



Basic Home Access For Everyone

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**J. ROGER GLUNT**, *president Jayar Construction and Glunt Development Co., Inc.*

J. Roger Glunt was destined to be a residential builder. About 50 years ago, a high school theme assignment allowed students to choose any subject imaginable. Glunt's paper: *How to Build A House*. Armed with business degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a passion for responsible construction, Glunt grew a successful Turtle Creek-based organization and improved the building industry along the way. He is past president of the Builders Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh, the Pennsylvania Builders Association and the National Association of Builders (NAHB). In 1999, he was inducted into the National Housing Hall of Fame.

Glunt's latest project is the construction of estate homes at Summerset at Frick Park, a 238-acre mixed residential community that combines technology with tradition and brings the heart of Americana, its neighborhoods, back to Pittsburgh.

An ideal location to launch his VisitAble home, Glunt incorporated VisitAbility basics into a luxurious 5,000-square-foot two-story luxury residence. The first floor owner's wing includes a full accessible bath, spacious closets and a hall that leads to a no-step-covered porch. An attractive landscaped ramp connects the garage to the porch. The first floor sweeping open floorplan offers a contemporary touch, while the second floor is more traditional.

*"VisitAbility is going to help the entire cause that promotes accessible housing. It is very important, and although sometimes controversial, the educational and research approaches of this program make sense. It's not about making all houses totally accessible. It's about providing basic components to improve houses. I like that Penn State is involved with some very significant builders throughout Pennsylvania. I am thrilled to be a part of it."*

