

# HOME EXPANSION for an expanding family



As Daron and Beverly expanded their family, they realized that it was more than just their garage that was creating cramped quarters. Three years ago they started to solve the issue by increasing their usable area by finishing their basement (also a Stephen Black Builders project), but even with the additional square feet, they still needed more space on the main level. They wanted a play area for the children and sewing/craft area so Beverly could spread out her projects. Additionally, they wanted

an office that was away from the hustle-and-bustle of the home's activity and a spare bedroom for visiting family

**D**aron and Beverly built their home only eight years ago, and when they first moved in, it fit their needs almost perfectly. They loved the home and its location, and it had plenty of room for the two of them. Their only complaint was their 3-car garage; it was more like a 2.5-car garage. The squeeze was just too tight.

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and friends to use. Furthermore, the garage was still a cramped, daily annoyance. They longed for a 4-car garage that had plenty of space for vehicles, tools and storage.

**The Stephen Black Builders Solution**  
To address all these issues and meet Daron and Beverly's needs, Stephen Black Builders began by renovating their existing 3-car garage into habitable space. They took approximately one-third of the space (10' x 21') and turned it into a play area for the kids. The remaining two-thirds (18' x 21') was transformed into Beverly's sewing/craft room perfectly located to keep an eye on the kids.

A breezeway was built to connect the old garage area with the new 4-car spacious garage. The breezeway also acted as a mudroom for dirty boots and jackets, and created a location for the stairs that linked the main level to a second floor that was built above the garage. In this area,



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*"....we did commission Stephen Black to finish our basement and 2 years later to add an addition on to our house. We would recommend Stephen Black for new construction or remodeling in a heart beat." Beverly & Daron R.*



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an office, guest bedroom and full bath were all added.

The outside of the home got a makeover as well. The existing back-side deck was extended significantly to the far side of the new garage and now includes a screened-in porch. A walkway behind the garage to the driveway was also added.

Like with every addition project, the main challenge is to marry the old and new sections—make them appear seamless—and not have it look like a boxy addition. Even though the house was just eight years old, it was a challenge matching materials due to sunwashed fading and the discontinuation of certain materials used on the original house. Relying on their 30 years of construction experience, Stephen Black Builders was able to overcome these issues and build a home that functions the way Daron and Beverly desired.

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