

# Bring the outdoors in

## Sunrooms for every home and budget

*Courtesy of Bear Builders*

Can you imagine enjoying a summer thunderstorm? How about enjoying a winter storm? Can you imagine enjoying a mosquito-filled evening?

Bringing the outdoors inside is the beauty of sunroom living. By constructing a room where the walls seem to disappear, homeowners can feel as if they are outside. Typically people who are drawn to sunrooms are folks who have built decks or patios because they like being outside, then find their use of their deck or patio restricted by weather and bugs.

For those who might like to enclose an area, there are basically three choices:

■ **A screen room** offers a bug-free use of outside space when weather permits.

■ **A three-season room** offers 10 to 10-1/2 months use without heat. These rooms can be decorated more permanently than a screen room, without regard to rain, wind or snow coming in the room. Three-season rooms can be heated for extended use; however, some



condensation would occur.

■ **All-season use rooms** (sometimes referred to as "four-season rooms") can be permanently furnished and used year-round.

*Bear Builders has been in Shorewood, Wis., for 61 years. Scott Bear has overseen the construction of more than 600 sunrooms in southeast Wisconsin. Bear Builders offers full service, customer participation building, or will help the homeowner "do it yourself." Visit <http://www.bearbuilderssunrooms.com>, or come and see them in the lobby of Festival Hall at the Racine Home Expo.*