Decorating Your Home

Using Decorative Wall Panels

(NAPSA)—If you want to change the look of your home affordably, consider decorative wall coverings. New types of decorative wall paneling can completely change the look and feel of a room, without sending decorating costs through the roof.

Some creative applications of paneling now include decorative touches like wainscoting, threequarter appliqué with molding accents, and flat or vaulted ceiling treatments.

"Paneling is no longer a product that is used only in the basement," says Susan Orley, an interior designer. "Designers are seeing paneling used in all rooms of a home. The look of real wood is really back in vogue—my customers are looking at hardwood floors and paneling combinations for great rooms, bathrooms, children's rooms, potting rooms, kitchens, offices and dining rooms."

Homeowners can find a wide variety of panels that can fit into virtually any decorating scheme. For example, the company Georgia-Pacific carries over 100 types of finished and unfinished panels in an array of styles, textures and colors including panels made from real wood. The variety gives homeown-



Decorative wall panels are a creative and inexpensive way to change the look of a room.

ers the opportunity to express their own creative style.

Georgia-Pacific works to be a good environmental steward by manufacturing many of its paneling products with recycled content.

Do-it-yourselfers who want to install wood paneling can go to the company's Web site (www.gp.com) for step-by-step instructions and decorating tips. Or for more information, call 1-800-BUILD GP.