

business, boasting more than 25 years of experience in the home décor industry, employs experts to guide customers in purchasing lighting for every task.

### Third Place

**Ferguson**  
3610 Wrightsboro Rd., Augusta  
(706) 860-7677  
www.ferguson.com/branch/augusta-ga-showroom  
Shop for indoor lighting, outdoor lighting and lighting parts and accessories at Ferguson's beautiful showroom on Wrightsboro Road. Their experts will guide you in using light to create ambiance and highlight the best features of your home.

### BEST LUMBER COMPANY

#### First Place

**Maner Builders Supply Co.**  
3787 Martinez Blvd., Martinez  
(706) 863-6191  
www.maner.com  
More than just a lumber yard, Maner Builders Supply carries everything homebuilders need to get the job done, from framing to finishing a house. Maner's carries 13,000 stocked items ready for delivery in their 35 specialized trucks.

#### Second Place

**Howard Lumber**  
475 Columbia Industrial Blvd., Evans  
(706) 868-8400  
www.howardlumbercompany.com  
Howard Lumber carries materials that meet the rigorous standards of the building industry. They strive to be the place of choice for CSRA architects, builders and homeowners.

#### Third Place

**Mulherin Lumber Co.**  
705 Industrial Park Dr., Evans  
(706) 863-6070  
www.mulherinlumber.com  
The Mulherin family has dealt in the lumber industry since the 1800s. Today the lumber sheds are stacked high with premium products, perfect for building your dream home.

### BEST MORTGAGE LENDING INSTITUTION

#### First Place

**New American Funding**

1231 Augusta West Pkwy., Augusta  
(706) 760-2022  
www.branch.newamericanfunding.com/  
Augusta  
For the second year, New American Funding takes top as the best mortgage lending institution. While the business has had a name change (formerly Element Funding) the same highly experienced sales and support staff from the mortgage banking industry, are ready to help.

#### Second Place

**State Bank and Trust Co.**  
(706) 729-7840  
www.statebt.com  
All the benefits of a big bank, coupled with the customer service and feel of a hometown bank. The mortgage specialists at State Bank are there to help you find the right mortgage that accommodates your lifestyle.

#### Third Place

**Augusta Mortgage Company**  
243 Davis Rd., Augusta  
(706) 860-4200  
www.augustamortgage.com  
Augusta Mortgage Company prides itself on offering personalized one on one service to our customers while offering individual attention to your financial needs. Founded in 1976 as an independent mortgage lender, Augusta Mortgage Company makes the mortgage process simple.

### BEST HOME BUILDER

#### First Place

**Ivey Homes**  
7013 Evans Town Center Blvd., Evans  
(706) 868-9363  
www.iveyhomes.com  
IveyWise progressive building techniques result in homes on the cutting edge of efficiency, convenience and affordability. It's no wonder Ivey Homes finishes first among homebuilders again this year.

#### Second Place

**B.E.C Custom Homes**  
(706) 836-2846  
www.beccustomhomes.com  
With a passion for fine home craftsmanship, Beth and Brian Carter have been building homes in the Augusta area since 2001. If you choose this husband and wife team to build your home, rest assured you

will have a one of a kind.

#### Third Place

**Designer Homes & Construction**  
P.O. Box 1695, Evans  
(706) 432-1580  
www.designerhomesllc.com  
Designer Homes & Construction owner Chris Dupree has built more than 400 homes during his career. With the belief that homeownership remains the ultimate American dream, let the team at Designer Homes & Construction help you build your dream home.

### BEST PAINT STORE

#### First Place

**Gerald Robinson's Paint and Decorating Center**  
3850 Washington Rd., #5A, Augusta  
(706) 863-4593  
www.geraldrobinsonspaint.com  
Gerald Robinson's Paint and Decorating Center is no newcomer to Best of Home. Home improvement projects begin with Benjamin Moore paints and a Gerald Robinson's associate. Whether you want modern color trends or a traditional palette, you'll find what you're looking for plus unexpected combinations that will wow you.

#### Second Place

**Sherwin Williams**  
3238 Wrightsboro Rd., Augusta  
(706) 733-9405  
201 Casa Linda Dr., Martinez  
(706) 863-3523  
2709 Peach Orchard Rd., Augusta  
(706) 796-3865  
www.sherwin-williams.com  
Sherwin Williams has all of the supplies you need to do-it-yourself plus experts who can guide you every step of the way. Quality brands ensure a beautiful finish.

#### Third Place

**Culpepper Ace**  
4532 Washington Rd., Evans  
(706) 863-7109  
www.culpepperace.com  
For more than 50 years, the Culpepper family has been serving the residents of the Augusta area. More than just a lumber company, Culpepper Ace has a great selection of paint to help you find the perfect color for any room.