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As the technology bandwagon continuously intrigues us with thermostatic controls and “smart appliances” that we control remotely, we can become accustomed to a sort of carefree living. The less “manual” our homes are the less we think about them.

I remember watching a documentary about Princess Anne, the equestrian

champion and member of the British Royal Family. She regularly cleaned up after and cared for her own horse. It was, she said, “the best way to really know her horse”. This reminded me of our homes. If we want to have systems working efficiently, we often need to tackle its care on our own.

Our homes often only receive servicing when something fails. Caring for our homes regularly results in better, more efficient operations and extends the service life. Many codes today mandate systems in our new homes that greatly improve the comfort and safety of our homes, but they need servicing.

In this issue of Boyer BuildUP, I lay out in the To DO list, a couple neglected service issues we often forget when it comes to our furnace.

Best wishes to you all and have a nice spring.
Respectfully,


Bob Boyer

March 29 – 31
Boyer Remodelers Showcase #R24
18224 Hermitage Way
Minnetonka, MN
batc.org/page/
Remodelers_Showcase

April 4, 7 p.m.
Wayzata Reads with
Author Ken Krueger
Comm Room
Wayzata City Hall
wayzata.org

April 7
Various Sundays and
some weekdays
Yoga in the Garden
MN Landscape Arboretum
.arboretum.umn.edu/
yoga.aspx

April 27 – May 12
Scarlett Pimpernell
Minnetonka Theatre
Minnetonkatheatre.com

May 22 – Sept. 25
Tuesdays, 2 - 6 pm
Excelsior Farmers’ Market
Water Street downtown
Excelsior. Rain or Shine.
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chamber.com/excelsior-
farmers-market.html

June 8 & 9
Art on the Lake
Commons Park in
Excelsior
excelsior-lake
minnetonkachamber.
com/excelsior-art-on-
the-lake.html

June 22 & 23
Wayzata Art Experience
wayzataartexperience.
com

July 18 – July 21
Excelsior Crazy Days
excelsior-lake
minnetonkachamber.
com/crazy-days.html

July 24 – 28
The Light in the Piazza
Minnetonka Theatre
Studio Theatre
Minnetonkatheatre.com

Update

on the cover



This charming 1969 colonial home needed an update from the foyer to the dining room and kitchen. Check out the entire project, but especially this beautiful kitchen which boasts cabinetry by Serenade Cabinetry with a walnut island, hardwood floors and Cambria countertops. Stop by the Remodelers Showcase, March 29-31, #R24.

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Our homeowners had purchased an exceptional property on Lake Minnetonka hoping to turn it into their primary residence, but the often remodeled 1970's home made it difficult to envision the possibilities. While the home was positioned nearly perfectly on the lot to appreciate the lake views and the south-facing yard, it was dated by curved and angled walls, low ceilings, and a dearth of light.

The south elevation of the home had already attempted to capitalize on the lake views and sunlight, but had stopped short of its full potential. We reframed the southern walls to maximize the glass in the patio doors and windows. More windows and a new glass door were also added to the front entry contributing to the open and airy feel of the home.

The interior of the home was opened up by removing

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This Boyer remodeling project has the homeowners very happy as well as our design team pleased with the outcome and the overall beauty of the project.

When they reached out to Boyer Building Corporation on the recommendation of a friend, they had already explored several different approaches to remodeling the home and had even considered tearing it down and rebuilding. None of the concepts for remodeling had captured their imagination.

After inspecting the existing home and spending time getting to know the homeowners' tastes and goals, John Boyer produced a design that kept everything that was great about the home and eliminated most of its downside resulting in a spectacular nautical-themed lake home. The design for the remodeling focused on increasing the site-lines to the lake, opening up the interior of the home as much as possible, and brightening up the décor.

soffits and a knee-wall railing.

By adding a new raised beam and glass railings we were able to dramatically open up and connect these two spaces. The other dramatic improvement to this living space was the addition of a vaulted ceiling on the main level. Trusses were added and wrapped and left exposed as decorative beams. Finally, the kitchen was opened up and combined with the rest of the main level living space making it truly open-concept.

In order to fully abandon the dark and dated style of the old home, new, updated lighting in addition to a bright palette was the final touch that made the home extremely light and breezy. All of the white surroundings allow the furnishings and decorations of the space to pop with vibrance and color.



Take a dive into the deep blue

In fashion, color trends vary with the seasons but for interior design, we look for long-term classic colors that will stand the test of time and your investment. Navy blue is one of those colors that is wildly fashionable and "trendy", but it is a long-term classic color whose peak in popularity will last for a long time.

Overall, as the economy strengthens and homeowners experience confidence in their current and long-term financial condition, color trends tend to mature and become more sophisticated.

Navy blue is one color to specifically take note of as it makes its way into more and more interiors. It continues to be a go-to color for nautical inspired decor which is perhaps a nod to its longevity and why it persists in fashion and interior palettes year after year.

Navy blue is a color we expect to see long term for interior design palettes. It offers a stunning contrast for very popular white painted cabinetry and looks beautiful with gray tones as well as stained finishes.

Deep navy blue within all areas of the home is beautiful as an accent or as a main color. Hardware and metal finishes in either a nickel finish or a brushed brass finish are stunning with blue painted finishes.

One of the reasons this color will stand the test of time is that it works so well with popular neutral color schemes of gray, white, taupe or beige. It can work well with traditional-inspired interiors, as well as transitional and modern.



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There are a myriad of ways to incorporate deep blues hues into your home. This can start from the moment one walks in the door of a home, with a beautiful navy blue front door. Or maybe you need some colorful motivation in your home office, or kitchen. Don't be afraid to bring in color that motivates and grounds you in your work space, no matter where in the house it is.

With Dura Supreme Cabinetry's Personal Paint Match program, it is not difficult to find just the perfect hue you can use to update your home!

Now you know how easy it is to infuse a little or a lot of blue into your home.



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Above: Dura Supreme Cabinetry's "Toast" or "Cappuccino" stain



Above: Dura Supreme Cabinetry shown in St. Augustine door style in Sherwin Williams "Salty Dog" (SW 9177) paint color. Featuring "Frosty Carina" from Caesarstone countertop.

With spring here and the heavy snow packed winter behind us, it's time to turn our attention to our home and recovery mode after Old Man Winter had us caged in. Below are just a few tips on having your furnace working efficiently for the next cold blast.

- Replacing the furnace filters regularly in the spring will extend the service life of your furnace blower and improve the comfort of your home. If you set your thermostat to "continuous fan", you may want to replace the furnace filter more frequently.
- Most homes today that are two years or less in age, have an HRV or heat recovery ventilator installed. While these devices vary in their method of installation, they are all designed to make the air in your home fresher and safer (few home owners even know how they work or service them.) Here's some detailed hints to make sure your servicing is done correctly.
 - Unplug the unit before servicing.
 - Dirty or clogged filters can lower ventilation efficiency. You should clean or replace your filters every 2 months. Fortunately, if your HRV is easily accessible, this takes only 5 minutes to do. Filters in most new HRVs can be easily removed, vacuumed, and washed with mild soap and water.
 - Remove leaves, waste paper or other items that might be blocking the air intake outside the home.
 - Next winter, remember to clear away any snow or frost buildup blocking the vents.

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