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PAPGA Offers Tips to Maximize Outdoor Spaces

Harrisburg, PA – In survey results forecasting the next trend in outdoor design – the yearround outdoor room – about half of respondents say it is very important to be able to spend more time outside. The research, commissioned by the Propane Education & Research Council, reflects the growing popularity of the \$35 million outdoor heating market in the United States.

Innovations in portable, outdoor heaters are now allowing homeowners greater flexibility and extended use of backyard patios. Responding to demands for year-round comfort, manufacturers are rolling out outdoor heating designs that are both functional and aesthetic. Recent product launches include head-to-toe portable propane patio heaters, wind-resistant gaslights, permanent fire pits, and bar-height tables with built-in heaters. Radiant heating installed under decks and concrete patios add constant warmth to indoor-outdoor rooms.

The Pennsylvania Propane Gas Association held a discussion group on the popular social networking platform, Facebook, from 7-8pm on April 15th with the topic 'Outdoor Living Design, Safety and Applications'. Specialists from PAPGA answered several questions from fans of the Association's page and discussed the many options available to homeowners.

Click here to read the transcript from the 'Outdoor Living' Discussion Group.

"The discussion group was a great beginning for a new method of communication with our members and consumers," said Dan Messett, Marketing Chair for PAPGA. "We are looking forward to building on this effort and hosting additional interactive programs in the near future."

PAPGA invites anyone who is interested in future discussion groups to follow our Facebook Page or log on to <u>www.papropane.com</u> for more information.

The Pennsylvania Propane Gas Association is a member-focused trade association providing services that communicate, educate and promote the propane industry in Pennsylvania. The association was formed in 1947 to offer opportunities to learn through training and networking with peers, and to aid with legislative issues that contribute to operating a safe and successful industry.

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