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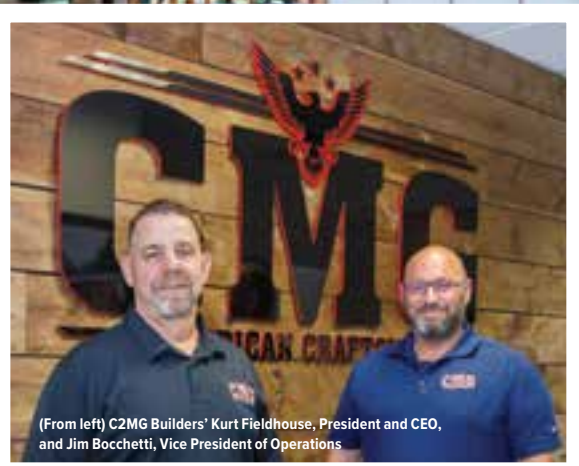
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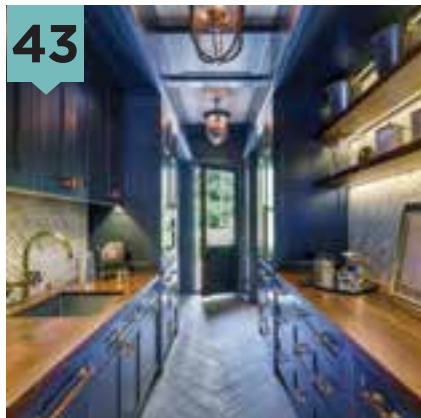
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This month's builder, Kurt Fieldhouse, President and CEO of C2MG Builders, is highly recognized in the industry. I've known Kurt for over 20 years. He was on the cover of the magazine with his builder, Arthur Massaro of Columbia Contracting Corp., where he was Managing Supervisor. The company's motto is "Lead by Serving." That motto shines through in his highly skilled craftsmen, strong leadership and respect for the artisans he has used to make up the company for years.

It's very exciting and rewarding for me to have featured a lot of the subs and suppliers in this issue for almost 30 years, including JJ Hardwood Floors, Inc., Northern Lights Painting Company, Inc., Nine Points Woodworking, Sully & Sons and many more. I'll share one thing that happened on the jobsite doing this issue: Bob Sully had me meet him on a jobsite while he was framing for another builder. He came out proudly holding the reprint I made for him in 1998. "I got this job because of you and this reprint," he said. "Yes," the builder said, "he did."

I know many of you know me after almost 30 years and how strict I am about putting builders, architects, subs and suppliers in the magazine if they haven't been recommended. I'm also PROUD I've kept the same highly respected and skilled group in the magazine for almost 30 years.

I am a true TRADE MAGAZINE for builders, remodelers, architects, interior designers, designers, subs and suppliers.

It's sad news that architect Peter Smith suddenly passed away Aug. 26. Peter attended the Boston Architectural Center while working at Shepley Bulfinch. He founded the award-winning firm Campbell/Smith in Duxbury with his wife, Pamela Campbell. Campbell/Smith was a recipient in 2018 of the prestigious Bulfinch Award presented by the Institute of Classical Architecture and Art. I always loved spending a lot of time with Peter in his quaint office and learned a lot from him.

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Kurt and the boys at C2MG are top notch. The entire crew emulates the passion that Kurt brings to the site every day. It is always a positive experience collaborating on projects with him and the entire crew. He truly shows the pride in his work and the mantra of working hard and playing hard. No matter where it is – architect's office, site trailer or on a Harley – he always brings it. Congratulations Kurt – big ups my man.

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Traditional Japanese design elements in the Sukiya-zukuri style and a system of proportional measure based on the ken, the traditional Japanese unit of length, are combined with regional vernacular building forms and materials.

PROJECT: Newburyport, MA
BUILDER: C2MG Builders
ARCHITECT: Merrimack Design Architects, PLLC

A Japanese house with expansive views over the Merrimack River and an estuary situated between a farm meadow on an Eastern white pine bluff. The contemporary house design interprets the owner's childhood memories of living in a small village in Japan.

