K. Hovnanian, Smith and Conns Win Top Honors In FGBK Annual Green Achievement Awards

K. Hovnanian Homes in Tampa, Fla. has earned the Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBK) "Green Builder of the Year" award from among 91 builders who participated in the FGBK Green Home Certification program in 2011. With 174 homes certified under the FGBK program, K. Hovnanian claimed the "most homes certified" award. The award was announced on September 13th at the FGBK annual GreenTrends Conference in Palm Beach Gardens. Photo: George Schulmeyer (L) from K. Hovnanian in Tampa accepting the award with FGBK Certifying Agent Joe Weaver, Cool Green Consulting in Apollo Beach, Fla.

Smith Named FGBK Certifying Agent of the Year

Drew Smith of Two Trails, Inc. in Sarasota, Fla. has been named FGBK Certifying Agent of the Year. The award is issued annually to the FGBK Certifying Agent who certifies the most homes in the FGBK Green Home Designation program. Drew outpaced over 135 other Certifying Agents, with a record 313 certified homes. He was the third person to earn the FGBK Certifying Agent designation in 2001 and since then has certified over 1,100 homes. Photo: Drew Smith (L) accepting the award from FGBK President Cindy Hall.

Conns Earn FGBK Volunteer of the Year Award

Randy and Jane Conn, the husband and wife team of ES Green & Company in Tallahassee, Fla., have received the FGBK Volunteer of the Year award. This award honors FGBK members for their passionate belief in the mission of FGBK and for their
In 2011, FGBC certified 1200 homes, the highest year for home certifications in its 11-year history. Winners of the "Most Homes Certified" categories were:

**Single-Family Category**  
K. Hovnanian Homes  
Tampa  
Total Homes Certified: 174

**Multi-Family Category**  
Winter Park Construction  
Maitland  
Total Homes Certified: 147

Both Jane and Randy have been instrumental in the growth of the FGBC Green Home Certification program participation across the Florida Panhandle. Photo: FGBC President Cindy Hall (L) presenting the award to Randy and Jane Conn.

For the complete list of winners visit the FGBC website: www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org

**GreenTrends 2012 In Review**

The GreenTrends 2012 Conference has come and gone but the memories stay with us. The speakers were outstanding and C.W. Macomber with APA deserves special recognition for extending his one hour presentation on advanced framing techniques to a two-hour program. The audience couldn't get enough! Fred Malik's "Fortified" program also won accolades from attendees for its exciting demonstrations and tested techniques to strengthen homes against natural disasters. Young Avalon Theisen won everyone's heart with her enthusiasm and far-reaching efforts to protect all things living and "Conserve It Forward." Dennis Stroer was superb in clarifying the new Energy Star 3 requirements and offering tips on how to avoid the traps when completing the required checklists. Tim Wheat, Libby O'Neill, Kyle Abney, Richard Jones and Lauren Levrant had a packed room for the Affordable Housing workshop - great job everyone! Then there was...
Harold Markey from Martin County. Wasn't he exceptional! He guided everyone through the decision-making process for commercial building certification within local governments. He made a great case on "why to certify" and why the FGBC program was the best choice. Keynote Jerry Yudelson fast-forwarded us to the future with his alarming vision of water scarcity around the world. But he gave us hope and possibilities with new water-related design measures and technologies.

If you missed the fun, live it through our pictorial review.

Our exhibitors deserve a loud applause for providing hands-on information on their products and services, which help the green building industry keep advancing in efficiency, conservation and sustainability.

AIRVAC, Inc
ConserveItForward
Cobble Systems
Environmental PR Group
Fi-Foil Company
Florida Green Building Coalition
Florida Solar Energy Center
Go Green Tallahassee
Goodwin Heart Pine Company
Green Energy Spray Foam Insulation
Green Ranchettes LLC
Greenovative Design & Engineering/Greenovation Homes
mpengo Ltd
Norbord Industries
Panasonic Eco Products
Titan America

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