

A Special Supplement to the Bossier Press-Tribune April 2025



26th Annual BPT Readers' Choice Special Edition Is Here!

wenty-six years is a long time. And, that's exactly how long the Bossier Press-Tribune has been honoring and recognizing Bossier Parish's best. As such, our 26th Annual BPT Reader's Choice edition is here, included as a special insert in this week's edition of Bossier Press-Tribune. We are proud and honored to present Bossier's favorites to you for the 26th consecutive year. Inside the special section pages included in this week's BPT, you will find Bossier's favorites in 82 distinct categories. These businesses and individuals were selected by you, our loyal readers.

Our Reader's Choice edition is one of our biggest and most important special sections of the entire year. And, of course, this is a big and important

special section for our winners too.

The opportunity to publish our annual Reader's Choice edition is extremely important to our entire BPT staff. We are all about Bossier! We are Bossier's newspaper! We are Bossier proud! And we are Bossier strong! As such, we take immense pride and great pleasure in presenting the Best of the Best in Bossier Parish for 2025 in our 26th Annual BPT Reader's Choice special edition.



Randy Brown, Publisher Bossier Press-Tribune



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BPT 2025 Reader's Choice Winners Are:

1. FAVORITE AUTO REPAIR AND SERVICE

- Winner Mavis Tires & Brakes
- Finalist Firestone
- Finalist Cars, Etc., Auto & RV Repair

2. FAVORITE AUTO BODY SHOP

- Winner Auto Collision Specialists
- Finalist Caliber Collision
- Finalist Ray's Paint and Body

3. FAVORITE NEW AUTO DEALERSHIP

- Winner John Harvey Toyota
- Finalist Red River Chevrolet
- Finalist Lander's Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram

4. FAVORITE PRE-OWNED AUTO DEALERSHIP

- Winner John Harvey Toyota
- Finalist Red River Chevrolet
- Finalist Lander's Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram

5. FAVORITE BAKERY

- Winner Nothing Bundt Cakes
- Finalist Brookshire's Bakery
- Finalist The Wooden Spoon





6. FAVORITE BANK

- Winner Bonvenu Bank
- Finalist BOM Bank
- Finalist Home Federal Bank

7. FAVORITE BARBECUE RESTAURANT

- Winner Silver Star Smokehouse
- Finalist Bodacious Bar-B-Q
- Finalist Shane's Seafood and Bar-B-Q

8. FAVORITE BARBER SHOP

- Winner TrenDz Barber Shop
- Finalist Kaco's Barber Shops
- Finalist Gonyea's Barber Shop

9. FAVORITE BEAUTY SALON

- Winner - Spa Concepts Sa-

lon and Spa

- Finalist POSHE Salon
- Finalist Oasis Salon and Spa

10. FAVORITE BOUTIQUE

- Winner Simply Chic Boutique
- Finalist The Benton Boutique
- Finalist Jaded the Boutique

11. FAVORITE BREAKFAST

- Winner Strawn's Eat Shop Also
- Finalist IHOP
- Finalist Cafe U.S.A.

12. FAVORITE BUFFET

- Winner Margaritaville Casino & Hotel
- Finalist Horseshoe Casino & Hotel
- Finalist Boomtown Casino & Hotel

13. FAVORITE BUSINESS LUNCH

- Winner - Silver Star Smokehouse

- Finalist BeauxJax Crafthouse
- Finalist Cascio's Market Bistro

14. FAVORITE CASINO

- Winner - Margaritaville Casino and Hotel

- Finalist Horseshoe Casino & Hotel
- Finalist Boomtown Casino and Hotel

15. FAVORITE CASINO ENTERTAINMENT

- Winner - Margaritaville Casino and Hotel

- Finalist Horseshoe Casino and Hotel
- Finalist Live Casino and Hotel





16. FAVORITE CATERER

- Winner - Silver Star Smokehouse

- Finalist BeauxJax Crafthouse
- Finalist Cascio's Market Bistro

17. FAVORITE CHIROPRACTOR

- Winner Red Chute Chiropractic Clinic
- Finalist Greenacres Chiropractic Clinic
- Finalist Sanders Chiropractic (Haughton)

18. FAVORITE CHURCH

- Winner First Baptist Church - Haughton
- Finalist Cypress Baptist Church
- Finalist First Bossier (First Baptist Bossier)

19. FAVORITE CREDIT UNION

Winner - Barksdale Federal Credit Union

- Finalist Bossier Federal Credit Union
- Finalist Carter Credit Union

20. FAVORITE CONTRACTOR

- Winner Bossier Remodeling Company
- Finalist Brown Builders Inc.
- Finalist Green Hammer LLC

21. FAVORITE COFFEE

- Winner PJ's Coffee of New Orleans
- Finalist Coffee on the Red
- Finalist Scooter's Coffee

22. FAVORITE DANCE STUDIO

- Winner - Vicki's School of Dance

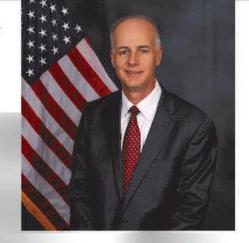




Thank You!

