



Quail Homes:
Three decades of fine building
By Pat Stephens for The Columbian

The Girod family is in its third decade - and second generation -- of home building. Jon Girod, Quail Homes' principal, has been involved in home building for the past 15 years in Southwest Washington and the Portland metropolitan area. He started working in the industry with his father, and his father's words still guide the company's values today: "Keep it simple and give the buyer value."

"We are fortunate to be in the homebuilding business," said Girod. "It's a dynamic, constantly changing industry. We enjoy the challenges and the unique opportunity to provide people their homes from which memories are made."

"We are committed to build aesthetically pleasing homes that are cost effective, flexible to buyer's needs, and are built in the best locations we can find," continued Girod. He said that Quail's reputation has come from providing outstanding value and style in the homes they build.

"People trading down or people trading up, on your lot or ours, you get the same attention to detail and quality that Quail is known for."

The company's focus is outward, aimed toward their customers and to the communities where they live and build. "The people who are Quail Homes live, work, and raise their families in this community. We have no more desire to destroy our environment than any other citizen. We understand we can have an effect on the world, and our little corner of it, and we choose to create as little negative impact as possible."

That's why Quail Homes is certified as a BuiltGreen™ builder. "This certification enhances our reputation as a responsible builder of quality homes," said Girod. "As our customers become more aware of what we all can do to 'live green' we are proud to offer them a home that complements a sustainable lifestyle."

Built Green™ means the builder uses sustainable products, the home is energy efficient, and the indoor air is of the highest quality. The flooring, cabinetry, and other building materials come from sustainable forests and are low in allergens for healthy living.

"For high performance, think concrete!" said Girod. "We use the ARXX™ system, creating all exterior walls and floors out of concrete and concrete products. These homes are exceptionally energy efficient, cool in the summer and well insulated for warmth in the winter. It's highly durable, too!"

To find Quail Homes in a neighborhood near you, check their website at www.quailhomes.com.

