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- Brunch
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- - Sandwiches
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2023 Reader's Choice Winners

Best College Winner: Stanly Community College Runner-Up: Pfeiffer University

Best Concealed Carry Classes Winner: Scoots Runner-Up: Sgt G Defense / Rodney Glover

Best Day Care Center Winner: All Star Learning Center Runner-Up: Quality Child Care Center, Inc.

Best Elementary/Middle School Winner: Aquadale Elementary School Runner-Up: Endy Elementary School

Best Financial Institution Winner: State Employees' Credit Union Runner-Up: Uwharrie Bank

Best Financial Planner Winner: Uwharrie Investment Group Runner-Up: Edward Jones

Best Funeral Service Provider Winner: Stanly Funeral and Cremation Care Runner-Up: Hartsell Funeral Home & Crematory

Best High School Winner: West Stanly High School Runner-Up: South Stanly High School

Best Hotel/Lodging Winner: Juneberry Ridge Runner-Up: The 1891 Inn Bed and Breakfast

Best Insurance Company Winner: Eddie Wall - State Farm Insurance Agent Runner-Up: NC Farm Bureau Insurance

> **Best Law Firm** Winner: Brown & Senter, PLLC Runner-Up: First Street Legal

Best Local Nonprofit Winner: Butterfly House Children's Advocacy Center Runner-Up: Will's Place

> **Best Minority Owned Business** Winner: Family First Entertainment Runner-Up: Carpet Companion

Best Photographer Winner: Summer Herlocker Photography Runner-Up: 704 Photography **Best Private/Charter School** Winner: Park Ridge Christian School Runner-Up: Carolina Christian School

> **Best Wedding Venue** Winner: Il Bella Gardens Runner-Up: Hilltop Farm NC

Best Women Owned Business Winner: Make it Personal Runner-Up: Jade The Esthetician

Best Bakery/Desserts Winner: Albemarle Sweet Shop Runner-Up: Sassy Cakes Bakery

Best Best Bar Winner: Uwharrie Brewing Runner-Up: The Brew Room Locust

Best BBQ Winner: Log Cabin Bar BQue Runner-Up: Whispering Pines B-B-Q

Best Beer Selection Winner: Badin Brews Runner-Up: Uwharrie Brewing

Best Best Art Gallery Winner: J. Morehead The Fish Factory Runner-Up: Second Street Gallery

Best Bicycles/Sporting Goods Winner: Uwharrie Dash formerly Vac and Dash Runner-Up: Excite Bikes

> Best Breakfast Winner: Breakfast Nook Runner-Up: Sunrise Grill

Best Brunch Winner: Rosebriar Runner-Up: GloryBeans CoffeeHouse

> **Best Burger** Winner: What-A-Burger #13 Runner-Up: Goody Shop Cafe

Best Caterer Winner: Rosebriar Runner-Up: Emricci Pizzeria

Best Chicken Winner: Chick-fil-A Albemarle Runner-Up: Bojangles





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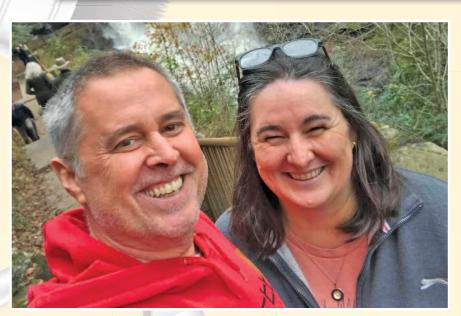
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Wesley King Voted Best Auto Salesperson Second Runner Up



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2023 Reader's Choice Winners

Best Chinese Winner: Jin Jin Chinese Restaurant Runner-Up: Chinese Kitchen

Best Coffee Winner: GloryBeans CoffeeHouse Runner-Up: Second Street Sundries

Best Customer Service Restaurants Winner: Rosebriar Runner-Up: Five Points Public House

> Best Deli/Sandwich Winner: Jersey Mike's Subs Runner-Up: Rosebriar

Best Doughnuts Winner: Handi Mart Runner-Up: Second Street Sundries

> Best Family Restaurant Winner: Rosebriar Runner-Up: Jay's Seafood

Best Fast Food Winner: Chick-fil-A Albemarle Runner-Up: Cook Out

Best Food Truck/Food Stand Winner: What-A-Burger #13 Runner-Up: Allen's BBQ Shack in the Back

