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Congratulations, Thank You

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated in the Eighth Annual Best of the Best in Carroll County Contest. Each year, we at The McKenzie Banner see strong participation in this contest.

We are very pleased the community is involved and takes the time to recognize individuals and businesses that go above

and beyond all year long for their customers, clients, and patients.

Often, we get so busy with our lives that we forget to say "thank you" to the people who are there for us when we need them. The health professionals, plumbers, preachers, waitresses, volunteers, accountants, firefighters, police, and others always make those that they serve a priority. Thank you for all that you do.

With numerous categories and one

winner and two finalists in each, it took several man-hours to tabulate the results from both the in-print and online ballots.

A big thank you to area businesses and everyone who voted! Let's keep up the good work.

Businesses and people advertising in this section thank you for voting for them.

Please take a moment to read each "Thank You" carefully. Also, please visit and congratulate them!

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WINNER: Brian Tucker, FINALIST: Daniel Hollowell

Best Public Official
WINNER: Jill Holland

Best Law Enforcement Officer
WINNER: Frank McGee

Best Male Volunteer
WINNER: Ryan Griffin

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Best of the Best 2017 Results

Businesses

ADULT BEVERAGE STORE

Winner: 79 Spirits & Wine
Finalist: City Wines & Liquor

ANTIQUES

Winner: McKenzie Antique Mall
Finalist: Merchants Outlet Mall (MOM's)

APPLIANCE STORE

Winner: Blaylock's Maytag
Finalist: J Hick's Appliances

AUTO DEALERSHIP

Winner: Gary Simmons Lease-Sales, Inc.
Finalist: Peppers Ford (Tri-County Motors)

AUTO PARTS STORE

Winner: Carquest/McKenzie Auto Parts
Finalist: AutoZone

AUTO BODY SHOP/REPAIR

Winner: Superior Auto Body
Finalist: Pete's Body Shop

AC/HEATING

Winner: Central Refrigeration
Finalist: Blankenship Heating & Cooling

BANK

Winner: McKenzie Banking Company
Finalist: Carroll Bank & Trust

BARBER SHOP

Winner: Jim's Barber Shop
Finalist: James & Joey's Barber Shop

BEAUTY SALON

Winner: Designing Women
Finalist: The Edge



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Best Boutique — Finalist
Best Salesperson (Chris Hall) — Finalist

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Businesses

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BOUTIQUE

Winner: Cloud 9 Boutique
Finalist: Thred's INK

BUILDING SUPPLY

Winner: Carroll County Lumber
Finalist: Watson Lumber

CAR WASH

Winner: The Car Wash (Quick Lube)
Finalist: The Wash

COMPUTER REPAIR

Winner: Hometown Computers
Finalist: Computer Mechanix

CONSIGNMENT/THRIFT STORE

Winner: My Sister's Closet
Finalist: Merchants Outlet Mall (MOM's)

CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION

Winner: Hall's Home Improvement
Gerald Hall
Finalist: Burlison Construction
Terry Burlison

CONVENIENCE STORE

Winner: Casey's General Store
Finalist: Pocket's

CHILD CARE

Winner: First Baptist Church
Child Development Center
Finalist: ABC Romper Room

CHURCH

Winner: First Baptist Church
Finalist: Church of Christ

EMBROIDERY

Winner: Thred's INK
Finalist: Kelly Fowler Simmons / Taylor Made

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Winner: Manpower
Finalist: Hamilton-Ryker

FARM SUPPLY

Winner: McKenzie Feed
& Grain / Power Supply
Finalist: Carroll County Farmers Co-Op

FLOORING DEALER

Winner: Arnold's
Finalist: Carroll County Lumber

FLORIST

Winner: LuLuBelle's Florist & Gifts
Finalist: City Florist

FUNERAL HOME

Winner: Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home
Finalist: Dilday-Carter Funeral Home

FURNITURE

Winner: Williams Furniture
Finalist: Merchants Outlet Mall (MOM's)

GROCERY

Winner: E.W. James & Sons
Finalist: Save-A-Lot



GIFT SHOP

Winner: LuLuBelle's Florist & Gifts
Finalist: Gift Grove

HOTEL/MOTEL

Winner: Best Western
Finalist: Heritage Inn

INSURANCE

Winner: Farm Bureau
Finalist: Maddox Insurance

LANDSCAPE

Winner: Barksdale's Lawn Service
Finalist: Lady Bug

LAWN CARE EQUIPMENT DEALER

Winner: McKenzie Feed
& Grain / Power Supply
Finalist: C & S Outdoor Power Equipment

MARTIAL ARTS

Winner: Evolution Martial Arts
Finalist: Kapeller's Taekwondo

MONUMENT SERVICES

Winner: Curtis Monuments
Finalist: Griffin & Powell Monument Works

NAIL SALON

Winner: The Cutting Room
Finalist: Designing Women

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING

Winner: McKenzie Health Care & Rehab
Finalist: Lakeside Senior Living Community

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How Millennials Spend Their Money

Millennials include people born between 1980 and 2000. Millennials have become an influential demographic, changing the way business is conducted.

