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Country Kitchen Adds New Heart to Vacaville Ranch Home

After nineteen years in their Vacaville Ranch home, Maria and Roy Kikuyama decided it was time for a kitchen remodel. The couple cooks frequently and spends quite a bit of time gathering as a family in the kitchen with teenage son, Joshua, so they wanted to feel more comfortable in the space and be able to use it more efficiently. Maria had some ideas about design, and a few specific items on her wish list. *"I knew I wanted a country feel, not at all modern, but I did not want the look to be too 'cute',"* explains Maria, *"I also knew that I had to have a walk-in pantry!"*

awkwardness of some of the unusual angles in the room. The Kikuyamas also wanted to incorporate a walk-in pantry, a large apron sink, and a six burner gas stove in the design. The overall style was to be a new interpretation of "country"—traditional without being cliché.

Maria works at home three days per week, so she was in her home often during the remodeling process. From the start, she was impressed by the professional, open communication with everyone working on the project.

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To choose a remodeler, the Kikuyamas did a lot of research and sought recommendations from friends. They first discovered Fisher Construction when they saw the company brochure at Pearson's Appliances, where Fisher Construction displays a sample kitchen so people can see design and material ideas in person. Once they met with Fisher Construction, the Kikuyamas knew they had found the remodeler that was right for them.

"This was our first remodel and we were surprised and pleased by how smooth the process was," says Maria, *"Sometimes you hear negative stories about remodeling, but working with Fisher Construction, there were no surprises."*

The Kikuyamas appreciated that Fisher Construction was up front about all costs and timing issues throughout the remodeling process—from the planning stages to the successful completion of the project.

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"I just felt very comfortable with Pete [Valentino] and Tiffany [De Tomasi] from the very first meeting," Maria says. *"Tiffany had many excellent design ideas, while Peter talked about the project management overall. I felt like they made a very good team. The way they worked so well together inspired my confidence."*

The goals of the kitchen remodel were to create better use of the space and a more harmonious flow, eliminating the

"Fisher Construction was always accessible. They listened to all of our questions and ideas," says Maria. The remodel has strengthened the kitchen's position as the favorite room in the Kikuyamas' home—they feel more comfortable there than ever before. *"It seems fresh and new every time we walk into it. We spend even more time in the kitchen than we did before; we just love the way it feels."*

A Unique Way to Show Support for Our Troops

learn more about wearing red on fridays

Fisher Construction owner, Pete Valentino, received an email right before the holidays that inspired him so much he decided to share it with the readers of the Fisher Focus. Here is the text of the email. Let us know what you think! To learn more about Red Fridays and other ways to support US troops, visit <http://www.redonfridays.com>.

"Last week I was in Atlanta, Georgia attending a conference. While I was in the airport, returning home, I heard several people behind me beginning to clap and cheer. I immediately turned around and witnessed one of the greatest acts of patriotism I have ever seen. Moving through the terminal was a group of soldiers in their camos. As they began heading to their gate, everyone (well almost everyone) was abruptly to their feet with their hands waving and cheering.

When I saw the soldiers, probably 30-40 of them, being applauded and cheered for, it hit me. I'm not alone. I'm not the only red-blooded American who still loves this country and supports our troops and their families. Of course, I immediately stopped and began clapping for these young unsung heroes who are putting their lives on the line every day for us so we can go to school, work and home without fear of reprisal.

Just when I thought I could not be more proud of my country or of our service men and women, a young girl, not more than 6 or 7 years old, ran up to one of the male soldiers. He kneeled down and said 'hi.' The little girl then asked him if he would give something to her daddy for her.

The young soldier, who didn't look any older than maybe 22 himself, said he would try and what did she want to give to her daddy. Then suddenly the little girl grabbed the neck of this soldier, gave him the biggest hug she could muster and then kissed him on the cheek. The mother of the little girl, who said her daughter's name was Courtney, told the young soldier that her husband was a Marine and had been in Iraq for 11 months now. As the mom was explaining how much her daughter Courtney missed her father, the young soldier began to tear up.

When this temporarily single mom was done explaining her situation, all of the soldiers huddled together for a brief second. Then one of the other servicemen pulled out a military-looking walkie-talkie. They started playing with the device and talking back and forth on it. After about 10-15 seconds of this, the young soldier walked back over to Courtney, bent down and said this to her, 'I spoke to your daddy and he told me to give this to you.' He then hugged this little girl that he had just met and gave her a kiss on the cheek. He finished by saying 'your daddy told me to tell you that he loves you more than anything and he is coming home very soon.'

The mom at this point was crying almost uncontrollably and as the young soldier stood to his feet, he saluted Courtney and her mom. I was standing no more than six feet away from this entire event.

As the soldiers began to leave, heading toward their gate, people resumed their applause. As I stood there applauding and looked around, there were very few dry eyes, including my own. That young soldier, in one last act of selflessness, turned around and blew a kiss to Courtney with a tear rolling down his cheek.

We need to remember every day all of our soldiers and their families and thank God for them and their sacrifices. At the end of the day, it's good to be an American. Americans who support our troops used to be called the 'silent majority'. We are no longer silent, and are voicing our love for God, country and home in record breaking numbers.

Our idea of showing solidarity and support for our troops with dignity and respect continues each and every Friday until the troops all come home, sending a deafening message that every American who supports our men and women afar will wear something red.

By word of mouth, press, TV—let's make the United States on every Friday a sea of red much like a home-coming football game in the bleachers. If every one of us who loves this country will share this with acquaintances, co-workers, friends, and family, it will not be long before the USA is covered in red and it will let our troops know the once 'silent' majority is on their side more than ever—certainly more than the media lets on.

The first thing a soldier says when asked 'What can we do to make things better for you?' is ... 'We need your support and your prayers.' Let's get the word out and lead with class and dignity."

Fisher Construction Helps Festival of Trees During 2007 Holiday

Fisher Construction Project Manager Oscar Martinez helped deliver a tree to Vacaville's 2007 Festival of Trees, supporting the Opportunity House, which provides emergency shelter, food, and clothing to homeless Vacaville citizens.



Joyful Holiday Celebration at Fisher Construction Showroom

a good time was had by all at 2007 holiday party



Our annual holiday party welcomed a festive group of clients, staff, subcontractors and friends to Fisher Construction's showroom in December 2007. Guests enjoyed a fabulous feast prepared by Gigi Warshawsky, along with plenty of wine, sparkling beverages and holiday cheer.

Fisher Construction Featured in Professional Remodeler Magazine



Fisher Construction was featured in the August 2007 issue of the nationally published **Professional Remodeler Magazine**, in an article focused on project partnerships. You can see the article online at: <http://www.housingzone.com/proremodeler/article/CA6465152.html>

Your Referrals Make a Difference *tell a friend why you love us!*

How often do you receive the kind of service that makes you want to share news about a good company with someone else? Chances are, it's a fairly unique occurrence these days! At Fisher Construction, we want to change that equation. We work hard every day to create clients for life by delivering a level of quality, customer service, care and consistency that builds lasting trust. We're very proud of the relationships we've developed with clients since 1988. If you are one of those clients, we ask you to remember us when friends and associates are in need of design/build remodeling services. Like most businesses, we depend on referrals from satisfied customers to help us grow ... please put in a good word for us, and tell a friend why you loved working with Fisher Construction! Your support is very much appreciated.

“The Fisher Construction staff was patient and friendly. Their weekly meetings and immediate phone and email contact were very helpful. We were impressed by the entire process and we love our new kitchen! ”

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