To all our citizens, it is an honor to serve as Sheriff of our great parish. Thank you for selecting me as your 'Favorite Elected Official' in the Bossier Press-Tribune Readers' Choice Awards.

Let's continue to make Bossier a safe place to live, work, and worship, as one of Louisiana's fastest growing parishes.



Julian C. Whittington

Sheriff

Courteous, Professional, Responsive

- Finalist Susan's School of Dance & Fitness
- Finalist Theater School of Dance

23. FAVORITE DENTAL PRACTICE

- Winner Hooper Family Dentistry
- Finalist House Family Dentistry

Finalist - Foster Orthodontics

24. FAVORITE DESSERT

- Winner Andy's Frozen Custard
- Finalist Strawn's Eat Shop Also
- Finalist The Wooden Spoon

25. FAVORITE DRIVE-THRU/DRIVE-IN

- Winner Chick-fil-A
- Finalist Sonic
- Finalist Raising Cane's

26. FAVORITE ELECTRICAL COMPANY

- Winner- Wilhite Electric
- Finalist Wood Electric
- Finalist McNeer Electric

27. FAVORITE ELECTED OFFICIAL

- Winner Bossier Parish Sheriff Julian Whittington
- Finalist State Representative Dodie Horton
- Finalist Mayor of Bossier City Tommy Chandler

28. FAVORITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Winner Platt Elementary School
- Finalist Apollo Elementary School
- Finalist Haughton Elementary School

29. FAVORITE ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

- Winner - The Stage at Silver Star

- Finalist Louisiana Boardwalk
- Finalist Margaritaville Casino & Hotel

30. FAVORITE FITNESS CENTER

- Winner Planet Fitness (Benton Road)
- Finalist Willis-Knighton Bossier Wellness Center
- Finalist Fitness Lady

31. FAVORITE FLORIST

- Winner Lisa's Flowers & Gifts
- Finalist Deb's Garden L.L.C.
- Finalist Country Village Florist (Haughton)

32. FAVORITE FORMAL WEAR

- Winner - Sloan's Formals

- Finalist Squires Formalwear
- Finalist Azarue's Bridal and Formal

33. FAVORITE FRENCH FRIES

- Winner McDonald's
- Finalist Flying Burger and Seafood
- Finalist Raising Cane's

34. FAVORITE FUNERAL HOME

- Winner Hill Crest Memorial Funeral Home
- Finalist Rose-Neath Funeral Home
- Finalist Boone Funeral Home

35. FAVORITE FURNITURE STORE

- Winner Johnson's Furniture
- Finalist Ivan Smith

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Furniture

- Finalist - Ashley Home Store

36. FAVORITE GIFT SHOP

- Winner Birdwell's
- Finalist Tubbs Hardware and Cajun Gifts
- Finalist Generations Gifts

37. FAVORITE GROCERY STORE

- Winner Brookshire Grocery Company
- Finalist Kroger Marketplace
- Finalist Walmart

38. FAVORITE HAMBURGER

- Winner Silver Star Smokehouse
- Finalist Whataburger
- Finalist Flying Burger and Seafood

39. FAVORITE HARDWARE STORE

- Winner Ivey's Building Materials
- Finalist Tubbs Hardware and Cajun Gifts
- Finalist Jayroe's Hardware & Garden

40. FAVORITE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

- Winner Willis Knighton -Bossier
- Finalist Christus Health -Bossier
- Finalist Ochsner LSU Health - Bossier

41. FAVORITE HEARING AID CENTER

- Winner Better Hearing Systems
- Finalist Miracle Ear Hearing Aid Center
- Finalist Beltone Hearing Aid Center

42. FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL

- Winner Haughton High School
- Finalist Airline High School
- Finalist Benton High School

43. FAVORITE HOTEL

- Winner Margaritaville Casino and Resort
- Finalist Horseshoe Casino and Hotel
- Finalist Live Casino and Hotel

44. FAVORITE HVAC COMPANY

- Winner Advanced Heating and Air
- Finalist Brook's Heating and Air
- Finalist Bobby Brannon Heating and Air

45. FAVORITE ICED TEA

- Winner Notini's
- Finalist Raising Cane's
- Finalist Zaxby's



Thank You for voting for us!

