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THE LEGACY AT WILLOW BEND RECEIVES TOP INDUSTRY AWARD FOR ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

PLANO, TEXAS, JUNE 12, 2009: **Dream Home Awards** recently presented the **Best in Multi-Family Living – Southern United States Award** to **DiMella Shaffer**, architect of **The Legacy at Willow Bend**. The award was presented for the architect's original design of the retirement community.

“Building an award-winning senior living community requires an immense amount of foresight, care, and collaboration among everyone involved with the project,” said **Michael Ellentuck**, president of The Legacy Senior Communities, Inc. “Our primary goal when looking for an architect to design The Legacy was to provide our members with an environment that inspired new heights of growth and self-discovery, and we feel that Dimella Shaffer more than exceeded those ambitions.”

The Dream Home Awards are presented to companies and individuals who assist in creating America's dream homes and set new standards of excellence in the nation's

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building industry. The competition is open to interior designers, architects, builders, remodelers, communities and trade contractors.

“We are very proud of this accomplishment and look forward to many other recognitions for design excellence of The Legacy at Willow Bend in the future,” said Peter Shaffer, principal of DiMella Shaffer.

The Legacy at Willow Bend, Plano’s first and only life care retirement community, is situated on a 28-acre site at Spring Creek Parkway between Preston Road and Ohio Drive. The Legacy at Willow Bend offers resort-style services and amenities for active, independent seniors, as well as all levels of health care services on-site.

The community features 103 independent living apartment homes, 12 custom independent living villas, 40 assisted living apartment homes, 18 memory support suites, and 60 private skilled healthcare suites.

The Legacy at Willow Bend is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit retirement community owned by parent company, The Legacy Senior Communities, Inc. The Legacy at Willow Bend, the only Jewish-sponsored life care retirement community in Texas, is open to people of all faiths.

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#1 The Legacy at Willow Bend – front exterior

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