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To aid in the research for the construction of the Japanese home, the entire team at C2MG, along with Greg Colling, founding partner of Merrimack Design Architects, LLC, visited the Kyo no Machia (Merchants Townhome) built in Kyoto, Japan, in the late 1800s and re-assembled at the Boston Children's Museum and opened to the public in 1980. This visit inspired a shift in traditional building methods and means needed to execute on the architects' Japanese-inspired design intent. As well, the entire design team, including Greg Colling, Roger Washburn, Owner, Roger Washburn Landscape Architecture, the homeowners and Kurt, flew to the Shofuso Japanese House and Garden in Philadelphia to further research methods and means for the construction of the house. Many of the details that made it into the house were inspired by this visit.

SUCCESS IS BORN of boundless passion and a deep respect for the work. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the culture and workmanship at C2MG Builders, founded and led by Kurt Fieldhouse. Whether building a custom-designed new home or undertaking a historic restoration or a commercial build-out, C2MG consistently delivers outstanding service to their clients, on time and on budget.

Kurt and his team bring old-world processes, values and artistry to modern-day architecture and construction.

“We have found that thinking outside the box combined with the use of time-tested skills and craft, leads to an unparalleled experience for our clients,” Kurt said. “Even something as simple as installing a window requires constantly integrating and upgrading your knowledge, which we do through ongoing professional training, using the latest technologies and good, old-fashioned teamwork. This approach results in a high-quality product.”



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The kitchen was designed to be minimalistic yet functional.



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Contemporary bathroom with views of the Merrimack River and woods



The master bedroom on the first floor features a fir ceiling.

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Office of the homeowner



The woodwork, casework and trim were all installed by C2MG Builders.





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With a company model of “Lead by Serving,” Kurt and Jim Bocchetti, Vice President of Operations, said that positive client experience is the core of their success.

“We value our clients and want to make sure that they know, like and trust us on every level of the job,” Jim said. “We need to be good stewards of their investment.”

Teamwork, though, is where it all begins. Kurt and his leadership team strive for a positive and collaborative company culture, understanding that loyalty leads to loyalty. Happy customers start with satisfied employees. Many of the team’s craftsmen have been with Kurt from the beginning of C2MG. The company values and reciprocates their commitment. This contributes to stronger relationships with clients, enabling the team to complete projects more efficiently and resulting in a project that will last for decades.

For Kurt, his own training began when he enlisted and served as an Army paratrooper before enrolling in the North Bennet Street School as a carpenter’s apprentice. After receiving his diploma, he went to work for Columbia Contracting Corp. Over the next 12 years, he gained

invaluable experience and honed the carpentry and leadership skills that became the foundation for C2MG Builders, named for his four children.

To Kurt, service and leadership are the basic components of being a good partner in any network, whether at work or in the community. Kurt and Jim try to give back however and whenever they can. It’s especially gratifying to be able to use their building skill set to help when called upon, but equally satisfying to them is their annual participation in the Emmaus Cycle for Shelter, which raises funds for a local homeless shelter. It’s all part of being of service.

The most skilled workers can falter without strong leadership. Like any complex project, new home builds and renovations require solid, experienced leadership. The goal of the company’s Lead by Serving model is to give clients confidence in the team and its subcontractors. This approach to every project is what sets C2MG apart from its competitors.

As Kurt says, “We take the lead, so you don’t have to. Period. And that’s what it’s all about.”



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Built for the owner to have their traditional tea, the adjacent teahouse is 13 feet by 9 feet and faces the Merrimack River. The corners of the teahouse represent Respect, Purity, Harmony and Tranquility.



The C2MG team built a platform prior to construction so that the homeowners could get a feel for the actual view of the river from the detached tearoom. The teahouse footprint mock-up was also used to determine the least disturbance to the surrounding tree root systems. The number of holes for concrete pier footings were minimized and dug by hand.





PROJECT: Exeter, NH
BUILDER: C2MG Builders
ARCHITECT: Merrimack Design Architects, Greg Colling, PLLC

A traditional style historic home renovation that included an addition, mudroom, new kitchen and bathrooms. C2MG Builders introduced innovative, energy-efficient geothermal technology for the HVAC.



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New custom cabinetry was built for the renovation.

The grand stairs were restored.

C2MG is known for their custom details.

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New kitchen



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PROJECT: Sherborne, MA
BUILDER: C2MG Builders

A new full recording studio/music room, a pool addition, extensive landscaping and 8,000+ square feet of new building are included in this project.





