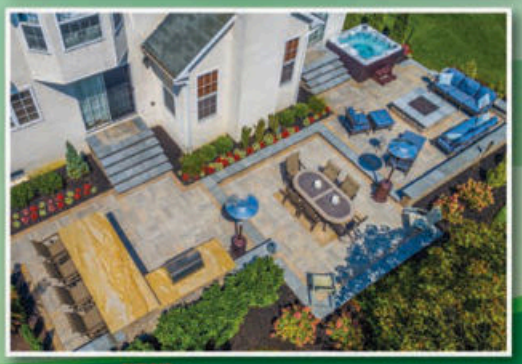
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But how exactly do you know a company can be trusted?

One important factor in choosing the best contractor is longevity. Only a company that performs great work is going to be able to stick around for the long haul. That's exactly the case with Emmons Remodeling, a company that has been offering expert care for South Jersey and the Jersey Shore area since 1996. They are a wellknown name in the region—and for good reason. Their success was built upon a reputation of honesty, integrity and good work.

In fact, the company is an Owens Corning Platinum Preferred Contractor. That's not a designation that any old company can have. Platinum Preferred Contractors are in the top tier of a premier-network of roofing professionals. In order to achieve this title, they must have passed a workmanship inspection, been professionally screened for financial stability and customer service, and continue to adhere to stringent guidelines set forth by Owens Corning. Fewer than 1% of roofing contractors in the United States are Owens Corning Platinum Preferred.

"It's a title that backs up our already strong reputation," says Stephanee Kelly, co-owner of the company along with her husband Matthew. "Only the most reputable companies are able to earn that designation."

Besides being able to feel confident that you've hired a contractor you can trust, this designation benefits homeowners in a more tangible way as well. That's because Platinum Preferred Contractors are able to offer 50-year warranties on their work—much longer than other companies can offer. According to Owens Corning's website, "because we stand behind these warranties, we need to make sure that we are backing up the best roofers in the business."

Emmons Remodeling has been providing interior remodeling service throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania for more than 30 years. The company has built its solid reputation on craftsmanship and exceptional customer service.

As the family-owned company grows, it has expanded the team that is available to help design and build your projects. Several talented remodeling industry professionals have recently joined Emmons to serve its over 6,000 existing customers and help expand the growing number of satisfied customers throughout South Jersey.

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After all, the Emmons' mission statement is: "Our customer's experience builds our business and defines our reputation, which is one of trust, reliability, integrity and value for every customer we serve."

Choosing Wisely

At the end of the day, your choice in roofing, siding and window contractors can be the difference between good, quality work—and a big headache. Stephanee says that the last thing Emmons wants to see is people in their local community get taken advantage of by unscrupulous roofing, siding and window contractors.

"You should be able to feel confident that you've chosen a contractor that you can trust— not one that is going to leave you with problems to fix after they've gone," she says. "At Emmons, you are not only investing in a new roof, new siding or new windows—you're investing in peace of mind." H&H