While influencing technology, social norms and mores, millennials also are affecting the economy. Forbes says that many millennials have a shaky relationship with money, due in some part to the fact that they lived through one of the worst recessions the United States has experienced in decades. Couple that with staggering student loan debt and it's easy to see why millennials may be facing an uphill battle when it comes to their finances.

Millennials are falling particularly short in regard to saving money. According to a 2017 GO-BankingRates survey, 57 percent of Americans have around

\$1,000 in savings. Sixty-seven percent of young millennials, between ages 18 and 24 have less than \$1,000, says the survey. Canadians are saving even less, even though in the early 1980s Canadians of most ages used to save twice as much as Americans, or 20 percent of their disposable income, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Many millennials spend more than they earn and live above their means according to a report by American Express Business Insight. This, along with school debt, has compromised millennials' ability to purchase a home or even get married.

Just how are millennials spending their money? Here's a look at the common patterns.

Experiences: Funding experiences is a high priority for Gen Y. This includes concerts, sporting events, live performances, and other social events more so than possessions or career status, offers Forbes.



education costs also have risen, contributing to a smaller pool of savings.

Same-day delivery: A Shop.org survey indicated that millennials are twice as likely as other generations to pay extra for same-day delivery of online purchases.

Tattoos: Surveys conducted for Pew Research found that 40 percent of millennials have at least one tattoo.

Organic foods: A Gallup poll from the summer of 2016 found 53 percent of Americans ages 18 to 29 actively try to include organic foods in their diets.

Small businesses: A new RBC® Small Business poll found 70 percent of Canadian millennials are willing to pay more for goods and services if they're sold by a small or local business.

Millennials have grown up during a period of rapid change. Their large numbers are shaping the economy in myriad ways.



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Businesses

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OIL CHANGE

Winner: Auto Clinic
Finalist: D&D Service Center

PAINT STORE

Winner: Arnold's
Finalist: Carroll County Lumber

PEST CONTROL

Winner: Servall
Finalist: Huntingdon Termite & Pest Control (HTP)

PLUMBER

Winner: Tolbert Plumbing & Electric
Finalist: A&A Plumbing

REAL ESTATE AGENCY

Winner: Casey Drewry Realty
Finalist: Stafford Real Estate

ROOFING

Winner: American Roofing
Finalist: Sexton's Roofing

STORAGE

Winner: Webb Storage
Finalist: Centre Storage

TANNING SALON

Winner: Tropical Tan
Finalist: Flex Fitness

TIRE DEALERSHIP

Winner: Anderson Brothers Tire
Finalist: Huntingdon Discount Tire

ARTIST

Winner: Linda Coleman
Finalist: Sarah Bradberry

ATTORNEY

Winner: Kent Jones
Finalist: Neil Thompson

BANK TELLER

Winner: Rachel Foster (CB&T)
Finalist: Debbie Laster (Centennial)

CASHIER

Winner: Phyllis Edlin
Finalist: Michelle Vinson

ELECTRICIAN

Winner: Jim Fields
Finalist: James Trevathan

People

ACCOUNTANT/CPA

Winner: John Wright
Finalist: Elizabeth Russell

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Thank You!

We appreciate your nominations and votes for the Best of Carroll County.



Best Bank Teller
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Law Enforcement Finalist

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People

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FIREFIGHTER

Winner: Brian Tucker
Finalist: Daniel Hollowell

INVESTMENT BROKER

Winner: Brents Priestley
Finalist: Nick Priddy

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Winner: Frank McGee
Finalist: Chris Adams

PHOTOGRAPHER

Winner: Amy Bourne Photography
Finalist: Audrey Anna Photography

POSTAL WORKER

Winner: Cedric Edmonson
Finalist: Jimmy Putman

PREACHER

Winner: Dennis Trull (FBC-McKenzie)
Finalist: Jim Roberts (Church of Christ)

PUBLIC OFFICIAL

Winner: Jill Holland (McKenzie Mayor)
Finalist: Kenny McBride (County Mayor)

RADIO PERSONALITY

Winner: Jim Steele
Finalist: Ken Folkes

RECEPTIONIST

Winner: Janet Goodrum
Finalist: Cathy Edlin

SALESPERSON

Winner: Phil Williams
Finalist: Chris Hall and Gary Simmons

WAITER/WAITRESS

Winner: Leah Wallace
Finalist: Kristina Murdock

Food & Dining

BAKERY/DESSERTS

Winner: E.W. James & Sons
Finalist: McKenzie Donuts

BARBECUE

Winner: Big Daddy's BBQ
Finalist: Big Max BBQ

BREAKFAST

Winner: Bobby Gee's Diner
Finalist: JT's Grill

BUFFET/SALAD BAR

Winner: Old West Steakhouse
Finalist: El Vallarta Mexican Restaurant

CATERING

Winner: Mallard's Restaurant
Finalist: Big Daddy's BBQ

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Communities Can Celebrate Local Businesses

Owning a business is the goal of many would-be entrepreneurs. Being your own boss has certain perks, including making your own hours and not having to report to anyone but yourself.

