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## **Main Street Design Build Named NARI 2010 Contractor of the Year (CotY)**

**BIRMINGHAM, MI - February 9, 2010** -The National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) named Birmingham Michigan's own MainStreet Design Build Regional Contractor of the Year (CotY) in the category of Residential Exterior Under \$100,000.

"This project also included a complete kitchen remodel and reconfiguration of the second floor to create a master closet," said Steve Ramaekers, President of MainStreet Design Build. "The highest level of craftsmanship was used to re-work the copper shingled roof and hand-glazed true masonry stucco exterior. The blue stone patio included a built-in custom fire pit surrounded by a stone wall with a 2" thick flamed blue stone coping. The result is stunning in both the internal and exterior spaces," he adds.



Contractors from seven regions around the country vie for CotY Awards on an annual basis, and all regional winners will be eligible for National CotY Awards at NARI's Evening of Excellence on April 10 at the Wyndham Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona. Most projects submitted for judging were an improvement or an addition to an existing structure, with the exception of one category, "Residential Exterior Specialty." Otherwise, new construction projects were not eligible. In addition, competing projects were completed between July 1 of 2008 and November 30 of 2009 (a 17-month time period) and were not submitted in prior NARI National contests. Judging for regional awards took place at the Association's national headquarters in Des Plaines, Illinois, in early January. An impartial panel of judges who are experts within the industry and associated fields, selected winners based on each entrant's "before and after" photography and project description. Judging was based on problem solving, functionality, aesthetics, craftsmanship, innovation, degree of difficulty and entry presentation.

Trophies will be awarded at the Evening of Excellence at the Wyndham Phoenix on April 10, 2010, where National CotY Winners and Achievement Award Winners will also be announced and awarded. The Evening of Excellence is widely considered to be the premier event of the year in the remodeling industry. It will be attended by more than 350 of the industry's elite.

To be considered for a CotY Award, a company must be a NARI member in good standing. NARI members represent an elite group from the approximately 800,000 companies and individuals in the U.S. identifying themselves as remodelers.

MainStreet Design Build was also a 2006 CotY winner and a 2005 recipient of Remodeling Magazine's Big50 award.

For more information about the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) please visit <http://www.nari.org>.

### **ABOUT MAINSTREET DESIGN BUILD**

Based in Birmingham MI, MainStreet Design Build is a full service design through construction firm serving the metro-Detroit area since 1991. The in-house design team and staff of licensed carpenters offer residential clients innovative solutions for award winning additions, kitchen and bathroom transformations, custom home designs, and a handyman division for smaller projects. For more information visit [www.mainstreetdesignbuild.com](http://www.mainstreetdesignbuild.com).