

Corcoran

## Custom Home Blends Modern Midwest with Traditional Far East

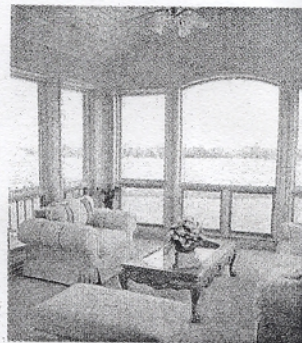


that the family living in it can see a distant mountain from either the front or back door.

For Jually, a modern yet traditional Hmong woman living in Minnesota, 40 acres of land where she can grow her own vegetables and raise her own chickens and rabbits, suffices for the mountain view. And teaming up with Lundgren Bros. ensured that her home would be occupied by the happy spirits.

For a Laotian woman taking the lead on building a luxury home, finding a builder wasn't easy. "Lundgren Bros. was the first builder that showed respect to us and was extra helpful," stated Jually. "And in the building process, LaVern, new home consultant, was able to work through the cultural barriers. We were all able to communicate consistently well through the process."

Through Lundgrens Bros.' sensitive and meticulous attention to the Yang's unique specifications, the home ended up successfully blending the best of the modern Midwest with the traditional Far East.



Jually Yang and son, Alex, proudly display their home's architectural wonders.

For Jually Yang, finding Lundgren Bros. let her finally say "kuv mus tsev." In the Hmong language, that means "I'm going home."

Jually Yang's journey home took her from her homeland of Laos as a child to Los Angeles where she grew up as a teen to Minneapolis where she built a successful business serving the home healthcare needs of the Twin Cities Hmong community, the largest in the nation with a population of 75,000.

"Although this home is built in the American traditional style, it also allows for some important cultural features of my homeland," states Jually. That is why her new stunning Corcoran home from Lundgren Bros. reflects a culmination of all that she has accomplished and all that she stands for.

Rising out of the rolling farmland of rural Corcoran, Jually's Tudor-style home with brandywine brick is a classic blend of character and comfort. The home invites visitors to look up when entering to view the opulent 4,000 crystal piece chandelier 12 feet high in the foyer, the hexagonal cherrywood beamed ceiling of the great room and the two elegant staircases with custom spindles.

The home is one of the most important elements in a Hmong family's life, and all homes are designed to be protected by many different spirits— Xwms Kab (the protective house spirit), the spirit of the door, the spirit of the central post and the spirit of the hearth to name a few. The Hmong follow strict rules when building their homes. In their homeland, every home is built so



The gourmet kitchen equipped with all the latest amenities including a custom built-in refrigerator and Corian-topped island leads to the knotty pine and bamboo-accented sunporch that opens up to a natural setting. The fieldstone fireplace accented with Laotian pewter pots and portraits of Jually's sisters in New Year's ceremonial dress on the mantel stands in contrast to the TECHlink® Entertainment Center. The eleven art nooks holding seasonal Oriental-style floral arrangements that wind up the staircase take you to the owner's bath of marble pillars and a luxurious sunken whirlpool tub.

For now, Jually's four-year-old son Alex and her Chihuahua named Teddy keep her company. Her mother and father, who live in Corcoran; and most of her siblings, 16 in total, frequently stop over for a barbecue or stir-fry on weekends and holidays.



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