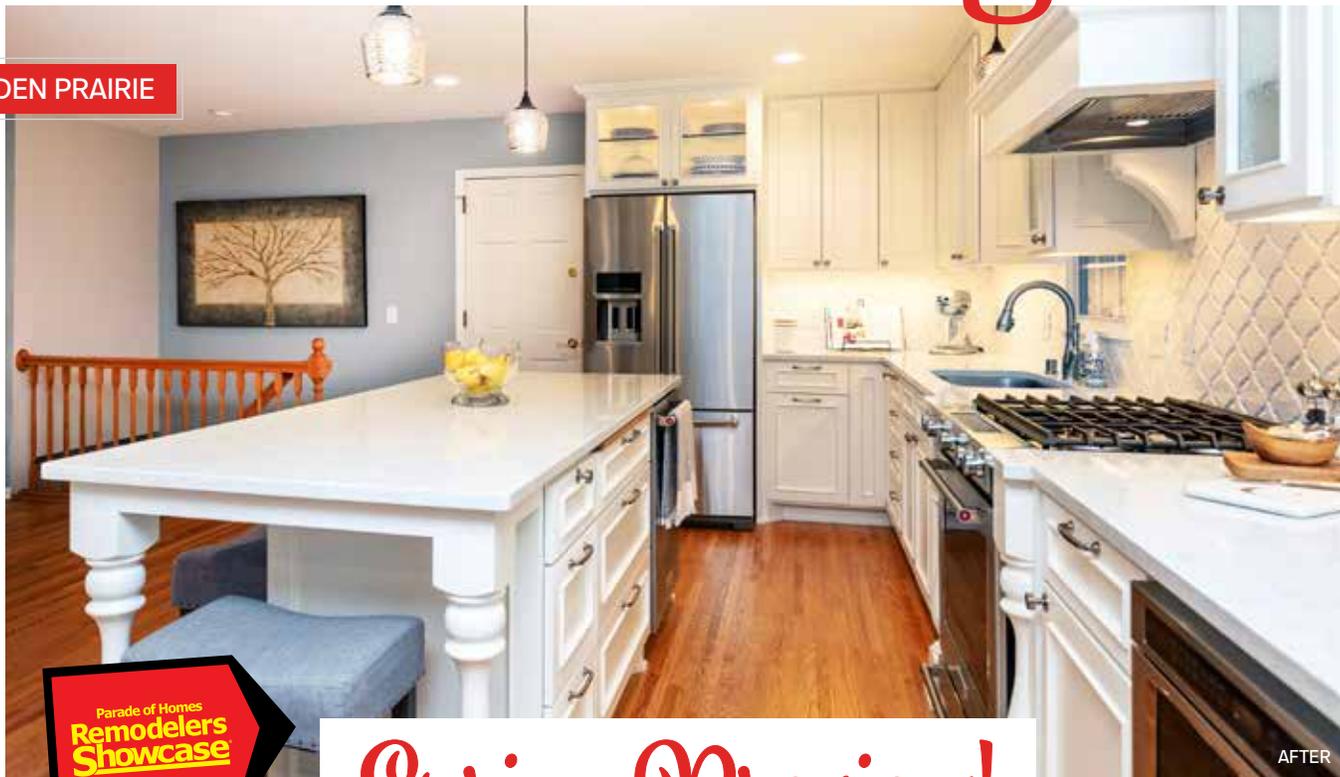


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Spring Preview!

AFTER

Get a first look at our 2019 Spring Remodelers' Showcase home, a gorgeous kitchen, bath and main level remodel on Duck Lake



Kitchen BEFORE: Inefficient, dated and closed off

Originally built as a cabin on Duck Lake in 1959, this home had been remodeled over the years, but it still featured the hallmarks of 70s and 80s homes—segmented rooms, dated finishes and a kitchen that was closed off from the rest of the home. The homeowners loved its great location, but they wanted to make the home more functional and comfortable for their family of four.

Plekkenpol Builders began by removing a load-bearing wall to create an open floor plan that provides unobstructed views of the lake from all areas. In addition to the complete kitchen remodel, the home includes a fully remodeled main floor bath, a wider foyer with built-in bench seating (right), custom storage and designer touches throughout.



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Spring Preview! Cont.



Living Room AFTER



Living Room BEFORE



Refaced stone fireplace

Open Floor Plan

The walls around the gas fireplace were removed to open up the main level. The fireplace was updated with a new stone veneer and distressed wood mantel. The ceiling beams and popcorn texture were removed throughout to provide a modern, open feel. Custom details include a sliding barn door in the dining room (left). Double sliding glass doors walk out onto the deck and offer gorgeous sunset views.

