

KITCHEN REMODEL



It Was Worth the Hassle

Living through a kitchen remodel is a challenge, certainly, but living in the home and running a home-based business during construction? Yikes. “The homeowners had to vacate approximately 75 percent of the living space,” says remodeler John Marzulli of **Emerald Contractors**. “Not everyone could endure all they endured and still feel they had a successful project.” The owners wanted a kitchen that could serve as the center of day-to-day activity and also work well for entertaining. To accomplish that, the exist-

ing space was demolished. Then, the kitchen and dining spaces were switched so the owners could enjoy a better view of the water and gain much-needed storage.



Emerald Contractors “stole” space from the garage to create a pantry, added more functional lighting and diligently worked to save the home’s unique plaster ceiling. The

new spaces were dressed up with crown molding, custom-look cabinets with glass doors and appliances with integrated cabinet panels. Three different granite slabs were carefully selected so that patterns would fit together seamlessly. The proof that the project was a success? The homeowners are still married, Marzulli says.