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Pittsburgh contractor won 3 awards in December 2008

church interior before



interior & exterior after



(PITTSBURGH)— In December 2008, Regis McQuaide and Master Remodelers, his Castle Shannon-based company, got three design and construction remodeling commendations for his work in the region.

The repurposing of a century-old Washington County church into a home for a senior citizen won two awards:

1. **Large Renovation**, over \$50K— Post-Gazette “Renovation Inspiration Contest” Finalist
2. **Best Kitchen Renovation**, under \$50k— Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh

In addition, McQuaide’s company won an award for a major bathroom renovation for a home Mt. Lebanon:

3. **Best Bath Renovation**, over \$50k— Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh

The major renovation of the church into a home included many innovative elements: an open space design, many “aging in place” accessibility features and a gallery environment for the owner’s antiques and artwork. In addition, the project incorporated “green” features: high efficiency heating and cooling system, ceiling fans to reduce heating and cooling costs, high performance low-e glazing and ceilings lowered to 12’ for insulation (and scale).

The Mt. Lebanon bathroom renovation treated an empty nester couple to a master bathroom by consolidating 4 fragmented spaces into one spacious, luxury bath. Working within the shell of the historic house saved money that could be spent on custom-built cabinetry, mirrors, trim and a storage dresser, as well as white subway wall tile and pinwheel mosaics with glass accents.

Also Went “Green” in 2008

In August 2008 Regis McQuaide, founder of Master Remodelers, was officially granted Certified Building Analyst status. He had passed a rigorous 2-week home science-engineering-technology course, including field and written tests. Now, he and the business are certified to “deliver whole-house energy savings to improve comfort while reducing home energy use.” (see details in footnote) McQuaide is one of only 8 contractors in the Pittsburgh area certified as a “PA Home Energy Service Provider.”



www.pahomeenergy.com



www.energystar.gov

And Celebrated 20 years in 2008

It all started 20 years ago when Regis had a bad experience with a remodeling contractor and said to his wife “I can do better than that.” Since then Regis and his crews have remodeled more than 1,000 homes in Allegheny County. Regis believes strongly in the synergy and efficiency of being a “design and build” contractor, employing his own designer who also holds multiple certifications, including Certified Green Professional.

Regis is a Certified Graduate Remodeler; a member of the Green Building Alliance, American Society of Interior Designers, Building Performance Institute; a board member of the Pittsburgh Builders Association... and a former Michigan State Big 10 Conference Champion and Philadelphia Eagles football player.

* NOTE: Certification according to the standards of the Building Performance Institute (BPI) and the Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET), as well as [PA Home Energy](http://www.pahomeenergy.com) and [ENERGY STAR](http://www.energystar.gov).

FACT SHEET

Regis McQuaide, president

Certified Graduate Remodeler, National Association of Home Builders (NAHB)
Certified Building Analyst, Building Performance Institute
Energy Rater, Residential Energy Services Network
B.A., Communications, Michigan State University

Junko Higashibeppu, designer and project manager

Certified Kitchen Designer, National Kitchen & Bath Association
Certified Graduate Remodeler, NAHB
Certified Green Professional, NAHB
B.A., Architecture, Tokai University (Tokyo, Japan)

Crews: The company employs 15-20 craftsmen and construction professionals, depending on the season. Since its founding in 1988, it has remodeled more than 1,000 homes in Allegheny county.

MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Interior Designers, *committee member*
Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh, *board member*
Building Performance Institute
Green Building Alliance
National Association of Home Builders
National Kitchen and Bath Association
Pennsylvania Builders Association

AWARDS

Housing Excellence Award— Best Bath Renovation, over \$50,000, Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh
Housing Excellence Award— Best Kitchen Renovation, under \$50,000, Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh
Renovation Inspiration Contest— Large Renovation, Finalist, more than \$50,000, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
The Big 50— one of the 50 best remodeling companies in the US, *Remodeling Magazine*
Kitchen Renovation of the Year— Kitchens over \$50,000, Builders Associations of Metropolitan Pittsburgh
Custom Addition of the Year— Honorable Mention for Additions \$100,000 - \$250,000, Builders Associations of Metropolitan Pittsburgh.
Achievements in Excellence— 2nd Place: Additions Over \$120,000, Remodelers Council.
Achievements in Excellence— 1st Place: Best Exterior Over \$25,000, Remodelers Council.
Achievements in Excellence— Best Specialty Project, Remodelers Council.
Achievements in Excellence— Best Interior Renovation, Remodelers Council.
Remodeler of the Year— Design & Construction, National Association of the Remodeling Industry
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Brookside Lumber	Colucci Tile & Marble
Crescent Kitchen and Bath	Dacor Appliances
Don's Appliances	Ferry Electric
Kohler Plumbing Fixtures	Marvin Windows & Doors
O'Donnell Plumbing	Velux Skylights