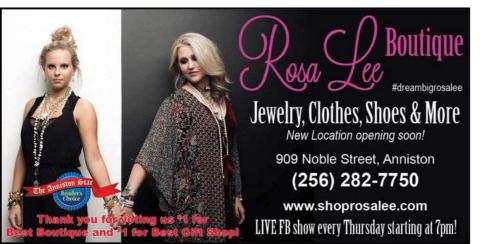
# Presenting the Unners 2018 Reader's Choice Awards





Every year since we began our Reader's Choice awards in 2010, it's gotten bigger and better, and this year proved no different. With more than 25,000 submissions, our readers voted for their favorite plumbers, doctors, nurses and of course, where to get the best barbecue. We thank our readers for their continued support of this annual publication and look forward to seeing it grow even more next year.

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### **Assisted Living**

1st — Autumn Cove
NHC Place
Legacy Village
Jacksonville Assisted Living
McClellan Assisted Living

### **Independent Living**

1st — Autumn Cove
NHC Place
Casey Estates

### **Nursing Home**

1st — NHC Healthcare
Jacksonville Health & Rehab
Piedmont Health Care
Golden Living

### Chiropractor

1st — Tony Bolton Kellie Edwards Chris Law Paul Ryan Patrick Harrison

### **Dentist**

1st — John Flannagan
Donald Norby
Barry Benton
Bruce Cunningham
David Cummings

### **Doctor / Physician**

1st — Edwin Keel
David Chalk
Lucy Morris
Elizabeth Patrenos
Braden Richmond

### **Emergency Care Facility**

1st — Keel & Associates
C.A.R.E.S (Anniston)
Stringfellow Memorial Hospital
Physician's Care
Northeast Regional Medical Center

### **Eye Care Professional**

1st — Robert Ellis Stephen Downey Darlene Harris Gary Murrell Dawn Wilczek

### Fitness / Health Club

1st — Club One Fitness
YMCA (Oxford)
Yellow Bird Yoga
Back in Balance Yoga
Model City Crossfit

### **Home Health Agency**

1st — ALACARE
Downey Medical
Heavenly Host of Angels
Intrepid
Signature In Home Care

### **Massage Therapist**

1st — Amy Leahey (LMT)
Susan Castleberry (Creations Salon)
Debbie Babcock (Bolton Chiropractic)
Shaye Wingo
Lori Frechette

### **Medical Laboratory Service**

1st — Labcorp (Anniston)

Northeast Regional Medical Center
Southern Lab Partners

### **Pediatrician**

1st — Lewis Doggett (Anniston Pediatrics)
Chase Thomas (Pediatric Plus)
Natalie Lindell (Oxford Family Practice)
Jose Caballero
Elizabeth Patrenos (Pediatrics Plus)

### Paramedic / EMT

1st — Jeremy Brown (Oxford)
Nathan Harper (White Plains)
Brad Stone (Oxford)
Christy Dulaney (Anniston)
Michelle Grippin (Anniston EMS)

### **Pharmacist**

1st — Paul Graham (Downey Drug Alexandria)
Johnnie Ellis (Downey Drug)
Chris Martin (Martin's Pharmacy)
Dottie Thornton (Downey Drug)
April McNeal (RMC)

### **Weight Loss Service**

1st — Oxford Primary Care & Weight Loss Center
Anniston Weight Control
Model City Crossfit
Medi Trim
Heflin Weight Loss

### **Physical Therapist**

1st — Ryan Huff (Champion Sports Medicine)
Doug Strautman (CORE Sports)
Rashad Pearson
Katherine Davidson
Brittain Benton

### **BEAUTY & FASHION**

### Day Spa

1st — Golden Springs Nails
Prestige Medical Spa
Sugar Moon Studio
A Touch of Grace Day Spa
Spa Bleu

### **Barber Shop**

1st — The Roffler Shop
Ford's Barber Shop
Jack's Barber Shop (Weaver)
Pooh's Barber Shop
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### **Beauty Shop**

