

READERS CHOICE WINNERS



The Official
Community Choice
Awards Chosen by
Readers of
THE Stokes News

Congratulations
To This Year's Winners!

Thanks to everyone who voted, we love connecting with our community.

The Votes Are In, And the Winners Are...

The publication you are holding in your hands, or reading online, is the result of many hours of work by our staff, but more importantly, the result of feedback from the many readers who voted on these outstanding merchants. Our thanks to our readers for taking time to study the ballot and vote on the entries they believe to be the best in Stokes County. Most assuredly, the results here are The Readers' Choice. How were the results determined that you see here? There were thousands of votes cast online. All the entries

BEAUTY & HEALTH

Alzheimer's/Memory Care
WALNUT RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING..... WINNER
Priddy Manor Assisted Living & Memory Care..... Finalist

Assisted Living Facility
PRIDDY MANOR ASSISTED LIVING & MEMORY CARE WINNER
Walnut Ridge Assisted Living..... Finalist

Barber Shop
DON'S BARBER SHOP..... WINNER
King Town Barber Shop..... Finalist

Chiropractic Center
CROWN CHIROPRACTIC..... WINNER
Massey Family Chiropractic..... Finalist

Dental Hygienist
JENNY HARRIS, EDWARD BELL, DDS, PA & ASSOCIATES..... WINNER
Mabe & Mabe Dentistry..... Finalist

Dental Practice
EDWARD BELL, DDS, PA & ASSOCIATES..... WINNER
Sauratown Dental..... Finalist

Dentist
EDWARD BELL, DDS, PA..... WINNER
Tim Mabe, DDS..... Finalist

Doctor/Physician
DR. ASHLEY HOLDER, DNP, NOVANT HEALTH MOUNTAINVIEW MEDICAL... WINNER
Heidi Marlowe-Rogers, MD Novant Health Mountainview Medical Finalist

Eye Care Center
TRIAD EYE ASSOCIATES WINNER
Kulits Eye Care..... Finalist

Gym/Health Center
STOKES FAMILY YMCA WINNER
Walnut Cove Senior Center..... Finalist

Hair Salon
BELLA BLYTHE SALON WINNER
Shear Country Hair & Tanning Finalist

In Home Health
STOKES COUNTY HOME HEALTH WINNER
Centerwell Home Health..... Finalist

Hospital/Medical Facility
NOVANT HEALTH MOUNTAINVIEW MEDICAL WINNER
LifeBrite Community Hospital of Stokes..... Finalist

Medical Practice
NOVANT HEALTH MOUNTAINVIEW MEDICAL WINNER
Novan Health Pediatrics King..... Finalist

Nail Salon
TRENDY NAILS WINNER
Natural Nails..... Finalist

Nurse
SAVANNA PARKER, RN, TRELIS SUPPORTIVE CARE..... WINNER
Angie McHone, RN, Centerwell Home Health..... Finalist

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
MEGAN SHELTON, ATRIUM HEALTH CHILDREN'S CARE..... WINNER
Erin Haymore, Novant Health Pediatrics King..... Finalist

Pharmacist
DOYLE RICHARDSON, HICKS PHARMACY WINNER
Ron Kiser, Stokes Pharmacy..... Finalist

by categories were then counted electronically to obtain the results. Our readers are the best year in and year out. For many years you have shown how much you like this special publication, and we appreciate your support. If you are a business owner and want to be included on the ballot next year, please email Advertising@TheStokesNews.com. Our thanks to the advertisers that participated and to you for voting. Winners will be presented with a special award certificate for display at their place of business.

