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Century Alumni Purchase Student-Built House in North St. Paul

Century College graduates Molly and Callie Kalis have purchased the third North St. Paul house built by the students in the Construction Occupations program of the Intermediate School District 916 Career and Tech Center.

Molly and Callie, both 25, are twins and 2004 graduates of North High School in North St. Paul. They both studied in Century's interior design and radiologic technology programs, and are now employed as radiologic technologists at two area clinics. Their mother, Sue, was a long-time instructor in the 916 Transition Program.

Their new 3,000-square-foot home is located near Silver Lake in North St. Paul.

The two-story, four-bedroom home has a charming front porch and open floor plan. Century students in the Interior Design program helped the twins select paint colors, fixtures, lighting, countertops and tile,

and Saint Paul College students in the cabinet-making program built the beautiful cherry-wood cabinets in the kitchen and bathrooms.

“We love the house and are really excited,” Molly said. The sale purchased closed on Oct. 3 and the twins will move in this month.

Tom Spehn, director of the Construction Occupations program, said a foreclosed house that was in disrepair was torn down to make way for the student-built house. Students in his program this year are currently working on a fourth house in North St. Paul. Scott Duddeck, public safety director of North St. Paul, has been instrumental in connecting the 916 students with the construction opportunities in North St. Paul.



Photo: Molly and Callie Kalis in their student-built home