But owning a business is a

lot of work, especially for new business owners trying to get their businesses off the ground. According to Bloomberg, eight out of 10 entrepreneurs who start businesses fail within 18 months of opening their doors. The Small Business Association indicates the numbers are not so dire, saying 30 percent of new businesses fail in the

first two years of operation; 50 percent during the first five years; and 66 percent during the first 10.

Local businesses face an uphill battle to survive, but there are many things residents can do to support these valuable additions to their communities.

Shop Locally. Shopping locally not only supports local businesses, but it also contributes to the local economy. Shopping locally keeps money in the community, which can benefit everyone. Shopping locally produces a trickle-down effect, as local businesses that are thriving may patronize other local businesses, and so on. This, in turn, helps grow other businesses in the community, making it a nicer place to live and work.

Spread the Word. Word-of-mouth advertising is effective. A respected member of the community who shares a good experience with a local business may propel others to patronize the business. Speak up when you feel a business owner has provided an exceptional level of service. Recommend a company to friends and neighbors. You

also may want to review a business via online rating websites such as Yelp or Angie's List.

Attend Grand Openings. Each community is unique, and often the vibe of a community is defined by the businesses that call that community home. Attend grand openings to show you are invested in the quality and vitality of your community. When others see a business doing well, they may be more inclined to shop there as well.

Apply for work. Another way to support a local business is to work for one. Small local businesses employ millions of people across the country, and many foster great working environments. In addition, small businesses are known for their customer service, and employees often become experts in their products and services because of the hands-on experience they gain while working for small businesses.

Supporting and celebrating local businesses can instill a sense of community pride and benefit the local economy in a myriad of ways.

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Food

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CATFISH

Winner: Hig's Restaurant
Finalist: Mallard's Restaurant

COFFEE

Winner: McDonald's
Finalist: JT's Grill

DOUGHNUTS

Winner: McKenzie Donuts
Finalist: E.W. James & Sons

FAMILY DINING

Winner: Mallard's Restaurant
Finalist: Maria's Mexican Restaurant

FRIED CHICKEN

Winner: E.W. James & Sons
Finalist: Hig's Restaurant

BURGER/SANDWICH

Winner: Bobby Gee's Diner
Finalist: Dairy Queen

ICE CREAM

Winner: Dairy Queen
Finalist: Sonic

MEAT & THREE

Winner: Mallard's Restaurant
Finalist: JT's Grill

MEXICAN RESTAURANT

Winner: Maria's Mexican Restaurant
Finalist: El Vallarta Mexican Restaurant

PIZZA

Winner: Block City Pizza
Finalist: Pizza Hut

STEAK

Winner: Mallard's Restaurant
Finalist: Old West Steakhouse

WINGS

Winner: Block City Pizza
Finalist: Domino's

Health Professional

CHIROPRACTOR

Winner: Southern Chiropractic
Finalist: McKenzie Family Chiropractic

DENTIST/DENTAL SERVICES

Winner: Travis Russell, D.D.S.
Finalist: James Padgett, D.D.S.

