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**IDAHO BUILDER WINS FOUR GOLD NUGGET "AWARD OF MERITS"
– Finalist for "Best of the West" Gold Nugget Grand Award –**

Coeur d'Alene, ID (June 7, 2012) – ActiveWest Builders has won four "Award of Merits" in the following categories and is a Finalist to potentially win a Gold Nugget in each category –

**Cat. 26 – "Campus Housing Project - Faculty or Student Residential - Institutional Use"
– The GEE, Spokane, WA**

Finalists include:

- West 27th Place @ USC – Los Angeles, CA
- John W. Finn Hall Naval Base Coronado – Coronado, CA
- University of Washington Poplar Hall – Seattle, WA

Cat. 28 – "Senior Housing Community, Age Qualified" - Meadow Ranch, Coeur d'Alene, ID

Finalists include:

- Merrill Gardens at Bankers Hill – San Diego, CA
- Magnolia Courts at La Verne – La Verne, CA
- Mirabella Portland – Portland, OR
- The Mather – Evanston, IL

Cat. 36 – "SF Family Detached Home under 1,700 sf." - Meadow Ranch, Coeur d'Alene, ID

Finalists include:

- Terra Sol South – Salt Lake, UT
- Elev8ions – Clovis, CA

Cat. 43 – "Green Sustainable Residential Community" - Meadow Ranch, Coeur d'Alene, ID

Finalists include:

- Seven 35 North Vancouver – BC, Canada
- YWCA Family Village – Issaquah, WA
- San Pasqual Academy – Escondido, CA
- Terra Sol South – Salt Lake, UT
- Mirabella Portland – Portland, OR

There were over 450 entries for 2012 with 59 different categories represented. Grand Awards winners will emerge from "Awards of Merits" in each category, with Gold Nugget presented in San Francisco on June 28. The Gold Nugget Awards is sponsored and produced by PCBC – Pacific Coast Builders Conference. PCBC 2012 recognizes those who improve communities through exceptional concepts in design, planning and development. The oldest and largest program of its kind—now in its 49th year—awards honor creative achievements in architectural design and land use planning for residential, commercial and industrial projects. It recognizes builders, developers, architects, and land planners with communities and projects in the US and all international countries. Gold Nugget winners share one common denominator: excellence and innovation in addressing complex design/build issues.

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ActiveWest Builders (AWB) builds homes in Idaho & Washington. *The GEE*, a 3-story Coop housing near Gonzaga University, was completed last summer and received LEED®-Platinum Certification. (*Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design*) *Meadow Ranch*, an active adult community located in Coeur d'Alene, ID is developed and built by ActiveWest. All of the homes are built to achieve LEED for Homes Certification. A LEED-certified home is designed and constructed in accordance with the rigorous guidelines of the LEED for Homes criteria. This is a consensus-developed, third party-verified, voluntary rating system which promotes the design and construction of high-performance healthy green homes. To date, AWB has built over 36 LEED Platinum or Gold homes registered and/or certified.

In 2011, AWB received the **LEED-Homes National Outstanding Production Builder Award**. In February 2012, AWB received **3 National Association of Home Builder's (NAHB) 50+ Housing Awards** for Meadow Ranch – **2 Gold Achievement Awards for Best Green Community and Best Detached Home up to 2,100 sq. ft. and a Silver Award for Best for Sale – up to 200 Homes.**

About The Gold Nugget Awards

The Gold Nugget Awards are the centerpiece of PCBC — the building industry's leading conference, trade show and meeting place. Combining the prestige of the awards themselves with the excitement of its Academy Awards-style presentation, these ceremonies feature music, entertainment and the exceptional visual presentation of winners. The Gold Nugget Awards were born in 1963 at American Builder, for many years a national magazine of the building industry. (Now Builder Magazine). They were conceived expressly for PCBC, to recognize builder/developer excellence throughout the United States and Internationally. Almost immediately, the Gold Nuggets became known as "Best In The West," an accurate description of their trend-setting qualities and geographic reach. Gold Nugget judges are renowned for integrity and diversity. Panels always include some of the finest architects, planners and builders in the industry. Nationally recognized marketing and market research consultants, publishers and senior editors complete the roster each year, ensuring fair attention and analysis for each entrant. To view all of the projects with photos and info, click on the links below.

<http://www.pcbc.com/GoldNugget/merit2012d.html>
[Categories 1-15](#) | [Categories 16-30](#) | [Categories 31-45](#) | [Categories 46-59](#)

About Pacific Coast Builders Conference

PCBC is a community of builders and manufacturers, building scientists and architects, environmental engineers and landscape companies, working together to advance the art and science of community building. Started in 1959 as the Pacific Coast Builders Conference, PCBC brings together people creating better communities, imagining and building the places where we love to live. PCBC features hundreds of exhibiting companies displaying the latest product and service innovations and three days of executive conferences, forums, workshops, and speakers, and is the "idea marketplace" for leading residential builders, developers, architects, investors, product manufacturers, and advisers in the industry. For more information, visit www.pcbc.com.

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