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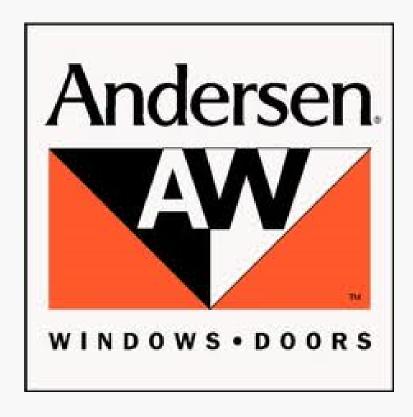
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# "Ny life changed in an instant."

unpredicted, unprecedented, irreversible change



#### Woman hit by tree limb remains hospitalized

woman remains hospitalized in Granville Fire Chief Columbus after being injured Schafer. Rose Marie Rossetti, 44, of and pinned under the limb, Her by a falling tree limb Saturday. Gahanna, is listed in serious husband wasn't injured.

condition at Grant Medical

Rossetti had been flown to the Columbus facility by MedFlight after the 5:45 p.m. accident. Rossetti and her hus were riding their bicy the path about a mil Granville when down and she w

GRANVILLE - A 44-year-old its limbs, according

She was struck in the head

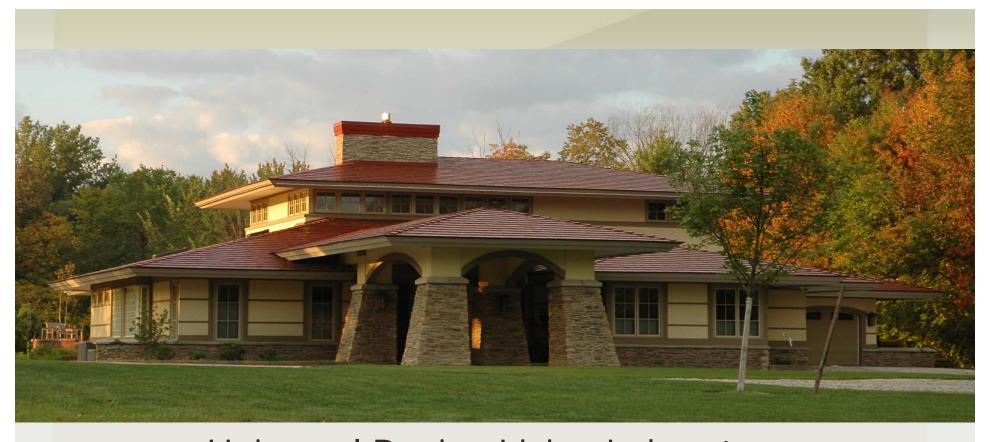












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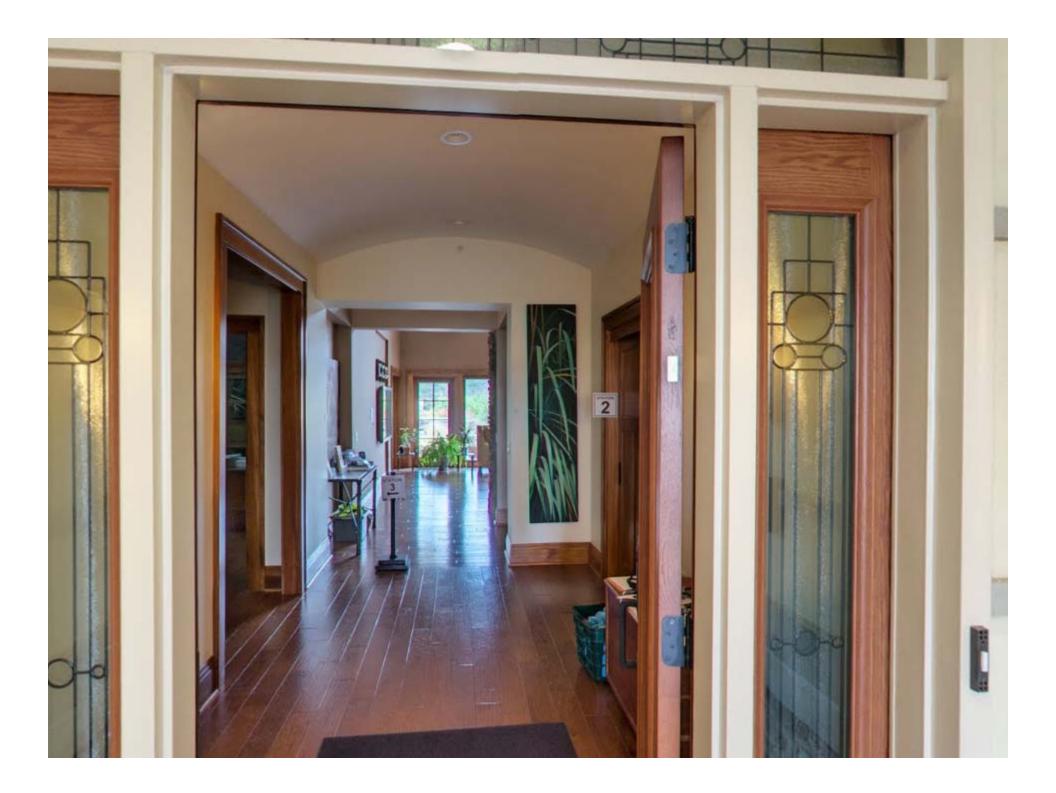
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Welcoming Approachable Gentle grade Protected from weather Smooth ride No step entry Motion light