Pharmacy/Medical Supply
HICKS PHARMACY WINNER
King Drug..... Finalist

Physical Therapy
NOVANT HEALTH REHABILITATION CENTER..... WINNER
Centerwell Home Health..... Finalist

Tanning Salon
SILVER WINGS TANNING AT FEATHERPICK WINNER
Shear Country Hair & Tanning Finalist

DINING

Barbecue
JOHN BROWN'S COUNTRY STORE & GRILL..... WINNER
Aunt Bea's Barbeque..... Finalist

Breakfast Restaurant
KING KITCHEN WINNER
Little Creek Diner..... Finalist



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Best of the Best:
Garden Center/Nursery
and Farm/Lawn & Garden Services
Best Customer Service**

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Perennials, Herbs,
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Hanging Baskets**



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Catering
JOHN BROWN’S COUNTRY STORE & GRILL..... WINNER
All Things Possible Catering..... Finalist

Dinner Restaurant
THE MERCANTILE CHOP HOUSE..... WINNER
The Dalton..... Finalist

Fast Food
CHICK-FIL-A WINNER
Dairi-O Finalist

French Fries
MCDONALD’S WINNER
Dairi-O Finalist

Hamburger
JOHN BROWN’S COUNTRY STORE & GRILL..... WINNER
Little Creek Diner Finalist

Home Cooking
PB CLARK FAMILTY RESTAURANT WINNER
King Kitchen Finalist

Hot Dog
DAIRI-O WINNER
King Drug..... Finalist

Ice Cream/Frozen Dessert
DAIRI-O WINNER
Front Porch Creamery Finalist

Italian
SAM’S PIZZA..... WINNER
Little Italy Pizza & Italian Restaurant..... Finalist

Lunch Restaurant
SAM’S PIZZA..... WINNER
The Dalton..... Finalist

Mexican
LINDA VISTA MEXICAN RESTAURANT WINNER
Mi Pueblo Finalist

Pizza
SAM’S PIZZA..... WINNER
Little Italy Pizza & Italian Restaurant..... Finalist

Seafood
CORONET SEAFOOD..... WINNER
Town & Country Restaurant Finalist

Sports Bar
EAST COAST WINGS WINNER
The Dalton..... Finalist

Steakhouse
TOWN & COUNTRY RESTAURANT..... WINNER
The Mercantile Chop House Finalist

Wings
JOHN BROWN’S COUNTRY STORE & GRILL..... WINNER
East Coast Wings..... Finalist

HOME, HOME SERVICES & FINANCE
Bank
FIRST COMMUNITY BANK..... WINNER
Truist Bank Finalist

Construction Company
CAROLINA ROOFING WINNER
Stokes Concrete and Construction..... Finalist



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Credit Union
ALLEGACY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION WINNER
State Employees' Credit Union Finalist

Financial Planning
EDWARD JONES – WES CARTER WINNER
Allegacy Federal Credit Union..... Finalist

Heating & Air Service
PILOT AIR LLC WINNER
Pilot Mechanical Finalist

Home Improvement Services
CAROLINA ROOFING WINNER
Dynamic Mold Remediation..... Finalist

Insurance Agent
WEST RIDGE INSURANCE AGENCY WINNER
Farm Bureau..... Finalist

Insurance Agency
WEST RIDGE INSURANCE AGENCY WINNER
Farm Bureau..... Finalist

Internet Provider
RIVERSTREET NETWORKS WINNER
Brightspeed Finalist

Landscaping Company/Lawn Care
CROMER’S LANDSCAPING..... WINNER
Hartgrove Lawn Care Finalist

Mortgage Lender
ALLEGACY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION WINNER
State Employees' Credit Union Finalist

Pressure Washing/Softwash
CAROLINA ROOFING WINNER
Dirt Dogs Finalist

Real Estate Agent
JONATHAN INMAN, CAROLINA FARMS & HOMES..... WINNER
Denise Marler, The Real Estate Company Finalist

Real Estate Company
CAROLINA FARMS & HOMES WINNER
The Real Estate Agency..... Finalist

Roofing/Roof Repair
CAROLINA ROOFING WINNER
Stokes Concrete and Construction..... Finalist

Boss
JEFFREY WALKER, SLATE FUNERAL HOME WINNER
Lori Martin Finalist

Church
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WALNUT COVE WINNER
Trinity United Methodist Church Finalist

Coach
BEN HALL, NORTH STOKES HIGH SCHOOL WINNER
Tanner Lomax, West Stokes High School..... Finalist

