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Emergency 411

It happens without warning...pressure hoses from your washer fail or the plumbing develops a severe leak. Who do you call when you have a house disaster on your hands?

I have had two phone calls recently from clients who have had leaks and had to have their homes repaired. The insurance agent and emergency disaster firms are first on the call list, but your interior designer should be the next call. At Accessories Etc., we can assist you in making sure that the quality levels are maintained in the repair process.

Frequently, the original materials used in your home are no longer available. We can help you work through new options and recreate the home that you loved. Our first consideration is to restore all of the interiors to the level of design and quality that you originally purchased.

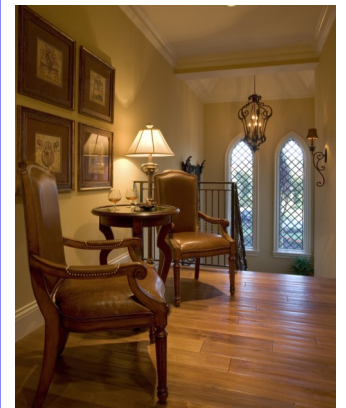


Should you decide to make lemonade out of the disastrous lemons, use this as the perfect opportunity to make some of those upgrades that you have been considering.

A disaster can have a domino effect and the pieces of the puzzle can be overwhelming while also dealing with the emotional trauma of the mess. We will be there to assist you in any way we can to make even the worst situation more bearable!



Accessories Etc. is a full service interior design firm led by Chrissie Forbes, ASID along with Rita Caskey, ASID and Chris Knudsen. We offer services that can be tailored to your needs. Each project is individual and unique. Please call us at 239.444.1400 if you wish to schedule an interview.



Tip: Avoid Matching Furnishings:

Matching furniture suites, no matter how expensive, are so 1950's. Let each piece of furniture you select carry its own interest and integrity. The key is to *compliment... not match!*



Need an Extra Hand?

If you find yourself in the middle of a project that requires some extra manpower to complete, call us! John and Ruben, along with our company van, are available (\$95/hour) to pack, pick up and/or deliver oversized purchases, and hang art. Here's an idea: We can assist you with setting up your patio furniture when you arrive and then put it back into storage for the summer.

Call 239.444.1400 for reservations.

Someone's in the Kitchen: Chocolate Fondue for Two



Dippers: Fruits: sliced bananas (grilled + caramelized, even better), apples, pears, peaches, pineapples, dried fruit, citrus sections, strawberries, cherries, raspberries, blackberries. Or cakes and other sweet things: angel food cake, graham crackers, marshmallows, tiny brownies, tiny cookies, lady fingers, shortbread, amaretti, biscotti, or meringues.

Ingredients:
 3/4 C heavy whipping cream
 4 premium bittersweet chocolate bars, chopped, 3 1/2 oz. ea.
 2 T Frangelico or Amaretto liqueur—OPT
 1/4 C finely chopped hazelnuts or almonds—OPT

Directions

Heat 1/2 cup cream in a heavy non-reactive saucepot over moderate heat until cream comes to a low boil. Remove the pan from the heat and add chocolate. Let the chocolate stand in hot cream 3 to 5 minutes to soften, then whisk chocolate together with the cream. Stir in liqueur and/or chopped nuts and transfer the fondue to a fondue pot or set the mixing bowl on a rack above a small lit candle. If fondue becomes too thick, stir in reserved cream, 1 tablespoon at a time, to desired consistency. Arrange your favorite dippers on a platter along side chocolate fondue with fondue forks, bamboo skewers or seafood forks, as utensils, for dipping.

Luxurious Master Suites



Add some romance with a luxurious master suite

