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Detailed and extraordinary millwork goes into every home.

DESPITE BEARING NO connection to a certain iconic rock band, projects delivered by Speedwagon Partners of Lexington are music to the ears of judicious homeowners seeking the best of everything in a custom home. It seems only logical, then, that one of eastern Massachusetts' most unique custom homebuilders would adopt such an unusual company label. After all, Speedwagon Partners has built many magnificent, architecturally singular residences in prime locations over the years in a still-challenging home construction environment, a noteworthy feat in itself, equaled only by the unrelenting demand for its services.



“Jason certainly deserves the recognition as a premier builder. Our experience with Jason was extremely positive given the intricacies of building a custom home. He was always accessible, attentive and very helpful when we had moments of indecisiveness or when we needed guidance in the numerous decisions that were required. Jason has a great eye and is very meticulous with every detail. He takes a lot of pride in building a home as if it were his own. We could not have picked a better builder or person to build our home.”

— NICK DELEGAS, 61 SOLOMON PIERCE ROAD, LEXINGTON, MASS.



Clients who choose Speedwagon Partners enjoy the design, construction and material superiority that make up the driving force behind the firm's intense surge to prominence.

Jason's passion for home design and construction began 14 years ago when he was 24 years old watching his father-in-law, Richard DeLuca (DeLuca Builders). Richard had built more than 200 custom and spec homes from Gloucester to Wellesley in his career.

"No doubt about it, I got the building bug from him; I'd watch him and ask questions," Jason reminisces. "Once I got started, it was all a matter of forming an elite team to accommodate our upscale customers and their families."

Today, about half of the products built by Speedwagon Partners are sprawling custom homes, with the other half consisting of stately spec houses laced with customized features throughout.

Speedwagon Partners renders to

every customer a harmonic blend of architectural style, interior spaciousness, custom-crafted built-ins and technological advancements. The company works in collaboration with renowned architects, such as Dustin Nolan of DNA Architecture, Boston, who performs most of the company's design duties, as well as Colleen McInnis of Winchester and Sally DeGan of

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“Our custom house was finished three weeks ahead of schedule, and Jason hit the budget to the dollar. Simply unheard of. Jason helped us every step of the way — from explaining the HVAC system to picking tiles, cabinets and paint colors.”

— RUBY WOO, 13 SHERBURNE ROAD,
LEXINGTON, MASS.



Lexington’s SpaceCraft Architecture. Custom cabinetry is provided by Crown Point Cabinetry of Claremont, N.H., and Ray’s Cabinet Shop of Stoneham, Mass. The capabilities of all of these artisans are on display in the accompanying photos.

As the team leader, Jason is deeply engaged in assisting clients with the life-changing decisions that ultimately dictate the new and improved way of living afforded by each project.

“I discuss with customers — at great length — the many design, functional and aesthetic aspects that go into creating the perfect custom home they will appreciate for many years to come,” he says. “I am

particularly focused on the interior trim work, moldings and the built-ins that make their homes truly theirs alone. To me, the greatest reward of all is watching our customers’ faces and how excited they are on move-in day. They realize that they were as much a part of the project as we were and that as a team, we established a good relationship, beginning with the planning stage and culminating at completion. It’s a terrific feeling knowing we have improved their lifestyles, and they truly appreciate what we have accomplished together.”

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"I am a builder in Boston, and Jason is the only person I would have trusted to build my own home. He is easy to work with. He finishes on time and on budget. I couldn't have been happier with the process and final product."

— DAVID SCHWARTZ, 15 SLOCUM ROAD, LEXINGTON, MASS.



“I am delighted with the build quality and workmanship that Speedwagon Partners provided on our new home. Jason and team went above and beyond to ensure on-time completion and were extremely easy to work with on design changes throughout the project. In addition, they were always available to help resolve issues if needed. I would be happy to employ them again and highly recommend Speedwagon Partners.”

— JAY PETERSSON, 9 SUZANNE ROAD, LEXINGTON, MASS.





Speedwagon Partners builds in prime neighborhoods of such desirable locales as Wellesley, Winchester, Bedford, Newton and Lexington, among others. Jason attributes part of the firm's reputation for high-quality work to, of all things, the larger volume of jobs on the docket.

"While we'll never, ever take on too

much work at a given time, building the number of homes per year that we do allows us to extend an extra measure of pricing value to each client, since the higher volume gives us more margin flexibility in our pricing," he says.

In 2008, Jason started Speedwagon Partners. Growing up the son of a

controller for upscale hotels, Jason was educated early in his life on the importance of professionalism and customer service. Both proved to be an integral part of building custom homes.

"Growing up, I loved so many things about the hospitality industry, and I was able to take so many things away and implement them into my business," he says. "People want to be taken care of, especially when they are dealing with the single biggest purchase they will ever make. At the end of the day, we are building relationships."

Most people would have thought starting a custom homebuilding company

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Architect: Colleen McInnis







This 6,500-square-foot home features a gym, wine room, basement pub and steam room.



