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It's easy to build your own dream home

It is time, you have planned and saved and now you are ready to build your dream home!



I have the privilege of meeting with a wide variety of families who are wading into building a home; it can be thrilling,

overwhelming and terrifying all at once.

The quality of Central Alberta builders is unsurpassed and you can rest in the fact that many of them are capable of building your dream home. I have enjoyed working with several of them over the past few years and would be confident building a home in this area if I could get over my passion for 100 year old houses!

Falcon Homes is one builder that I work with, helping their clients and designers choose products

for their varied projects around Sylvan Lake, Red Deer and Blackfalds.

Falcon Homes has been building in our area for over a decade and is run by Gary and Kevin Pardy (who are brothers) and their wives Karen and Gina. It is truly a family run operation with both couples heavily involved in all aspects of the company.

Jennifer, who is one of the design gurus at Falcon Homes (you should see the kitchens this lady can put together - wow!), answered a few of my

clients' most frequently asked questions in regards to new home construction.

It is important for a client to partner themselves with a builder who can realize their dreams. Falcon is a full service builder who has an impressive portfolio of homes ranging from spec and multi family dwellings to the most elaborate custom plans.

Falcon prides itself on the longevity of their staff and can ensure quality work from trades they know and trust.





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Once you have found the builder you trust, the lot you want and have the ok from the bank, it's time to get to work!

Falcon has designers and drafts people on hand to co-ordinate with you on your dream project – regardless of the scope. They have an in-house design centre to help you choose all of your exterior finishes, plumbing, stair spindles and door styles; all within arm's reach!

You just pull up a chair, relax and choose many of your home's finishes. After that you come to us, pull up a chair, relax and choose your interior flooring and colours – it is that easy!

Some extras you may want to consider in your

new home are in floor heating (a standard rough in for Falcon), hot water on demand, two-sided fireplaces and luxury steam showers.

Make a wish list of things you want in your home and you can work with your designer to see how many elements you can choose with your budget in mind.

Visiting show homes is a great way to compile a list of wants and needs. Falcon's show home at 93 Regatta in Sylvan has a washer and dryer in the master bedroom closet – yes please!! Watch for the Stars 2010 dream home next year, it is sure to have some amazing features.

There is no better investment than a home,

even in these economically challenging times everyone can still look to investing in their future through real estate. Smaller homes and starter homes are big sellers right now and are a worthwhile purchase, interest rates are excellent and builders are motivated to assist you with your purchase – it is worth checking out.

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