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To Bob Boyer, chief of remodeling at Boyer Building Corp., there's nothing worse than seeing a building project grind to a halt because the homeowners can't decide between "champagne" or "eggshell." To keep things moving, Boyer picks up the tab for 10 hours of professional interior design services. "In my view, the less hand-wringing that happens on the part of the homeowner, the better," he says. "Interior designers make the process less stressful for the client, and that in turn helps us make our deadlines." Interior designer Sandra Greenway, principal of Greenway Interior Design, approached Boyer with the idea of providing her services to the benefit of his clients. Though it's not unusual for large building firms to contact with designers or have them on staff, clients usually are required to pay for their services. Many cash-strapped homeowners opt to skip it. Boyer says this way he can be sympathetic to tight budgets and keep the train rolling. As an example, he cites the recent renovation of a lakeside 1960s rambler (see photo). The homeowners were so satisfied with Greenway's initial 10 hours on the project, they kept her on for a fee. Boyer was just happy to see the house finished on time. Boyer Building Corp. is located at 101 County Road, Minnetonka, 952-475-2097, www.boyerbuilding.com. Contact Greenway Interior Design at 952-475-6756, www.greenwayinteriordesign.com.

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