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PRESENTS THE EVERETT MODEL

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Partnering years of experience, a commitment to perfection, and innovative thinking results in a home that is not a structure, but a lifestyle, reflecting the client's desires in what it means to feel right at home. Starr Homes thoroughly understands how to bring each client's vision to life, and as a result, each design is unique in terms of all of the elements that are somehow magically intertwined to produce a living space that offers more than meets the eye.

"We design a house that meets the client's style and look, not ours, and we love it, as it gives us the opportunity to build all kinds of different homes," noted co-owner Gerry Starr, who, along with his brother Kit, is dedicated to working closely with each client to create the perfect plan, not just aesthetically, but also for what goes on behind the scenes. In business for more than a decade, Starr Homes is known not only for the company's superior planning, quality construction, and unrivaled integrity, but also for its energy-efficient building techniques.

"We focus on building science to build a better house," explained Starr. "We do this through better use of materials; better air quality and health of the space; and energy efficiency. The return on investment from our energy saving details is less than seven years." The details to that end are buried behind the walls so the homeowners live better, feel better and obtain better value for their home in the long-term.

As Kansas City's premier custom home builder, Starr Homes can readily transform a client's concept into reality. Starr Homes doesn't just build exceptional homes; this company builds a feeling.

As Starr explained, "We hear from our clients that our homes just feel better. And that is the highest compliment and means we got all the magic right. We do a great job of ensuring the home flows well and that the homeowner gets all of the square footage exactly where



they want it. Even down to the finishes, we demand exceptional results from ourselves. We take the time to sit down with our clients to understand what they want and envision and make those ideas come to life. As a result, our houses are uniquely different."

Uniquely different may be an understatement, as evidenced by this Mills Farm masterpiece, the Everett, which won Pick of the Parade and Distinctive Design Awards in the Fall Parade of Homes 2016. This 3,733 square foot, one-and-a-half story home catches the eye just as easily as it captures the heart.

From the moment you enter the home, you are greeted by jaw-dropping architectural prowess and inspired design, overseen by Angela Arnone-Orel, Interior Designer and Pricing Manager with Starr Homes, that seamlessly transitions from room-to-room. Its modern design coupled with a decided industrial vibe is both striking and relaxing. A free floating staircase in the entryway connects three levels and stands in stark prominence as a focal point of the home. Equally dominant is the three-story, 32' wainscot wall, partnered with a series of over-sized windows.

The great room instantly delivers a stand-out statement piece with its 42" linear gas fireplace, wrapped with Poplar tongue and groove lap siding, finished in a weathered grey/brown stain. The circular motif in the ceiling adds an unforgettable symmetry to the space.

The kitchen island is comprised of Birch wood, stained in a similar weathered wood color as the fireplace lap siding, and is topped with a Silestone quartz countertop. The perimeter cabinetry complements the look with its light gray finish, partnering perfectly with the dark-charcoal effect of the hood above the range. The tile backsplash is comprised of 3" x 8" glass subway tile in a straight set for a clean, contemporary look. A prep kitchen stands behind the main kitchen and leads to a walk-in pantry.

The unforgettable Master suite boosts the industrial appeal of the design with its own tongue and groove siding on the ceiling. The adjacent master bathroom boasts 18" x 18" porcelain tile on the floor to give the feeling of rustic concrete, repeating the look partially up the wall. The freestanding soaker tub provides a modern look and allows for more of an open space. The laundry room, accessed from the master closet or the main hallway, enjoys a similar look and feel.

In the powder bath on this level, a vessel sink, pendant lighting and a granite countertop blend well with the stunning glass tile backsplash, artfully laid in an angular motif on the vertical. Also on the main level is a dedicated office, mud room, and covered lanai just off the back of the home. On the upper level are three bedrooms, each with a full bathroom and walk-in closet. A delightful hidden room can be found behind a hinged bookcase in one of the rooms, leading to the perfect reading nook.

Building a custom home doesn't necessarily have to cost as much as one might think, nor does it have to be as difficult or challenging.

"We are very sensitive to aligning a client's vision with a budget and are eager to design homes that meet the client's desires and budget," said Starr.

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