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## “AMERICAN HOMES – “GOING GREEN”

Dennis Kotaska of American Homes, LLC, and Rob Struckman “Green” consultant, present the FGBC, Florida Green Building Coalition Certification to Port Charlotte homeowners Cynthia and John Berlen. Charlotte County Commissioner, Tricia Duffy, and Roberta Benson also attended the presentation Wednesday morning. John and Cynthia Berlen proudly display the “Energy Star” HERS energy efficiency rating certification they received on their new “green” home built by American Homes, LLC of North Port.



Rob Struckman, Roberta Benson, Cynthia Berlen, John Berlen, Dennis Kotaska and Tricia Duffy.

The rating is given after testing and inspection verifies the reduction in energy consumption of the home. The new 3,700 square foot home on Branch Avenue in Port Charlotte was built with materials to reduce energy consumption as well as to promote a healthier environment. American Homes, LLC builds high performance green, energy saving and storm resistant homes that provide lower utility and insurance costs and tax credits and rebates. The homes include thermal insulated energy efficient windows and doors, soy based foam insulation, 16-18 SEER air conditioning system and passive solar panel to assist the electric hot water heater. For more information contact American Homes, LLC at 941-815-6772 or [www.greenamericanhomes.com](http://www.greenamericanhomes.com).

