

# White Stone



## Tantallon Project

*Whitestone recently partook and completed a very special project – a simple “kitchen fix” for the owner’s sister – that evolved into this complete home renovation.*

**Andrew Watson and Tamara Barker Watson**, owners of Whitestone Developments, feel all of their customers are like extended family.

However, a recent project was a bit closer to home.

Tamara’s sister Peg, who is in the navy, bought a home when she was transferred back to Halifax. Peg knew her sister and brother-in-law were going to make some updates to her new abode, but she had no idea how elaborate or stunning the renovations would be.

“The only thing she wanted was a new, fresh kitchen,” smiles Tamara. “When she went out to sea, we decided we would surprise her and do an extensive makeover while she was away. Now her home is virtually new, inside and out.”

“To start with, we added spray foam insulation in the attic and in the new walls,” notes Andrew. “As well as 2-inch foam sheathing on all exterior walls for energy efficiency.”

On the outside, the home was widened by 8 feet, allowing for a new garage. New trusses changed the pitch of the roof to adjust the look, and a new front porch was

created. This, along with all new siding and stone, give it a craftsman-look.

The changes continued inside. In addition to the new open-concept kitchen, hardwood floors and stairs, the new space above the garage allowed for a walk-in closet off the master and new bathroom featuring a custom shower.

“Inside, it is now wide open with all new floors and two new bathrooms, plus ultra-efficient mini-split heat pumps to cool and heat the home. She was shocked when she got home,” says Tamara. “She couldn’t speak! She was amazed with the transformation!”