We are so happy to have been selected as a FINALIST in the FAVORITE LAW FIRM category for the 2025 BPT Reader's Choice Awards!



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46. FAVORITE INSURANCE AGENT

- Winner - Kary Landry State Farm

- Finalist Lisa Dilts State Farm
- Finalist Benjamin Lee State Farm

47. FAVORITE INVESTMENT FIRM

- Winner Bonvenu Bank
- Finalist Edward Jones: Ryan Day
- Finalist Edward Jones: Alex Irving

48. FAVORITE ITALIAN FOOD

- Winner Monjunis of Bossier City
- Finalist L'Italiano
- Finalist Notini's

49. FAVORITE JEWELRY STORE

- Winner - Bailey's Jewelers

- Finalist Peg & Co Fine Jewelry
- Finalist Balentine Jewelers

50. FAVORITE LAW FIRM

- Winner Ryan E. Gatti Law Firm
- Finalist Evans and Franklin Law Firm
- Finalist Cook Law Firm

51. FAVORITE LUNCH RESTAURANT

- Winner Silver Star Smokehouse
- Finalist Flying Heart Brewing and Pub
- Finalist BeauxJax Crafthouse

52. FAVORITE MANUFACTURED HOME DEALER/SUPPLIER

 Winner - Greg Tilley's Bossier Mobile Homes Inc.

- Finalist - Brewer Quality Homes

- Finalist - Cypress Manufactured Homes

53. FAVORITE MEXICAN FOOD

- Winner El Patio Bar and Grill
- Finalist Nicky's Mexican Restaurant
- Finalist Trejo's Mexican Restaurant

54. FAVORITE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Winner Benton Middle School
- Finalist Cope Middle School
- Finalist Haughton Middle School

55. FAVORITE MOWER EQUIPMENT DEALER

- Winner Tubbs Hardware and Cajun Gifts
- Finalist Bossier Power

Equipment

- Finalist - Ponder Power Equipment

56. FAVORITE OIL CHANGE

- Winner - Valvoline Instant Oil Change

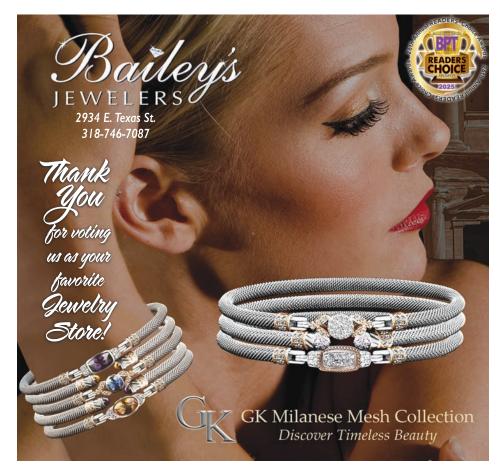
- Finalist Mavis Tires and Brakes
- Finalist Moore's Goodyear Tire & Services Center

57. FAVORITE EYE CARE PROVIDER

- Winner Vista Vision
- Finalist Adams' Eyecare
- Finalist Haughton Vision

58. FAVORITE ORTHOPEDIC SURGICAL PRACTICE

- Winner Dr. Michael Acurio, M.D. (Orthopedic Specialists)
- Finalist Bossier Orthope-





dics & Sports Medicine (Willis Knighton)

- Finalist - Dr. John G. Noles, M.D. (Willis Knighton Spine and Specialists)

59. FAVORITE OUTDOOR/ SPORTING GOODS STORE

- Winner Academy Sports + Outdoors
- Finalist Bass Pro Shops
- Finalist Beaux's Sport And Goods

60. FAVORITE PEDIATRICIAN

- Winner Dr. Z. Galen Sanders, M.D. (Ark-La-Tex Children's Clinic)
- Finalist Acorn to Oak Pediatrics
- Finalist Dr. Randall G. White Jr., M.D. (Willis Knighton)

61. FAVORITE PEST CONTROL

- Winner Killer For Hire
- Finalist Twin City Exterminating
- Finalist Anti-Pest

62. FAVORITE PET GROOMING/BOARDING

- Winner BarksTail HairForce
- Finalist Three Happy Tails
- Finalist Viking Drive Veterinary Hospital

63. FAVORITE PHARMACY

- Winner Brookshire's Pharmacy
- Finalist Airline Drug
- Finalist Walmart

64. FAVORITE PHYSICAL THERAPIST

- Winner Elite Physical Therapy
- Finalist Brewer Physical Therapy

- Finalist - PREP Physical Therapy

65. FAVORITE PHYSICIAN - Winner - Dr. Leslie J. Sewell, M.D.

- Finalist Dr. Robert Saucier, M.D.
- Finalist Dr. Ted Warren, M.D.

