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Welcome to the annual Rutland Herald Best of the Best Readers' Choice Awards special section — where you can find out the people, businesses and places that make Rutland County and Vermont a great place to live. There were some upsets, and some mainstays kept their position at the top of the heap, but all in all these awards are really about what's great in the area.

These awards are a chance for people to find out what they might not have known, or might have had in front of them all along without really appreciating. Many of the award winners are local icons or long-time favorites, but some of them might not have had as much time in the public eye. We hope you find out for yourselves what makes these businesses and people special enough to be the Best. A big thank you goes out to the readers — once again you took the time and care to help us out, and we appreciate it and we heard you loud and clear.

So hang on to this guide, and when you're wondering where to get the best help on buying a car, where to grab a bite to eat, where to get help when looking for a service professional or what's the best place to shop local, glance through and see the advice of hundreds who know what's truly best about the Rutland region.



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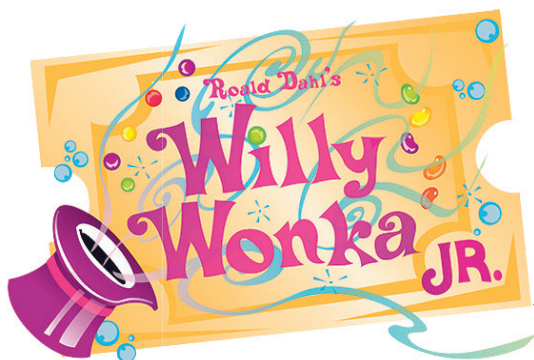
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WINNER
Miss Jackie's Studio of Dance
RUNNER UP
Miss Lorraine's School of Dance



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Museum

WINNER
Wonderfeet Kids' Museum
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WINNER
Maple Angus
RUNNER UP
Kelly's Snack Shack
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Maple Angus
RUNNER UP
Sweet Caroline's

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RUNNER UP
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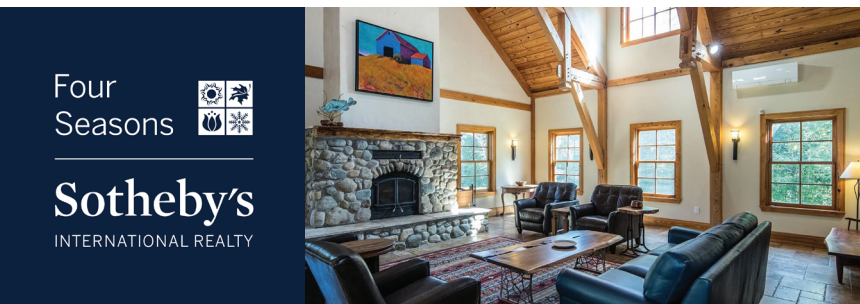
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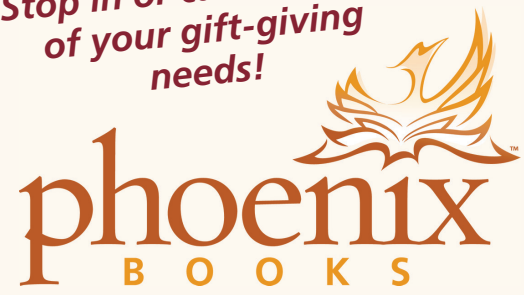


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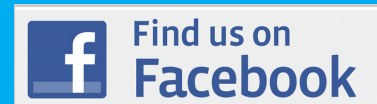
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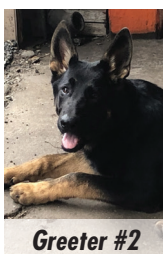
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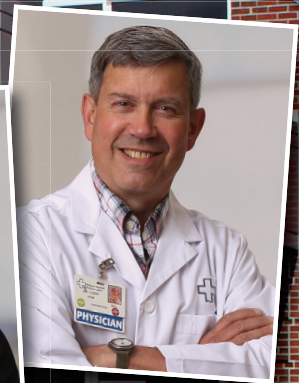
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