

What's your remodeling spark?



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EG Stoltzfus Designed Homes & Remodeling is a division of EG Stoltzfus Homes. Since the beginning EG Stoltzfus has been known for quality construction at a fair price. With our concept to completion philosophy in Remodeling we

will work with you through all phases of your building project from the initial thought to the final sweep of the broom, no matter how large or small.

The Remodeling Department team with over 90 years of combined construction experience maintains a high expectation of quality and creativity in every one of our remodeling and renovation projects. We are an experienced design/build contractor capable of providing you with design services that will complement your home's functionality and appearance. Our commitment to our customers is enhanced by the relationships we have built with our suppliers and trade partners. By remaining loyal to those who have worked with us for decades, we can assure consistent quality construction unmatched in our region.

The Designed Homes & Remodeling Division is headed by Bill Patrick, Division Manager/Senior Designer. In the

remodeling department he is assisted by Adam Coe, Designer/Project Manager, Andy Lebo, Project Manager and Cindy Luckenbill, Division Coordinator as well as Dave Wells and Ken Barbusca, Site Managers. Each one of the team members understands the complexities and nuances of remodeling and the challenges it presents from problem solving to quality control. Our custom homes are skillfully completed, concept to completion, by Larry Sheckler and Randy Reidenbach who lead the team that oversees the design and construction of Designed Homes.



EG Stoltzfus was started over 45 years ago when Elam G. Stoltzfus, Jr., known as EG, started a framing and remodeling business. In 1968 he built the company's first custom home with a "wheelbarrow and one employee" and by 1982 the first model

home community was completed. In the early 1990s a commercial construction division was added and remodeling became a separate division.

Today the company continues to be a family owned business with the children of EG Stoltzfus; Brent Stoltzfus, Chad Stoltzfus, and Colleen Brubaker at the helm. We have grown to serve the Central Pennsylvania region branching out into Dauphin, Cumberland, York and Lebanon counties as well as continuing to serve our home, Lancaster County.

What will spark your need or desire for a remodeled space, improved functionality, an updated feel, more space or, as in the case of one of our customers, a mirror? Each one of these is the spark that started a remodel project. Our EG Stoltzfus Remodeling designers can take your spark and turn it into the flame that powers the design process.

Imagine a kitchen, at the end of a hall, totally sealed off from the main living space of your home. Although it was a functioning kitchen it was less than ideal. After living with that scenario for many years our customer's spark was ignited when their grown children began marrying and having children

of their own. They wanted to spend their time together during visits as opposed to being split between two sections of the house. The homeowners approached us to bring their kitchen into the living area and with creative

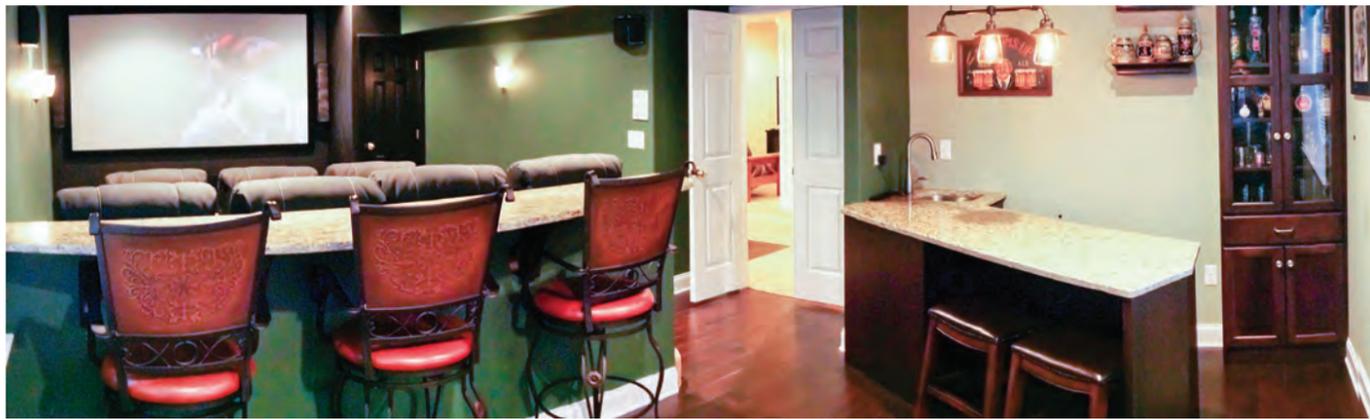
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shifting and re-purposing of space we were able to create a combined kitchen/family room that brings the entire family together.

A spark can come in the form of an object, as in this particular case, a mirror. Our client had a mirror in mind that they loved, but their existing bathroom did not match the style and feel of the mirror they selected. They had remodeled their kitchen, basement, and secondary bathroom in a more contemporary style, and they now wanted to have their master bathroom share that same feel. By adding a larger, more functional shower, they were able to set their bathroom up to age in place. A curbless shower, dark cabinetry, and slate grey tile were used to bring in that contemporary look.

To cut back on the rigid cold feel, a tiled wave wall was added to soften the space and help the room appear larger. To finish the project off, the





cabinetry was hung from the wall making them appear to float. Accent rope lighting was added to the bottom of the cabinets to compliment the electric mirror, with the added bonus of providing a night light to illuminate their path.

Sometimes the spark is not an object, but visualization of how a space is used. In this scenario, the previous owner had finished their basement to suit their needs, which included a segmented floor plan that lacked flow. Our client was looking to re-use the space, and maximize the area and make it comfortable for his family to spend time together. By removing walls, adding a kitchenette, and using softer finishes the basement took on new life, however, some private space is always appreciated. Our client needed a space just for himself. This led to re-purposing what was a kids' toy area/recreational space, and converting it into a home theatre with private bar. Guests have the opportunity to spend time



in the open family friendly area of the basement, or duck into the private retreat to get away from it all.

More space for entertaining was the spark that fueled a remodel requiring more than the re-purposing or re-use of space. A two-story L-shaped addition was added to the back of the house to accommodate a new enlarged kitchen and sunroom on the first floor with a master bedroom



and master bath on the second floor. The large entertainment friendly custom built kitchen includes plenty of space for guests to congregate while the cook works at the island. There is also a great table space attached to the island that works well as a buffet area. In addition, the enlarged space allowed for the luxury of an oversized refrigerator/freezer for storing all those extra ingredients and goodies.

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