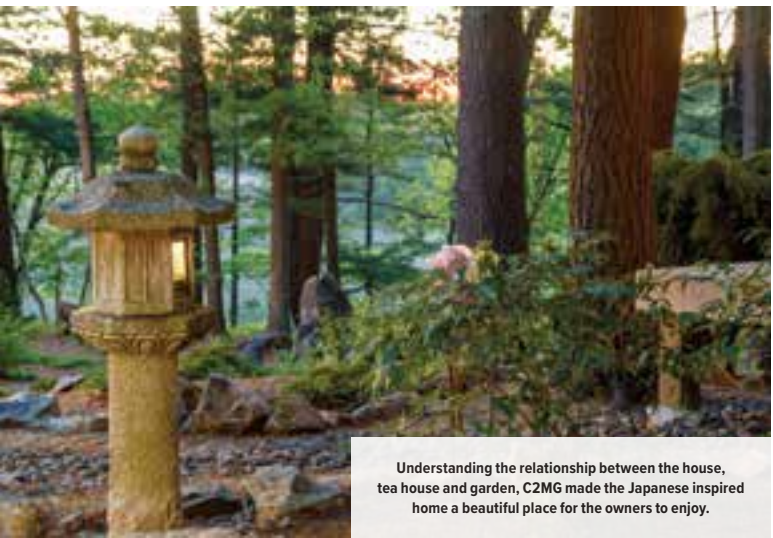
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A reminder of C2MG's mission is posted on each job site.

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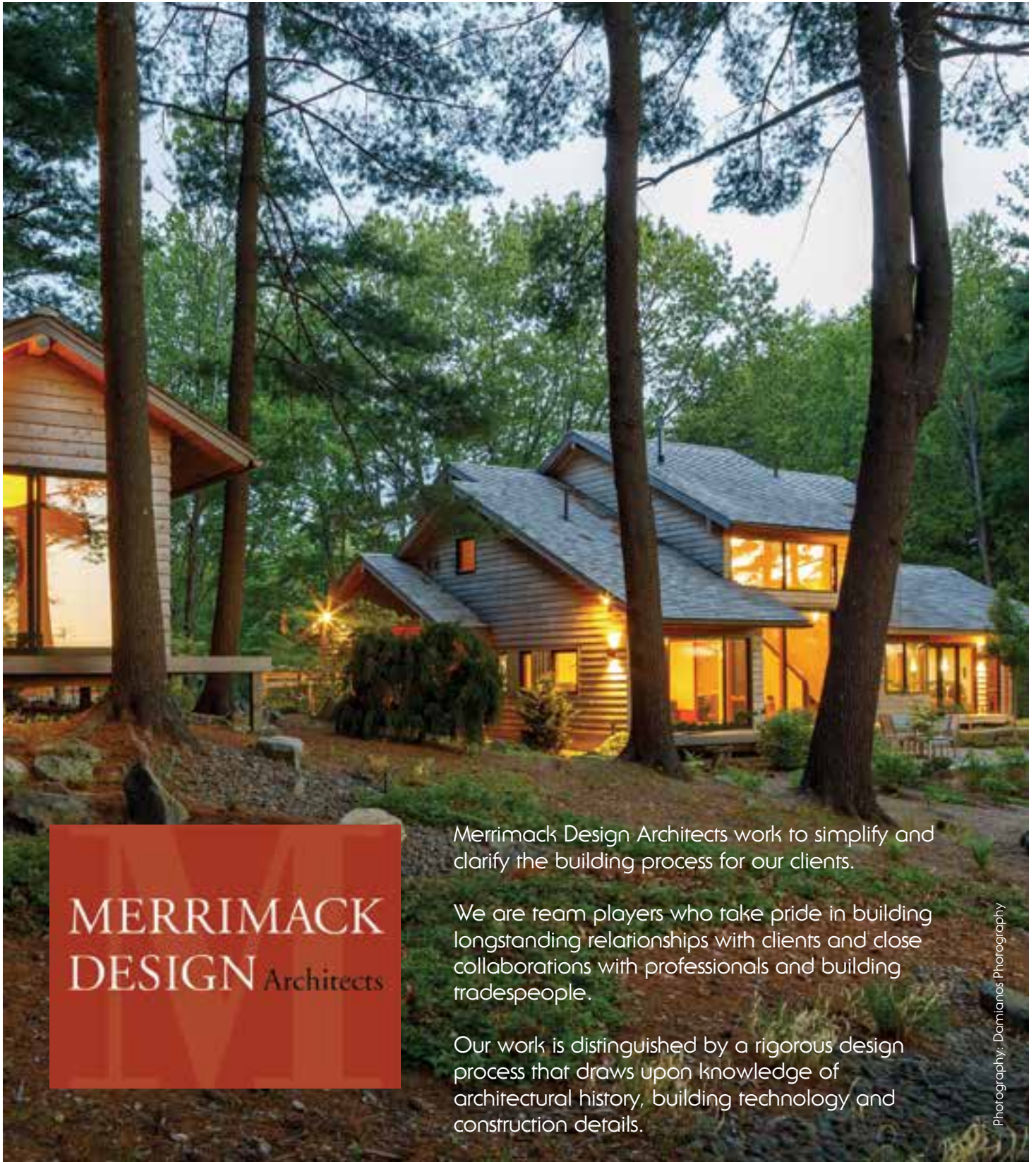
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Understanding the relationship between the house, tea house and garden, C2MG made the Japanese inspired home a beautiful place for the owners to enjoy.



