

Local builders honor Guida Construction

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VAIL — Jim Guida Construction Co. won the Gold Award in the first Green Built category at the Eagle Valley Home Builders Association annual awards. The ceremony was held at a Nov. 13 event in Vail. The winning Heritage Park home was designed by Pam Hopkins.

The winning home is in the Heritage Park subdivision in Edwards, touted as the valley's only sustainable neighborhood. The winning home is one of 13 completed since Guida began the project in 2004. In this

3,500-square-foot home (with a 1,500-square-foot unfinished basement), Guida Construction integrated sustainable building systems including an insulated foundation, radon mitigation, moisture management and drainage systems, high-efficiency heating and ventilating system, high-performance insulation combined with air-sealing technology, energy-efficient windows and advanced framing techniques. It earned Built Green and Energy Star's highest rating of 5-plus.

"My goal for this and all homes in Heritage Park is to combine the latest technology in energy efficiency with

best building practices so that I am creating homes that are energy efficient and healthy to live in," Guida said. "These single-family homes are affordable as well, filling an important need for 'move-up' residences for the valley's local families."

The home builders association also presented Jim Guida Construction a Silver Award for the remodel of a Snow Cloud penthouse condominium in Beaver Creek. Guida has been involved in construction in the valley for 25 years. He has been a member of the National Association of Home Builders for 30 years, serving for 10 years on two local chapter Boards.