

Custom HOME OF THE WEEK



Family's Patience is Rewarded with Perfection

By Philip Kerrigan

The average space between new homes in the United States has shrunk to a miniscule six feet, leaving people like Stephanie and Erin Pratt wondering how to find a place with a yard big enough to enjoy the outdoors.

They looked for property everywhere in the Olympia area, and their search became quite a chore.

"We knew exactly what we wanted in a house," Stephanie Pratt says. "We just couldn't find any land to build it on."

A friend suggested checking with building contractors in the area, but nearly every call they made ended in disappointment.

"We called everyone in the book and only two even called us back," Pratt says. "MC was the only one who wanted to help us."

Though MC Construction didn't have anything in their current lot inventory suitable to the Pratts' needs, they worked for months to find the right piece of property.

"Julie kept us in the loop the whole time," Pratt explains. "We really appreciated that."

And just when they were about to lose hope,

their patience was rewarded. They received a call from Julie, asking them to take a look at an acreage parcel on the westside of Olympia near The Evergreen State College. A former customer was relocating to Hawaii and asked for MC Construction's help in selling a parcel they owned adjacent to their home.

The rest is Pratt family history.

"We jumped on the opportunity and started planning right away," Pratt says.

Throughout the design process, the professionals at MC Construction helped the Pratts create their version of the perfect home, an updated New England saltbox-style.

"They were really open to all of our ideas," Stephanie says. "It was nice to have someone that took my suggestions."

Although they had heard of MC's solid reputation, the Pratts found out exactly how respected the custom home company is within the community when they began working with subcontractors.

"Every subcontractor we talked to had so much respect for MC," Stephanie says. "Once they found out we were working with MC

Construction, they were eager to help."

Throughout the entire process the Pratts experienced the key to MC's reputation: excellent customer service. A professional with MC Construction was always available. No detail was missed.

"I obsessed over so many things," Stephanie says.

Customer Coordinator, Chatrina Pitsch, remembers things a bit differently.

"I loved working with the Pratts," she says. "They were a blast!"

The family is now happily settled into their warm and inviting home, a unique combination of style and practicality, with a kitchen straight from Stephanie's fantasy world.

"I love that kitchen," Stephanie says. "They made it look so amazing."

So as the space between houses continues to shrink, the Pratts are enjoying their huge yard. And when asked about custom building with MC Construction, Stephanie says without hesitation, "It was one of the best experiences we've ever had."