

TIME at Walnut Grove

THE NEWEST COMMUNITY BY PARKLANE HOMES

— by Susan M Boyce —



Go ahead. 'Fes up. When was the last time you broke into a smile simply from driving up to the front door of a presentation centre? Okay, it's hardly an everyday occurrence for me either, but by the time I've parked my car here at Time at Walnut Grove I find myself grinning broadly. There's

a refreshing playfulness to even the signage, a cheeky sassiness that echoes my own longtime philosophy that life should be fun — no matter what your age. And if you're not tantalized quite enough yet, read on because there's more — lots more.

GO FOR THE GOOD LIFE

Inside, sales manager Jenny Wun is eager to show me round the current display home. And make no mistake, Time's fun-loving outlook on life is still filled with the outstanding quality I've come to expect from a ParkLane home. There's a warmth and generosity to this floor plan — especially in the sun drenched kitchen where I immediately scribble the word “spacious” onto my note pad and underline it. Okay, I love entertaining and cooking so an intelligently thought out kitchen with ample working surfaces is super important.

GET SET FOR A NEW OUTLOOK

We continue our tour through the two suites that are about to be transformed into Time's brand new showhomes opening on January 23rd. Jenny drops some hints about what's to come — but only enough to kick my curiosity into high gear. Here's what I can pry out of her.

In one, Time's first design team, Tanya Schoenroth Design/After Design, is drawing inspiration from the contemporary art and interior design trends of New York. Flexible workspaces and open living areas complemented by modern furnishings made of natural materials — wood, metal, glass, fibres — combine to create a home ideal for today's busy family.

Oh, and gentlemen take note, the garage will be a Guy's Paradise — right down to the checkerboard flooring fit for any classic car as well lots of storage space for aspiring mechanics.

Well underway, the second showhome by Creative Design Works has a decidedly sophisticated outlook with its blend of traditional furniture and urban accents. To help keep track of family commitments, the kitchen's deli-style chalkboard is an idea I think I might introduce into my own home. And while there's an elegant, relaxing warmth to the master bedroom's accents, I can't help but smile when I see the kids' bedrooms — bright colours and playful patterns ensure these spaces will be considered “Cool” for children of any age.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

As we head back to the sales office, Jenny and I compare notes on the way Walnut Grove has evolved into a neighbourhood with everything — schools, shopping, golf, and, of course, the IMAX Theatre just down the street. We lose count of the nearby coffee shops — yes, I confess I'm a latté addict — but agree there are lots. Personally, I love Time's proximity to the Golden Ears Bridge (about four minutes) and the antique shopping at Fort Langley (about nine minutes).

Even better, Jenny points to what's clearly a lineal park under construction just behind the show home. “The new walking trail will run along the entire length of our property and hook up with existing trails,” she says. Now, just in case you don't know, Langley has one of the best urban hiking trail systems going, so this is going to be a big time bonus for all you dog owners, bikers,

and roller bladers. In fact, I think it's time for me to take a much overdue wander along the trails myself.

Time at Walnut Grove offers a selection of three-bedroom townhomes priced from just \$309,900. Two spectacular new showhomes open January 23rd at 9525 -204th Street in Walnut Grove, Langley — be sure to mark the date. Regular presentation centre hours are noon to 5:00 pm seven days a week. For more information call 604-694-1819 or visit www.timeatwalnutgrove.com.

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