Day Care
KIDZ COMMUNITY CHILDCARE WINNER
Calvary Baptist Church..... Finalist

Elementary School
GERMANTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL..... WINNER (TIE)
KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WINNER (TIE)

Golf Course
HEMLOCK GOLF CLUB WINNER
Pine Hall Golf Course..... Finalist

High School
SOUTH STOKES HIGH SCHOOL..... WINNER
West Stokes High School..... Finalist

Hotel/Motel
DAYS INN WINNER

Large Business/Corporation
RJ REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY WINNER
Walmart..... Finalist

Local College/University
FORSYTH TECH STOKES COUNTY CENTER WINNER

Middle School
CHESTNUT GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL..... WINNER
Southeastern Middle School..... Finalist

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Thank you for Voting us as the Best Insurance
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Readers’ Choice Awards!



Melinda
Dodson
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Thank you for Voting us as
the Best Insurance Agency and
Agents and the Best Boss
in the 2024 Stokes News
Readers Choice Awards!



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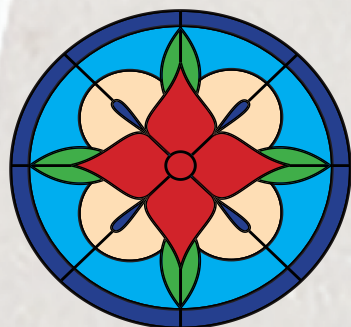
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Thank you for voting for us as the 2025 Winner in
The Stokes News Readers' Choice Awards
Categories of Best Funeral Home, Most Community
Involved and our Jeff Walker as the Best Boss.
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<u>Most Community Involved Business</u>	
SLATE FUNERAL HOME.....	WINNER
Burroughs Funeral Home.....	Finalist
<u>New Business</u>	
FEATHERPICK BOUTIQUE & WESTERN WEAR	WINNER
Cup of Joe	Finalist
<u>Park/Recreation Area</u>	
RECREATION ACRES.....	WINNER
Hanging Rock.....	Finalist
<u>Small Business</u>	
FEATHERPICK BOUTIQUE & WESTERN WEAR	WINNER
Burroughs Funeral Home.....	Finalist
<u>Wedding Venue</u>	
LUNA'S TRAIL FARM & EVENT CENTER.....	WINNER
Chateau Vie	Finalist
<u>Winery/Vineyard</u>	
DRAGON GLASS WINERY	WINNER
JOLO Winery & Vineyards.....	Finalist

SERVICES

<u>Accounting</u>	
CANNON & COMPANY	WINNER
Jan's Tax Service.....	Finalist
<u>Attorney</u>	
THE LAW OFFICE OF DUSTIN T. NICHOLS, PLLC	WINNER
Bennett & West, PLLC.....	Finalist
<u>Auction Company</u>	
STOKES REALTY & AUCTION	WINNER
<u>Auctioneer</u>	
STANLEY SMITH, STOKES REALTY & AUCTION.....	WINNER
Leon Inman, Carolina Farms and Homes	Finalist
<u>Car Wash Facility</u>	
ROCKS EDGE CAR WASH	WINNER
Rivers Edge Car Wash	Finalist
<u>Computer Service Repair</u>	
CYBERGEAR	WINNER
<u>Customer Service</u>	
MITCHELL'S NURSERY & GREENHOUSE	WINNER
Slate Funeral Home	Finalist
<u>Digital Marketing Company</u>	
THE STOKES NEWS.....	WINNER
<u>Farm/Lawn & Garden Services</u>	
MITCHELL'S NURSERY & GREENHOUSE	WINNER
<u>Funeral Home</u>	
SLATE FUNERAL HOME.....	WINNER
Burroughs Funeral Home.....	Finalist
<u>Jewelry Repair</u>	
LONG JEWELERS	WINNER
R. Thomas Jewelers	Finalist
<u>Monument Company</u>	
CARROLL MEMORIALS	WINNER
Cooke & Mabe Monuments	Finalist
<u>Pest Control/Exterminating</u>	
THE BEST PEST CONTROL SOLUTIONS.....	WINNER
Cook's Pest Management.....	Finalist
<u>Pet Grooming</u>	
SPICY PUPS.....	WINNER
Flying Dog Mobile Groomer	Finalist
<u>Plumbing Services</u>	
EAST PLUMBING SERVICES	WINNER
County Line Plumbing.....	Finalist
<u>Signs & Graphics</u>	
CARROLL SIGNS	WINNER
Fireblade Graphics.....	Finalist
<u>Veterinarian Office</u>	
NORTHVIEW ANIMAL HOSPITAL	WINNER
Animal Care Clinic of Rural Hall	Finalist
<u>Wedding Services</u>	
BENNETT'S BASKETS & BOWS	WINNER
The Meadows	Finalist

