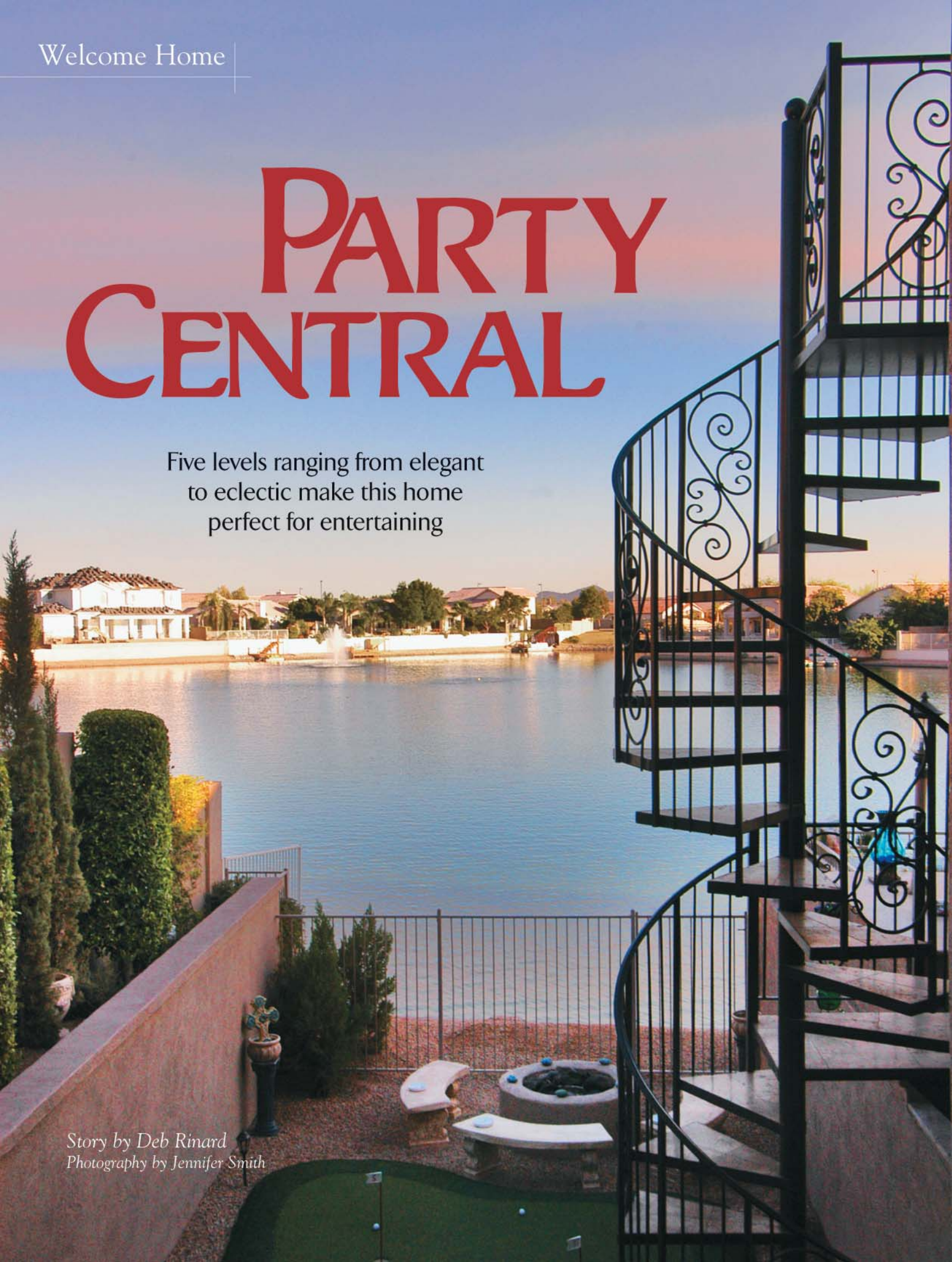


Welcome Home

PARTY CENTRAL

Five levels ranging from elegant
to eclectic make this home
perfect for entertaining

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It's time to dance when you visit the night club (above) on the lower level of Jimmy and Cathy Tiberia's home. Jimmy and Cathy Tiberia (below) with Cha-Cha

It's what Cathy Tiberia has always dreamed of: her own disco/nightclub, complete with a rotating mirror ball. What's even more remarkable is it's inside her home.

And what a home it is.

Encompassing 6,200 square feet on an 8,000-square-foot lot, the Arrowhead Lakes house is a five-level custom beauty packed with elegance, whimsy and high technology. "It's Spanish/Tuscan/eclectic," Cathy says with a grin. "And we named it Tiara."