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### **Local Artist**

1st — Riley Green Larry Martin Keitha Williams Keith Wahl Randy Young

### **Local Musician / Group**

1st — Riley Green Lindsey Hinkle Robby Jordan Back Road South Guardian of Troy

### **Local Radio / TV Personality**

1st — Steve Stevens (K98)
Julie Daniels (K98)
Jock Burgess (K98)
Johnathan Moses (Alabama 100.7)
Grady Sapp (Thunder 92.7)

### **Place for Live Music**

1st — Oxford Performing Arts Center
Cheaha Brewing Company
Peerless Saloon
Rack and Roll Billiards
Darkhorse Saloon

### **Radio Station**

1st — K98 Thunder 92.7 WHMA 95.5 Alabama 100.7 WDNG 95.1

### **HOME & GARDEN**

### **Building Supply**

1st — Oxford Lumber
Alexandria Hardware
Remodeler's Outlet
Webb Concrete
Jacksonville Building Supply

### **Carpet / Flooring Dealer**

1st — Floors to Go
Abbey Carpet
Jacksonville Carpet and Flooring
Kemp Flooring
Foote Bros.

### **Furniture Store**

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### Nursery

1st — B&B Produce Oxford Lumber Bloomin' Miracles Garrett Greenhouse J&M Plants

### **Home Rental Agency**

1st — Harris - McKay Realty
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### **Heating / Air Conditioning**

1st — Mizzell Heating and Cooling
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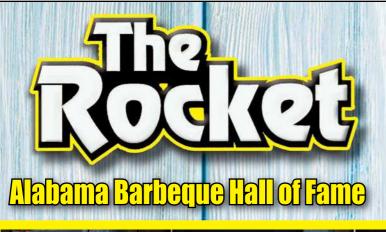
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### PEOPLE & PLACES

### **Attorney**

1st — Justin Wilson Tim Mitchell Boice Turner Charlie Rice Freeman Fite

### Child Care

1st — Mary's Little Lamb

New Adventures Learning Center (Oxford)
Cornerstone Christian Academy
The Children's Place (Anniston)
Belles and Beaus

### **Insurance Agency**

1st — Parnell Insurance
Model City Insurance
Farmers Insurance
Reaves Insurance Agency
Dorman and Reynolds

### **Waiter / Waitress**

1st — Christian Rogers (Mellow Mushroom)
Hayden Moore (Noble Street Deli)
Hunter Cain (Peerless Saloon and Grille)
Abby Donnolly (Logan's)
Tegan Singleton (Effina's)

#### **Public Official**

1st — Steve Hurst Wayne Willis KL Brown Barbara Boyd Johnny Smith

### Community Event

1st — Oxfordfest
Noble Street Festival
Barbecue and Bluegrass
Knox Concert Series
Woodstock 5K

### Neighborhood

1st — Golden Springs
Edgefield Farms
Buckhorn (Weaver)
Sherwood Forest (Oxford)
Tyler Park (Anniston)

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1st — Cider Ridge
Silver Lakes
Pine Hill
Anniston Country Club
Cane Creek

### Park

1st — Choccolocco Park
Oxford Lake
Germania Springs
Weaver Park
Hamilton Park

### **Local Tourist Attraction**

1st — Cheaha Mountain
Anniston Museum of Natural History
Terrapin Creek
Escape Zone (Oxford)
Coldwater Mountain

### **Commercial Printing**

1st — Moore Printing
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### **SHOPPING**

### **Department Store**

1st — Martin's Family Clothing
Rosa Lee Boutique
Alexander's
Frey Boutique
Wakefield's

### **Dry Cleaner**

1st — Oxford Cleaners Smith Cleaners Mike's Romac Cleaners Mallory Cleaners Nu-Kleen

#### **Florist**

1st — Miller Florist
Valley Florist
Evan's Flower Shop
Alexander's
Lloyd's Florist

### **Funeral Home**

1st — Miller Funeral Home KL Brown Memory Chapel (Golden Springs) Gray Brown Funeral Home Chapel Hill

### **Gift Shop**

**Anniston Memorial** 

1st — Rosa Lee Boutique
Couch's Jewelers
The Rustic Farmhouse
Frey Boutique
Kolectic Treasures Antique Market

### **Pawn Shop**

1st — B&B Pawn
Oxford Jewelry & Pawn
AAA Pawn Shop
Quintard Pawn
Wildcat Pawn

### **Pet / Pet Grooming Store**

1st — Scruffy to Fluffy
Lylia's Poodle Boutique
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Dog Days Salon

