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By L.J. Barker

Dave Barr grew up in the building industry, working with his father, who was a plumbing and heating contractor. While still in high school, he worked for the nuns at Notre Dame Academy, serving as an assistant to the brick mason, carpenter

**D**ave Barr is a high-quality builder. We enjoyed our interaction with him. He was very helpful and receptive to all of our ideas. Upon completion, our home was the dream we envisioned it to be.

— Barb Jones

and painter, learning from each of those trades. In 1979, Dave started his own masonry company and by 1984, began building homes.

Today, Barr Bros. Construction, Inc. builds between seven and 10 homes each year, along with various remodeling projects. Currently, Barr Bros. has a home built on speculation that it is utilizing as a model, and has two other homes under construction. The company is building in two areas: The Lake Erie Shores development, where houses and land costs are \$250,000 to \$300,000, and in the Concord area, in Nature Preserve and Mountainside Farms, where homes are in the

**This great room in a custom home built by Barr Bros. offers many interesting architectural features. (Audio Visions provides this building company with their audio, video and home networking needs.)**



\$500,000 and up range. Building within subdivisions, along with other builders, keeps things challenging and serves as a great motivator for Dave.

As part of Barr Bros.' design process, Dave will meet with clients to assist them in getting their dreams transferred to working plans. Having built more than 100 homes, most of Barr Bros.' designs are variations of its models and custom ideas clients have used. The company also receives many plan books and trade publications in the mail, which enables it to pick up on the latest trends and designs.

Barr Bros. maintains a model home in each of the subdivisions it builds in, so clients can view its workmanship and ideas incorporated into the homes. Much of the company's business is from word-of-mouth referrals passed along by satisfied clients.

Dave adds, "Our typical customer is usually someone with high expectations, mainly on account of the spectacular workmanship our trades provide.

"Part of what keeps me fresh and invigorated is being able to be involved in the whole building process," Dave tells us. "I'll spend a couple hours a day in the office, a few out on the job sites and a few more meeting with clients ... so there is

**W**e entered this venture with some trepidation. A number of our friends had less-than-positive experiences working with their builders. Working with Dave Barr and all his contractors was a pleasure. Everyone took the time to listen to our ideas, answered our questions and really brought the both of us into the entire process. We are very satisfied with our new home. The care given to subtle details, the craftsmanship and design flexibility are very evident throughout our home. We would recommend Dave to anyone without hesitation.

— Peter and Lois Adamski



This lower level in a Barr Bros. home includes a complete kitchen.

always something new and different."

Barr Bros. is a member of the Home Builders Association of Greater Cleveland and its local Chamber of Commerce.

Born and raised in Cleveland, Dave now resides in Lake County with his wife, Joyce. Joyce oversees all the essential accounting, along with Linsey Znidarsic, who has been working with the company for about a year and a half. She is Joyce's childhood friend's daughter, and has become like family to the Barrs. Dave adds, "Joyce and I have three dogs, two golden retrievers and one German shepherd, and they

play an active role in the business by coming along with me to inspect the job sites on weekends."

Dave is planning to get more involved with developing subdivisions, while also staying involved in building homes. In closing, he tells us, "It is very rewarding to work with a client, designing their dream and seeing it all come together, as well as building model homes and having clients select our home over others. It really lets us know our extra efforts are appreciated. My name is on the company, which means I take great care in putting out the best possible



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A lovely kitchen in a Barr Bros. home, offering a functional, durable plan and products. (Cabinets and countertops are supplied to this building company by Design Crafters; flooring is provided by RCM Flooring.)

home I can. I am personally involved in every aspect of the home building process, from initially meeting with clients to

**D**ave Barr is a great builder that is easy to work with and understands the buyer's needs. Quality work and craftsmanship is put into every step of the building process. Dave Barr builds each house as if it was his own. We were able to customize the house to fit our needs, including a custom aquarium room. My wife and I have heard many negative things about the building process, but Barr Bros. Construction has made the process as smooth as possible with no issues.

— Andy Price

design their blueprints, all the way through to their final walk through, then afterwards as they move and settle in to their new home. I take building a home very personally, and while a particular job is going on, I treat it as if I were building a home for myself. I am a Christian and believe in honesty and integrity. I do my best to please the people I build for.”

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