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### Bainbridge condos win AARP award

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The Vineyard Lane on Bainbridge Island won the 2008 Livable Communities Award from AARP and the National Association of Home Builders. The developer is The Winery LLC, and Bill Carruthers and Andrew Lonseth are the majority owners.

O'Connor/Kriegh Architects designed the 45-unit complex and Pacific Heights Construction was the contractor. Prices for the four remaining units range from the low \$400,000's to more than \$900,000.

Vineyard Lane won in the category for projects below 250 units.



Photo courtesy Vineyard Lane [\[enlarge\]](#)

The four-acre site is a former vineyard a short distance from downtown Bainbridge. The Vineyards has cobblestone walkways, extensive elevator access, oversized windows, level front entrances, coffee houses and a number of public patios for residents.

Carruthers said the goal was to increase the ability of residents to engage in community life. "We built the community within walking distance of services, which help individuals remain independent and active." The landscaped core also helps residents connect with neighbors, he said.

Doug Shadel, state director of AARP Washington, called the project "a great example of the residential community of the future."

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