

The 11th annual BEST OF THE BEST Readers' Choice Awards

Congratulations to our locally owned Weakley County business community! You are winners, again!

I am so proud to announce and showcase the winners of The Weakley County Press' 11th annual Readers' Choice Awards.

Every year since this special edition began, we have received hundreds of ballots with over 80 categories submitted by you, our readers.



Graphic Designer Beth Cravens, Advertising Consultant Sabrina Bates and myself consider this publication a labor of "appreciation." We appreciate our readers' enthusiastic participation in this process, and of course we appreciate all

of the outstanding businesses and individuals in Weakley County who have made this possible.

Our Readers' Choice Award was designed to give our readers the opportunity to vote for their favorites by casting ballots printed in the paper. This is an edition where our readers can be interactive and involved with the newspaper and also showcase our LOCAL businesses.

Since 2006, Readers' Choice has been a favorite tradition, not only for our readers, but for businesses who serve our community every day.

It's great recognition for businesses to get a pat on the back from people who patronize them and know what they offer.

It's also our way of encouraging you to shop locally, with your friends and neighbors, with the people with whom you go to church, ballgames and other events. The money you spend when you shop locally comes directly back to your community, not to a corporation in another state.

It's exciting for us, too. One of the best parts of this process is delivering and presenting awards to the recipients. The looks on the faces of unsuspecting owners and managers are priceless.

We are always excited for our winners and all the people who were voted for. Business owners, teachers, community leaders, restaurants, it doesn't matter; everyone wants to know they are doing a good job.

Another exciting part of the Readers' Choice Awards is the cash prizes. Readers had a chance to win cash prizes just for voting, in a random drawing from all of the ballots submitted.

Our cash winners this year are Haley Swafford, Allie Harris and Andre Burns.

Again, we are so pleased that our readers decided to participate. A sincere "thank you" to all who took the time to vote, and a big "congratulations" to all of our winners. We look forward to doing it again next year!

Lynette Calhoun Wagster
General Manager



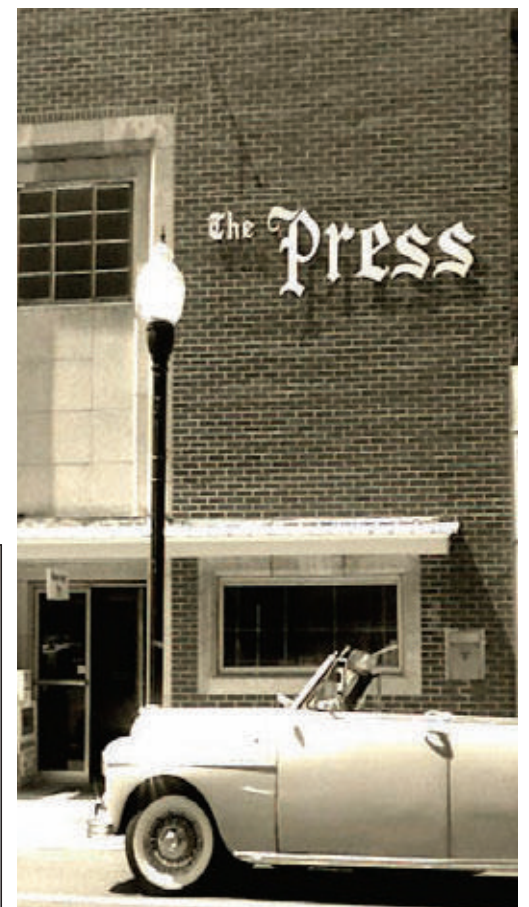
HALEY SWAFFORD — \$100 WINNER



ANDRE BURNS — \$50 WINNER



ALLIE HARRIS — \$25 WINNER



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