

MOD AND MODULAR

THE ULTIMATE COOL HOME HITS THE MARKET IN TIME FOR SUMMER.

PRICE
\$275,000

ADDRESS
4827 THEISS
SOUTH ST. LOUIS
COUNTY

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On a sunny May morning, as cars baked on nearby I-270, this centrally cooled, space-age house proved a calm and spacious haven. The interior, buffered by robust R-50 insulation in the roof and R-38 insulation in the walls, belies no hint of the bustling thoroughfare just a few dozen yards away.

Sited on a low-traffic street off Tesson Ferry Road, this expanded version of Perryville modern architectural designer Rocio Romero's prefab LVL home may appear modest from the outside, but in fact encompasses almost 3,000 square feet of living space, including three bedrooms, two baths, a lower-level rec room, walk-in closets designed by Saint Louis Closet Company, abundant office/studio space, and nearly 9-foot ceilings throughout. Counter and cabinet space in the kitchen is ample; the adjoining open dining and living room, surrounded on two sides by gossamer-curtained windows, provides plenty of room to curate a personal art collection and entertain guests.

In a minimalist home like this, the details take on heightened significance—and no expense was spared in making this home shine. The bath on

the main floor features a luxurious whirlpool tub with a waterfall fill spout, a wall-mounted glass vessel sink and mirrored medicine cabinet, and an oversized, water-efficient shower head. Bathroom tiles in clear green glass upstairs and earth tones downstairs impart subtle color. Recessed spot lighting creates an energy-efficient glow at night; during the day, the abundance of windows means lights rarely need to be turned on. In the living room, a petite standalone fireplace, built-in shelving, and a wall-mounted flat-screen TV provide comfort sans footprint.

This 21st-century ranch house is just right for jet setters, style buffs, and even ordinary cost-conscious citizens; since the home was built in 2007, the largest combined monthly utility bill totaled a mere \$138. Further, it's designed to withstand just about anything nature can throw at it: Its metal frame is built to California specifications, with steel beams sunk deep to ensure stability.

Priced to sell, this modern classic (the only Romero home in town) is sure to go quick—so stop by while you still can.

—MARGARET BAUER



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ESTATE SALE

NOTABLE RECENT HOME SALES IN ST. LOUIS

HOUSEHOLD: Former Cardinals pitcher *Mark Mulder*

HOUSE: 7831 Lafon, University City: 3-bedroom, 2.5-bath, 2,892 square feet

BOUGHT: May 2007 for \$825,000 from Cardinals pitcher *Chris Carpenter* and his wife, *Alyson*

SOLD: February 2009 for \$810,000 to *Robert Vitale*, cofounder of Banyan Capital Group

HOUSEHOLD: Sports agent *Mark Heligman* and his wife, *Kimberlie*

HOUSE: 1407 Country Lake Estates, Chesterfield: 4-bedroom, 3.5-bath, 4,449 square feet

BOUGHT: February 2009 for \$775,000 from *Roger and Laurie Becker*

HOUSEHOLD: Former Rams head coach *Scott Linehan* and his wife, *Kristen*

HOUSE: 28 Brookwood, Town & Country: 5-bedroom, 6.5-bath, 5,283 square feet

BOUGHT: May 2006 for \$2 million

FOR SALE: Listed for \$2.3 million

HOUSEHOLD: Former Cardinals general manager *Walt Jocketty* and his wife, *Susan*

HOUSE: 1210 Lay, Richmond Heights: 5-bedroom, 5-bath, 7,146 square feet

BOUGHT: April 2005 for \$2.1 million

FOR SALE: Listed for \$2.45 million

HOUSEHOLD: *Lisa Telthorst*, owner of Life in Balance Massage Therapy

HOUSE: 1319 Forest, Kirkwood:

4-bedroom, 3-bath, 3,138 square feet

BOUGHT: July 1999 for \$215,000

SOLD: March 2009 for \$655,000 to *Robert Abbott*

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