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Cold Weather; Hot Idea

(NAPSA)—A hot idea that homeowners across the nation are warming to is outdoor entertaining during the winter. Not only is the crisp winter air refreshing, but bug activity is also low. Outdoor entertaining also extends the living space of your home. Here are four tips that will help get your home ready for winter entertaining:

- Have a hot-tub party
- Add a simple outdoor fireplace or fire pit
- Buy an enclosed gazebo
- Set the mood at night with candles or outdoor lighting.



Jacuzzi is one of several top manufacturers with steamy hot tubs that double as entertainment centers.

Outdoor hot tubs continue to gain in popularity with families. The main reason is that there's nothing quite like relaxing in a bubbling spa with warm, steamy water on a cold day. In fact, hot tubs are more than just warm water and a few jets. Many include CD stereo systems with MP3 plugs and docking stations made for iPods, and four-season water features that operate when you want.

“Hot tubs and wintertime have a long history together—it's the perfect pairing after skiing or anytime people want to socialize,” notes Erica Moir, Vice President of Sundance Spas, the largest acrylic spa manufacturer in the U.S.

In addition to hot tubs, a few smart and simple accessories make cold weather entertaining a hot idea. Look for privacy gazebos, fire pits and illumination features to make the transformation complete.

For more ideas, visit www.sundancespas.com or www.jacuzzi.com.