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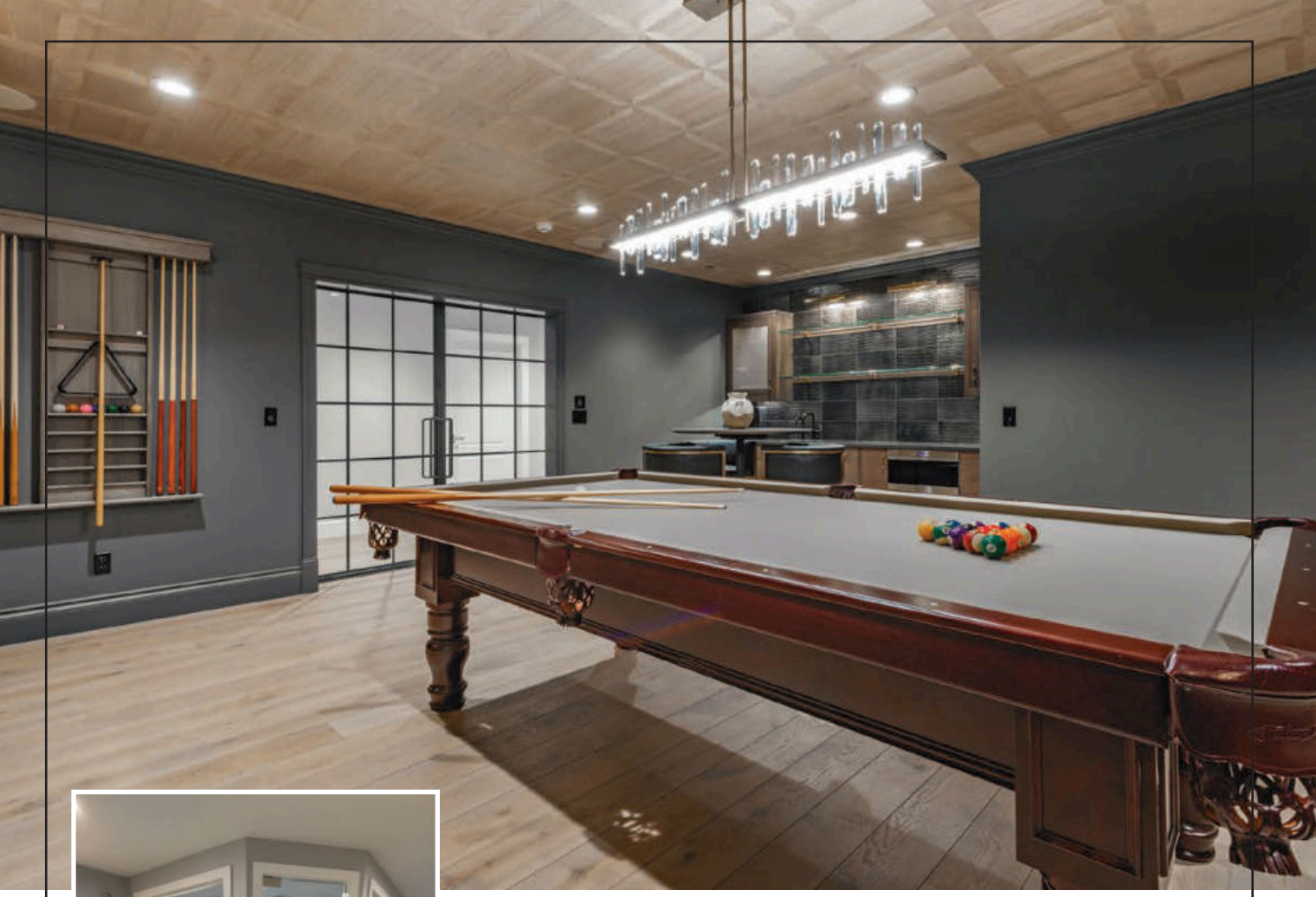
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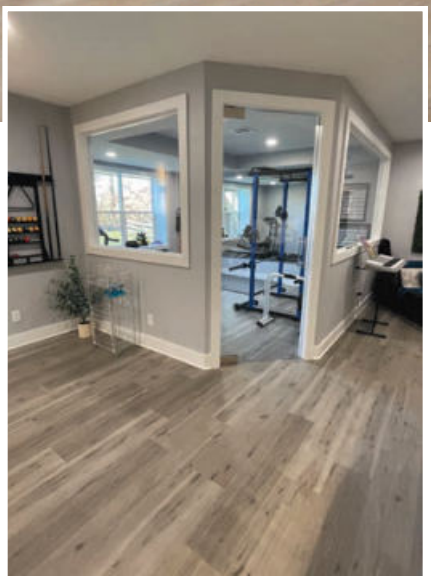
Gone are the days of rarely-traversed basements, used solely as a storage space and visited seasonally to obtain holiday decorations. Basements are now viewed more commonly as a first floor, with an open-concept style akin to a blank canvas. When considering a dream home, one might envision a home theater, a customized arcade with a personal bar, a sports-themed hangout for game day, an extensive library filled wall-to-wall with books, a fitness room, a collector's haven—a combination, or something else entirely.

