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Wide Open Spaces
A once-crammed kitchen becomes a family-favorite space

Though the location, mature trees and good school district brought the Drury family to their Eagan home seven years ago, the kitchen felt dark, small and separated from the rest of the home. “We bought the house knowing it had a dysfunctional kitchen,” said Jason Drury. Built in 1991, the home featured a nook and walled-off kitchen area – typical features of the time, but they came at the expense of a large and functional kitchen space.

After talking to several design companies, the Drury family chose to work with JBDB to take down four existing rooms to make a new, open and modern kitchen area that would also serve as a family room. “JBDB was able to demonstrate depth in home kitchen remodels. As we were gutting everything to the studs, we had an opportunity to lay out the room and choose every last detail,” Jason said. "The team was able to lay out the entire process, including the visual mockups of the results."
The end of summer always means the arrival of the Parade of Homes Fall Remodelers Showcase. Our featured home in Eagan is a great example of how taking down walls can completely transform a family’s living space. The Showcase home in Lakeville was also an exciting project to work on as well—drawing from European influences for the design and adding in a cigar room for recent empty-nesters.

Looking towards the fall and beyond, now is a great time to review your home project to-do list. As the months get cooler, it’s a good time to cog up and dream about your future renovations. Feel free to contact us and let us know how we can help.

Everyone at JBDB would like to offer a heartfelt “thank you” for your continued friendship and support.

Best regards,
James Madsen
President, James Barton Design-Build