### **Photographer**

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### **Sporting Goods Store**

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Shotgun Sports
Tackle Box
TG's One Stop
Fun Wheels

### **Travel Agency**

1st — R&R Travel
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Shana Reed's Magical Wishes Travel

### Veterinarian

1st — Tracy Whitaker
Wayne Long
Barry Nicholls
Bill Berry
Bill Brom

### Consignment / Thrift Shop

1st — Center of Hope
Abundance Consignment
Sonya's Secondhand Shop
Kolectic Treasures Antique Market
Rivers of the Living Water

### **Gun Shop**

1st — Exile Armory
Shotgun Sports
B&B Pawn Shop
Oxford Pawn
Kolectic Treasures Antique Market

### Children's Clothing

1st — Martin's Family Clothing
Growing Trends
Children's Place
Pink Rubies Boutique
Kreations by Katie

#### **Jewelry Store**

1st — Couch's Jewelers
Rosa Lee Boutique
Jewelry Express
Sister's Treasures
Kolectic Treasures Antique Market

#### **Women's Clothing**

1st — Martin's Family Clothing
Frey Boutique
Rosa Lee Boutique
Swank Boutique
Alexander's on Noble

### **Men's Clothing Store**

**1st — Martin's Family Clothing**Kolectic Treasures Antique Market
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### Brown's Rib Shack awarded 'Best Ribs'

By Laci Braswell

Cooter Brown's Rib Shack received the Best Ribs award.

The restaurant is family owned and operated by Tim and Barbara Johnson.

The Johnsons have owned the business since April 2000.

"I just want to thank our loyal customers and the readers the voted for us," owner Tim Johnson said. "We really appreciate it. The award means a lot to all of us."

Cooter Brown's is no stranger to receiving accolades.

Its ribs have been listed as one of the "100 dishes to eat in Alabama before you die," by the Alabama Board of Tourism. The beloved business has also won the "Taste of Calhoun County" competition multiple times.

The restaurant takes pride in focusing on the food.

Menu items include not only their

famous ribs, but grilled chicken, smoked wings, burgers and much more.

"I also want to thank our staff," Johnson said. "We have 25 employees right now, and couldn't do it without them."

Cooter Brown's will also cater for special occasions and events.

The restaurant has a full bar as well as daily specials.

Cooter Brown's is at 8464 Alabama Highway 204 in Jacksonville.

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## **Building on the Dorsey legacy**

By Sherry Kughn

Gerry D'Alessandro bought Dorsey's Super Market in Oxford in 2015 after hearing from the longtime grocery namesake, Sherrell Dorsey, wanted to retire.

He is happy to have made the decision, and he appreciates the outstanding customer support, the manager Robin Jordan, and the entire staff.

D'Alessandro is a longtime grocery man, having worked as a teenager with his father and uncle at Fourth Avenue Supermarket in Bessemer, a store he once co-owned until he bought out his family members. Since then, he has also acquired Fresh Value stores in Pell City and Bessemer, and Trussville.

"I am humbled and honored to receive the People's Choice award," D'Alessandro said. "Robin and the team are here day-today executing and focusing on customer service."

He said the Dorsey team strives to keep prices low while also selling great fresh meats and produce. In addition to the first-place award, the meat department of Dorsey's received a second-place finish in the Best Meats category, and the produce department received third place in Best Produce.

Jordan worked at the Leeds store for fourand-a-half years, rising to assistant manager. It was then that D'Alessandro offered her the management position at Dorsey's only a little more than three months ago.

"I love this place," she said. "It is small and personal. I get to talk to the customers, and this is a family-friendly place. The staff is awesome, and we are nothing without the people who work here."

Both agreed that the award reflects on customer loyalty.

"We put our customers first," D'Alessandro said.

The store is at 601 Main Street in Oxford.