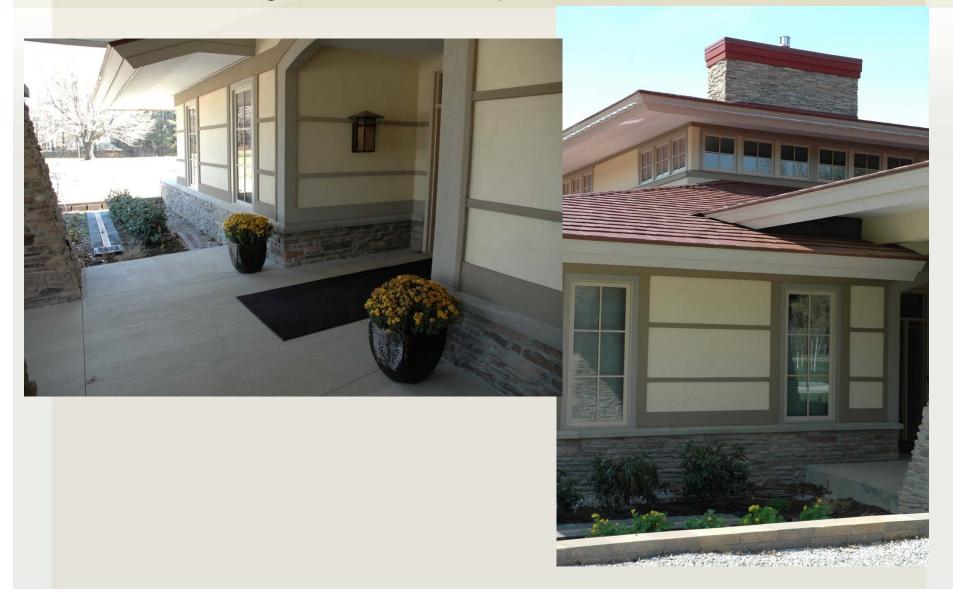
# Multiple Door Peep Holes Level Threshold







# Front Entry & Landscape Bed



## Back side of the home



# 6' Overhang & Drainage Away from the Home





# Kitchen

Ease of use for all Safety Independence



# Perimeter countertop



#### Foot rest must clear toe kick



### Microwave and Oven



# Knee Space Under Cooktop





In counter steamer/pasta cooker with drain

Pot filler

# Deep Drawers



#### Pull Out Pantry & Cabinet Hardware



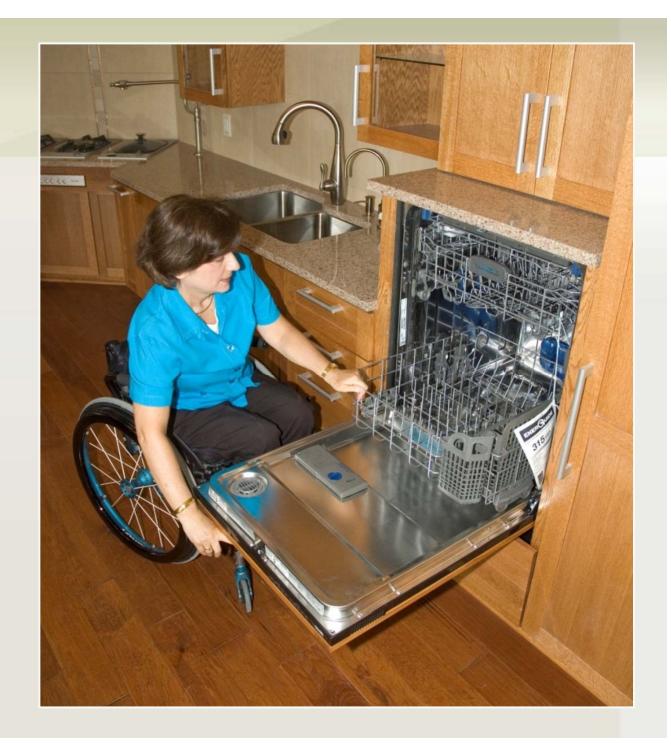
- Don't just focus on the shape Ex. "C", "D", lever
- Focus on the:
  - Size
  - Orientation
  - Placement
  - Finish
  - Embellishments





