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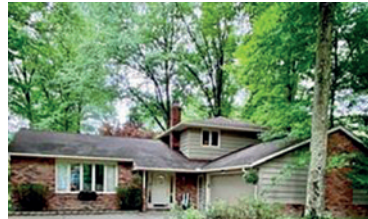
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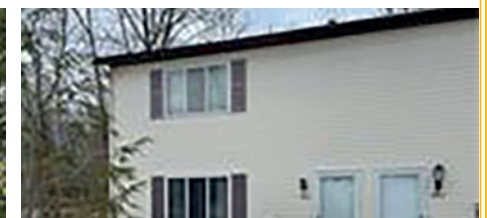
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WILLOWICK \$149,900 DECK W/ PERGOLA!!! Welcome to this well-maintained lovely Willowick bungalow. Enjoy the extra cabinets in the kitchen with an eat-in dining space. There is a bedroom conveniently located on the first floor with a full updated bathroom. The second bedroom is currently being used as a family room with access to the lovely deck with pergola. The third bedroom upstairs is spacious and offers built in storage, and a walk in closet. There is a bonus room upstairs that would make a great nursery, craft room, or home office! The basement has been waterproofed and finished with a family room, additional room, full bath, laundry, and workshop. Other updates include: electrical panel, newer roof, sump pump with battery back up, and all new sewer lines. Home Warranty Included! Property will be City POS compliant! AD#1468

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# Streamline your outdoor living/dining/playing area

(MS) — Be ready when spring arrives to get busy sprucing up your home's exterior and its outdoor living space. Invest family time to envision which projects would transform it into a more organized, inviting retreat from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

Do doors, door frames, porches/railings, gates, decks, patios, and out-buildings need to be cleaned, repaired, repainted or replaced? Do you need more furniture, flower boxes or play equipment like cornhole boards?

Once a project list is made, visit your local Woodcraft store, go online at woodcraft.com, or use a Woodcraft catalog and call 800-225-1153 to stock up on all the tools, materials and supplies you need. Woodcraft store employees can help with advice about products and projects, technical support is available at 800-535-4486, and woodcraft.com offers how-to articles and videos.

Woodcraft Magazine Classic Project Plans make it easy to build the inviting Swing Bed (pictured), as well as picnic tables, benches, hand grill carts, potting benches, Adirondack chairs,

and much more.

Restoring Outdoor Projects, a Woodcraft blog, offers tips to make Adirondack chairs and other wood pieces and structures look new again. Download the free PDF at [https://www.woodcraft.com/blog\\_entries/restoring-outdoor-projects](https://www.woodcraft.com/blog_entries/restoring-outdoor-projects).

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Build this comfy Swing Bed using a downloadable plan, tools and supplies from Woodcraft.

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The Montana Brand 4-in-1 Drill and Driver comes in a 10-piece set that includes all you will need to drive #6, #8, #10, and #12 screws. Add the Montana Brand 3-Piece HD Self-Centering Plug Cutter Set – unique in the woodworking industry – and you are ready to build in the outdoors.

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- System Three Marine Spar Varnish is a urethane-enhanced film finish formulated to protect against the harshest salt water and marine environments, as well as protect outdoor projects.

To apply coverings by hand, consider Redtree Onyx White China Bristle Brushes (solvent-based finishes) or Redtree Matey Synthetic Bristle Brushes (water-based finishes).

For spraying, the HOMERIGHT Super Finish Max features a built-in 450-watt sprayer, eliminating the need for a hose or motor to move around. Spray milk paint, chalk-style paint, latex paint, enamels, primers, urethanes, stains and varnishes.

## Restoring Outdoor Projects

Add years to the life of your lawn and patio furniture

By Marlen Kemmet

Year after year outdoor furniture pieces take a brutal beating from Mother Nature in the form of intense sunlight, temperature extremes, moisture, windblown dirt and pollen, and insects. To wage the good fight and extend the life of these cherished pieces, follow along as I take you step by step through the rehab of an Adirondack chair, solving common problems that afflict most outdoor projects, and extending its useful life.

**Can this project be saved?** In spite of your love affair with a favorite garden bench that you built years ago, you may find it's time to part company with it and start anew. Over time, all wood projects reach the point of no return. But, in the case of the Adirondack chair, it was worth the time and effort for me to restore this weathered old friend. How can you tell if an outdoor project has passed its prime? Conduct a quick and simple evaluation.

For starters, check for severe wood rot, warping, or large checks or cracks in individual parts. Looks can be deceiving. At first blush, the Adirondack chair looked destined for the landfill. But underneath the grit, lichen, and grime was a perfectly functional piece in need of a little TLC. Although the wood appeared badly weathered, a little sanding and scraping



on the bottom side of a seat slat revealed sound lumber.

Next, check the joints for further rot, looseness, and hardware issues that undermine the project's structural integrity. Are replacement parts or new hardware in order? With seating of any kind, these are critical for safety. In the finish (finishing or otherwise compromised? Luckily, all the problems with our example proved fixable.

Common fixes for failing furniture After assessing your furniture piece and deciding that it's worth saving, develop an action plan. Use these strategies to remedy a variety of problems.

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## Variables to consider when choosing a media room

The term “home theater” once made homeowners who love movies and sports dream of the day when they could dedicate a large area in their home to watching the big game or their favorite films. Such rooms are now widely referred to as “media rooms.” Though the terminology may have changed, media rooms are not all that different from home theaters.

Before choosing an area of their home as their designated media room, homeowners must consider a host of variables to ensure they get as much out of the room as possible.

- **Location and shape:** Of course the location of the room is of the utmost importance. Media rooms tend to be more social settings than traditional home theaters, which were often designed to be isolated from the rest of the home so noise and natural light did not adversely affect the film-watching experience. Homeowners may not want their media rooms to be in high traffic areas of their homes, but they needn't be completely secluded, either. The renovation experts at the DIY Network note that the shape of a room should be considered before designating it as the media room. In general, square rooms are not ideal, as such rooms can produce harmonic distortions. A rectangular room likely

won't produce such distortions, especially when homeowners place their screens and primary speakers on short walls. It's important that homeowners do not downplay the importance of sound, as media rooms, unlike traditional home theaters, may be used for listening to music just as much as they are for watching films or sports. Viewers may not recognize distortions when watching something, but homeowners may notice these abnormalities when listening to music.

- **Windows:** Media rooms are multi-purpose rooms, so homeowners don't need to remove rooms with windows from consideration. But the experts at the DIY Network note that windows are hard surfaces that can reflect sound and distort audio, and the light that gets in through windows can produce reflections on the viewing surface. Each of those factors can adversely affect your listening and viewing experience. A room with windows can still make for a good media room, but you may want to invest in some blackout curtains to mitigate some of the disadvantages of having windows in the room.

- **Wall colors:** The colors of the walls in the room is another variable homeowners will have to consider. Homeowners won't want to host guests for



the big game in rooms with darkened walls, as that can create a dreary atmosphere and potentially make people tired. But especially bright colors will reflect light and adversely affect the viewing experience. Neutral colors should not affect the colors on the screen, making them the ideal color choice for media room walls.

Media rooms are high on many homeowners' renovation lists. Considering a host of variables prior to designating an area for a media room can ensure the finished product is as enjoyable as possible.

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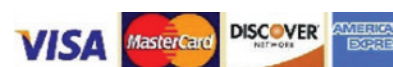
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