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Homes on Wiedemann Hill featured in magazine spread

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NEWPORT - The homes on Wiedemann Hill are getting some recognition outside of their own surroundings.

American Dream Homes magazine's winter edition has featured five of the newer homes on the hill in a photo spread called "Rooms with a View."

The tall, narrow homes that sit atop Wiedemann Hill on Newport's east side were built for the Home Builders Association Citifest 2005.

ADVERTISEMENT "We flew in the magazine's editorial staff from Washington, D.C., and they went through the houses and experienced the views. They feel like the Greater Cincinnati area has some good designs and good builders and that it's underreported nationally," said Mike Studer of Studer Residential Design Inc., the Cold Spring firm that designed the homes.

"They were really excited because it was a high-end urban project. Baby boomers are looking to head back into town and are looking for a change," Studer said.

Studer emphasized that the project's success hinged on cooperation as well as his firm's design.

"The builders, the city and the interior designers were heavily involved and that's why the quality was the way it was," he said. "The city was strict, which is good in terms of ensuring what is promised will work, but very cooperative and very fair."

The city of Newport also sees the feature as another example of Newport's continued resurgence.

"It was exciting to have over 60 pages dedicated to homes located in the Estates at Wiedemann Mansion," said Ryan Wyrick, the city's business development officer.

"The exposure in American Dream Homes is further evidence that the residential market in Newport continues to expand and diversify."

Rumors of foundation slippage on the hill have been unfounded, said Brian Steffen of the city's code enforcement department

Photos and blueprints of the homes can be found at the magazine's Web site www.eplans.com. American Dream Homes



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Mike Frimming, Paul Studer and Mike Studer, of Studer Residential Designs Inc., designed the homes featured in American Dream Homes magazine.

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