

## **JUDGES SELECT BEST ENTRIES FOR LAKES REGION PARADE OF HOMES!**

In preparation for the annual Parade of Homes being held this Columbus Day Weekend, Oct. 12-14th, 2019. The Lakes Region Builders and Remodelers Association announces their distinguished three panel of judges. Eleven beautiful homes are on the tour this year for the judges to evaluate in the towns of Alexandria, Bridgewater, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, Moultonborough, Sanbornton, and Tuftonboro. The judges are brought in to look closer at the home builder's projects — evaluating them on craftsmanship, creative use of space, use of materials, overall design and more.

The highest number of points in each category will determine the winners in that category and then all the points will be tallied to determine the coveted, Best In Class.

The association reaches out to the community for possible judges who have industry knowledge and may have building experience, for example, or be in other areas such as a real estate, marketing or interior design. The judges enjoy touring around the Lakes Region and all of the homes and also take this role very seriously closely inspecting certain aspects of the projects.

For exterior, homes are judged on items such as planting, curb appeal, entry and exterior finishes and outdoor living. The interior is judged on categories such as first impressions, finishes used in homes, floor plan, space and creativity. In the kitchen, judges look at space usage, cabinets, counters, fixtures and storage. Bath is looked at for items such as entry statement, design, vanities, countertops, fixtures and finishes.

### **MEET THE JUDGES:**

**Larry Greeley** started Tradesmen Builders Corp in 1985. As a General Contracting Company he has provided building and remodeling services to much of the Lakes Region almost 35 years. Their office is in Laconia and they have been a member of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Lakes Region Home Builders for many years. In addition to general contracting services they also offer CAD assistance to customers who request it. In addition, for many years, Larry has been very involved with build projects with the students at the Huot Technical Center, helping to mentor and teach building techniques to the students—helping to inspire the next generation of trades professionals. [www.tradesmenbuilders.com](http://www.tradesmenbuilders.com)

**Patti Phelps**, is a designer and owner of All in the Details, an interior design firm with offices in Bow and New Hampton, NH, and works with homeowners, builders and remodelers throughout New Hampshire. Her lakes region showroom, shared with Pinnacle Kitchens, offers innovative designs and material selections.

A member of the NH Home Builders and Remodelers Association, Patti particularly enjoys working on building and remodeling projects and thrives on organizing the details involved in these projects. She served on the Parade of Homes Committee for 10 years and the Tiny House Committee (promoting workforce development in the building trades) for 3 years. She is currently the Secretary on the Board of Directors of the Lakes Region Builders and Remodelers Association. Patti also works with local retirement communities, realtors and homeowners to offer advice on downsizing and staging homes for resale. [www.allinthedetailsdesign.com](http://www.allinthedetailsdesign.com).

**Scott Thimann** serves as the Chief Banking Officer at Northway Bank; he has been with the Bank for the past 4 years. At the bank, Scott oversees residential mortgage lending, consumer lending, the Bank's network of 16 branches, investment program, and marketing. He is a 36 year banker with background in both retail and commercial banking. Scott and his wife of 33 years are residents of Greenland, NH where he is an active member of the Great Bay Stewards and the Seacoast Chapter of NH Audubon. [Northwaybank.com](http://Northwaybank.com)

The awards of excellence winners will be announced after the Parade of Homes event and also recognized at a banquet ceremony after the Parade. The 3-panel of judges does not effect the popular "People's Choice Award" which will remain the same as it does every year. This is where the winner is determined by the visitors! Visitors have no special criteria to judge on but to pick the home that resonates as the best out of all the homes. In order to vote, people must get their ticket initialed at each home. Then they fill out the back with their favorite house number. After they have visited their last home they drop their ticket in the People's Choice box. All eligible entries go into a drawing for prizes.

For more information about this year's parade go to: [lakesregionparadeofhomes.com](http://lakesregionparadeofhomes.com)