"Most people don't just say, 'We have this space, we ought to finish it.' They're probably thinking: it's space for the kids to play, it's a game room for adults, it's an exercise area, it's a home theater, it's another family room. If they think through it in that way, that's a big help for us," says Dennis Gehman, pres-



When it comes to basements nowadays, there is no vision that is unattainable—and there's no better way to express ideas than with a large, open space.





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These ideas and more are possible with the vision, commitment and professional resources. The extent of one's imagination can be replicated with a transformation that is uniquely theirs, and that fits the character of the home and its members.

Joe Magolon, owner of Stonebridge Renovations, points out that basement entertainment areas have increasingly become a space for the entire family to create memories while enjoying their individualized attributes. One of the many creative ideas he's seen lately are chalkboard walls for the family to customize and to play with.

"I feel like the whole family's getting involved downstairs; there isn't just a kid area or an adult area anymore," he explains. "We've recently just done [a project] that had a home gym with a big, glass door and panels, so it still feels open with a lot of natural light. It had a kitchenette, plenty of space for entertaining and counter space. It hit on everything: It had that family living space to hang out, it had the pool table area, it had an area for the kids and their games."

Refurbishing a full-sized arcade machine with new buttons and controllers, which come in several colors and styles, is a great idea for a passionate collector—and can be a show-stopping focal point for a game room. However, if quantity is the goal, there is a large range of smaller, portable arcade machines that can transform a basement into a game-lined retro arcade. Of course, this would not be complete without one or more table games to provide that classic warmth.

"Eighty percent of what we sell is extremely customizable; you can completely do whatever. You could really change the look, you could change the wood … and there are multiple finishes available," says Audra DelConte, owner of Royal Billiard & Recreation. "The bar that is often down in that lower-level space will also be coordinated with the game tables … but our specialty is doing a whole package for people to complete their room. All of our products—whether bar, card table, pool table—can be coordinated."

Basement bars can be found in trendy lower-level areas in households both with and without children. In entertainment spaces designated for all ages, liquor can be concealed and stored in safe, locked cabinets. And for homes with adults only, it can be displayed in a variety of inventive ways. DelConte comments that a lot of people are embracing a speakeasy aesthetic lately—with dark, moody colors, classic and cozy designs and hidden features. Popularly utilized smart home automation harmonizes modern and vintage by allowing convenience

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Fitting into this trend perfectly are Murphy Doors, which are designed to open to hidden spaces. This incorporates a feeling of magic as well as provides extra security for valuables. They also function as an easy way to divide the space into different designated areas. Ultimately, there is still a major storage element to consider in the basement though it is no longer the main purpose.

"We like to get creative with storage areas … like little nooks under the stairs, we've done drink rails in the entertainment area. A lot of people lately have been loving the Murphy Doors," says Magolon. "It looks like a bookshelf, and it brings you back to, like, a wine cellar or different areas like that. The Murphy Doors have definitely been up and coming, [as are] custom built-ins for more storage."

Finishing a basement is not only fun and games—even though the finished product will be. A consideration of utilities is key to obtaining a successful final result. A professional can help place appliances and demonstrate ways to conceal or blend in unsightly elements like electrical panels. Keeping this in mind extends beyond appearances, as it also may affect comfort within and enjoyability of the area.

"One of the things that people are often surprised about is, when they want to finish the basement, typically it's going to involve HVAC, because they want that space to be comfortable. Most of the time, the existing heating and air conditioning systems in the home are not large enough for that additional square footage," explains Gehman.

