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DURHAM REGION HOME BUILDERS HONOUR THEIR BEST

OSHAWA, Ontario – The achievements of Durham Region Home Builders over the past year were celebrated Thursday night with over 200 people attending the gala event.

Coughlin Homes and Jeffery Homes were honoured as Builder of the Year large volume and small volume respectively at the annual awards celebration, for their high standards of excellence in everything from sales to construction and for increasing the industry's overall image in the community.

Coughlin Homes also claimed the Green Builder of the Year award for their incredible leadership in improving the environmental, energy efficiency, and overall technical image of the industry.

Community of the Year was presented to Fourteen Estates for their attention to providing excellent community living and their impressive community of Barclay Fieldstone Estates that includes among many other community building features, a stocked fishing pond and volleyball court.

The prestigious Hall of Fame Award was presented to Bob Hann for his numerous accomplishments over fifty years in the development and home building industry. Hann has built many of the apartment buildings in Oshawa, as well as detached homes. He has also helped many other home building businesses succeed.

Victor Fiume, DRHBA president, said, "It is an honor to be here in this room filled with the best home builders, renovators, trades, suppliers, and professionals in Durham Region. All of us here take pride in growing our community to be the best place to live, work and play."

The esteemed panel of judges included: Sue Pitchforth, Decor Therapy Plus; Darlene Goode, Redmond Williams; Shawn De Taeye, De Taeye Designs; Ashley Stevens, Re/Max Jazz Inc.; Bob Malcomson, Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce, Jaan Krull, Remax; Julie Rennie, Ontario Shores; Caroline Rajcsany, Décor and Design by Caroline, and Jim Gaylor-Canadian Air Systems.

The 2015 Awards of Excellence Committee was led by Jennifer Hurd, who accepted the thanks of the 240 people present saying, "It is a lot of hard work, but it's so worth it! It is important to me to recognize the awesome builders in Durham Region." Her committee consisted of Mike DiPalo, Danielle Bleau, Wayne Clarke, Phyllis Dupuis and Anita DeVries.

Andrew Pike entertained the audience as the MC for the evening which included a stunning power Point by RMS Productions, complete with photographs of winning entries of gorgeous homes, communities and professionals.

Award winners were:

EXCELLENCE IN PRINT AD/DIRECT MAIL PIECE: Woodland Homes-Mallory Heights; consideration to Sandy Cook Marketing & Design.

EXCELLENCE IN SIGNAGE: Woodland Homes-Mallory Heights; consideration to Sandy Cook Marketing & Design.

EXCELLENCE IN LOGO DESIGN: Midhaven Homes-Breeze.

EXCELLENCE IN SALES BROCHURE: Brookfield Residential-Fox Trail.

EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION HOME (Under 1,600 SQ. FT.): Brookfield Residential-Quaker.

EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION HOME (1,601-2400 SQ. FT.): Brookfield Residential-Maple.

EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION HOME (2401-3400 SQ. FT.): Halminen Homes-Affleck.

EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION BUILT KITCHEN DESIGN: Halminen Homes-Courtice North.

EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION BUILT BATHROOM DESIGN: Halminen Homes-Courtice North.

EXCELLENCE IN HOME RENOVATION/ADDICTION (\$10,000-50,000): Kraco Carpentry Services Ltd.-Scugog.

EXCELLENCE IN HOME RENOVATION/ADDICTION (\$50,001-100,000): Accubuilt Construction-Olive Reno.

EXCELLENCE IN HOME RENOVATION/ADDICTION (\$100,001-150,0000): Trademark Homes-Wilson Condo Penthouse.

EXCELLENCE IN HOME RENOVATION/ADDICTION (\$150,001 and up): Accubuilt Construction.

EXCELLENCE IN KITCHEN RENOVATION: Accubuilt Construction-Hinterland Kitchen.

EXCELLENCE IN BATHROOM RENOVATION: Kraco Carpentry Services Ltd.

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM HOME (Under 2,500 SQ. FT.): Deltra-Rae Homes-Cosenza.

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM HOME (2,501-3500 SQ. FT.): Kiya Developments-Garrard.

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM HOME (3501-4400 SQ. FT.): Desousa Homes-Broadview.

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM HOME (over 4,400 SQ. FT.): Steve Snider Construction Ltd.

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM KITCHEN DESIGN: Fourteen Estates-Jasmine

EXCELLENCE IN CUSTOM BATHROOM DESIGN: Trademark Homes.

EXCELLENCE INTERIOR DECORATED MODEL HOME: Esquire Homes-North Glen.

EXCELLENCE IN NEW HOME SALES OFFICE SMALL VOLUME: Esquire Homes-River Run.

EXCELLENCE IN NEW HOME SALES OFFICE LARGE VOLUME: Brookfield Residential-Fox Trail.

SALES PERSON OF THE YEAR: Toni Janus-Brookfield Residential.

OUTSTANDING TRADE: Alma Mechanical.

OUTSTANDING SUPPLIER/MANUFACTURER: All Weather Windows.

ONLINE EXCELLENCE: Midhaven Homes.

EXCELLENCE IN TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT: Henry Kortekaas & Assoc.

EXCELLENCE IN WORKPLACE SAFETY: Brookfield Residential.

PRODUCT OF THE YEAR: All Weather Windows.

COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR: Fourteen Estates-Barclay Fieldstone Estates.

GREEN BUILDER OF THE YEAR: Coughlan Homes.

BULDER OF THE YEAR SMALL VOLUME: Jeffery Homes.

BULDER OF THE YEAR LARGE VOLUME: Coughlan Homes

HALL OF FAME AWARD: Bob Hann, Halloway Developments.

Founded in 1953, the Durham Region Home Builders' Association represents approximately 170 member companies comprised of builder, developer, supplier, contractor and professional members representing more than 4,500 employees who share a common interest, concern and a genuine passion for the home building industry and for their customers.

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