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House Remodeling (0:24)

Remodeling a home can be highly satisfying, yet it can also be frustrating and costly.

It may be wise to rebuild a home or buy another when the structure itself needs repairing.

A University of Minnesota publication, "Thoughts on Remodeling," Extension Folder 268, gives a checklist of 30 questions which will help you make the best decision about remodeling. A free copy of this publication is available from your county extension office or the Bulletin Room, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

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Food Dollars (0:20)

Extension home economist Isabel Wolf says expensive out-of-season fruits and vegetables contain no more of the valuable vitamins than home grown ones.

She offers these tips: Buy in-season fruits when they are ripe on trees and vegetables when they are growing in gardens. Buy only what you need. Shop for the plentifuls--they usually are priced reasonably.

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Sofa Buying (0:10)

The length and general size of the sofa you buy should fit the scale of your room. Today's sofas range from 60 to 108 inches long and some are circular.

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