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**American Woodmark Corporation Honors**  
**Student Design Excellence**

*Leading Cabinet Manufacturer Sponsors the 2004/2005 NKBA Student Design Competition*

**LAS VEGAS, May 10, 2005** – American Woodmark Corporation (AWC), a leading supplier of cabinetry to the new construction and remodeling industry, sponsored the National Kitchen & Bath Association's (NKBA) 2004/2005 Student Design Competition. The competition challenged student designers to create safe, functional, and aesthetically pleasing rooms that conform to rigorous NKBA guidelines, offering young kitchen and bath professionals an unparalleled opportunity for advancement and training in their field.

“Each year the NKBA recognizes the rising stars in our industry with this competition,” says Ian Sole, senior vice president, sales and marketing, American Woodmark Corporation. American Woodmark’s sponsorship is based on our recognition of the need for more trained kitchen and bath designers to support the continued growth of our industry, and we are committed to the development and training of these individuals.”

Sherylin Doyle, senior manager, academic relations of NKBA echoes these thoughts when she says her organization is fully committed to raising the level of training and development programs for kitchen and bath professionals. “The NKBA stands strong on its commitment to support the educational experience of these students who represent the future of the industry,” he says. “We are pleased that American Woodmark, a company that shares so

many of our values, is working with us to commend these students on their creativity, talent and professionalism.”

The NKBA Student Design Competition is open to all NKBA student members. This year, 127 student participants rose to the challenge of designing a kitchen that best enhanced their creative concept, and that met the needs of the imaginary clients developed by an NKBA Kitchen Survey Form. To comply with NKBA design competition guidelines, students were required to submit a design statement and storyboards, as well as floor, construction, and mechanical plans, and elevations. Awards in each category will be presented on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005 from 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. at K/BIS.

### **About American Woodmark Corporation**

American Woodmark Corporation, located in Winchester, Va., is the third largest manufacturer of kitchen and bath cabinets in the United States and Canada. Offering more than 230 cabinet lines in a wide variety of designs, materials and finishes, American Woodmark products are sold through a network of dealers and distributors and directly to home centers and major home builders. The Company, celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, currently operates 15 manufacturing facilities in Arizona, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia, as well as various service centers across the country. American Woodmark shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "AMWD." To find out more about American Woodmark, and view its vast array of cabinet styles, visit its Web site at [www.americanwoodmark.com](http://www.americanwoodmark.com).

### **About the NKBA**

The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) is a non-profit trade association that has educated and led the kitchen and bath industry since 1963. With more than 24,000 members

and growing, NKBA owns the world's largest trade show and industry event. The mission of NKBA is to enhance member success and excellence by promoting professionalism and ethical business practices, and providing leadership and direction for the kitchen and bathroom industry. For more information, please visit the NKBA Press Room at [www.nkba.org/press](http://www.nkba.org/press).

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