> Best Frozen Treat Winner: Sno Biz Runner-Up: Jeremiah's Italian Ice

Best Golf Course Winner: Piney Point Golf Club Runner-Up: Tillery Tradition Country Club

> **Best Hot Dog** Winner: Charley's Dairy Bar Runner-Up: Log Cabin BBQ

Best Ice Cream Winner: McKinley's Yum Yum Shop Runner-Up: Cup and Cone

Best Italian Food Winner: PizzAntica Runner-Up: Emricci Pizzaria

Best Japanese Winner: Little Tokyo Restaurant Runner-Up: The Lantern **Best Mexican Food**

Winner: El Ranchito Restaurante Mexicano Runner-Up: Los Jacubes Family Mexican Restaurant

> **Best Park** Winner: Morrow Mountain State Park

Runner-Up: Town Of Oakboro District Park

Best Patio/Outdoor Dining Winner: River Wild Runner-Up: The Brew Room Locust

Best Pizza Winner: PizzAntica Runner-Up: Emricci Pizzeria

Best Place To Entertain Kids Winner: Good-O/Putt-O/Pelicans Runner-Up: Sk8 City and Entertainment

Best Seafood Winner: Jay's Downtowner Restaurant Runner-Up: Jay's Seafood Restaurant

Best Steak Winner: Yadkin Valley Steakhouse Runner-Up: Jay's Downtowner Restaurant

> **Best Sushi** Winner: Roll and Bowl Runner-Up: The Lantern

Best Thai Winner: Thai Spice & Sushi Bar Runner-Up: Ly Cuisine

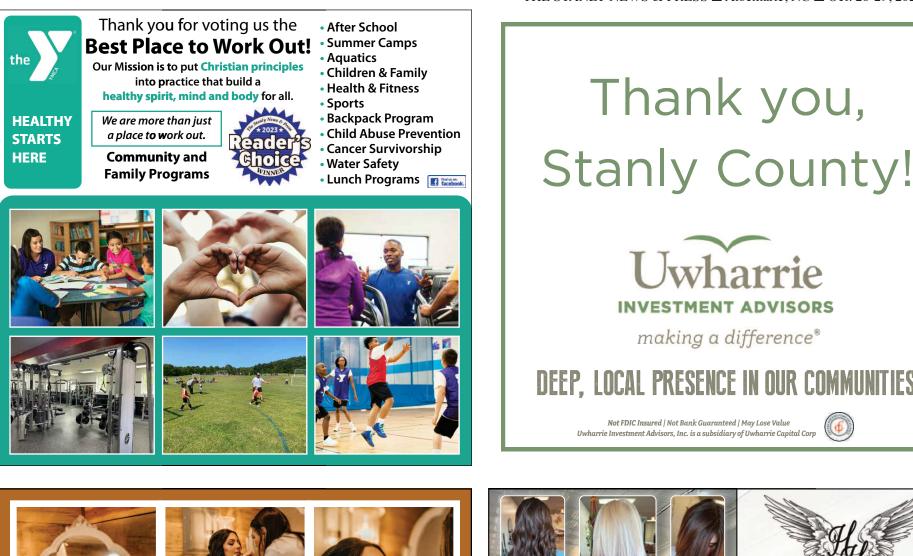
Best Tourist Attraction Winner: Morrow Mountain State Park Runner-Up: The Tomahawk Throwing Range & Blade Shop

> Best Wine Selection Winner: Dennis Vineyards Winery Runner-Up: Stony Mountain Vineyards

> **Best Winery** Winner: Dennis Vineyards Winery Runner-Up: Stony Mountain Vineyards

> > Best Wings Winner: East Coast Wings Runner-Up: The Getaway Place

Best Assisted Living Facility Winner: Trinity Place Runner-Up: Spring Arbor of Albemarle





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Best Spa/Massage Winner: Wellness & Beauty by Chelsea Runner-Up: SkinVibe

> Best Tanning Salon Winner: Sun Studio Runner-Up: One-13 Salon

Best Women's Health Provider Winner: Atrium Health Women's Care Stanly OB/GYN Runner-Up: Atrium Health Stanly Breast Health Center

