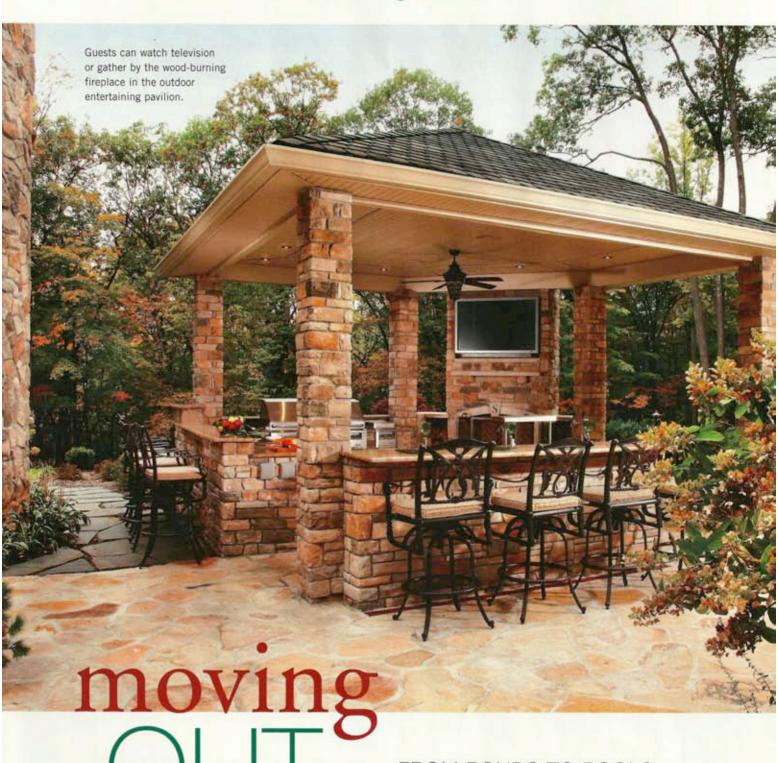
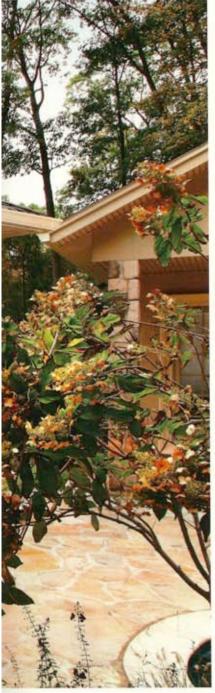


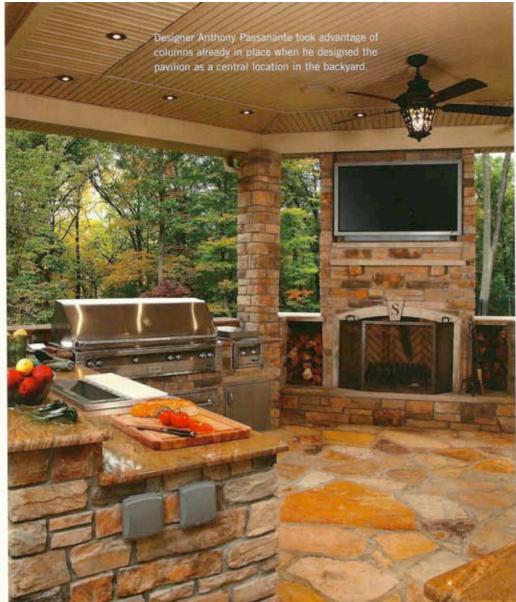
outdoor living showcase



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COOK'S DREAM

AN OUTDOOR KITCHEN AND BAR SERVE UP MULTIPLE ENTERTAINING OPPORTUNITIES

THE ABILITY TO ENJOY A WOOD-BURNING fireplace on chilly evenings and to watch television outdoors were top priorities for the owner of a new Passaic County home.

The owner engaged Anthony Passanante, owner of Anthony Albert Studios, to create the outdoor haven they envisioned after he designed the indoor kitchen and bathrooms. "He wanted to be able to entertain a lot of guests

outdoors in any weather," says Passanante, a certified kitchen and bath designer and allied member of the American Society of Interior Designers.

The outdoor kitchen and bar are under a roof supported by stone columns that match the exterior of the home. The television and fireplace are located on a stone wall in one corner of the pavilion, with clear sight lines from counter stools along the outer edges.



Above: The cook can enjoy a view of the wooded area while working at the 56-inch-wide grill in the kitchen portion of the pavilion. **Right:** The bartender has everything he needs at his fingertips in the bar portion of the pavilion. The location of the kitchen and bar give the cook and bartender plenty of room to work without bumping into each other.

A stone-faced island on one side of the pavilion houses a 56-inch-wide grill with automatic rotisserie and smoker burner, a side burner, warming drawer, a prep station with cutting board and a pullout trash can with easy access through a hole in the granite countertop.

A similar island facing a swimming pool includes a beer dispenser, ice machine, refrigerator, cocktail station and sink with hot and cold water.

Finishing touches include recessed lighting to set the mood and illuminate work surfaces at night, a ceiling fan that keeps the air moving on muggy days and speakers in the ceiling and throughout the yard for enjoying music. Passanante also surprised the homeowners by having their initial carved into the keystone above the fireplace.

SOURCES: design and installation, Anthony Albert Studios in Waldwick; appliances, Perlick refrigeration and Alfresco appliances and stainless steel cabinets, Reno's Appliance in Fairfield; counter stools from The Grand Terrace Collection by Gensun, Ski Barn in Wayne.