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Dorsey's owner, Gerry D'Alessandro, and store manager, Robin Jordan appreciate the hard work their employees do each day. They placed in three categories of People's Choice

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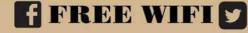


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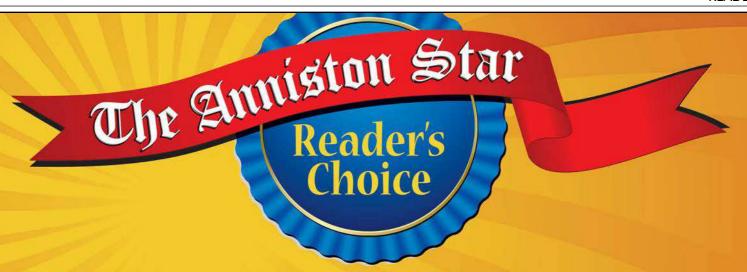
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## Best Doctor, Edwin Keel: Best Emergency Care facility, Keel and Associates



Dr. Keel moved to Oxford in 1993 and loves the location in the state.

Dr. Edwin Keel's office, Keel and Associates, won first place in Best Emergency Care Facility and first place in the Best Doctor category.

"It's an honor that the patients expressed their thoughts," he said. "It's a big honor." Dr. Keel is a Tennessee native who grew up in Ephesus, Ga., which is only about an hour from Oxford. He graduated in 1986 from the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. After practicing as a Board-Certified Emergency Room physician in the Birmingham area, he relocated to Annsiton in 1993 to work in the ER at RMC. After 5 years, Dr. Keel decided to open a practice in Oxford. Keel and Associates is a family practice and urgent care office located at 1612 Highway 78 East.

He appreciates his office staff, and his nurse practitioners, Janie McBurnett and Shelby Spurling. "They are all doing a great job," he said He also thanked his wife, Connie, who manages the office. She is a registered nurse, but now takes care of all aspects of the business.

The couple has two children, Mya, 16, and Sean, 13. Mya is considering becoming a veterinarian, and Sean hasn't begun thinking about a career.

"We have been in Oxford since 1993 and thoroughly enjoy living here," he said. "It is very convenient and a great location in this state. We were here before the hotels and the Exchange and have seen a lot of progress."

Office hours for Keel and Associates are from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and accepting new patients.



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## Floors to Go best flooring company

By Sherry Kughn

Owner Ted Gregerson is honored that Floors to Go was voted Best Carpet/ Flooring Dealer in the flooring category.

"We must be doing something right," he said. "It seems like our referral business is good because we feel that we treat customers the way we want to be treated. We always take care of them if they have a problem. In the long run, that pays off."

Gregerson started working for a carpet store after graduating from Southside High School in Gadsden. He worked for six years installing flooring and then moved up the ladder at a local store until he became manager. Then, about 12 years later, he decided to open his own flooring business.

"This is all I have ever done," Gregerson said, "and, for me, it has turned out well."

Gregerson, who has been married

to his wife Tammy for 28 years, said he appreciates his staff at Floors to Go, which operates under the management of Ben Lasslett.

"We have long-term employees who treat the business like it is their own," Gregerson said. "They exceed expectations, and I am proud of their team spirit."

Another reason for success is that the company carries a wide variety of flooring coverings, such as hardwood, tile, laminate, carpet, and vinyl. They also install tiled showers and tubs and install countertops made from natural and other materials.

He added, "We always try to stay up-to-date on the latest in the flooring market and hope to continue to build our customer base by providing an awesome customer experience."



Manager of Floors to Go, Ben Lasslett, second from left, enjoys the family atmosphere of his fellow employees. Several of them are, from left, Gracie Jancsek, Steve Camp, Chip Jancsek, and Dawn Edwards.



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## Murphy thanks staff, customers

By Sherry Kughn

Dara Murphy had two epiphanies related to her career: Once, when a package of beads she had ordered arrived in the mail, her heart started racing. She knew then that she should resume her love of making jewelry.

Also, years later, after she had achieved success as a jewelry maker, she met a homeless woman named Rosa Lee. Murphy engaged with a particular woman that the rest of the world had overlooked. She knew then she would build her jewelry-making business around helping both her customers and those in need.

Rosa Lee Botique has now been on Anniston's Noble Street since October, 2017. It sales both jewelry and women's trendiest clothes. Murphy was thrilled recently when she learned that her customers voted her Best Boutique and also voted her jewelry business second in the Best Jewelry category.

