



Wiltonian Andrew LaSala of Cannondale Building and Design recently received awards honoring both his home renovation work and his philanthropy, after he donated efforts to renovate the Marine Corps League building in Ridgefield. For this charitable work, Mr. LaSala and his partner, Steve Berko of Summerview Development Group, received the Fairfield County HBRA Building Hope Foundation Philanthropists of the Year Award. At the award ceremony are, from left, Dan Harris, Marine Corps League senior vice commandant, Andrew LaSala Jr., Summerview Development Group, Richard Hillmann, Marine Corps League commandant, and Steve Berko, Summerview Development Group.

## LaSala is honored for design/build projects and philanthropy work

Andrew LaSala of Cannondale Building and Design was recently honored with two industry awards, along with an accolade for his philanthropy. On Nov. 14, the Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Connecticut presented Mr. LaSala's company with two Home Building Industry (HOBBI) awards for Outstanding Residential Remodel in the \$100,000-\$250,000 category, and Best Remodeled Kitchen. A panel of four remodeling industry judges cited "the value Cannondale was able to offer their clients by providing superior craftsmanship at a reasonable cost," according to a press release.

In New Fairfield, the firm renovated and updated a 5,500-square-foot 1970s contemporary home, "replacing the roof, mahogany deck and plumbing fixtures; replacing or repairing the expansive Andersen windows; trim and interior finishes; and installing a new backup generator and alarm system for a project

cost of \$189,000," the press release said.

The company received a second HOBBI Award for a home in Redding in which "they demolished an existing kitchen and installed a new one with leather granite counters, raised panel cabinetry and a hall pantry and bake center for under \$100,000," according to the press release.

Cannondale Building & Design partners and Wilton residents Andrew and Diane LaSala incorporate the design/build process under one roof. For the past 25 years, the firm has operated out of its offices at 41 Ruscoe Road, with Mr. LaSala running the construction side of the business and Ms. LaSala overseeing the design.

Cannondale specializes in custom homes, whole-house remodeling, antique home restorations, and project management in both Fairfield and Westchester counties.

Mr. LaSala was also past president of the Fairfield County Home Builders &

Remodelers Association (HBRA), where he was instrumental in the creation of the Building Hope Foundation, a nonprofit organization set up by HBRA to provide housing assistance for those in need in Fairfield County, the press release said.

On Dec. 5, Mr. LaSala and Steve Berko, his partner in the construction management company, Summerview Development Group, were presented with the Fairfield County HBRA Building Hope Foundation Philanthropist of the Year Award.

"This award recognizes the extraordinary contribution Andrew LaSala and Steve Berko made in donating their time and labor as project and construction managers for the renovation of the Marine Corps League building in Ridgefield," said Building Hope Foundation President Mary Boudreau.

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