FITNESS CENTER

Winner: Flex Fitness
Finalist: Barnett's 24/7 Fitness Center

MEDICAL CENTER/CLINIC

Winner: McKenzie Medical Center
Finalist: Fast Pace Urgent Care Clinic

MEDICAL DOCTOR

Winner: Dr. Bryan Merrick
Finalist: Dr. Justin Reno

NURSE

Winner: Clevetta Harris
Finalist: Gale Edwards

OB/GYN

Winner: Anita Ross
Finalist: Dr. Dorwin Moore

OPTOMETRIST

Winner: Smith & Smith Optometry
Finalist: Spivey Eye Clinic

PHARMACIST

Winner: Dr. Nick Warren
Finalist: Dr. Jay Phipps

PHARMACY

Winner: Rite Aid Pharmacy
Finalist: Phipps Pharmacy

PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT

Winner: Amy Smith
Finalist: Jill Bennett

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

Winner: Jessica Warren
Finalist: Rena Schlegel

VETERINARY/ANIMAL SERVICE

Winner: Tri-County Animal Clinic
Finalist: Huntingdon Animal Clinic

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BEST CIVIC CLUB

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Finalist: Lions Club

BEST OVERALL BUSINESS

Winner: Save-A-Lot
Finalist: Smith & Smith Optometry

BEST YOUTH ACTIVITY

Winner: Evolution Martial Arts
Finalist: Kapeller's Taekwondo

BEST FEMALE VOLUNTEER

Winner: Bertie Warbritton
Finalist: Suzanne Howell

BEST MALE VOLUNTEER

Winner: Ryan Griffin
Finalist: Terry Howell



Discounts Available To the Over 50 Crowd

Many people may not look forward to the day they turn 50, but cracking the half century mark can have its perks. Many retailers and businesses offer discounts to men and women over 50, and the following are just a few ways that people who have turned the big 5-0 might be able to save some money. **Movie tickets:** The cost of going to the movies has skyrocketed in recent years, theaters now offer an array of amenities and, thanks to bigger screens and better technology, a better viewing experience than the theaters the over-50 crowd grew up visiting. While film lovers may need to wait until they turn 60 to cash in on discount movie tickets, many chain movie theaters offer discounted tickets to older patrons. **Travel:** Men and women over 50 may be able to save substantial amounts of money on travel simply by typing in their birthdays when purchasing tickets or planning trips. For example, men and women over the age of 62 are eligible to receive a 15 percent discount on the lowest available rail fare on most Amtrak trains. **Ancestry:** As men and women age, many begin to develop a greater interest in their heritage. Those who join AARP (membership is available to men and women who are 50 or older) can receive a 30 percent discount on an Ancestry World Explorer membership in the first year they are members. **Auto rentals:** AARP members also are eligible to save up to 30 percent on base rates for vehicle rentals at Avis. The discounts are applicable at participating locations in both the United States and Canada. **Hotels:** Men and



women over 50 may have extra time on their hands once their kids go off to college and then begin careers and families of their own. Many such adults use that extra free time to travel, which requires staying in hotels. Many hotels offer discounted rates to travelers over the age of 50, and such discounts may make it more affordable to book directly through hotel websites instead of using popular travel sites where rates tend to fluctuate by the minute. **Dining:** Of course, many restaurants offer early bird specials for patrons who want to eat a little bit earlier than guests typically arrive for dinner. However, many chain restaurants also offer discounts to senior diners regardless of when they arrive. Such discounts are sometimes even applicable to both food and beverages. **Mobile phone services:** Men and women over 50 may not have grown up with smartphones in their hands, but chances are they now cannot imagine life without them. Some mobile providers offer discounts to AARP members, while others may offer senior discounts to customers whether they are AARP members or not.



Supporting A Charity Can Benefit Small Businesses

Small businesses are continually seeking ways to compete in ever-competitive markets. While they often fill a niche not easily met by larger corporations, small businesses sometimes find it difficult to gain traction in a community and fully showcase all they have to offer. Getting more involved in their communities, including working collaboratively with nonprofit organizations, can provide the boost small businesses need to connect with their communities.

Many large companies boast programs that promote social responsibility and community involvement, and it can be a smart move for small businesses as well. There are plenty of ways small businesses can get involved with local charities.

Find a good match. Consider working with a charity that has a connection to your business so that there is a common purpose. For example, a pet groomer may want to work with an animal welfare organization. Service-related businesses, such as law firms or accounting firms, can assist groups that offer services and business counseling to needy families. Landscapers may find a good fit with an environmental protection charity.

Donate goods or services. Charitable organizations are always in need of more money to fund their efforts, but small businesses can contribute in other ways as well. Businesses can donate supplies and services, such as a printing firm offering to print business cards or brochures for the charity. Business owners and their employees can volunteer their time, which can be a great way for employees to connect outside of the office and boost morale in the process.

Support a fundraising event. A highly visible way to support a charity is to host or support a fundraising activity. Small businesses can offer to



collect donations at their offices or stores. Warehouse spaces can be used to store supplies, while other venues may be ideal spots for dances, walks or charity dinners. Businesses can ask that the charity mention the sponsorship in event advertisements and marketing.

Financial donations can make 'cents.' Giving to charity is a way to increase tax deductions and reduce annual tax bills. Small businesses can work with their financial officers or accountants to develop a budget for charitable giving.

Obtain meaningful exposure to influential people. Working with established nonprofits can help provide a connection to influential people in the community and beyond. The more exposure a business can get, the more access it has to networking opportunities. In addition, more contacts in the community can increase word-of-mouth marketing that increases your customer base and improves your standing in the community.

Supporting local charities can benefit small businesses in various ways. Small business owners can explore the various charitable opportunities at their disposal in an effort to connect with their communities and grow their businesses.

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