"It is an honor to be acknowledged by the entire community," Murphy said. "The award gives me more incentive to keep going and growing." Murphy worked for a local jewelrymaking business in 1991, Katrina's. She dabbled in making her own jewelry until 1999 when she had that first epiphany after a lapse of time not making jewelry. Later, she opened Dara's in the back of Alexander's at Noble shops. The new boutique is now at the former Think Toys building at 909 Noble St.

Murphy credits her staff with honoring her customers the way she was taught when she worked for the late Frances Couch of Couch's

"I still use her ideology every single day," Murphy said. "A five-dollar customer is equal to a fivethousand-dollar customer."

Murphy is growing thanks to through her customers service, good prices, and her Thursday evening Facebook show. She and co-worker Ashlyn Giles display their merchandise, engage with viewers, and raise money for charity by giving portions of the sales on a rotating basis to a variety of organizations.

"We raised almost ten thousand dollars when the Jacksonville tornado came along," she said. "I wanted to help students who had no home."

Visit Dara Murphy on Facebook.



Dara Murphy appears on her own Facebook video show on Thursday evenings. Her boutique, Rosa Lee, is located on Noble Street in Anniston.



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### Pickette's: Best Produce Market

By Sherry Kughn

Jim Pickette said selling produce is "in his blood." He was pleased that his two produce markets were chosen best in the category by the People's Choice polls.

"We cut up and carry on with our customers," he said. "We like to greet them, and we like hearing that they like our produce."

Pickette has two feed and pet stores in addition to his two markets. In 2017, when longtime market owner Steve Burney sold B&B Produce, Pickette bought it and reopened it in April. Now he has businesses at 3200 McClellan Blvd., 1822 Highway 78, and on South Quintard.

During the interview, Pickette displayed a photograph of himself as a teen-ager working at what was once Langley's Market on Alabama 21. After graduating from Jacksonville High School, he went into military service with the Alabama National Guard for six years. In 1973, he also began working for Franklin Box and Crate in the Oxana area of Oxford. After 1976, he worked for Bill Love's IGA in Oxford for 18 years, "doing whatever needed to be done." Eventually, he rose to the position of store manager.

He co-owned the former Lea and Mike's grocery store before he starting his own grocery store in Munford. Then he opened two feed-and-pet businesses called Pickette's, one in Anniston and one in Oxford. In 2003, he added a produce stand on the side of the Anniston location.

Pickette drives early each morning to Birmingham to get the best produce he can find. Upon return, he rests a bit and then checks on his stores until late afternoon, putting in 15-18 hours a day.

"I will have plants this fall at the markets," Pickette said, "and I am adding a line of cast aluminum figures."



Jim Pickette has made friends with farmers throughout the state who grow the vegetables and fruits he displays in his two markets.



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# Parnell Insurance wins 'Best Insurance Company' award

By Laci Braswell

Allen Parnell Jr. and his staff at Parnell Insurance have won the "Best Insurance Company," award.

"I would like to thank everyone that voted for us," President of Parnell Insurance Allen Parnell Jr. said. "We really appreciate it. It's an honor to win. We have a very experienced staff," he said. Several members of our staff have been with us for almost 20 years. We take pride in getting to know our customers, and how we can best serve them."

The company was established in 1990, in Athens, Ga.

In 1993, Allen moved the agency to Oxford to be closer to his loved ones.

"We represent several 'A' rated insurance companies," Parnell said. "We handle just about every kind of insurance, except for health insurance."

Parnell also wanted to thank his staff for their dedication.

"Right now, we have 12 employees specializing in all areas of the insurance business," Parnell said. "We couldn't do what we do without their hard work.

We also make sure to always return phone calls."

In 2005, the company opened a second location in Tallapoosa, Ga.

The local Parnell Insurance is at 400 Snow Street in Oxford.

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

For more information, call 256-831-8887.



Allen Parnell is on the left and his son, Ty Parnell, is on the right. They are proud the company was first in Best Insurance Agency.





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### The Rocket awarded Best Lunch and Best Burger

By Laci Braswell

The Rocket, a beloved restaurant in Jacksonville received multiple honors in this year's "People's Choice Awards."

