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Markland Wins Award for Best Community Lifestyle

NEFBA's Sales and Marketing Council celebrate The Best for 2018

(Jacksonville, Florida, February 1, 2019) Markland's comprehensive array of popular annual events and activities for residents and guests has earned the community off International Golf Parkway the "Best Annual Lifestyle Program" at the Northeast Florida Builder's Association's Laurel Awards. Already an award-winning community, Markland also won a Laurel Award for "Best Landscape Design Priced over \$40,000" for the Markland Manor House.

Markland's lifestyle focuses on community, togetherness and getting to know your neighbor. Events sponsored by Hines, the developer, are a large component in shaping the lifestyle. While the weather is cool, Fire Pit Fridays are immensely popular. Held on the last Friday of each month on the expansive lawn behind the Manor House at the fire pit next to the lake, friendly residents, guests and potential new neighbors share food, drink, s'mores and music. Family and friends are welcome.

Markland has also held various seasonal events such as Spring Festival, Summer Luau, Fourth of July, Fall Festival and Holiday parties. Residents, friends and family members all become closer at these events and many have formed their own "pop-up parties." There is a Bunco Ladies Group, gathering spaces in the Manor House for card or board games, rooms for yoga, tennis courts and other places within the community to meet. Residents use the beautiful rooms in the Manor House for private events, too. Winning an award for the Best Community Lifestyle affirms the vision "Where Togetherness Happens" that Hines has for Markland.

Creating a picturesque entry like no other and paying homage to the formal gardens of the Antebellum era gone by, the Markland Manor House landscaping features an entry processional of beautiful crepe myrtle trees lining both sides of the formal, front walkway. Colorful flowers and other indigenous flora grace the grounds of the Markland Manor House which was designed by award-winning Prossor, Inc. Hines is proud to win an award for intelligent and elegant landscaping from the hundreds of entries at the Northeast Florida Builders Association Laurel Awards.

NEFBA is the state's largest builders association with history of networking, community outreach and industry development. NEFBA's primary goal is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Northeast Florida. The 300 members of SMC include Builders, Realtors® and other real estate industry-related professionals who come together for business development, networking and educational opportunities.

Located just east of I-95 on International Golf Parkway, Markland is a charming neighborhood with the amenities of a larger community and features homes priced from \$300,000 to over \$800,000. Visit www.Markland.com for more information.

About Hines

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Photo Caption: Carla Luigs, Marketing Specialist for Hines, accepts Gold Laurel Award from Richard Nunn, WJXT Channel 4 Meteorologist, and Master of Ceremony at the NEFBA awards for Sales and Marketing Excellence held at TIAA Bank Field.

