

## **Green Living**

## MASSEY AND COLEMAN: A GREEN AND FIRE RESISTANT HOME

hitman Architectural Design has a reputation for creating innovative designs; integrating architecture with nature. Its latest creation; the Massey and Coleman Residence, is a green and fire-resistant home, utilizing cutting edge technologies in green building design and construction methods.

Green element features of the home include—"perform wall" a super insulated foam block made of recycled Styrofoam and concrete which is fire, mold and sound resistant; solar electric PV panels, solar hot water heater, cool roof system, velux skylights and a radiant floor heating system. "We're hoping that the green design trend will catch on, said Marc Whitman, principal architect with Whitman Architectural Design. "This project has doubled the minimum point requirements receiving well over 100 points using the "green point" rating system administered by Dave Intner, a green building expert; and is being featured by Southern California Gas Company in their Advanced Home Program."

"Many people have a misconception that building green is expensive, green building designs can be very competitive in pricing when you consider energy costs, health costs, and environmental costs, there is a life cycle cost savings that most people don't consider the total saving over a life time are immeasurable." said Whitman.

The Massey and Coleman residence is still under construction. Last month an Open House was held which gave people the opportunity to see the "guts" of the green elements during the Open House. In addition to the Perform Wall other green elements were on display from many of the vendors associated with the project, they include: Wade Vernon-Perform Wall Systems, Lawrence Construction-Perform Wall Contractor, California Solar Electric-PV Panels, California Door and Hardware, G.M. Weeks Roofing-Cool Roof System, Velux Skylights-Sun Tunnels, Alco Plumbing-Radiant Floor Heating System, Steve Lott-Southern California Gas Company Advanced Home Program, American Eco Services-Blown in Cellulose Insulation and Teresa Stark-Interior Design.

For more information about this home, or building green, please call Marc Whitman, Whitman Architectural Design, at 805-646-8485 or visit www.whitman-architectural.com.





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We are looking for your best ideas to share with our readers. Have you made a small change to a room, window or wall that has changed the look and feel of the room? Have you re-designed a room on a shoestring or done something extraordinary in the back yard, front yard, bathroom or kitchen that you are proud of? Then it's time to share your ideas with others who are creative and enjoy working on their home. Entries will be judged on appearance, function, and cost-effective use of materials. Must include a before and after photo in 4-color, 300dpi accompanied by a 50 word description. Judging will be done by the Publisher of Real Estate and Living and the winner will be notified by phone. The project will appear in an upcoming issue of Real Estate and Living magazine. Send entries to editor@realestateandliving.com

