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Step down into the basement of Commack homeowner John Kean, and one thing is certainly clear: An avid golfer lives and entertains here. "I love golf, and there's nothing more relaxing than being on the golf course," says Kean, 45, who owns an insurance agency.

Designer Kim Hendrickson-Radovich was given the go-ahead to make design choices in the room, but first there were a few challenges stored in the barren basement. "The

problem with the basement was that there were tiny windows, and the ceiling was too low, so I used window treatments to add height in the room and also give the illusion that you're above ground," says Hendrickson-Radovich of E. Courtney Interiors & Design in Muttontown.

Kean's collection of ticket stubs and maps from past U.S. Open tournaments were professionally framed to serve as artwork for the walls, and golf-themed accent tables injected a

bit of his favorite hobby into the living space to complete the look.

"I think the best part about doing the basement was to really interpret his wishes, his style and use my expertise to enhance his living space," she says. "It's such a personal thing to go into a home and help the homeowner put their stamp on it. It has to look like a home."

Did she accomplish her goal? "I've been in other houses, but this really feels like home," Kean says.

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GOLF ARTWORK AND ACCESSORIES, \$885

Kean's appreciation for golf can be found throughout the room, including a collection of memorabilia that was custom-framed at LaMania Gallery in Northport. The artwork belongs to the homeowner. A golf bag and golf magazine accent tables help unify the theme of the room.



WINDOW TREATMENTS, \$2,500

The basement's small windows were covered with floor-to-ceiling window treatments, giving the illusion that larger windows were behind it. A cornice with panels was installed over woven shades to complete the design.

LIGHTING, \$1,250 for lamps and electrical work. The lighting highlights the custom window treatments and artwork.

Huntington-based Suffolk Electric installed low-voltage high hats on dimmers supplied by Radovich. Cost includes Uttermost accent lamps.

SEATING, \$2,790

A sectional made of faux suede in a chocolate tone from Kravet Fabrics was chosen for its masculine style and textures, offering comfortable seating for the homeowner's entertaining needs.

TABLE, \$395
A rattan cocktail table — found at North Shore Antiques in St. James — was chosen for its transitional look.

RUG, \$2,200
A custom sisal-like area rug in a brown and tan check anchors the room to create a contemporary and transitional space.

GOLF BAG ACCENT TABLE, \$550, AND GOLF MAGAZINE ACCENT TABLE, \$295

Table and rack made by Hooker

WALL COVERING AND INSTALLATION, \$1,800



BAR AREA, \$1,250
A free-standing bar allows for impromptu partying with golf friends.

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CHAIR AND OTTOMAN, \$1,360

MAGAZINE RACK, \$65

50-INCH PIONEER FLAT-SCREEN TV, moved from another part of house

Total: \$15,340