Best AC/Heating Service Winner: Deeck Mechanical Inc Runner-Up: Deese Heating and Air Conditioning

> **Best Cleaning Service** Winner: Hudson Property Services Runner-Up: JH Cleaning Services

Best Electrical Contractor Winner: Deese Electric Runner-Up: Almond Electric and Heating

Best Garden Center Winner: George's Plant Farm Runner-Up: Mauney Feed Mill Inc

Best Health/Organic Items Winner: Albemarle Nutrition Runner-Up: Dr. Connie's Market (part of Carolina Health Solutions)

> Best General Contractor Winner: S & D Construction Inc Runner-Up: HEMCO LLC Albemarle, NC

Best Handyman Winner: Shannon Hatley Runner-Up: Whitley Services LLC

Best Hardware/Home Improvement Store Winner: Norwood Hardware Runner-Up: Southern Outdoors

> Best Barber Shop Winner: Barbers at Town Center Runner-Up: @TheShop

Best Dance/Gymnastic Studio Winner: Stanly County Gymnastics Runner-Up: Albemarle Academy of Dance **Best Dentist** Winner: Jason E Martin DDS Runner-Up: Oakboro Family Dentistry

Best Eye Care Winner: Carolina Eye Associates PA Runner-Up: MyEyeDr.

Best Hair Salon Winner: Hair Haven Lash & Beauty Bar Runner-Up: Belize 2000 Salon & Day Spa

Best Hearing Service Winner: Charlotte Eye Ear Nose & Throat Associates, P.A. - Albemarle Runner-Up: Albemarle Hearing Center

> Best Home Health Care Winner: Hospice Of Stanly & The Uwharrie Runner-Up: TLC Home Health, Inc.

Best Karate/Martial Arts Studio Winner: Karate at the Crossroads Midland Runner-Up: Devine Jiu Jitsu

> Best Local Pharmacy Winner: Medical Pharmacy Inc. Runner-Up: Walgreens

Best Mani/Pedi Winner: Serenity Studios Salon Runner-Up: Nails by Bee

Best Pediatrics Winner: Albemarle Pediatrics Runner-Up: Atrium Health Levine Children's Stanly Pediatrics

> Best Place To Work Out Winner: Stanly County Family YMCA Runner-Up: Planet Fitness

Best Skilled Nursing Facility Winner: Spring Arbor of Albemarle Runner-Up: Trinity Place

Best Lawn Equipment Winner: Albemarle Outdoor Supply, Inc. Runner-Up: Lowe's Home Improvement

Best Pest Control Service Winner: Wolfpack Pest Control Runner-Up: City Wide Exterminating

Best Family Medical Practice Winner: Atrium Health Primary Care Oakboro Family Medicine Runner-Up: Cabarrus Family Medicine

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Voted #1 BEST FROZEN TREAT in Stanly County

From the bottom of our hearts we would like to thank all of you that voted for Sno Biz for Best Frozen Treat! Whether you need a pick me up on a down day, or a treat to celebrate a good day, we'll always be here to serve you and make Stanly County proud!

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2023 Reader's Choice Winners

Best Plumbing Company Winner: Chad Thompson Plumbing Runner-Up: Pride Plumbing

Best Real Estate Company/Office Winner: Carolina Choice Realty Runner-Up: The St Germain Group

Best Realtor Winner: Sheila St. Germain Runner-Up: Janet Wilson-Russell

Best Roofing Contractor Winner: DC's RoofingCo. Runner-Up: Forte Roofing & Remodeling LLC

Best Tractor/Farm Equipment Winner: Albemarle Outdoor Supply, Inc. Runner-Up: Oakboro Tractor and Equipment

Best Tree Service Winner: Jason's Tree Service Runner-Up: Mauldin Tree Service, LLC

> **Best Alterations** Winner: De's Tailor Shop Runner-Up: Dun-Rite Cleaners

Best Antique Store Winner: The Marketplace Runner-Up: Lloyd's Antiques

Best ATV/Recreational Dealer Winner: RPM Cycles Inc Runner-Up: Tillery Auto Sales

Best Auto Body Shop Winner: Laton's Body Shop Runner-Up: H & K Automotive

Best Auto Repair Winner: Frog Pond Performance Runner-Up: Doug's Garage

Best Auto Salesperson Winner: Gary "Maverick" Drennan Runner-Up: Heath McDonald





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2023 Reader's Choice Winners

Best Bedding/Furniture Winner: Smith's Home Furnishings Runner-Up: Farmers Home Furniture

Best Car Wash Winner: Tidal Wave Auto Spa Runner-Up: Thompson's Detailing

Best CBD/Vape/Tobacco Shop Winner: Drive in Tobacco and Vape Runner-Up: Cozmik Vapes

Best Children's Clothing Winner: Consigning Kids Runner-Up: Leo's Little Clothing Co.

