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SILVER FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2004 CARE AWARDS

Victoria – Strong investment by consumers in new homes and renovations are reflected in the projects of CARE Awards Finalists announced today by the Canadian Home Builders' Associations of Vancouver Island. CARE is an acronym for Construction Achievements and Renovations of Excellence.

The homes are located in communities ranging from Nanaimo to the West Shore.

"The judges were impressed by the exceptional work in custom, spec and renovation categories, reflecting a strong investment by consumers in their homes," says Lee Lange, Chair of the 2004 CARE Awards. "The home continues to be the single, most valued investment by Canadians."

In addition, projects tackling affordable housing, heritage restoration, energy efficiency, and the environment will receive special recognition at the CARE Awards, slated for Saturday, September 25th at the Fairmont Empress Hotel.

"Through innovation and hard work, these CHBA members have offered creative solutions to local and global housing issues," says Lange. "The CARE Awards congratulates their initiative, and contribution to the community."

The CARE Awards entries are subjected to the scrutiny of experienced housing industry professionals. The scoring criteria include architectural character, quality workmanship, creative use of space, and energy efficiency.

This year, the Internet's impact is recognized by the introduction of two Best Website categories. Also highlighted is the importance of skilled trades, with the promotion of www.buildafuture.ca, created by the Greater Victoria Construction Skills Council.

The 2nd Annual People's Choice Award will be chosen by the public from among the many outstanding Silver Finalists. These projects, with ballots, will be displayed at select locations, including The Bay Centre, August 3 – 15; Royal Bank main branch, August 16 – 29; and HSBC, Gateway Village, August 30 – September 12. The voters will be eligible to win a stay at Long Beach Lodge Resort, 2002 CARE Awards Project of the Year.

"We hope consumers will participate in this industry event, choose their favourite project, and enter to win a great weekend vacation," says Casey Edge, Executive Officer of CHBA-Victoria. They can view the resort at www.longbeachlodgeresort.com, and last year's People's Choice winner at www.careawards.com."

We thank our 2004 CARE Award Gold Sponsors for their commitment to this event and their dedication to the residential construction industry: The Homeowner Protection Office, HSBC Bank Canada, McLaren Properties Ltd., Residential Warranty Company of Canada, RBC Royal Bank, and Terasen Gas.

The following are the 2004 CARE Silver Finalists:

BEST SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED CUSTOM HOME UNDER 2,000 SQ. FT.

Limona Construction Ltd. – Thetis Vale Home

Terra Firma Builders Ltd. – Rammed Earth Hillside Home, Salt Spring Island

BEST SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED CUSTOM HOME 2,000 SQ. FT. – 2,999 SQ. FT.

Ardmore Construction Ltd. – Rosemary's Project

Homes by Kimberly – O'Staffy Residence, Nanoose Bay

Oak Bay Construction (89) Ltd. – Haddock Residence

Pacific Concept Developments Ltd. – Gillwood Estates

BEST SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED CUSTOM HOME OVER 3,000 SQ. FT.

Homes By Kimberly – Walsh Residence, Nanaimo

Road'sEnd Contracting Ltd. – Country Home

The Interior Design Group – Heron's Landing, Nanoose Bay

Westmark Construction Ltd. - Robinson Residence- Lantzville

BEST SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED SPEC HOME

Caporale Construction Ltd. – Rosecroft at Royal Bay

Fairwest Construction Company Ltd. – Outrigger Loop – Royal Bay

Limona Construction Ltd. – Thetis Vale

Pilusio Construction Ltd. – Royal Bay Home

Ricketts Construction Ltd. – Ricketts at the Woods

BEST MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT MORE THAN 10 UNITS

Cottage Grove Contracting Ltd. – Fairway Woods

BEST RESIDENTIAL RENOVATION OR RESTORATION UNDER \$50,000

G. E. Miller Builder & Contractor Inc. – On a Clear Day You Can See Forever

BEST RESIDENTIAL RENOVATION OR RESTORATION \$50,000 - \$149,999

Stellar Developments Ltd. – Clapham Renovation

Stellar Developments Ltd. – Kings Renovation

BEST RESIDENTIAL RENOVATION OR RESTORATION MORE THAN \$150,000

Cooper Pacific Mortgage Investment Corp. – B. Wilson Building

Whelan Construction Ltd. – Landsdowne Residence

BEST KITCHEN (NEW OR RENOVATED) UNDER 150 SQ. FT.

