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### **Local Design/Build Company Certified Experienced in Aging in Place Specialists**

East Troy, Wisc.- Cindy Knutson-Lycholat recently did a live remote radio show with KHOW 630 AM in Denver, CO about the Certified-Aging-in-Place (CAPS) program developed by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and AARP, and she would like to share her insight on this topic with area residents on how to develop appropriate changes to your home as needed.

“Certified-Aging-in-Place Specialists are trained to assist homeowners and/or caregivers to develop and plan for the changes that are needed in a home under various situations,” said Knutson-Lycholat. “For example, Mrs. Jones may have a friend who has MS and a sister who just had a knee replaced.”

Because it could be difficult for the friend and sister to visit, Certified-Aging-in-Place Specialists can advise Mrs. Jones about what needs to be done.

“Mrs. Jones can make her home more accessible to her friend and sister by creating a no step front entrance, adding a railing and changing the flooring from thick carpeting to a wood floor.”

Another challenge that many people face is accommodating the need for a wheelchair and what do to make the hallways widened and make the bath wheelchair accessible.

“People can be reassured that there are professionals available to help when these life changes occur,” said Knutson-Lycholat. “AARP endorses the CAPS contractor as a quality contractor and every CAPS designee can be found on the AARP website.

#### **About Knutson Bros. II**

Named Remodeler of the Year in 2006, Knutson Bros. II is a nationally recognized complete design-build remodeling company that specializes in residential home remodeling, including additions, second stories, kitchens and baths. Knutson Bros. II is a local, family-owned and operated Wisconsin LLC that was founded by Cindy Knutson Lycholat, and her husband Gerry Lycholat. The company has over 30 years of design experience, and has a reputation for honest, personalized service that is on-time and on-budget.