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FOUNDED IN 1989, JJ Hardwood Floors has a passion for preserving hardwood's intrinsic beauty and value by installing and refinishing premium hardwood floors.

"At JJ Hardwood Floors, we understand the special process of making your dream home come to life," said owner Jay Bourgeois. "Part of that is crafting the right floor in the right space, and it is not a simple task."

The floor you choose is an integral part of how your space feels, a long-term investment in both the physical beauty and the practical aspects of living in your home. The right floor installer and refinisher has the ability to listen to what is important to you, and the skills to meet, and beat, your expectations. The team at JJ Hardwood Floors take great pride in this process; they are involved in every wood floor project from conception to completion.



A dining room featuring a wooden table and chairs on a red oak plank floor with walnut plugs. The room includes a bookshelf, a window, and a doorway leading to another room.

5" Red Oak plank, hand drilled and plugged with walnut plugs for country effect.

The number of hardwood choices, patterns, colors, textures, stains, dyes, sample woods and price points can intimidate even the most experienced shopper. Choosing your ideal hardwood floor is all about knowing the right combination of aesthetics, performance and budget that meet the needs of your lifestyle.

“Our team’s years of experience and knowledge adds value to every project,” Jay said.

They understand that every home has its own character whether a mountain lodge, an ocean retreat or a historic property; each needs to be treated differently. Do you want oak, contemporary, maple, a water base, or maybe a unique color? The team at JJ Hardwood Floors will work with the style of your home, listen to what you hope to achieve, then deliver every time.

If you’re building your dream home, Jay recommends involving JJ Hardwood Floors early in the planning process. When given a set of plans and specifications, and any inspirational photos, they can help you design your floors and give an accurate proposal.

“Our sample process is unique,” Jay said. “We provide a 2 feet by 3 feet sample board with a specific wood species that shows what the floor will look like when stained and finished with polyurethane. We do this six to eight months in advance.”

You can use that controlled sample board for matching fabrics or paint colors. The floors become central to making all the other finish choices, like granite counter tops, draperies or upholstery. This process might be repeated four or five times until the team gets just the right wood and the perfect finish.

Project: Chestnut Hill

The flooring was salvaged from an old barn that had been in a fire. The flooring is actually from the barn exterior sheathing. JJ Hardwood Floors took incredible care to choose each board carefully. During the sanding process, because the wood was so dry, the wood took seven coats of polyurethane. It took a week to sand and apply the first four coats. After that we had to wait two days in between each coat to get to the seventh coat.

BUILDER: C2MG Builders
JJ Hardwood Floors restored floor and stairs in this historic house.

