

# Backyard Where Enjoyment of Outdoors Starts

## Make of It a 'Family Room' Under The Skies to Help Bring Young And Old Closer Together

Want to bridge the generation gap within your family? Then move out into the great outdoors. You don't have to go far — the gap begins to shrink right at the doorstep to your patio, where the great outdoors begins. So give your family a new room — outdoors.

Patio size, decor and degree of elegance are up to you and your pocketbook. Just remember that an outdoor family room can be fun whether it's a tiny, geranium-bordered back yard furnished with brightly painted second-hand furniture or a lavish, landscaped, canopied complex.

Most important is the feeling of freedom and friendship the whole family experiences the moment they move outdoors together. That's one reason homes with patios sell faster and bring better prices.

### Extend Summer

You can get more use from your pool and patio area if you equip it with outdoor gas appliances — a pool heater, "people heaters," grills and lights. A thermostatically controlled gas pool heater, for example, can increase useful pool time as much as 50 percent.

Add gas infra-red heaters on the patio and your outdoor living season can be extended by two or three months. In some areas of the country they'll make it usable the year 'round.

When you climb out of a heated pool and towel off in the warmth of a gas patio heater, you'll never realize there's an autumn chill in the air. Like the sun, gas infra-red heaters, either portable or permanently mounted, can make a generous section of your patio or pool-side cozy after the sun goes down, and for months before and after the days are warmed by the sun.

### Clean 'n Easy

With an outdoor gas grill, open-air meals can be fun without fuss, and they get Mother out of the kitchen during nice weather. The permanent briquettes in gas grills transform heat from the flame into a radiant glow that gives food a char-broiled flavor. Gas heat is instant and easy to control, and clean-up is minimal.

To light up your outdoor suppers and make life in the open air as attractive as it is comfortable, install gas lighting on the patio and around the pool. Its soft glow sets a mellow mood for open-air living, and when winter comes, you'll enjoy the gleam of gas light on the snow.

### SEEK BLUE STAR

Look for the American Gas Association's Certification Seal on all outdoor gas equipment — lights, infra-red heaters and pool heaters, and ranges and water heaters in mobile homes and trailers. The A.G.A. Blue Star on a gas appliance signifies that it has met national safety standards.

### FOR COOKING ONLY

A modern gas range in your camper, trailer or mobile home is a blessing, but remember it's for cooking only. Never use any gas range for heating, whether you're at home or out camping.

### TO CLEAN GRILL

Easiest way to clean the grids of your gas grill is in the dishwasher, but don't let them go through the drying cycle. If food particles remain after washing, they will bake on.

### FOR SAFETY SAKE

Be safe, pack a portable radio with camping gear to stay ahead of the weather.

## Heaters Add To Time You Enjoy Patio

Outdoor living is delightful but only when it's comfortable.

Gas infra-red radiant heaters now are adding months to life in the great outdoors for an ever-increasing number of families. Last year sales of infra-red heaters soared and they are expected to jump again this year.

Many families have found they can enjoy cookouts even in winter with infra-red heaters installed on their patios. Hunters and fishermen now use them, too, to keep warm at the campsite without heavy clothing — even in below-freezing temperatures.

Infra-red heaters may be stationary or portable. The portable units, which use LP gas, can be used while riding in a golf cart, working in a garage, or camping, and for melting ice and snow on walks and driveways. Hand carts are available for several of the portable models.

Natural gas service can be extended from the house to supply stationary infra-red heaters, which may be mounted on a post, wall or ceiling. An especially popular installation is on the post of an outdoor gaslight.

A minimum of two heaters is usually installed to bracket people between them. Spacing of heaters depends on how protected the area is.

Although the principle has been known for years, not until recently has infra-red heating come into its own as an adjunct to outdoor living. It has been used extensively, however, by industry to make otherwise unheatable areas comfortable to work in.

## Camp Cook Likes Her Gas Range



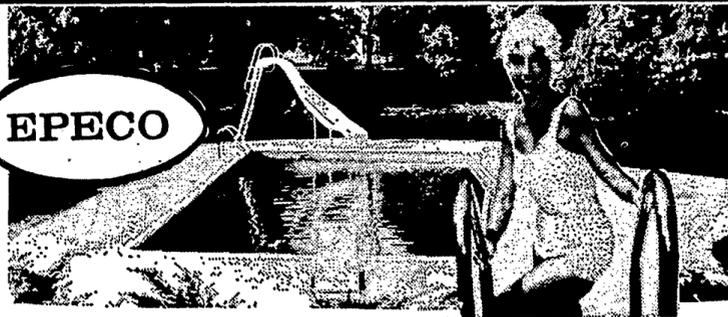
A holiday in the great outdoors needn't mean constant cookouts. This homemaker, vacationing in a trailer, cooks Dad's daily catch of fish on a modern gas range fueled by LP gas.

### FOR GOOD EATING

Toasted English muffins are the perfect hot bread to accompany camp stews and soups. Toast them right on the grill.



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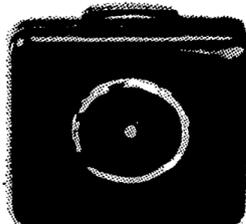
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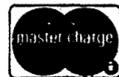
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