<u>Antiques & Collectibles</u>	
JUST PLAIN COUNTRY STORE.....	WINNER
King Antique Mall	Finalist
<u>Appliance Store</u>	
BJ STEVENS FURNITURE & APPLIANCES	WINNER
Walnut Cove Furniture	Finalist
<u>Artwork/Framing</u>	
HAMPTON HOUSE ART AND FRAMING	WINNER
<u>Clothing Store</u>	
FEATHERPICK BOUTIQUE & WESTERN WEAR	WINNER
Miss Fitz Consignments & Gifts.....	Finalist
<u>Florist</u>	
TALLEY'S FLOWER SHOP	WINNER
Knight's Florist.....	Finalist
<u>Furniture Store</u>	
BJ STEVENS FURNITURE & APPLIANCES	WINNER
Kiger Furniture.....	Finalist
<u>Garden Center/Nursery</u>	
MITCHELL'S NURSERY & GREENHOUSE	WINNER
Jones Nursery.....	Finalist
<u>Gift Store</u>	
FEATHERPICK BOUTIQUE & WESTERN WEAR	WINNER
Mitchell's Nursery & Greenhouse	Finalist
<u>Guns/Ammo</u>	
SHANNOCK'S PAWN	WINNER
Pilot Mtn Guns and Ammo.....	Finalist
<u>Hardware Store</u>	
TUTTLE HARDWARE.....	WINNER
Mountain View Hardware.....	Finalist
<u>Jewelry Store</u>	
LONG JEWELERS	WINNER
R. Thomas Jewelers	Finalist
<u>Lawn & Garden Equipment</u>	
KING LAWN & GARDEN CENTER.....	WINNER (TIE)
LTD FARM & GARDEN	WINNER (TIE)
<u>Mattress Store</u>	
BJ STEVENS FURNITURE & APPLIANCES	WINNER
Walnut Cove Furniture	Finalist
<u>Pawn Shop</u>	
SHANNOCK'S PAWN	WINNER
Walnut Cove Pawn	Finalist
<u>Rental Equipment/Items</u>	
COOKE RENTALS.....	WINNER
<u>Shoe Store</u>	
FEATHERPICK BOUTIQUE & WESTERN WEAR	WINNER
Shoe Market.....	Finalist
<u>Used Furniture Store</u>	
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY STOKES COUNTY: RESTORE.....	WINNER
East Stokes Thrift Store	Finalist

VEHICLE DEALERS & SERVICES

<u>Auto Service Department</u>	
MEADOWS AUTOMOTIVE	WINNER
Piedmont Tire	Finalist
<u>Automotive Sales Staff</u>	
RICKY WILSON	WINNER
<u>Body Shop</u>	
TUTTLE'S BODY SHOP.....	WINNER
Pack Body Shop	Finalist
<u>Independent Used Car Dealer</u>	
PARKER AUTO SALES.....	WINNER
Germanton Auto Sales	Finalist
<u>Oil Changes</u>	
MARSHALL BROTHERS	WINNER (TIE)
STOKES TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE	WINNER (TIE)
<u>Tire Store</u>	
STOKES TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE	WINNER
Main Street Tire	Finalist
<u>Vehicle Graphics</u>	
FIREBLADE GRAPHICS & SIGNS.....	WINNER
Randy's Custom Lettering.....	Finalist