This year, it received the "Best Lunch," and "Best Burger," awards.

"We wouldn't be here without he continued support from the community," owner of The Rocket Gary Marbut said. "We have a staff of 16, and several employees have been with us for over 20 years."

The Rocket has been in business since 1958. The Marbuts have owned the business for several decades.

Gary, along with his wife Patsy and son Justin manage the restaurant.

"Everything is fresh and cooked to order," Marbut said. "We come in each morning and start prepping the restaurant and preparing the meat."

Menu items include a variety of comfort food items including burgers, barbecue, salads, sandwiches -- and more.

"I've worked here since I was a kid," Marbut said. "I have several family members in the food business. It's just something I grew up around."

Marbut said the restaurant has a dedicated customer base across the Calhoun County area.

"Our customers are very loyal and have been great to us," Marbut said. "Some of them dine with us multiple times a week. We are proud to support our local community."

The Rocket is at 1508 Pelham Road South in Jacksonville

The Rocket is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m., to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.; and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m.

For more information, call 256-435-6516.



Son, Justin Marbut, left, and his mother, Patsy Marbut, manage The Rocket. Gary, right, works alongside his family members to run the business for the past several decades.



## **Bolton Chiropractic Center five-time winner**

By Sherry Kughn

People's Choice awards have recognized the Bolton Chiropractic Center as Best Chiropractor in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, and now 2018.

"This is very exciting," owner Tony Bolton said. "This is about my entire staff. They genuinely care about our patients."

His office manager has been with him for 20 years, one assistant for 16 years, and a third for six years. Chiropractor, Chris Law, joined the practice in 2012.

Bolton is a local man who is the team chiropractor for Oxford High School athletics. He was raised in Oxford and graduated from Jacksonville State University in 1992. From there, he graduated in 1996 from Life College in Marietta, Ga., which is now a university. He came back that same year to his hometown to start his practice, which is located at 1401 Hillyer Robinson Parkway.

"I got into chiropractic after seeing my mother, Sybil, have severe migraines that nothing seemed to help," he said. "My dad finally told her to go to a chiropractor, and that helped. That got my attention."

Bolton is the son of Coy Bolston, a longtime Anniston businessman in the heating and cooling business. He is the husband of Kim Bolton, a teacher at Oxford Elementary School. Their daughters are Danielle and Anna, both students at Auburn University.

"I have been blessed," Bolton said.
"I have been here almost twenty-two years. I enjoy what I do and enjoy seeing people get out of pain and live healthier."

He said returning to serve the people of Calhoun County was a natural fit for him since he wanted to remain close to family and friends.



Tony Bolton returned to his hometown, Oxford, to establish his chiropractic practice as soon as he graduated from Life College in Marietta, Ga., in 1996.



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### **Local Boutique**

1st — Rosa Lee Boutique
Frey Boutique
Willow Tree
Alexander's on Noble
Swank Boutique

### **FOOD & DRINK**

### **Grocery Store**

1st — Dorsey's
Christian Corner Meats
Food Outlet
Edwards Grocery
Ohatchee Discount Grocery

### **Butcher / Meats**

1st — Christian Corner Meats
Dorsey's
Edwards Grocery
Ohatchee Discount Supermarket
Big B

### **Produce**

1st — Pickette's
The Produce Wagon
Dorsey's
Edwards Grocery
Food Outlet

### **Bakery**

1st — Artisanal Baked Goods
Bonnie Ray's
Lickin' Good Doughnuts
Mad Hatter's
Taste of Eden

### **Bar / Lounge**

1st — Peerless Saloon and Grille
Rack and Roll Billiards
Heroes
Darkhorse Saloon
Blu's Bar

### Barbecue

1st — Dad's BBQ
The Rocket
Smoke-N-Hot BBQ
Brad's BBQ
Betty's BBQ

#### **Breakfast**

1st — Chef T's
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Java Jolt
Roma's
J&E's Place

#### **Buffet**

1st — Classic on Noble
Western Sizzlin'
China Luck
M&J's Home Cooking
Hubbard's Off Main

### Catering

1st — Classic on Noble
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Smoke-N-Hot BBQ
Alexander's The Great Events
Effina's