66. FAVORITE PIZZA

- Winner Johnny's Pizza
- Finalist Flying Heart Brewing & Pub
- Finalist Notini's

67. FAVORITE PLACE TO TAKE AN OUT OF TOWN GUEST

- Winner Silver Star Smokehouse
- Finalist BeauxJax Crafthouse
- Finalist Louisiana Boardwalk

68. FAVORITE PLUMBING COMPANY

- Winner Bobby L. Greene Plumbing and Heating
- Finalist Robert Brown Plumbing
- Finalist Oswalt's Sewer Rooter & Plumbing Repair

69. FAVORITE REAL ESTATE OFFICE

- Winner Diamond Realty
- Finalist Century 21 (Elite)
- Finalist RE/MAX Real Estate Services

70. FAVORITE RESTAURANT (OVERALL)

- Winner Silver Star Smokehouse
- Finalist 2Johns Steak & Seafood
- Finalist BeauxJax Crafthouse





71. FAVORITE SANDWICH

- Winner - Cascio's Market Bistro

- Finalist The Wooden Spoon
- Finalist Firehouse Subs

72. FAVORITE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

- Winner Cathy Turner (Platt Elementary School)
- Finalist Justin James (Airline High School)
- Finalist Richard Warren (Haughton Middle School)

73. FAVORITE SCHOOL TEACHER

- Winner Danielle Bryant (Haughton High School)
- Finalist Jenny Weber (Benton Intermediate School)
- Finalist Cynthia Dowden (Haughton High School)

74. FAVORITE SEAFOOD

- Winner - Shane's Seafood

& BBQ

- Finalist Ralph & Kacoo's
- Finalist Frozen Pirogue

75. FAVORITE SHOE STORE

- Winner Rack Room Shoes
- Finalist Foot Locker
- Finalist Shoe Department Encore

76. FAVORITE SLOTS

- Winner Margaritaville Casino and Hotel
- Finalist Horseshoe Casino and Hotel
- Finalist Boomtown Casino and Hotel

77. FAVORITE SPA

- Winner Spa Concepts Salon & Spa
- Finalist Oasis Salon & Spa
- Finalist The Zen Den Wellness Spa (Haughton)

78. FAVORITE STEAK

- Winner - 2Johns Steak & Seafood

- Finalist Texas Roadhouse
- Finalist Silver Star Smokehouse

79. FAVORITE STORAGE

- Winner Best Yet Storage
- Finalist American Freedom Storage LLC
- Finalist Shield Storage Centers

80. FAVORITE SUSHI

- Winner Sushi Gen Shogun of Japan
- Finalist Kobe Japanese Restaurant
- Finalist Shogun of Japan

81. FAVORITE TIRE STORE

- Winner - Mavis Tires and Brakes

- Finalist Firestone
- Finalist Moore's Goodyear Tire & Services Center

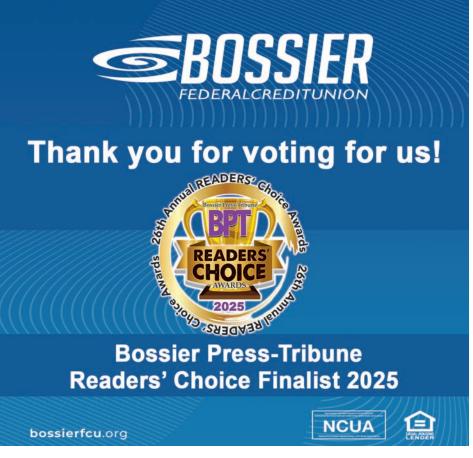
82. FAVORITE VETERINARIAN

- Winner - Haughton Animal Hospital

- Finalist Airline Animal Hospital
- Finalist Halcyon Veterinary Hospital





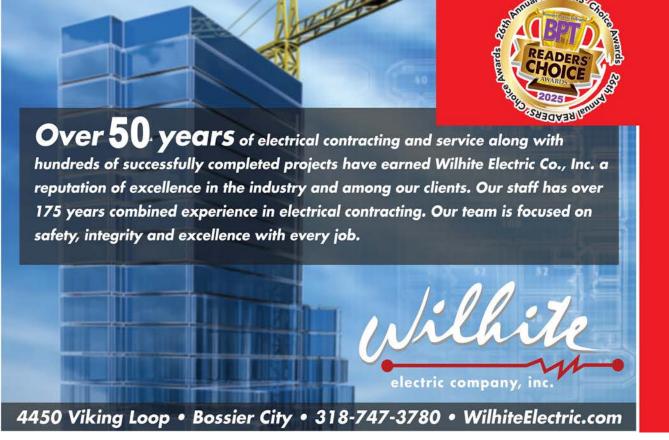


















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