A custom-built pool and exquisite landscaping are also found in this home built by Speedwagon Partners LLC.



Another home built by Speedwagon Partners LLC features a custom kitchen, sunroom and custom pool. Architect: SpaceCraft, Sally DeGan



"I can only say great things about Jason. He puts a lot of pride into his work, and he treats every house that he builds as if it were his own. If you look inside any house he has built, you will see examples of how meticulous his eye is and will notice how much care he puts into each project."

— JESSICA BETTS, 76 SWEETWATER AVE., BEDFORD, MASS.





Builder: Speedwagon Partners LLC; Architect: SpaceCraft, Sally DeGan



“We were very fortunate to work with Jason! His professionalism, approachability and attention to detail were consistent through the entire project. He was truly wonderful to work with on all levels. Our house turned out better than we could have imagined, and we could not be happier!”

— SAL AND SABRINA NAPOLI





Architect: Colleen McInnis



Architect: SpaceCraft, Sally DeGan



Builder: Speedwagon Partners LLC; Architect: SpaceCraft, Sally DeGan

“Building our home with Speedwagon Partners was an excellent experience. We had built a home in another state with a different builder, and though we thought it was a good experience, it paled in comparison to building with Speedwagon. Hands down, Speedwagon was much easier, more pleasant and more manageable with our busy schedules. They worked within our budget and time frame and gave valuable direction and suggestions, from planning through completion. We would build with Speedwagon Partners again, without any hesitation or concerns, and have recommended them to friends, who have also been satisfied.”

— JEFF AND MICHELLE KNIGHT



Architect: SpaceCraft, Sally DeGan

“Jason was a pleasure to work with. He made the entire process — from initial design to final construction — seem so easy. Jason has a true sense of style and added great touches to our dream home as it came to life from the blueprints. He listened so well to our needs and really understood what we were looking for to help ensure we made all the right choices through every step of the process.”

— ANDREW RODRIGUEZ AND SHARON TIMBERLAKE,
27 DUNELM ROAD, BEDFORD, MASS.



setting, while the home's functionality will meet 21st-century standards. Thus, while architectural elements such as classic gable details, Victorian rooflines or Craftsman column components may define the home's character, advanced building materials and technological innovations upgrade the home's livability to the highest possible level. For example, Speedwagon Partners will use closed-cell foam insulation as the ultimate weather, water and comfort seal for the home, along with top-quality sheathing. Each home is ENERGY STAR-certified, with energy-efficient appliances, enhanced ductwork and improved air filtration systems to ensure lower utility bills for the homeowner, as well as reduced environmental impact from energy usage.

As shown, the builder injects a variety of custom details to make every project picture-perfect. For instance, an unusual English/Tudor hybrid architectural presentation entailed stonework, shingles and a classic hip-gable roof, a design that is further dramatized inside with 6,500 square feet of living space, complete with a gym, basement pub, wine room, steam room, custom-raised paneling, and various moldings and trims that differ in structure yet relate in theme. A home about to come on the market in Winchester boasts such imaginative custom features as TVs that drop from the ceiling, see-through fireplaces, an all-mahogany study, a three-season porch and authentic Calcutta marble baths. Or, peruse another new, custom Shingle Style home in Winchester on 1.5 acres with a pond, a deck off the master bedroom to enhance the view, four fireplaces, copper roofing and gutters, and a wealth of other treasures.

Depending on the location, size and amenities of the home, prices range from \$1 million to more than \$4 million.

"Wherever we build, we go the extra mile to make sure our homeowners are getting the very best value for their money," Jason says.

The builder is also very much in tune with today's home entertainment/Internet needs and routinely installs advanced home media systems that connect TV, video, music, movie-viewing and storage capabilities. Additional technology is incorporated to coordinate with smart phones or other mobile devices to control and manage the home's heating and cooling systems, as well as all entertainment implements, from virtually anywhere outside the home.

"While homeowners have come to expect a certain level of prewired technological options, we take that concept over the top by offering virtually everything available today," Jason says.

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Builder: Speedwagon Partners; **Architect:** DNA Architecture LLC, Dustin Nolan Architecture

in 2008 would have been a recipe for disaster. However, the opposite held true for Speedwagon Partners.

"Being based in Lexington and concentrating on neighboring affluent towns was integral to the growth of our company," Jason says.

Most areas of the country saw significant drops in real estate pricing as well as new home construction, and many building firms were forced to close or go bankrupt. However, Lexington and other prosperous towns in the commonwealth had minimal effects from the recession.

"Because of its well-regarded schools, excellent proximity to amenities and high quality of life, Lexington was only minimally affected by the historic retraction in homebuilding and real estate at the time," Jason notes.

Whether the project calls for a Colonial, Victorian, Shingle Style or Craftsman design, Jason and his company ensure that the exterior presentation will reflect the existing neighborhood