

# Decorator's Notebook

## A Bee Line To Patio Rooms



**Patio rooms are an ideal way to re-center activities and maximize leisure space within the home.**

(NAPSA)—What do you and bees have in common? If you're a part of a recent trend, it may be more than you think.

A new phenomenon in American living is re-centering and bringing activities back into the home. Coined as 'hiving,' or setting the home abuzz with happenings and liveliness, people are seeking comfort and a connection with others without leaving the home.

Yankelovich Inc., a consumer research firm based in Chapel Hill, N.C., cites that unlike cocooning, in which Americans retreated to their homes to disconnect from the rest of the world, the "hiving trend" is redefining homes.

"Home improvement projects are at an all-time high because of this hiving phenomenon," said Mike Smith, brand manager for PGT® NatureScape® Patio Rooms. "So many activities take place within the home these days that it needs to be as functional and comfortable as possible."

Maybe you're looking to build a home office but don't have any

room. Is watching TV in the dining room getting old? Is it possible you're using the kitchen as everything but a cooking space? Have you ever thought about what more could be done with that concrete slab or deck out back?

Experts at PGT recommend utilizing that area for extra, fully functional space you and your home may need. NatureScape Patio Rooms offer options that are easily customizable with virtually any combination of windows, door styles, colors and rooflines. "Best of all, owners can design a room to fit any home, need or climate, while increasing overall value," added Smith.

Patio rooms offer a place to entertain guests, exercise, watch TV, dine in the open air, do homework, or simply spend quality time with family and friends—all perfect ways to use extra space!

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