### Catfish

1st — Top O' the River
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Brad's BBQ
The Rocket
Cheaha Brewing Company

### **Chicken Wings**

1st — Struts
Coop deVille
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Gridiron
BTJ Wings

### **Coffee Shop**

1st — Southern Girl Coffee
Java Jolt
Classic Too

### Dessert

1st — Mad Hatter's
Bonnie Ray's
Classic on Noble
Noble Street Deli
Cheaha Brewing Company

### **Fine Dining**

1st — Classic on Noble
Effina's
Hubbard's Off Main
Garfrerick's
Peerless Saloon and Grille

#### Fried Chicken

1st — Struts
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Betty's BBQ
Brad's BBQ
The Annistonian

### Hamburger

1st — The Rocket
Cecil's
Struts
Cheaha Brewing Company
Rack and Roll Billiards

### **Frozen Treat**

1st — 32 Degrees Cecil's Tasty Dip Big Chief

### Pizza

1st — Mata's
Wise Guys
The Pizzeria
First Class Pizza
The Pizza Shack

### Lunch

1st — The Rocket
Peerless Saloon and Grille
Rosie's Gourmet to Go
Rack and Roll Billiards
Noble Street Deli



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### Ribs

1st — Cooter Browns
Dad's BBQ
Smoke-N-Hot BBQ
Brad's BBQ
Local Joe's

### **Steaks**

1st — Cheaha Brewing Company
Effina's
Garfrerick's
Top O' the River
Rack and Roll Billiards

### **Sandwiches**

1st — Peerless Saloon and Grille
Mata's
Rosie's Gourmet to Go
Noble Street Deli
Cheaha Brewing Company

#### **Italian Restaurant**

1st — Effina's (Anniston)
Mata's
Effina's (Jacksonville)
Tre Ragazzi
Roma's (Jacksonville)

### **Asian Restaurant**

1st — Fuji's Yume Thai One On China Luck House of Chen

### **Mexican Restaurant**

1st — Los Mexicanos Baja California Grill Mexico Lindo Los Arcos El Agave

### **Place for a Romantic Dinner**

1st — Classic on Noble
Effina's
Hubbard's Off Main
Garfrerick's
Cheaha Brewing Company

### **BUSINESS & FINANCIAL**

#### Accountant

1st — Phyllis Kelley
Adam Morales
David Troup
Brett Key
Randy Lovvorn

### **Brokerage / Investments**

1st — Stephen Lafollette
Joe Bynum
Nathan Turley
Ike Brown
Jeff Owens

#### **Financial Institution**

1st — AOD Federal Credit Union
Noble Bank & Trust
Cheaha Bank
Alabama Teacher's Credit Union
Southern States Bank

### **Home Mortgage**

1st — AOD Federal Credit Union
Noble Bank & Trust
Jackson Mortage Company
Fairway Independent Mortgage
Caliber Home Loans

### **AUTOMOTIVE**

#### **Auto Service**

1st — Brown Radiator
Mike's Tire and Auto
Sunny King Toyota
David Vickers Automotive
University CDJR

### **Auto Salesperson**

1st — Carl Wilson (Sunny King Ford)
Vernon Thomas (Sunny King Toyota)
Kevin Dunaway (Driver's Choice)
Brady Donnelly (Cooper Chevrolet)
Rob Jones (Sunny King Toyota)

### **Body Shop**

1st — Skinner's Body Shop Alabama Body Shop Hughes Paint & Body Barrett Body Shop Alexandria Body Shop

### **Car Wash**

1st — Xtreme Auto Spa Anniston Super Wash Gamecock Auto Spa Pilot's Neat and Clean

### **New Car Dealer**

1st — Benton Nissan Sunny King Toyota Cooper Chevrolet Sunny King Honda Sunny King Ford

### **Oil Change**

1st — Mike's Tire and Auto
Sunny King Toyota
Marc's Auto Repair
Cooper Chevrolet
Brannon Automotive

### **Transmission Shop**

1st — C&H Transmission
David Vickers Automotive
Langley Performance
Cooper Chevrolet
Minton Auto and Truck Center

### **Tire Store**

1st — Big Woody's Tires
Mike's Tire and Auto
Treadmarks
431 Tire
Advantage Tire

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