By Design Interiors Ltd. – Gallagher Residence

By Design Interiors Ltd. – Lee Residence

G. E. Miller Builder & Contractor Inc. – Welcome Home

BEST KITCHEN (NEW OR RENOVATED) 150 SQ. FT. – 250 SQ. FT.

Georgia View Homebuilders Ltd. – Old World Charm, Nanaimo

J & L Design Group – Ian Duncan – Holmwood Residence

J.R. Merrill & Associates – Rosiek Residence

Westmark Construction Ltd. – Robinson Residence, Lantzville

BEST KITCHEN (NEW OR RENOVATED) OVER 250 SQ. FT.

Caporale Construction Ltd. – Rosecroft at Royal Bay

J & L Design Group – Ellen Crystal – Edgelow Rejuvenation

Westmark Construction Ltd. – Sugiyama Residence, Nanaimo

Whelan Construction Ltd. – Uplands Kitchen

BEST BATHROOM UNDER 100 SQ. FT.

By Design Interiors Ltd. – Brinley Residence
By Design Interiors Ltd. – Carter Residence
G.E. Miller Builder & Contractor Inc. – Master Ensuite
G.E. Miller Builder & Contractor Inc. – Southwest Escape

BEST BATHROOM OVER 100 SQ. FT.

Jim Agius Construction Ltd. – Carriere Bathroom
MAC Renovations Ltd. – Hicks Residence
Stellar Developments Ltd. – Kings Residence
Westmark Construction Ltd. – Sugiyama Residence, Nanaimo

BEST INTERIOR – RESIDENTIAL

Caporale Construction Ltd. – Rosecroft at Royal Bay
Stellar Developments Ltd. – Kings Residence
The Interior Design Group – Heron's Landing, Nanoose Bay
Whelan Construction Ltd. – Uplands Residence

EXCELLENCE IN LANDSCAPE PLANNING & DESIGN – NEW OR RENOVATED

Cottage Grove Contracting Ltd. – Fairway Woods
Genco Construction Ltd. – Rogers Single Family Residence

BEST COMMERCIAL PROJECT

J & L Design Group – Ian Duncan – SPLASH
The Interior Design Group – Aqua Terre Spa, Nanoose Bay
The Interior Design Group – The Landing West Coast Grill, Nanoose Bay

CUSTOMER SERVICE – BUILDER/RENOVATOR

Cottage Grove Contracting Ltd.
G.E. Miller Builder & Contractor Inc.

CUSTOMER SERVICE – SUPPLIER

Dale Morrison Interiors
McLaren Lighting

BEST SALES CENTRE OR SHOWROOM

Illuminations Lighting Solutions Ltd.
Limona Construction Ltd. – Thetis Vale Sales Centre

BEST BUILDER WEBSITE

A.H. Winter & Son Construction Ltd. – www.ahwinterconstruction.com
Homewood Constructors Ltd. – www.homewoodconstructors.com
Royal Bay Builders – www.royalbaybuilders.com
Steve Copp Construction Ltd. – www.stevcoppconstruction.com
Terra Firma Builders Ltd. – www.sirewall.com
Westmark Construction Ltd. – www.westmarkconstruction.ca

BEST SUPPLIER WEBSITE

Bay Systems Inc. – www.baysystems.info
Dale Morrison Interiors – www.dalemorrisoninteriors.com
Ruffell & Brown Interiors Ltd. – www.ruffell-brown.com

2004 CARE AWARDS PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Caporale Construction Ltd. – Rosecroft at Royal Bay
Cottage Grove Contracting Ltd. – Fairway Woods
Limona Construction Ltd. – Parkway

2004 Special Achievement Awards

AWARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT

Terra Firma Builders Ltd. – Rammed Earth Hillside Home, Salt Spring Island

R2000 AWARD

Caporale Construction Ltd. – Rosecroft at Royal Bay

EXCELLENCE BY PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS IN CREATING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Cottage Grove Contracting Ltd. – Fairway Woods

BEST HERITAGE RESTORATION

Cooper Pacific Mortgage Investment Corp. – The Temple Building

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