He adds that planning for this in advance helps people budget properly, and that he is required to insulate basement walls—which helps conserve energy. A good contractor can assist clients in considering all of these necessary factors with time estimates and what local regulations may be relevant to each home. Then, one can focus on the most important part: allowing imagination, personalization and artistry to take flight. H&H

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A Fresh Look

Simple changes can help transform the look and feel of your home. *by* **KRISTEN JORGENSEN**



Want to refresh your space but have a small budget and limited time? Creating a fresh and inviting look in your home doesn't have to involve a major renovation or hefty expenses. With some creativity and a few simple changes, you can breathe new life into your living spaces.

We asked a few leading professionals in the industry to help gather ideas and inspirations, along with discussing upcoming trends. Whichever technique you opt for, these experts all agree that your home is your sanctuary, and giving it a fresh look can make it feel more welcoming and rejuvenating.



Add a Splash of Color

Color has the power to transform a space. A bold accent wall in the living room or a pop of color through accessories like throw pillows, blankets or rugs can make a huge impact.

"We're seeing a lot of homeowners have the courage to go bold with paint," says Daniel Carhart, owner of Star Painting and Wallcovering.

Deep burgundy, brown and even green hues are growing in popularity and steering the trend to a much more moody aesthetic.

"Homeowners are not only opting for deeper colors, they are saturating the space with it. The bright whites and neutral grays have made way for rich earth tones and bolder options," adds Carhart.

Another trending option to bring color to a space is painting the ceiling. "You'll often hear people referring to the ceiling as the 'fifth wall' and homeowners are deciding to bring those rich colors to the whole room, including the ceiling. In some instances, they paint just the ceiling as the focal point or statement wall with a darker color," Carhart says.

Wall Updates & Textures

Of course, painting is a quick and easy way to make a big impact in a room, but adding other smaller additions to your walls is also a great way to freshen up your living space. Utilizing artwork or shelving can add visual interest to an otherwise uninspiring room.

Designers suggest you hang a new statement piece of art or create a gallery wall with photos, prints or even framed textiles. Or with the addition of floating shelves, you can easily display books, plants and even curated collections.

Texture, too, can refresh a space—think soft velvet cushions, chunky knit throws or woven baskets for added depth.

"We're definitely seeing more prints and more textures being used in homes," says Isabelle Tarikyan, from Mike's Upholstery. "Not only are they showing up on home accessories, but homeowners are also opting to bring texture to the walls via wallpaper. For a long time, designers moved away from wallpaper, naming it outdated, but it is making a huge comeback."

Tarikyan says that by partnering with brands like Schumacher, the colors, prints and texture options are endless. "There is something for everyone's sense of style and desired design goals. If you can dream it, we can help you achieve it."

