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Gallagher Remodeling Joins Big50 "Hall of Fame"

This spring, Gallagher Remodeling was selected by Remodeling Magazine as one of the nation's top 50 remodeling companies for 2003. The "Big 50" is like a "hall of fame" for remodeling companies, and is an especially important honor for us since the selection process is so rigorous. Companies are nominated by clients, industry consultants, or fellow companies in the remodeling industry. Once a company is nominated, clients are called, numbers are scrutinized, key employees are interviewed, and if all passes muster, the company is selected to join the elite group of 50 well-run companies. Roger Gallagher received the award on behalf of his company at a reception held in Washington, D.C. during the Remodeling Leadership Conference. We've attached a reprint from the May 2003 issue of Remodeling Magazine so you can read all about it!



We hope that the award is meaningful for our customers, employees, subcontractors and vendors because it recognizes in Gallagher Remodeling the values we strive for in our business: the highest level of dedication to customer service and quality for our clients, employees and work associates.

We celebrated the Big50 Award with an open house on June 12 at the office for clients, employees, and subcontractors. We were pleased that so many of you were able to stop by at our Big50 celebration party. We hosted over thirty people for drinks and hors d'oeuvres, and it was nice to share the honor with so many well-wishers.

Plan Now for Winter/Spring Projects

Every Fall we put out the word to make sure clients know that now is an excellent time to call us about indoor projects that are perfect for winter, or to begin planning for large projects that you'd like to start in the spring. Remodelers love nothing better than good indoor projects than can fill the winter business "lull."

Take advantage of this great time to remodel a bath or update a kitchen. And if there is a large project in your future, an addition, or something that involves opening your house to the elements, it is not too early to begin planning now for a summer completion date. Call us at 617-489-1959 to get on our schedule!

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Lead Carpenter Achieves Certification

Congratulations to Bill Curdo, Lead Carpenter at Gallagher Remodeling, for passing the Certified Lead Carpenter (CLC) course this spring. The CLC program is part of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) certification program which for the last decade has been providing the remodeling industry with a formalized standard of expertise, knowledge, and ethical conduct among professional remodelers. The CLC certification is the culmination of eight weeks of study and testing on technical carpentry skills, building code, project management, client communication, customer service, and NARI code of ethics.

Bill Curdo (right) receives his CLC Certificate from Bill Farnsworth, Instructor, and Dan Taddei, NARI National Director of Education



Remodeling Trends: *Your Bathroom—the biggest little room in the house*

Older New England homes often do not afford enough space for large bathrooms, and many New Englanders still have the practical Yankee attitude of, “why do I need all that space and those fancy fixtures in a room where I spend so little time?”

On the other hand, many homeowners are asking for more spacious and luxurious bathrooms. They want to create a space where they can relax and take refuge from the stress of daily life. And they want enough room to accommodate a large tub, custom shower enclosure and maybe even a separate space for the toilet.

The good news is that there are now so many options in fixture types and styles and so many levels of quality and price, that you can choose exactly what’s right for you.

installation, it’s easy to see how the price of remodeling a bathroom can be a shock. Most people today can expect to spend anywhere from \$20-30,000 on a typical



Master bath packed with features, including a radiator that doubles as a towel warmer/rack.

Whether you decide to maintain the current size of your bathroom, or steal some space from a closet or adjacent bedroom, know in advance that by the square foot, a bathroom can be the most expensive remodeling project in your house. Tile, flooring, bathtubs, faucets, shower enclosures, sinks, vanities, medicine cabinets, and toilets can all be expensive. And when you add in the cost of plumbers, electricians, carpentry and tile

high-quality bathroom remodeling project.

If you’re thinking of remodeling your bathroom, we will be happy to help you understand the expense involved and give you guidance throughout the planning process to make sure you get a great new bathroom, a smooth remodeling project, and a good return on your investment.