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This months spotlight guest:
 Sandy Graft -911 Nerds

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It's a Great Time to Remodel

Now is a great time to Remodel your Basement, Bathroom, or Kitchen. Contractors have slowed some, from the crazy levels in the last 3 years, but the demand for Home Improvements is still here with a new focus on the home.

As more and more people decide to remodel their homes, one of the biggest issues is economics. The most common questions homeowners face when considering a remodeling project include: need, want, cost, and value. The way people are answering these questions has changed due to the impact of the housing market and the economy. People are rethinking the way they view homeownership and are deciding to stay in their current home longer and are making more improvements that add value.

The homeowner's mindset is merging with the economic factors and this is what they are saying...

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Maintaining the Roof

The primary function of the roof system is to protect against and manage the weather elements, particularly precipitation, thereby protecting the interior and structural components of the home. For the purposes of a home inspection, the roof system consists primarily of the roof coverings, flashings and chimney.

In addition to protecting the interior elements of the home the roof components should also be designed, in conjunction with the gutters and downspouts, to direct rainwater and runoff away from the foundation area, to help reduce the potential for soil erosion, compaction and water entering the basement area.

Because of the important functions this system provides, it's condition should be assessed regularly, and maintenance provided when and wherever necessary.

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Increase Your Living Space

Transforming existing raw space into an extra bedroom, a playroom, or a guest or master suite is an affordable way to make your house bigger. You can also winterize an unheated sunroom or porch to transform a two- or three-season room into a year-round retreat. You can transform a two-bedroom, two-bath house into a "new" three-bedroom, three-bathroom house just by making your unused space livable!

Decide how you want to use the space:

Will it be an extra bedroom and bath, a family room, or a children's playroom? The function will help inform many of the finishes you choose. For example, a children's playroom may benefit from a hardwood floor partially covered by a large rug. How elaborate do you want the bathroom to be? If you are transforming a space into a master suite, the bathroom should have double vanities and a glass enclosure for the shower, which should have extra wall and overhead showerheads.

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Testimonials

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-- CD, Greensburg

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Finishing the existing raw space in your home for livability requires the help of specialists in several trades: plumbing, carpentry, electrical, and others, including flooring and possibly stoneworking for tile work. So while it's not a do-it-yourself job, this article gives you information on a project flow or for those that have the time and enjoy managing projects here are some basic steps you'll want to follow.

To read the entire article, [click here.](#)

Painting Your Home

Like many skills painting a room is easy to learn but hard to master. However, unlike these other professions and hobbies, like playing the piano, you can learn to paint good enough to fool all but the trained eye - and that's only if the person with the keen observation is looking for imperfections.

The key to having a great paint job is to neither treat it as a chore nor be flippant about it. Painting can be a great and rewarding experience if the proper considerations are observed. Because when everything is done right the sight of watching a new color renew an old wall is a great feeling. You don't have to know exotic painting techniques to do a good job just a few painting tips.

Pick the Style Before the Colour

The first - and hardest for some - step is picking out the right painting colors. Many people collect paint chips and choose the shades without regard for what is actually going into the room. The paint should be the background, or "soundtrack," for the style of the room. This includes the furniture, draperies and flooring. If you are having problems deciding, take pictures of your furnishings with you to the paint store. There is usually a decorator on staff who can help you out.

Another way to think about buying paint for walls is to go one shade lighter than the paint chip. Get the paint store employee to put a sample of the mixed on a small surface and dry it with a hair dryer. You can see for yourself what the color will look like on the wall. If the ceiling needs painting there are paints that go on wet as a light blue colour and dry to a flat white.

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