Millwork and Moldings

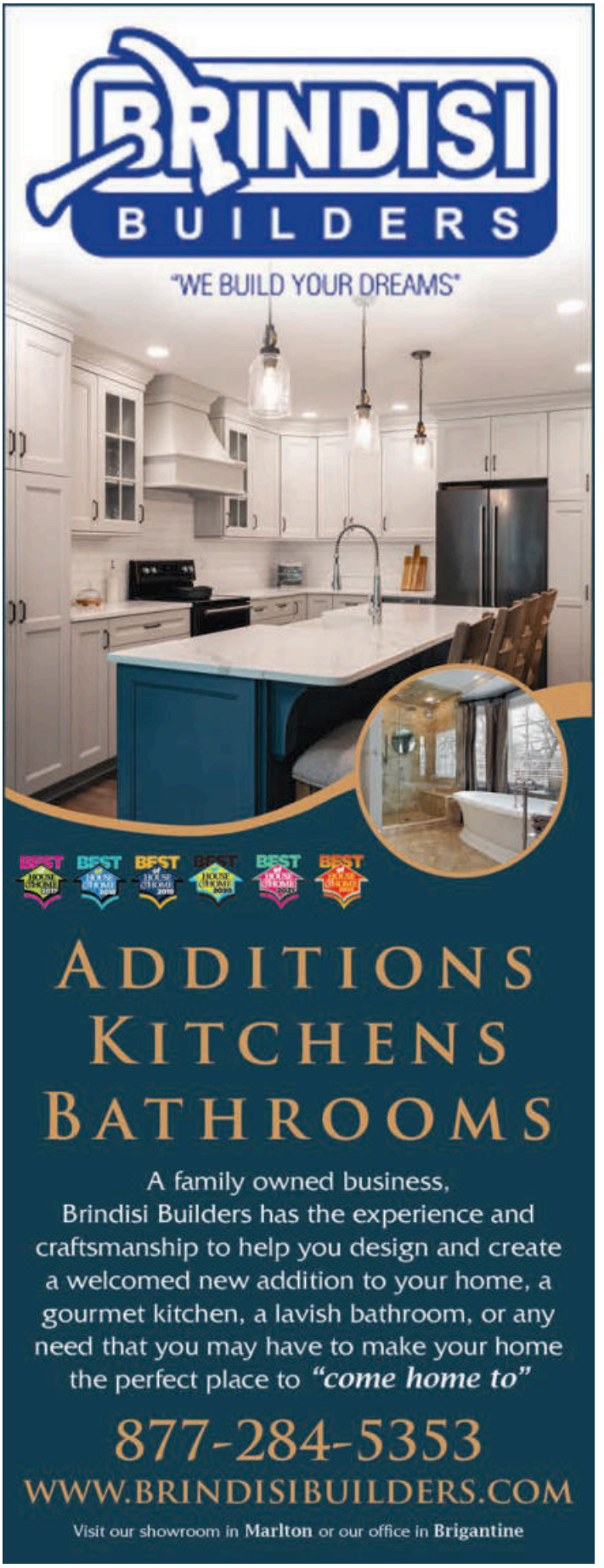
Millwork and moldings have surged in popularity in recent years as homeowners and de-



signers increasingly recognize their ability to elevate a space's aesthetic appeal. These architectural details, including crown molding, baseboards, wainscoting and custom trims, add depth and character to otherwise plain walls and ceilings. They serve as the perfect finishing touch, blending form and function by framing spaces and hiding imperfections. Whether it's the classic elegance of coffered ceilings or the clean lines of modern shiplap, millwork and moldings provide a tailored look that resonates with a wide range of interior styles, from traditional to contemporary.

One reason for their enduring appeal is their versatility. "Millwork and moldings can transform a space without requiring a complete overhaul, making them a cost-effective option for home improvement" shares Pavlo Danylchenko, owner of Signature Woodcraft. "Their customization potential allows homeowners to match these elements to the unique style of their home."





A Fresh Look

With materials ranging from traditional wood to more affordable, eco-friendly alternatives like MDF, installing this type of upgrade to the home is accessible to most. Additionally, social media and home design shows have further popularized these features, showcasing how simple additions like crown molding or decorative paneling can dramatically enhance a space's sophistication. As a result, these design elements have become go-to choices for creating timeless, high-impact interiors.

Rearrange: Making the Old Feel New Again

Simply rearranging what you already have can also make a noticeable difference. This technique is meant to help you refresh your home affordably by using items you already have. It's simply a matter of reconfiguring your furniture, swapping a few items, and voila—your space feels brand new.

The idea is that you can restyle your space without spending much money, contrary to what many of us believe we need for designing a space—which is to go out and find new pieces. The process involves decluttering, reorganizing and even changing up the purpose of an existing room to breathe new life into it. Sometimes, a new perspective is all you need. Moving your

