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# BOUNDLESS LANE HOME TRULY KNOWS ***NO BOUNDS***

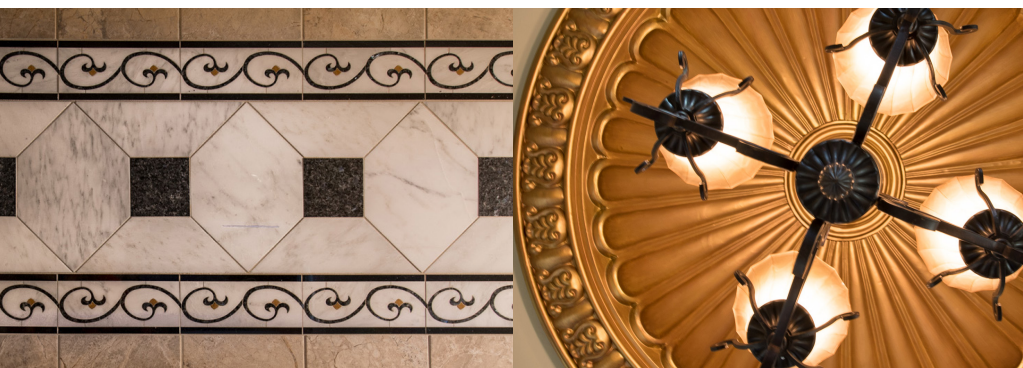
By Brad Shannon







Unique home in Timnath's WildWing is a showstopper.



From every angle, inside and out, the Rasmussen home on Boundless Lane in Timnath's WildWing development is impressive; and that's just the way Margie Rasmussen wanted it. "If I don't have it, they don't make it," she notes while giving a tour of her home.

From the automated gate guarding the expansive driveway that leads to the front door and massive 1,900-square-foot, seven-car garage, to the lightning rods atop the concrete tile roof with copper accents, to the swimming pool and expansive views of Timnath Reservoir and the Front Range toward the west, everything about the property suggests quality and tradition. Add in five fireplaces, a wine cellar, a Control4 home automation system, a whole-house vacuum system and more, and the Rasmussen estate, which some refer to as "The Castle" because of its stonework and architectural details, sets itself apart as a jewel on the prairie.

The home is a testament to Mrs. Rasmussen's determination to bring her dream of a large home to life, despite the health challenges she and her husband Gary have faced. The vision was to have all the amenities she and Gary could want, including conveniences that would make their golden years more comfortable and convenient. Unfortunately, she was diagnosed with breast cancer during the initial stages of construction, though her treatment was successful. After that, Mr. Rasmussen's failing health prevented him from moving in to share the massive layout with his wife.

"I don't really travel much anymore, and I wanted a place where I could entertain family, have guests and be comfortable. I also wanted a place where Gary and I would have the amenities we needed to stay here as long as we could," Rasmussen shares, and notes that she chose the walk-in bath tub and elevator between the main floor and walk-out basement with her husband in mind.

When her desire to add a pool for her husband to her previous home ran into resistance, she decided to start over from scratch. After procuring a one-acre waterside lot, Rasmussen selected a Donald Gardner plan of about 8,000 square feet called "Heatherstone." She worked with Jon Rentfrow of Rentfrow Design, who purchased rights to the plan and then made some modifications, adding about 1,000 square feet to the main level and nearly 2,000 square feet to the overall plan, because, quite simply, Mrs. Rasmussen likes big houses. About 2,000 square feet, on the north and south ends of the lower level, remain unfinished.

The building process began in January 2013, and was complete in December 2013. The luxury home was built by Schroetlin Custom Homes. Mike Schroetlin, owner, and his interior designer, Shannon Carlson, worked diligently with Mrs. Rasmussen throughout the entire process, including decorating and appointing the home.

The front features modest landscaping and a bronze sculpture of children fishing. The back centers around a swimming pool with salt water purification system housed in its own stone-faced outbuilding and a stone wall surround that matches the house. The main level deck





Mike Schroetlin, Schroetlin Custom Homes, helped homeowner Margie Rasmussen attain her dream of owning a large home equipped with all the bells and whistles.

and poolside patio offer striking views of the reservoir and the mountains.

While the sheer scale of the place is striking, once the impression its mass makes begins to fade, the myriad details of the home start to sink in. For those who appreciate craftsmanship, there are items small and large to take in around every corner. The drywall, tile and carpentry are all highly detailed and immaculately finished.

Mrs. Rasmussen's love of chandeliers is apparent throughout, with many of the large fixtures accompanied by custom ceiling recesses and halo lighting. Her office features a massive floor-to-ceiling walnut bookcase, complete with a library ladder to provide access to the upper shelves. Marble tile with intricate inlays grace the entry foyer and master bath. Equally detailed custom tile work appears in the kitchen and baths. The owner's affinity for basin sinks is also clear, with a solid brass bowl and another covered with small squares of mother of pearl.

The professional kitchen features a full professional range, an in-wall double oven, and a built-in commercial refrigerator/freezer. The large pantry features another full-sized Samsung smart refrigerator, a favorite of Mrs. Rasmussen from her previous residence.

The home acts as an impressive showcase for an extensive art collection, including oil paintings and a number of bronze sculptures, from life size figures to tabletop western subjects, along with a Yamaha Grand Disklavier Piano and a second digital piano. A sweeping curved staircase with custom railing ushers visitors to the lower level, where a full bar, wine cellar and professional billiard table await, along with a collection of western saddles from the Rasmussen's time as ranchers and equestrians, and an exercise room.

Rasmussen is quick and generous with her praise of Schroetlin Custom Homes, especially Mike, his interior designers and his subcontractors. "They were all just splendid to work with," she notes. "I must admit, given some of the health problems my husband and I were facing, I was not the easiest to work with at times. They persevered, gave me all the individual assistance I needed, and gave me a home that I love." ■

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