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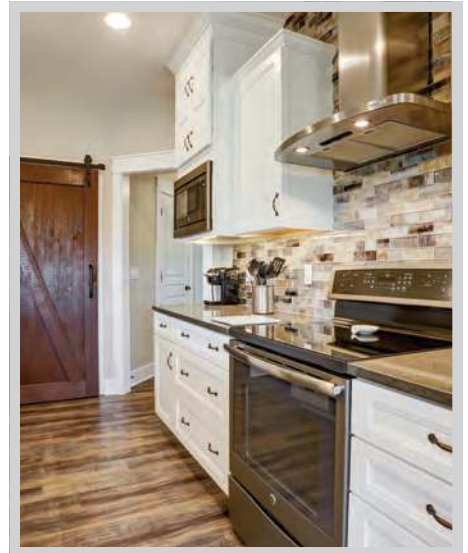


Denny and Kate were in the market for a home. They had a location in mind where they wanted to live, but had trouble finding a house with the “must-haves” that they desired. After making the decision to go with new construction to get the house they wanted, they headed to the Building Industry Association of Lancaster County’s annual Spring Home Show. They talked with several different builders and found they felt the most comfortable and at ease with the family feel at the Metzler Home Builders booth. “They immediately took us seriously, asked us questions, and showed us examples of their work,” says Kate. “They even followed up the next week with a phone call to see if we wanted to get together and continue the conversation.” The couple then met with Jordan to design

their new home, making sure it included all those “must-haves” they wanted. The result is a stunning one-story home, boasting 2,470 square feet of finished space on the main floor. It includes 4 bedrooms and 3 baths, a 340 square foot room over the garage for storage, a game room or additional bedroom, and a spacious basement. The striking exterior features CertainTeed flagstone siding with white trim and walnut stained garage doors. The front and rear gables show off decorative brackets and columns. The lovely stamped concrete patio has a roof overhead, keeping out the elements and making the space more functional. Denny and Kate are delighted with their new home. They especially love all the custom

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woodwork handcrafted by Skip Butler. "He used pictures we gave him and produced spot-on replicas of everything from the built-ins and fireplace surround to the outside beams. Everything is exactly as we had hoped and there's nothing we would have changed or done differently," says Kate. "We highly recommend Metzler Home Builders," said Denny and Kate. "Many friends and even strangers have asked us who built our home, and we are proud to tell them it was Metzler Home Builders. It was a pleasure to work with Jordan, Barry, Skip and Janet throughout the process. The build stayed true to schedule even while constructing throughout the winter months. Jordan was extremely helpful and understanding when we needed to make changes and worked with us to make sure we got the home we wanted. Thank you, Metzler family, for helping us build our forever home!"



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## HOME ORGANIZATION TIPS

January is known as National Organizing Month. In case you didn't get all that organizing done that you hoped to, you still have a bit of time to accomplish that before the weather warms up and you'd rather be outside. No matter what area you're organizing or how much space you have, follow these 12 simple tips to create a well-organized, efficient space.

### 1. Start in one place

If you have several areas in your home you want to get under control, start with just one. You decide which one to start with — is it the area that gives you the biggest headache, or the area that guests most easily see? Whatever your priorities, select one area and stick to it. Many attempts at organization fail when the task of cleaning up the entire house seems daunting and folks give up. When you complete one area, celebrate and then move on to the next.

### 2. Allow plenty of time

Don't expect organization to happen overnight. Depending on the area to be organized, schedule a couple of hours each day to work on getting the area organized. Getting a garage whipped into shape will take more time than it takes to organize a linen closet.

### 3. Clean house

Once you've selected an area, go through the contents. Donate or hold a garage sale for anything you don't or can't wear or use any more. Use the two year rule of thumb

— if you haven't worn it in two years, it's time to say goodbye to it. These items take up valuable space and probably won't be missed.

### 4. Take inventory

After you've removed extraneous items, take a look at what remains. Does it belong here? Does it make sense to keep it here? Is there another place where you've got more room to keep it, or another area where it would be more easily accessible for its purpose? For example, take that professional-grade mixer that you've been keeping in the back of your closet and move it to the kitchen. When it's time to tackle that area of the home, you can incorporate the mixer into the new storage plan for the kitchen.

### 5. Look for wasted space

If you're in need of more storage space, think creatively about additional areas that you can put to work. Prime examples include over doors and underneath beds. These areas are valuable real estate in your home and are often overlooked.

### 6. Maximize vertical space

If you don't have a lot of room to work with, a surefire way to instantly create more space is to go "up." Instead of only having a couple of shelves to house your kitchen items, take them up to the ceiling to really maximize the vertical space — you'll store the things you need less frequently on the higher shelves.

### 7. Divide the space

By adding additional shelves to a single shelf, or by using containers that stack atop one another, you can divide the vertical space and make efficient use of the area you have to work with. By dividing the space, you eliminate the possibility of stacking tall piles of clothing, papers or other items that are destined to topple over.

### 8. Keep it moving

Consider storage options on wheels: to allow for greater flexibility and to help keep the clutter under control. Carts can hold an assortment of accessories in a small amount of space, and can be wheeled back into a closet or storage area when not in use.

Source: [www.containerstore.com](http://www.containerstore.com)



## BIA Spring Home Show

### Lancaster's Longest-Running Home Show

March 6-8, 2020

Friday 1-8 pm | Saturday 10 am – 6 pm | Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

**NEW LOCATION!**

### Lancaster Wyndham Resort & Conference Center

2300 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster

**FREE PARKING | ADMISSION \$5.00**

*Please stop by our booth (#500/501) to say hello!*

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*Metzler Home Builders have been incredible to work with. They helped create a home that we designed on paper and made our vision a reality. They are easy to communicate with, very knowledgeable at answering questions, and the final product speaks for itself. We recommend them completely!*

**Seth and Dana  
New Home – 2019**

# Willow Bend Farm



## Construction in Willow Bend Farm to be Completed by Late Summer!

Plans are being made to break ground in April on the last units in Willow Bend Farm! Situated in West Lampeter Township just south of Lancaster City, this four-unit townhome building is in a prime location

with the property backing up to woods. Each townhome has 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths. First floor master suites are available in the end units. Homeowners still have time to make interior selections.

The homes will be ready for occupancy in late summer. This is your last chance to purchase a brand-new home in Willow Bend Farm. Give us a call today for more information!

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