

Wiltshire delight

Stately home is full of charm, character

Story by Stacey Shannon – Photos by Adam Alexander

Located in the historic and prestigious Westwood subdivision, this home at 2207 W. Wiltshire offers the charm and character of the historic home it is along with all the upgrades and amenities of a new construction.

The front lawn of the home features a horseshoe drive while the back entrance, just off of Riverside, featuring a circular drive leading to the attached two-and-a-half-car garage.

The inside is just as stately. The large curved front door leads first to a small alcove with its original tile floor and then into the grand entryway.

The entryway, formal dining room and kitchen hallway all have new Brazilian cherry wood floors that keep with the historic feel of the home. The dining room, as many other rooms throughout the house, features the original plaster, carved crown molding. Leaded windows and leaded glass doors abound throughout the home as well. Many large windows give the home an airy feel.

"All the wonderful windows look out on big trees and pretty views everywhere," said Linda Needham, the Coldwell Banker Lunsford agent who has the home listed.

To the left of the front door is the large formal

living room, complete with a wood-burning fireplace. Through that room is a sunroom with original tile floor, plenty of windows and access to the den.

Coming full circle leads back to the main entry hallway. Straight ahead of the front door is the breakfast room. Both the breakfast room and kitchen feature cork flooring.

The spacious kitchen was completely updated in the last couple of years to feature a 48-inch Wolf gas stove with a custom tile backsplash, subzero refrigerator, cherry cabinets, quartz countertops and wine cabinet.

Just off from the main entryway is the front staircase with its original wrought iron railing.

The carpet on this staircase is new, but fits well with the historic charm of the home. A seating area is on the landing nearly up the staircase.

The owner's suite is at the top of the stairs on the left. This spacious room offers a view of the front yard, three good-sized closets and an attached bath. The bathroom, like all the others on this level, features its original tile, a bathtub and stand-up shower.

On the other side of the bathroom is the upstairs family room with plenty of built-in shelving and a gas-log fireplace.

The attached study nook has its own ample storage. Built-in shelving and storage abounds throughout the home.

Another good sized bedroom, complete with a dressing area and attached full bath, is just around the corner from the family room. Down another hallway, this one to the right of the stairs, is to access to the third level. This level includes carpeted areas, doors, a cedar closet and plenty of storage space.

Back on the second floor, another bedroom wing and back staircase are around the corner from the attic stairs. Two smaller bedrooms, most likely servants' quarters originally, are in this wing along with another full bath and a back staircase leading to the kitchen below.

The basement of the home, whose access is beneath the front staircase, is completely finished. It, too, offers plenty of natural light through windows, a wet bar, a wood-burning fireplace, media area with built-in shelving, an exercise room and even more storage.

This Tudor-style home was originally built by the Broderick family in the 1920s, according to Needham. It offers plenty of historic value, and Needham estimates the home couldn't be recreated in today's market for less than several million dollars.

"It's just absolutely a classic, one-of-a-kind Westwood home," she said.

DETAILS

List price: \$629,900

Square footage: 4,436
plus finished basement
and attic

Number of bedrooms:
five

Number of bathrooms:

four and one half

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Open house: Showings
by appointment

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