## Knee Space Under Sink

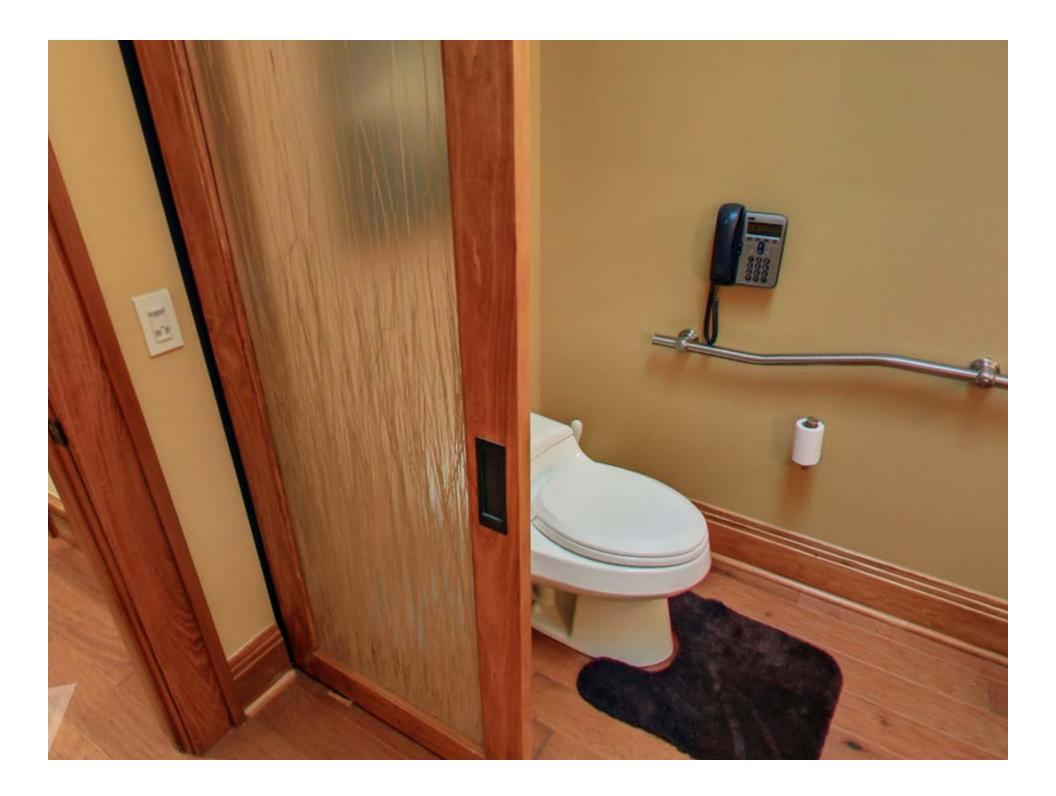
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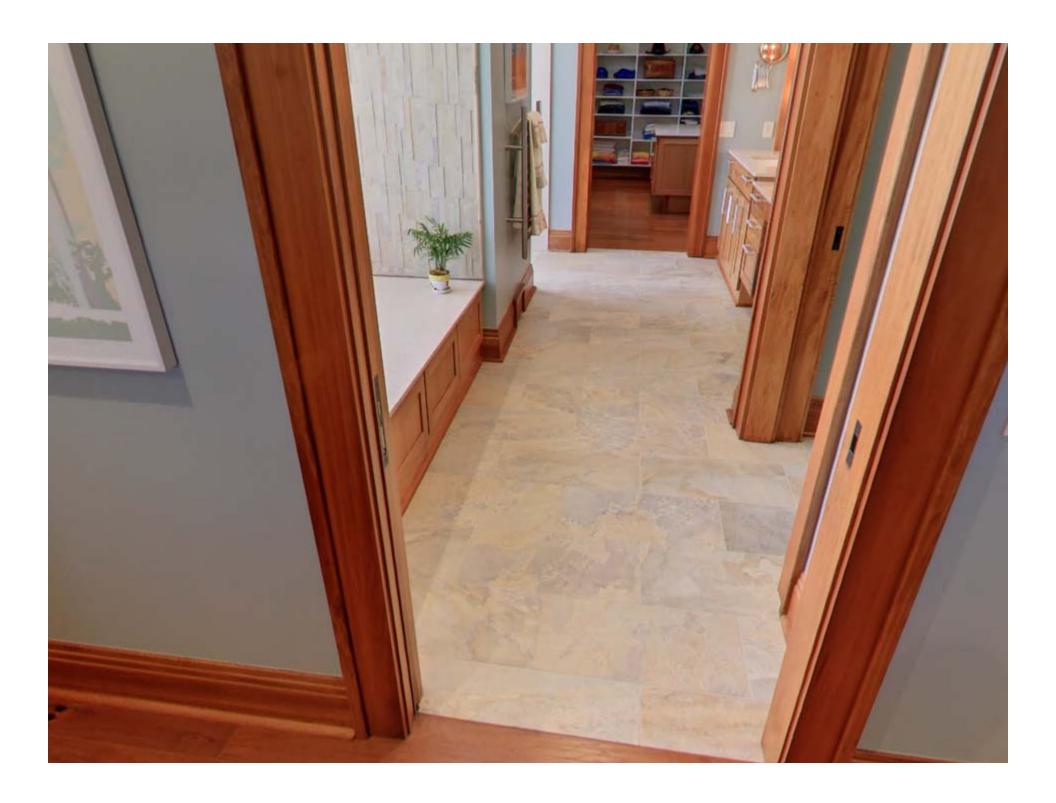




