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Focused on Community...

It's hard to believe that we are once again headed into another season of falling leaves in [Michigan](#). While Michigan has undergone many changes in the last few years, the seasons continue on with their normal flow from a beautiful summer into a colorful fall. We hope you enjoyed all of the sunshine bestowed upon us this past summer. What a great season we had for enjoying everything Michigan has to offer... our endless miles of shoreline, beautiful national parks and continuous activities in the cities and suburbs!

Well, 2010 couldn't be more different from 2009 at [MainStreet](#). We have been busier than ever building additions, new kitchens, bathrooms and designing many exciting projects coming up this winter! A wonderful example of this is featured in our "Project Spotlight." Take a look at how we added a small addition to this Poppleton Park home, but gave the homeowners a wealth of beautiful new space!

In addition to our normal workload, we are proud to show off the pictures of the Habitat for Humanity home that we helped build this summer in Pontiac. Once again, Steve took to the field with Dwain and our carpentry staff to spend a couple of days giving back to our community. If you ask them, they receive just as much as the new homeowners in feelings of a job well done.

We'd also like to introduce you to the new voice on the phone. Julie Mueller has joined our team and is now leading our office into 2011! Also, stay tuned because 2011 is a BIG year at MainStreet - we are surpassing the double decade mark!! Look out for your upcoming invite to our 20th anniversary party.

As always, we appreciate your business and welcome the opportunity to help you and your friends create a beautiful and functional home, right in this community.

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Spotlight Project: Poppleton Park Kitchen and Addition



This early 20th century Poppleton Park home originally had a small eat in kitchen. The renovation included an addition off the rear of the home that gave the homeowner additional garage storage, plus an entrance from the garage into a new laundry and mud room that now leads to the new kitchen and patio. The breakfast nook had a lowered ceiling which lent itself to a beautiful limestone oversized hearth to surround the commercial Wolf range. As a result of eliminating the nook area, the island was designed for comfortable seating with a Grothouse 3 ½" thick cherry countertop. The custom, glazed, inset cabinetry, by Plato Woodwork, was designed to fit into the traditional style of the home.



Beautiful new mud room with the convenience of first floor laundry



The custom limestone hearth surround adds a stately focal point

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A generous kitchen for entertaining



A stunning exterior that blends with the existing architecture of the home

MainStreet Team Volunteers for Habitat For Humanity

For over ten years, MainStreet Design Build has volunteered our carpenters for hands-on work, as well as raised money for Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County (HFHOC). This year, we continued this tradition.

The entire team of carpenters worked for Habitat's Blitz Build on a home in Pontiac Michigan June 22nd and 23rd. We also one of Habitat's "World's Biggest House Party" events which raised \$3,000 for the organization! If you attended this



Brad Irwin of Habitat for Humanity with Christine and Steve Ramaekers

event thank you for your support. Hour magazine was on hand capturing the event - [click here to see the event photos.](#)

"If Habitat for Humanity had a hall of fame in Oakland County, MainStreet Design Build would be in it. They are in a class by themselves when it comes to creativity, generosity, skill, and verve. Habitat for Humanity homeowners are very grateful," said Brad Irwin, Director of Partnerships at Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County.

Hard at Work - The Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build



Steve does some heavy lifting



Dwain surveys the project



Marq doing his part



Kyle lending a hand

Welcome Julie Mueller!



We are pleased to announce the addition of Julie Mueller to the MainStreet Design Build team. As our Office Manager, Julie comes to us with a strong background in accounting, human resources and management. She considers herself a "systems person" and we look forward to her contributions to the team.

"When I first met with Steve and Christine, I was really excited about the job. It was very clear they were focused on quality and professionalism in what they do. I am very excited to be joining a team that works so well together," said Julie.

Julie and her husband Rob have 2 black cats named Mickey & Oliver. She has been singing since she was a child, has fronted several bands, and has even sung The National Anthem at Joe Louis Arena! She is currently the lead singer of Motor City Wranglers, a country/rock band. Julie is also an avid softball player. Welcome Julie!

Plato's Power Cabinetry Promotion

Take 10% through October 31, 2010



Plato Woodwork, our custom cabinetry partner, has just super charged their POWER Promotion!


Orders received through October 31, 2010 will receive 10% off the entire order! As cabinetry is one of the larger expenses in a kitchen remodel, the savings can really add up!

Give us a call at 248-644-6330 to discuss how we can help you take advantage of these savings for your next project!

Before and After in The Birmingham Eagle!

We're so excited to show a before and after with our team in this beautiful Poppleton Park residence! Keep your eye out for our ad in the Birmingham Eagle and thank you for sharing the MainStreet Design Build name in our community.



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