

*Outside inside* — Spectacular, bold red walls line the dining room. It almost seems having one red room in this house is 'a must' considering the fabulous red and white exterior of the historic home.



## A house well-storied

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accents in the house, such as old fashioned molding and lattice trim around the home's entrance ways.

The house is cozy — and not just because of the unique area rugs, contemporary furniture

and impeccably curated decor. The well-insulated structure (Stephen estimates the outside walls are easily two feet thick) utilizes radiant heat, and a polished, vintage radiator adds character to the charmingly appointed living and dining rooms.

A classic green-felted pool table outfits a gaming room just off the dining area, and around the corner, a long corridor beneath the stairway makes a surprisingly roomy bathroom/laundry room. A den with elegant bay windows (that were added sometime in the later 20th century) is painted a modern gray tone and serves as a happy resting nook.

Most members of the family agree that the chic, gray den is their favorite room; it was the stately den, after all, that housed First Bank of Ferdinand. The den's high, white, pressed tin ceiling brightens the room and is original to the structure. Alternating between an elaborate floral design and an understated criss-cross pattern, the lavish tin ceiling makes the formal space incredibly welcoming.

But, it's the ceiling in the living room that the Browns truly adore! The entwined square pattern is reminiscent of an M. C. Escher illusion and provides the room a one-of-a-kind expansiveness. "I believe my favorite of the

features of the house...is the [living room] ceiling found and installed by the previous owner, Donna Lindeman," tells Reid via text message. (Reid is a freshman at Purdue Uni-

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Glowing panes — This green-glass-beaded lamp was originally an oil lamp that the home's previous owner, Donna Lindeman, reclaimed and converted to electric. The Browns loved the piece so much they left it right where Donna placed it. A chair and table create an elegant viewing nook in the bay-windowed room (referred to by the Browns as the gray room) that once served as the main desk of the First Bank of Ferdinand.



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