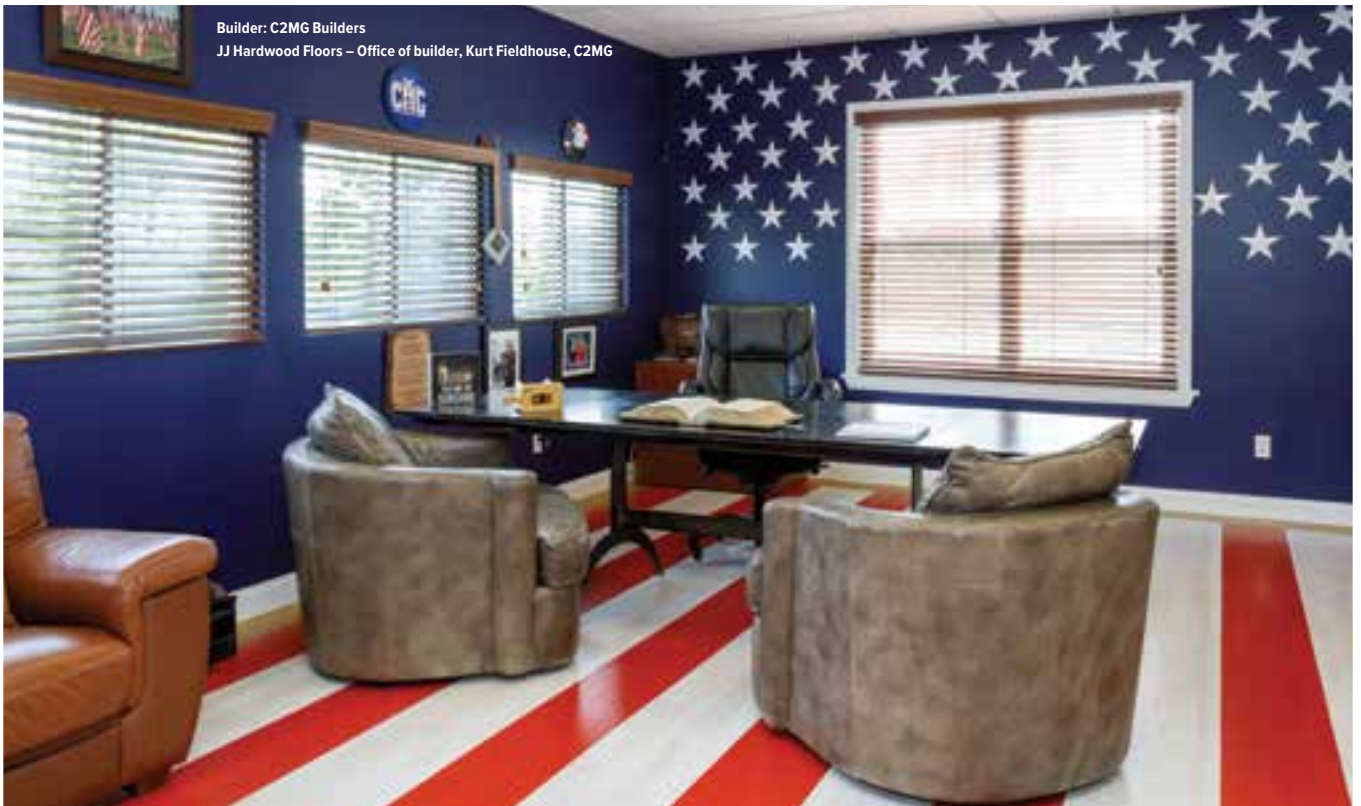
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JJ Hardwood Floors – Office of builder, Kurt Fieldhouse, C2MG

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“The reasons I like working with JJ Hardwood Floors are numerous. Jay brings a master craftsmen touch to the flooring business. Even the hardest detail work he has the expertise to perform. He is honest, and you can always depend on him.”

