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Q&A

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What changes from the past year are here to stay?

Many of my clients planned additions and converted decks and lower levels into offices and living space. These are great ways to increase square footage without the expense of buying a larger home.

What technologies have become a must at home?

Must-have technologies include new materials that acoustically isolate home offices; heat-recovery ventilators that provide ventilation without increasing utility bills; and secure WiFi products that protect and expand Internet service throughout the home.

How are you making clients' homes healthier?

Indoor air quality is a major factor. Because materials that give off Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) degrade health, I select zero- or low-VOC materials and furniture. Smart ventilation is also key!

Welcome to wellness: An owners' bath renovation (right) incorporates hydrotherapy at its best, combined with the convenience and efficiency of digital shower technology. Swift converted a deck into a versatile living space (far right) complete with a fireplace and eating and lounging areas.

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