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HOME REMODELING

Out with the Drab

2020 CHRYSALIS NATIONAL AWARD-WINNER
SHOWS POWER OF GOOD DESIGN

A Vienna family was tired of their drab single-family home's appearance. Red brick and a non-functional front porch led to a complete outdoor renovation with Michael Nash Design Build and Homes.

The home was not only transformed into a craftsman-style beauty, but now features a usable outdoor area that extends the family's living space by bringing them outside.

The new wraparound front porch is large enough to accommodate an outdoor sitting space and ties in with the covered back porch, which is used as an extension of the kitchen. The aesthetics of the home were improved by dark bronze metal roofing, tapered columns over stone pillars and new porch cedar ceiling panels.

The transformation of the home was so incredible, the neighborhood committee selected it as an icon home for festive holidays.

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EXTERIOR RENOVATION: BOTH BEAUTIFUL AND FUNCTIONAL

A 2020 Chrysalis National Award winning remodel shows the power of good design. Adding a fish pond with a running river and water garden landscaping gives a feeling of nature. A drainage and erosion problem was also solved by adding this feature.

According to Sonny Nazemian, founder and president of Michael Nash Design Build and Homes, required identifying the problems with the house. “How do we improve the look of the house, and what is the intent of the design for function?,” he says.

Once you do the diagnosis through working with

the design team, then designing and implementation is easy. The only times you run into problems is when you overlook details in step 1.

Each house has its own DNA so there is no one-size-fits-all solution. It is extremely important to work with a knowledgeable team that understands renovation is not cookie cutter, but follows the spoken needs and issues.

Outdoor living is much different than it used to be. You really want to be able to “live in” and enjoy your outdoor environment, aesthetically and functionally.

How do you want to enjoy your property and what changes will make it more of a used space?



Page 37: The new wrap around front porch is large enough to accommodate an outdoor sitting space and ties in with the covered back porch

Opposite, clockwise from top left: The rear elevation shows the expansive rear deck: a night-time view from the rear deck to the fish pond with a running river and water garden landscaping gives a feeling of nature; the aesthetics of the home were improved by dark bronze metal roofing, tapered columns over stone pillars and new porch cedar ceiling panels; and another night-time view.

Above: View from the deck to the fish pond

At right: The bright lighted front elevation