With three bedrooms, four full baths, two powder rooms, a game room, a disco/nightclub (and a home theater in the works), Tiara is the perfect party house. "We love to entertain, whether it's six people or 150," Cathy says. In addition to entertaining friends and family, they have hosted several functions for a favorite charity, Hospice of the Valley.

"When we have parties, people are everywhere, but you never feel



crowded," says husband Jimmy, president of both SBT Industries Inc., an executive recruitment firm in the semiconductor industry, and Player's Choice International, which represents professional athletes. A business graduate of Arizona State University, Jimmy started his business in 1989 with \$2,600. "For a while, I worked off of Cathy's kitchen table," he says.

Married for 16 years, the couple travels frequently and Cathy often brings back items for their house. She loves to decorate and enjoyed working with interior designer Carole Warner to create their

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home's special look. They credit neighbors Dan and Pat Thomas with helping them find their property on the water. "It's our dream home," Jimmy says.

The figures in a mural adjacent to the formal dining area (near right) represent members of Jimmy and Cathy Tibaria's family. A wall lined with television monitors in Jimmy's game room (below) lets sports fans catch the game of their choice while playing cards. Visitors can feel like royalty in the guest bathroom (far right).



DISCO FEVER

The disco/nightclub is nestled into the bottom level. Ringing the bar are several charming stools—each with a different color cushion and a wire back that forms a whimsical face. Nearby are eight tiny round glass tables with chairs offering bistro-style seating. Bordering this section of the room is a mod, L-shaped, upholstered seating area. A corner stage near the stairway often features Jimmy, who enjoys playing bass guitar.

While discussing the design of the house with Rob Trop—architect/contractor of the project with Jim Samuel—Cathy insisted on including two restrooms in the disco. “I didn’t want anyone to have to wait to use a restroom down here, so we put in a men’s room and a ladies’ room,” she says.



“WE’RE ON GILLIGAN’S ISLAND, AND WE DON’T WANT TO BE RESCUED!”

Adding a huge dollop of playfulness outside the red-walled ladies room is a stuffed Betty Boop figure; she rests on a chair in the shape of a giant shoe.

ELECTRONIC HEAVEN

A nearby room conceals Jimmy’s pride and joy: a black rack housing the control center for eight satellite receivers, 16 televisions and the sound system for the

elegance—a stunning dining room dominated by a mythology-inspired mural painted by artist Lesley Peltola. Four Roman-style columns separate the five panels. Figures in the mural represent Cathy and Jimmy, daughter Jessica and five grandchildren. The rest of the room is golden, with an elegant curved couch sitting in front of a window.

house. “I can control everything with one remote control,” he says happily.

Up one level is Jimmy’s game room. This prize of a male kingdom boasts six TVs, a pool table, a poker table and a black double chaise. A glass door leads to the putting green and fire pit outside. Another short flight of stairs leads to utter

A huge head of David presides above the room on a large shelf, and a golden angel guards the stairway. “We found David and the angel in a roadside shop when we were driving to Las Vegas before the house was even built,” Cathy says. The massive dining room table with gold base seats 12. “The glass top alone weighs 555 pounds,” Cathy says. A small balcony overlooking the putting green completes the room.

ROOM WITH A VIEW

Another stairway leads to the top level and another elegant, gold room—the master bedroom. The focal point is a bed designed by Cathy with a canopy entwined with gauzy fabric, golden leaves and large crystals. A large balcony overlooks the spacious patio, Hollywood-style pool and shimmering lake.

In the master bath, Cathy’s levity pops up again in the form of a giant red throne painted on the wall above the commode. Better yet, a golden tiara rests on a cushion on the back of the commode.



A small room off the master bedroom has been dubbed the meditation room and will someday be the Genie Room. "I loved the TV show, 'I Dream of Jeannie,'" Cathy says. Painted pale lavender with matching carpet, "the room will look the inside of Jeannie's bottle when it's done," she says. Also nearby is a bedroom for their grandchildren when they visit.

With five levels, there's a fair number of stairways in the house, so the Tiberias installed a small elevator, "just in case we need it when we get old," Jimmy says.

Finally, the level below the dining room opens into a comfortable great room with adjoining gourmet kitchen. The view from both rooms is the rippling lake just beyond the patio. With a setting like this, Cathy often tells friends:

"We're on Gilligan's Island, and we don't want to be rescued!"

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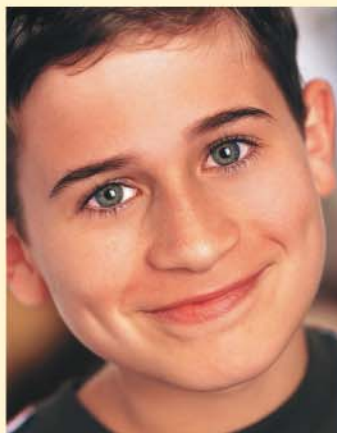
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