#### Bathroom

Daylight Motion sensor LED lights Low maintenance Independence Safety Comfort Spa experience





#### **Curbless Shower**



- ¾" Plywood grab bar reinforcement
- 2" X 8" for shower seat reinforcement
- Soap niche recessed in wall

#### Universal Design Shower Features



- Grab bar
- Adjustable height nozzle
- Lever handle faucet
- Pre-set temperature control
- Shelves for soap & shampoo
- Ergonomic shower chair

#### **Channel Drain**



## Universal Design Shower Features for Safety

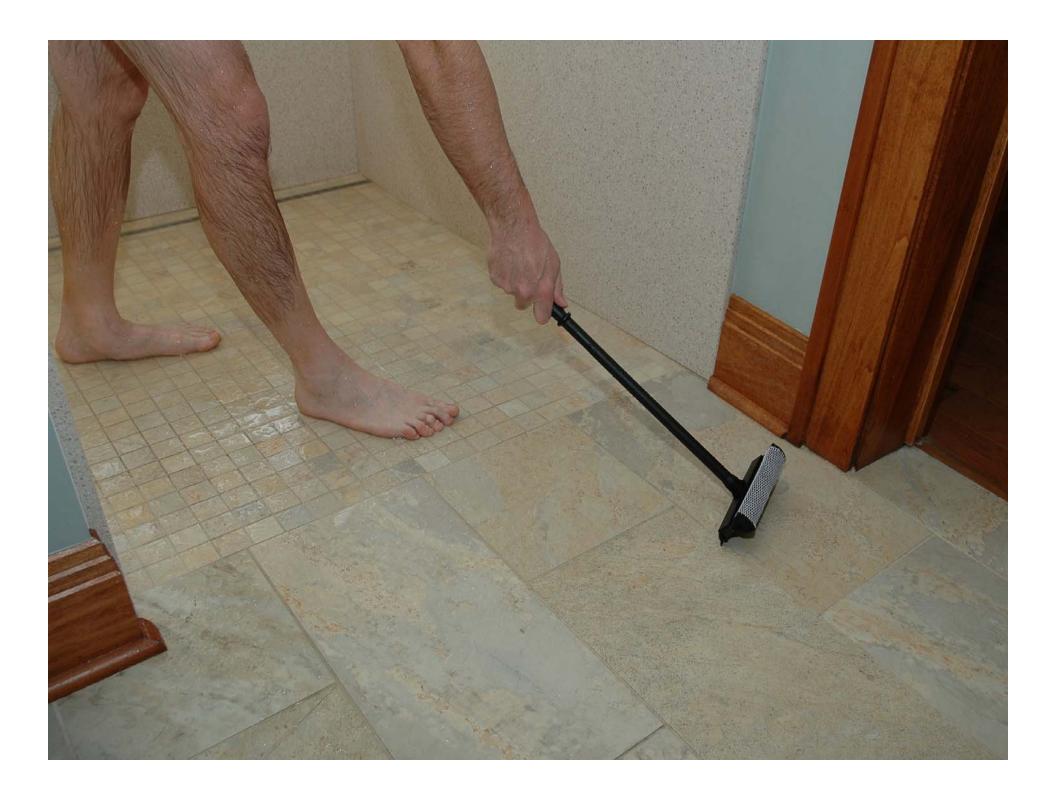


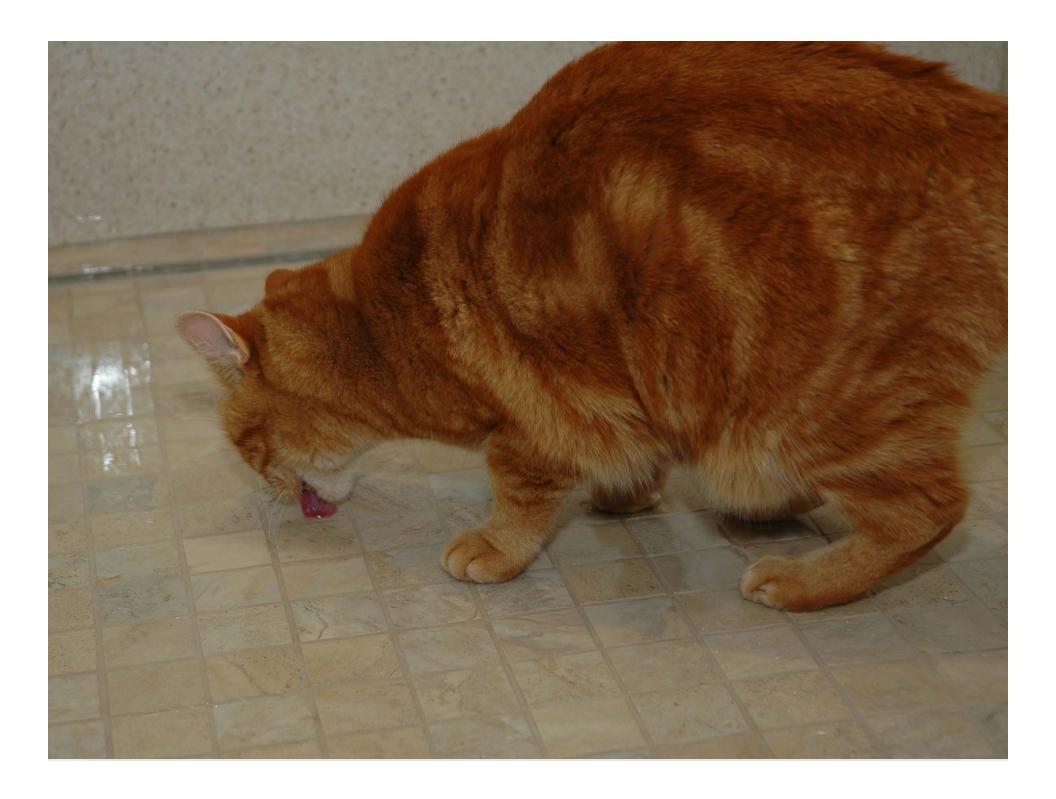
- Floor sloped to remove water
- Drain on rear wall
- Non-slip ceramic tile floor