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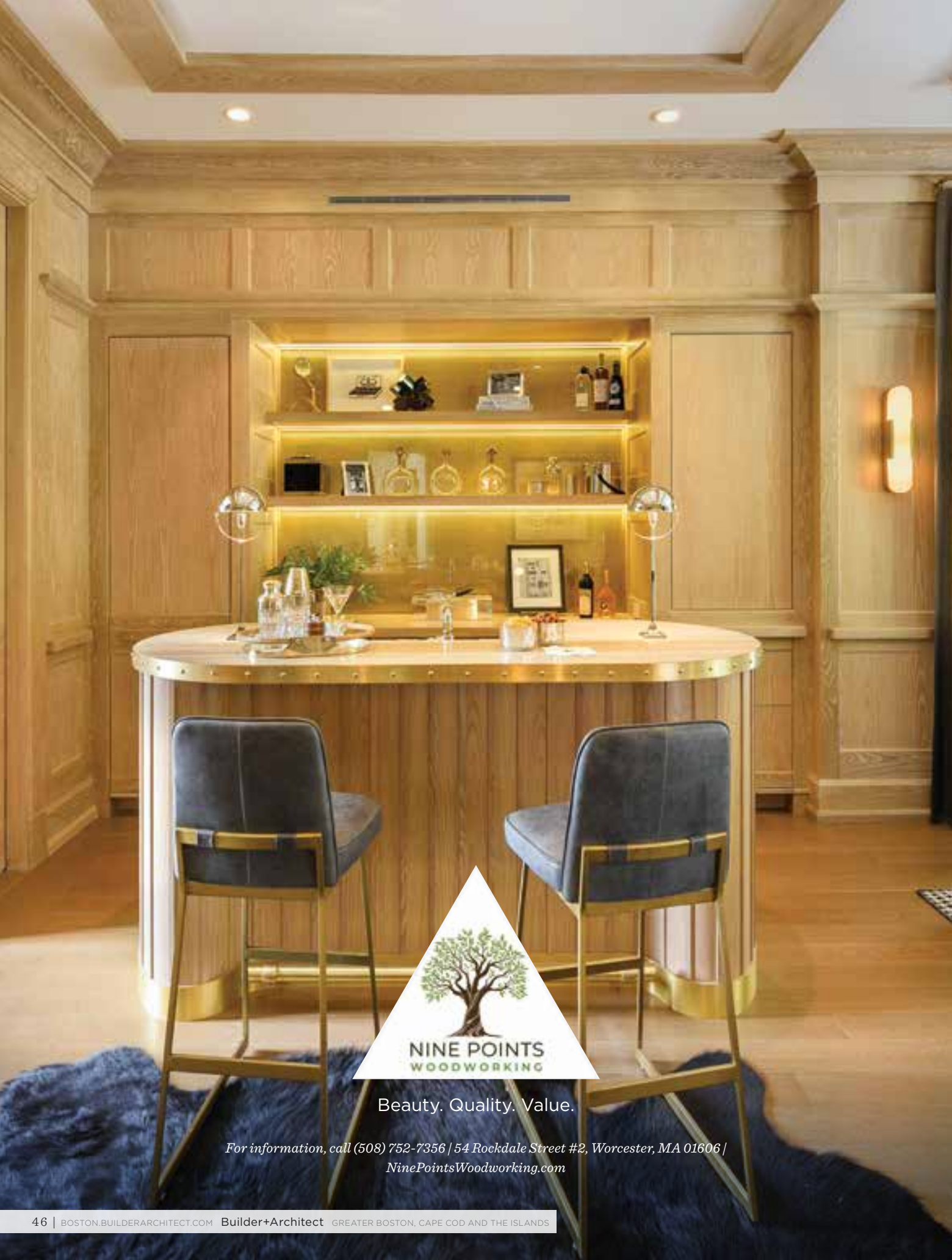
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The awards ceremony co-hosts were Taniya Nayak and Shannon Pastuszak.

The cocktail reception, dinner and awards ceremony began with John Trifone's opening remarks.



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“Always forward, never straight,” said Founder Thad Siemasko.

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Formerly Siemasko + Verbridge, SV Design has long been transforming clients' abstract ideas of a dream home or ideal commercial space into reality. The company has grown from a small residential design firm to a 40+ employee organization servicing residential, institutional and multifamily projects.

“The last 35 years have given us plenty of reasons to celebrate,” said Thad Siemasko, Founding Principal. “I have learned a lot over the years, but if you were to ask what the most important lesson has been, it’s ‘always forward, never straight.’ That’s how we do things at SV Design.”

Several notable milestones have paved the way for a successful 35-year venture, including the launch of interiors in 1999, which was led by New England Design Hall of Fame inductee Jean Verbridge, up until her recent retirement. Additionally, the firm opened a second office in Chatham in 2014, and established itself in the commercial sector.

“Our collaborative nature and engaged design team deliver a diversity of projects that have made us who we are today,” said Tobin Shulman, Principal. “We truly have the best clients and the best employees.”

SV Design recently won a BRAGB Prism Gold Award for its work on the Glenn T. MacLeod Cape Ann YMCA in Gloucester which was completed last year. In addition, SV Design earned a Chatham Historic Preservation Award for the extensive renovation and work on the Captain John Hammond Jr. House in Chatham. Other notable projects include the design of the Anchor Point affordable housing project in Beverly and the renovation of the Cabot Street YMCA, providing affordable housing in downtown Beverly. ■

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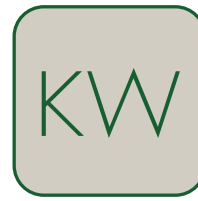
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