The homeowners are thrilled with the results. "We feel absolutely comfortable in the house. I wouldn't have thought that my space could save me time, but it does. Everyone who comes in is just amazed."



Dining Room

Main Floor Bath

The remodel includes a stunning main floor bath transformation that features a walk-in shower with a frameless glass door and quartz bench, polished marble flooring and a gorgeous custom vanity with a polished quartz countertop. *Photos: Brandon Rowell*



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Bath BEFORE



Bath AFTER

Assess Your Home's Efficiency

Determine what you can do to make your home more energy efficient—and save money on your energy bills this year.



Air Leaks

Stopping or minimizing drafts can save on annual energy costs. Some places to inspect where air commonly seeps from homes include gaps around baseboards, wall and ceiling junctures, electrical outlets, switch plates, window frames, weather stripping, fireplace dampers, attic doors, window-mounted air conditioners and foundation seals.

On your home's exterior, look at the areas where two different building materials meet, such as corners and areas where siding or brick come together with chimneys or the foundation. If you can rattle windows or see daylight around door or window frames, you likely are losing air.

Once you've identified the leaks, seal them with caulk, weather stripping or the same material as the original seal. You can also attach plastic sheets around your windows.

Heating and Cooling Equipment

Inspect your heating and cooling equipment. See if ducts and pipes located in unheated spaces and your water heater and hot water pipes are insulated. Dirt streaks around your ductwork, especially near the seams, are evidence of leaks.

Have your equipment checked and cleaned by a professional annually. If you have a forced-air furnace, replace your filters as soon as they are dirty or every 30 to 60 days.

Insulation



In older homes especially, you may have insufficient insulation in the ceiling and walls. Your attic door should be insulated and close tightly. Openings around pipes, ductwork and chimneys should be sealed. Look for a vapor barrier—tarpaper or a plastic sheet—under the attic insulation. To check your walls, make a small hole in a closet or other out-of-the-way place and probe into the wall with a long stick or screwdriver. If it's an outside wall, the area should be completely filled with an insulating material.

Fill the gaps in any openings with expanding foam. Flexible caulk should be used to seal any electrical boxes in the ceiling. If your home lacks a vapor barrier, consider painting interior ceilings with vapor barrier paint. This reduces the amount of water vapor that can pass through the ceiling, which reduces your insulation's effectiveness.

Lighting



Look at the bulbs in your home and determine if a lower-watt bulb would work just as well for your needs. For lights that will be used more than two hours each day, replace your incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs and you can save up to 75% of the energy used for lighting. *Source: nahb.org*



A home energy audit will show you where your home is losing energy, how efficient your heating and cooling systems are and ways to conserve electricity. All it takes is a thorough inspection of the areas listed here and keeping a checklist of the problems you found.

In the News *In case you missed it...*

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SUN Newspapers 2019 Readers' Choice Awards

Plekkenpol Builders has been awarded the 2019 Readers' Choice Award for **"Best Remodeling Company"** by SUN Newspapers readers in Bloomington and Excelsior!

The annual Readers' Choice Award is a contest that is published online and in the SUN Newspapers. The awards are voted on by readers and given to individuals that exemplify excellence in their field. We are proud to have once again received this award, and we would like to thank everyone who voted for us!



"Best of Houzz" Customer Satisfaction Award

For the fifth year in a row, Plekkenpol Builders has received the **"Best of Houzz" Award for Customer Satisfaction**. Houzz.com, a website and online community forum, features photos, articles and advice to help people plan and design their homes. This award was given to Plekkenpol Builders for being rated at the highest level for client satisfaction by the Houzz community. Our photos have been added more than 1,000 times to ideabooks on Houzz!

In addition, Plekkenpol Builders has received the **"Houzz Influencer"** badge, given to those whose knowledge and advice is highly valued by the Houzz community.

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Friday, January 25–
Sunday, January 27



**Minneapolis Home
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U.S. Bank Stadium
Booth #1008

www.minneapolishomeandremodelingshow.com

Saturday, March 16

**Eden Prairie Home, Landscape
& Garden “Everything Spring”
Expo**

Grace Church

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Friday, March 29–
Sunday, March 31

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Minneapolis Convention Center
Booth #2149 (Near the Feature Gardens)
www.homeandgardenshow.com

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SHOW**



Saturday, March 30

**Woodbury Community
Expo 2019**

East Ridge High School
4200 Pioneer Drive
10 am–4 pm • Free Admission!
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