Balance Bar





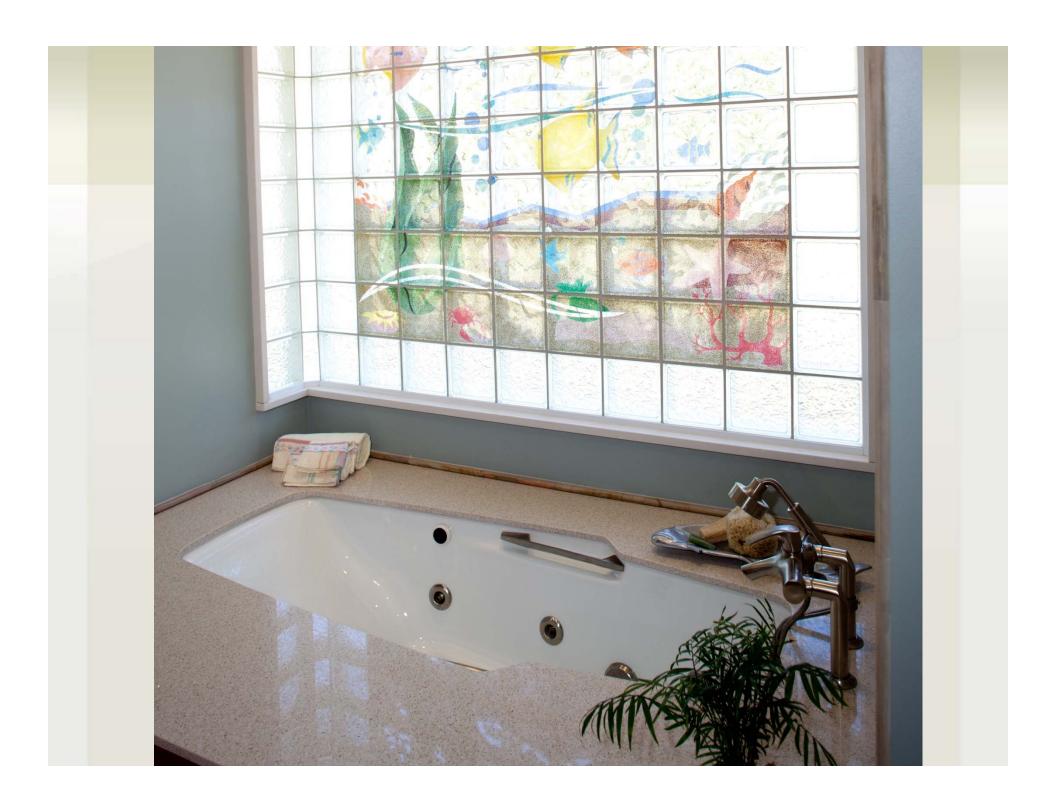


- Comfort height 17 to 19" from the floor
- Install center of toilet ring 18" from side wall
- Dual flush
- Low water use 1.1 to 1.28 gallons per flush



## Universal Design Bathtub Features







#### Master Bathroom





## Wardrobe/ Laundry Room

Motion sensor LED lights
Daylight
Clothing storage
Wash & dry
Iron
Pack & unpack
Humidity control

Independence

#### Wardrobe Universal Design Features



Two heights of closet rods 33 ½" countertop – center island

50% accessible shelves and hanging storage

## Wardrobe Universal Design Features



Front loading washer/dryer on pedestals

Full length mirror Low hanging rod

Roll under sink

# Universal Design Ironing Board







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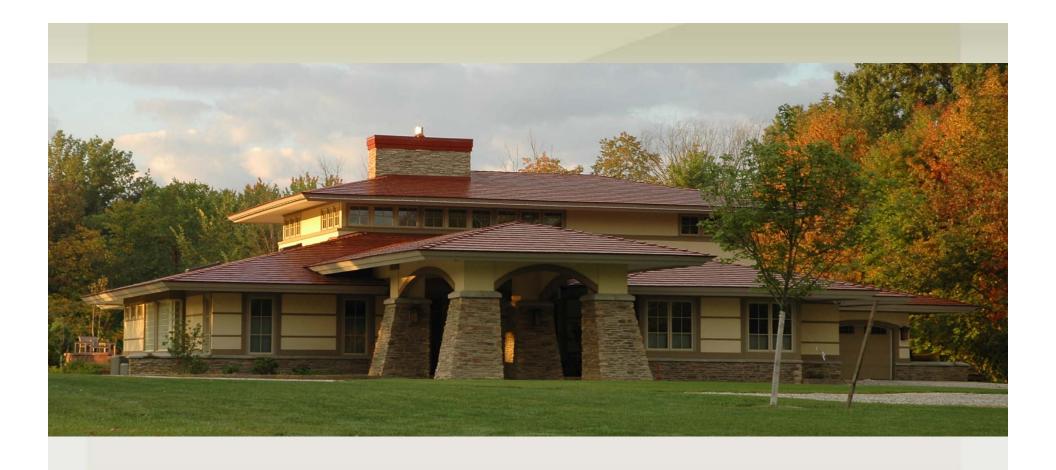
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