Best Computer Services & Repair Winner: Uwharrie Technology, Inc. Runner-Up: Mr. Ingram's Computer Repair & Shoppe

Best Consignment/Thrift Winner: Consigning Kids Runner-Up: West Stanly Christian Ministries

Best Customer Service - Retail/Service Winner: Stanly Appliance Runner-Up: Nona Louise

> **Best Dry Cleaner** Winner: Dun-Rite Cleaners Runner-Up: Lucky Cleaners

Best Florist Winner: Designed Memories Florist Runner-Up: Simply Chic Floral Boutique

Best Frame Shop Winner: Hobby Lobby Runner-Up: Second Street Gallery

> **Best Gifts/Specialty Items** Winner: Make it Personal Runner-Up: Nona Louise

Best Jewelry Winner: McRae Jewelers Runner-Up: Nona Louise

Best New Car Dealer Winner: Friendly Chevrolet Runner-Up: Tim Marburger Honda **Best Oil Change** Winner: East Albemarle Xpress Lube Runner-Up: Frog Pond Performance

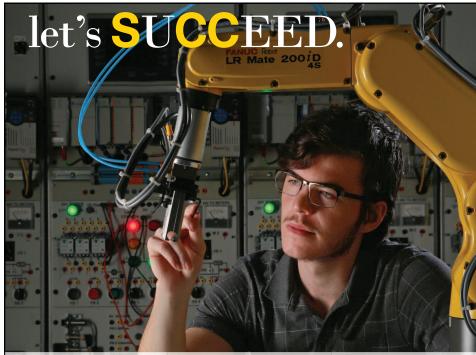
Best Pet Boarding/Sitting Service Winner: Janinas Pet Spa & Boarding Runner-Up: TKA Pet Sitting and Boarding

> Best Pet Grooming Service Winner: Dippin' Dogs Grooming Runner-Up: Keely's Ruff Cuts

Best Place to Buy Produce Winner: Albemarle Farmers Market Runner-Up: Tony's Produce

Best PreOwned Car Dealer Winner: Friendly Chevrolet Runner-Up: Tim Marburger Honda

Best Shoes/Athletic Footwear Winner: Uwharrie Dash formerly Vac and Dash Runner-Up: Nona Louise



Thanks for trusting us to be your first choice in higher education.



2023 Reader's Choice Winners

Best Skincare Facility Winner: Jade the Esthetician Runners-Up: S & S Esthetics and Wellness & Beauty by Chelsea

Best Tattoo Shop Winner: Dandy Walrus Electric Tattoo Runner-Up: Divine Designs Tattoo Parlor

Best Tire Store Winner: Albemarle Tire & Retreading Co Runner-Up: Freeman's Tire & Wheel

Best Veterinary Service Winner: Bear Creek Veterinary Hospital Runner-Up: North Stanly Animal Clinic

> **Best Women's Apparel** Winner: Nona Louise Runner-Up: Make it Personal

Best Health/Organic Items Winner: Albemarle Nutrition Runner-Up: Dr. Connie's Market Best AC/Heating Service Winner: Deeck Mechanical Runner-Up: Deese Electric Heating and Cooling

> **Best Cleaning Services** Winner: Hudson Property Services Runner-Up: JH Cleaning Services

Best Electrical Contractor Winner: Deese Electric Heating and Cooling Runner-Up: Almond Electric and Heating

Best Garden Center Winner: George's Plant Farm Runner-Up: Mauney Feed Mill, Inc.

Best Chiropractic Winner: Albemarle Chiropractic Center (part of Carolina Health Solutions) Runner-Up: Andrew Chiropractic Clinic

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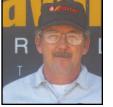


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