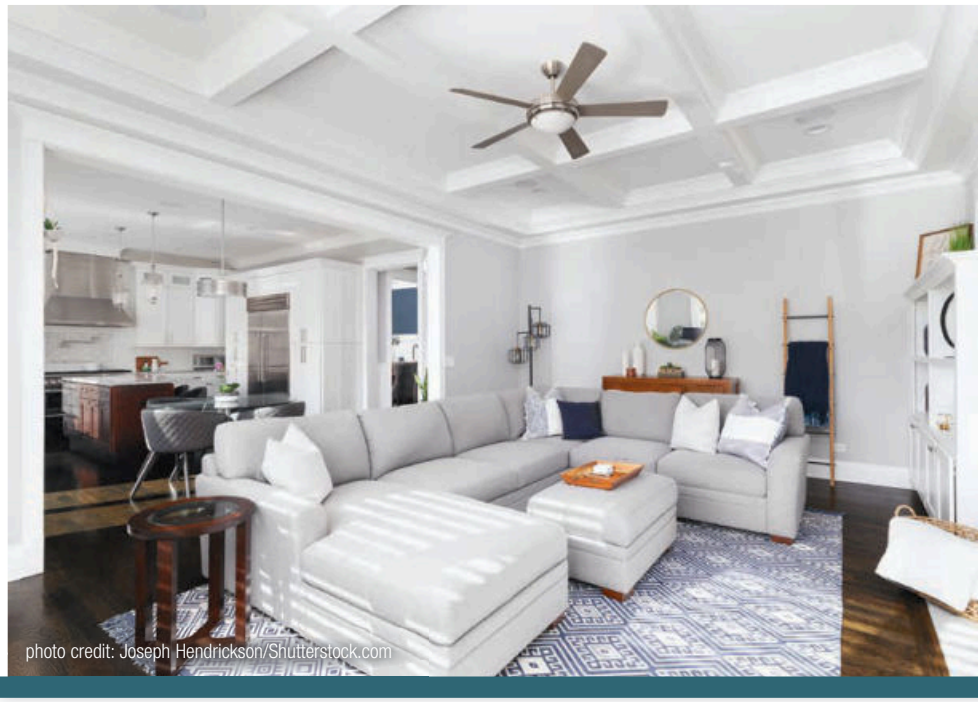


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furniture around can transform the look of a room without spending a dime. Experiment with different layouts to create a sense of openness or intimacy, depending on your preference.

Refreshing your home is about finding joy in your space again. Whether it's through rearranging furniture, adding pops of color or even just decluttering your belongings, even the smallest changes can have a huge impact. With these ideas, you can create a home that feels fresh, welcoming and uniquely yours. H&H

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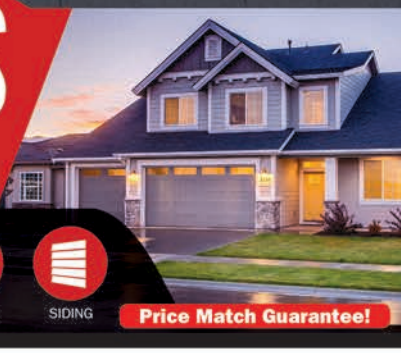
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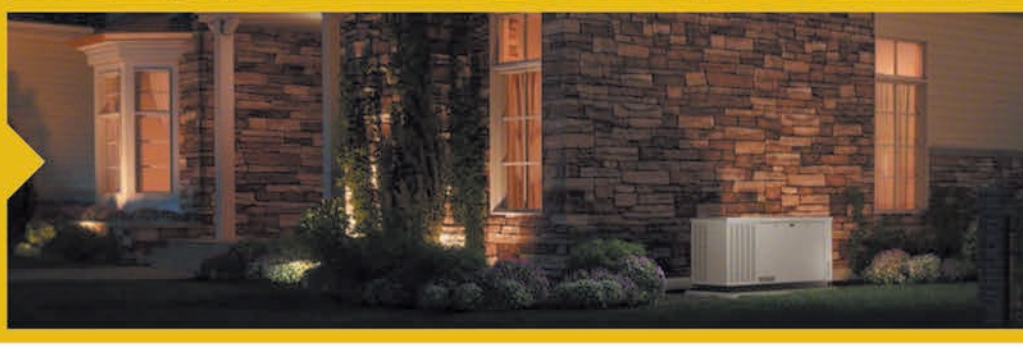
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