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THE GREENS AT GILLETTE RIDGE
NAMED BEST CLUSTER COMMUNITY OF 2006

GDC's continued excellence in Connecticut recognized with 4 HOBI awards

VALHALLA, N.Y. (Nov. 16)—The Greens at Gillette Ridge, a master planned golf course community in Bloomfield, Conn., was named the Best Cluster Community and Best Community Clubhouse by the Connecticut Home Builders Association. In total, the community received four Home Building Industry (HOBI) awards.

Ginsburg Development Companies, a Valhalla, N.Y.-based company that is one of the Northeast's largest luxury home builders, has been active in Connecticut for about a decade and the company has become one of the state's best-respected home builders, receiving HOBI Awards for three consecutive years and four of the last five years.

The Greens received awards this year for outstanding site planning, landscaping, home designs and amenities, said Joanne Carroll, who produces the HOBI awards program for the Connecticut Home Builders Association.

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“The judges were impressed by the maturity of the landscaping for a new development, the care that was taken to create a beautiful site and a fairly mature looking site. The homes were sited well, and there was a very wide range of model choices,” said Carroll. “If you take the overall picture of the site planning, the landscaping, the amenities, which would include the clubhouse, and the homes themselves, it was a winning package.”

The two other awards were Best Attached Home (between 2,000 and 3,000 square feet) for The Gleneagle model, and Best Single-Family Home (over 3,000 square feet) for The Eagle Trace model.

“It’s always an honor to have your peers and competitors praise your work,” said Martin Ginsburg, the president of GDC. “We’ve created some wonderful new communities and have handled some challenging projects in Connecticut, and it’s nice to have that hard work recognized.”

Carroll said the judges also were impressed by The Greens’ amenities package, which includes a sumptuously decorated, 4,000-square-foot clubhouse overlooking the community’s pool. “The clubhouse, even for the size of the development, was luxurious,” said Carroll. “The cyber café was a very unique feature to include in a clubhouse and very on target for today’s lifestyles.”

GDC has three other unique communities in Connecticut:

- **Quaker Green**, a “new urban” community with 64 townhouses and 84 condo flats set around a central green, all within walking distance of parks and shops in West Hartford;
- **Ridgewood at Middlebury**, a 326-home townhouse community adjacent to a 9-hole golf course where residents will have playing privileges, and

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- **Liberty at Newtown**, a neighborhood of large, gracious condos for people 55 and over in Newtown.

“We have a wide variety of housing under construction in Connecticut, ranging from Quaker Green’s in town location to Middlebury, which is really like living in the New England countryside,” said Ginsburg. “One thing all of our communities have in common is a resort-like, maintenance-free lifestyle. Everyone from young singles to empty-nester snowbirds seems to want amenities like a pool and clubhouse in a community where you don’t have to mow the grass or shovel snow.”

This year’s HOBI awards for The Greens were the latest in a series GDC has received for its work in Connecticut. The Goodwin Estate, located in West Hartford, received the 2005 HOBI for the state’s best attached home for its Dalton model and outstanding special purpose room for a beautifully restored 19th century library in the community’s clubhouse. Liberty at Newtown won 2004 awards in the Best Attached Active Adult Community and Best Attached Active Adult Home categories and the Woodland Hills in Danbury was named the Community of the Year in 2003. In 2002, GDC received the Community of the Year Grand Award naming Woodland Hills, a 252-home townhouse neighborhood in Danbury, Connecticut’s best new community.

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The Home Builders Association of Connecticut is a statewide trade group representing home builders, remodelers, developers and subcontractors, suppliers and professionals who provide services to this diverse industry. The HBA of Connecticut has about 1,300 member companies organized through five local chapters covering the entire state.

Current GDC communities include Riverbend in Peekskill, N.Y.; The Fairways at Wallkill (N.Y.); Harbors at Haverstraw (N.Y.); Hudson Pointe in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; Ichabod's Landing in Sleepy Hollow, N.Y.; Marbury Corners in Pelham, N.Y.; Liberty at Newtown (Conn.); Ridgewood at Middlebury (Conn.) and The Greens at Gillette Ridge in Bloomfield, Conn. To place your name on GDC's priority list for future communities, log on to www.gdc-homes.com, click on to "future communities" and then "name of development" or call 1-866-GDC-4-HOMES.

Ginsburg Development Companies (GDC), established in 1964 and based in Valhalla, N.Y., is one of the nation's premier full-service real estate design, development and management companies. Martin Ginsburg is the president and chief executive officer. GDC has developed more than 10,000 residential units during its 40-year corporate history. GDC's residential sales Web site is www.gdc-homes.com. Information about GDC's commercial ventures, corporate activities and charitable foundation is available at www.gdcllc.com.