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#### Molli's Memo

I'm substituting my monthly memo for the above photos of baby Madelyn. Baby Madelyn is the newest daughter of Nana's treasured showroom manager, Amorie and her husband Steve. I hope my new sister in October is half as cute as Madelyn

*Molli Bryn*, Nana's first granddaughter

## **Spending Our Kids Inheritance**

The biggest and maybe only negative of living in Arizona is being so far from our kids and grandkids. Our children and grandchildren live in Des Moines, Iowa (our son) and Charlotte, North Carolina (our daughter).

Since we see each of our children and our grandkids at best once or if we're lucky twice per year, my husband and I decided we would work hard to bring both of our children and their children together as much as possible. Even if that meant spending what they might *think* could be their inheritance.

The first episode of spending their inheritance occurred a little over two years ago when my sneaky husband brought our kids and grandkids to Oro Valley to surprise me for my 60th birthday (even though it was a few months early—which made the surprise more possible).

Our next spending our kids inheritance was no surprise at all. We have been planning for almost a year the celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary, our daughter's 20th wedding anniversary, and our son's 5th wedding anniversary.

We decided to celebrate all these anniversaries by bringing everyone together in Chicago for a week, including granddaughter #2 who is due in October.

My husband found a wonderful brownstone home a block from Lincoln Park, on the near north side of Chicago. What a great location.

Besides spending wonderful bonding time with our children and grandchildren, we did many wonderful "tourist" things, including a Cubs game at historic Wrigley Field. See the back page of this newsletter for a few photos from our trip.

I want to thank all our clients, current and past, for making this trip possible.

Until Next Month,



Thank You for Your Referrals

Laura King referred Tere & Mike Miller

Beth Garrett referred Kathy LeMay

Diane Gekas referred Dee & Fred Roever

Referrals are the lifeblood of our business. Thank you for these and all your referrals

# **Exciting New Floor & Wall Products**

There have been many new product introductions this year, especially in the area of stone, porcelain and tile products for floors, walls, showers and backsplashes.

This month we feature some of the more innovative new products you could use to update your home. Give us a call to learn more.



**PORCELAIN PANELS**—State of the art technology provides the durable characteristics of porcelain with the beauty of a natural slab of quarried stone or stained concrete.

This particular product comes in 5ft. X 10ft. slabs and can be used on floors or walls.



**DECORATIVE ART PANELS**—Art applied to the interior design world. Graphic image is laser printed and bound to an aluminum backer board. The panels can be bent for curved walls or columns. These panels can even have a textured finish. Easy to install and can be used in wet areas, like showers. The panels come in sizes up to 5 ft. x 10 ft. to minimize or eliminate seams. The image can be just about anything you want. Imagine taking a shower every morning in tropical rain forest.



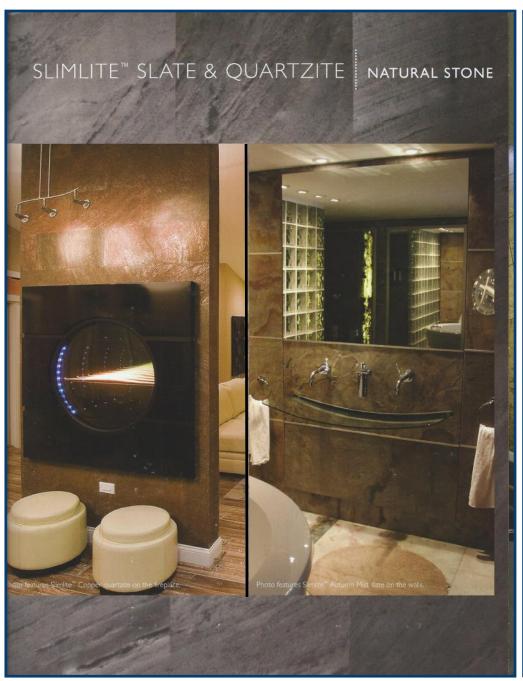
#### WOOD LOOK PORCELAIN TILE

Manufacturers continue to expand the breadth and depth of their wood look porcelain tiles.

This particular tile uses HD technology to capture the look of natural hardwood with the durability of porcelain tile.

Thus, you get the look of hardwood, but at the price of mid to high end porcelain tile.

This particular brand comes in 8" wide by 71" long pieces, in several colors, further enhancing the hardwood look.



### SLIMLITE SLATE & QUARTZ

Harmonizing innovation with the timeless beauty of stone.

This product is created by slicing very thin layers of slate or quartz and then bonding the thin slices to a fiberglass backing. This creates a strong yet flexible piece of stone.

Install Over Existing Wall Material!
One of the best features of this product is it can be installed over existing surfaces.

No need to demo existing tile. We can install it over concrete, ceramic, wood, metal, plywood, tile, drywall, painted surfaces and beyond.

## Can Be Less Expensive Too

When you take into account labor and materials for demo and prep, SLIMLITE can actually be more cost effective.

It also can be a less intrusive experience, since there is no need for the time and mess of demo of existing wall surface.

For Walls Only—Including Wet Areas Right now, this product can be used on vertical walls only. Some of the styles can even be used in wet areas, if properly maintained.

#### **GLAZED BODY MATCH PORCELAIN**

This is a new porcelain tile product with unique textures and patterns in gray and white colors.

This product comes in patterns that will enhance traditional, transitional and contemporary designs.

These tiles, which come standard 12" x 24" size and can be used for floors or walls. Some patterns are available in larger sizes.

One minor negative of this product is that 3/16" grout joints are recommended.







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# **Chicago Family Reunion Scrapbook**





smiling...he had to pay the bill.