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With Hurricane Helene hitting the Southeast last month, western North Carolina was decimated by the storm. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the families impacted by this tragedy as many lives and homes were lost. To help out our fellow Carolinians, we partnered with the NC emergency management division to become a designated regional hurricane relief distribution center to provide basic necessities for all of those affected. We want to thank our community, vendors, and various sponsors that have contributed to this project. We were blessed to be able to send 5 53-foot trailers over the past month.







# **Harper's Garden & Stone Center**

Our nursery prices are always half off suggested retail!

You don't have to travel out of town to find quality name brands. You can find quality materials and service right here at home at Harper's Garden & Stone Center! Harper's originated more than 60 years ago serving the Nash County area, mostly as a wholesale business. Today, the business is diversified offering multiple home and garden services, retail items plus a new boutique! Harper's offers a large inventory of beautiful and healthy landscaping plants, and seasonal plants along with a variety of landscaping materials and supplies. You'll also find a boutique full of unique gifts and apparel.

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# SANDY FRAZIER **STATE FARM INSURANCE**

Sandy Frazier knows his community. He earned his degree in Business Administration at Louisburg Methodist College. He is a LUTCF, Silver Scroll Qualifier, and earned the Vice President's Club Qualification with State Farm Insurance. He is a member of the National Association of Insurance & Financial Advisors.

A Northern Nash High School Alumni, he is well known for his long-time support of athletic and academic programs at the high school, and has even served as an assistant coach. Frazier's



commit-Sandy Frazier ment to the community

doesn't stop with high school students. He opened his insurance agency in downtown Nashville in 1988 in a small one room office. Today the agency is still housed in historic downtown in a larger. restored building and employees multiple licensed team members providing over 43 years of insurance experience.

Frazier and his staff strive to be actively involved in the community. They also strive

to assist their customers with personalized service to meet their needs offering auto and home insurance plus life, health and financial services.

The agency provides free quotes on homeowners, automobile and life insurance.



Sandy Frazier's staff are shown participating in the downtown Halloween event for children. Stop by today for free consultation on insurance options from people who live and work right here in vour community.



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## **JODY'S OF NASHVILLE** More than just a consignment shop!

Jody's of Nashville has been serving Nashville and Nash County since 1993.

The downtown Nashville store has been owned and operated by Jill Boone since 2005 and expanded to a much larger location in 2013, just a few doors down from the original shop.

When visiting Jody's you'll find a large variety of consignments along with a multiplicity of purses, totes, jewelry, gifts and accessories. Plus they can personalize most any gift with monogramming or custom vinyl. Some of the hottest items at Jody's include Simply Southern tees, long and short sleeves, Low Country Clothing, monogrammable totes, flags, personalized jewelry and holiday items. You'll also find a unique line of new boutique apparel by Noelle including tunics, wraps, sweaters and more!

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ries and gifts - along with super home-



**Jill Boone Owner** 





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# **An Everlasting Memory**

An Everlasting Memory Monument Company is locally and family owned and operated by Michelle Viverette-Strickland.

Michelle established the company in 2006. The following year, she expanded to a larger location on Winstead Avenue. Michelle has been in the monument industry since 1988.

An Everlasting Memory has an inside and outside showroom that features types of markers, all monuments, and more.

"We have many choices from which to choose - granite available in different colors. marble or bronze markers, monuments, ledgers, benches, vases, mausoleums and urns," adds Michelle.

Michelle states, "We are here to serve families in need of a lasting tribute for their loved ones. When you walk into our office, we want you to feel like you are with family in an environment that makes you feel like you are in your living room."

Our company offers many different pay plans, one certain to meet every family's need.

"By taking out the middle man and going



**Michelle Viverette-Strickland** 

to our monument company, it not only saves the family money, but they are able to really personalize the memorial, by talking to professionals that have used all the tools to help with the personalization of the design instead of using standard designs." AEM feels blessed to be able to donate a number of markers and monuments each year to families who can not afford to purchase a memorial.

"The most rewarding part of owning AEM," Michelle concludes, "is meeting people and establishing lasting relationships. My goal is to provide excellent service as well as giveback to the community."

AEM is honored receiving the following accolades from the community: Readers Choice Award winner 2018 thru 2024

Reachers Choice Award Runner Up 2017 Best of Nash County 2023

Best monument company from 2018-2024 Best small business 2023 and 2024 Plus voted for Best customer service, Best place to work and Best Boss

# FARM BUREAU INSURANCE Nashville

Farm Bureau of Nashville offers a team High School so she knows the importance of of Insurance Professionals fully equipped to help clients with all insurance needs.

What differentiates them from other companies? "We listen to our clients and build a plan to protect the things that matter most to you and your family with quality Farm Bureau products," said Agency Manager Tonja S. Philbeck.

Philbeck says the Nashville team works hard to personalize services to their customers needs.

The agency also supports local youth and events such as 4-H events. local festivals and school-related events.

Philbeck who is celebrating her 16th year with NC Farm Bureau, says it's all about community.

She is a graduate of Nash Community College and an alumni of Southern Nash

shopping local and supporting the local community.

Tonja has earned the Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) professional designation from The American College, Bryn Mawr, PA.

She was named the NC Farm Bureau District VI Agent of the Year for 2012, and was named among the Top 75 Agents in 2013, 2018 and 2019.

Philbeck is a member of NAIFA and has served as a board member for the Nashville Chamber of Commerce.

She and her family are members and attend Red Bud Baptist Church. Tonia and her husband, Travis, have two sons. Parker and wife Anna. and Conner.

For more information on services, call any of the agents at 252-459-3181.

For more information, visit the store at 1036 Winstead Ave, Mon-Fri, 9:30-5pm • Mon-Fri, 9:30-5pm & Saturday by appointment. Visit their website at aneverlastingmemory.net



So many decisions at such a difficult time. Our experienced staff can guide you through the selection of the monument or grave marker for your loved one.

## **An Everlasting Memory Monument Company LLC**



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Hedgepeth-Hutson Insurance is a family owned and operated business that takes pride in its service and community involvement. The agency has been in business since 1984. The company was founded by Frank Hedgepeth who passed away from cancer in 2007. Frank's daughter, Jennifer and her husband Brian Hutson, now operate the company continuing the family tradition of serving its community.



Nationwide Insurance Agent Brian Hutson and wife Jennifer

The Hutson's have two offices in Nashville and one in Bunn. Locations in Nashville include 221 S. Barnes Street and 135 Nashville Commons Drive. The Bunn office is located at 317 Main Street.

Offices open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Evenings and Saturday appointments are available.

You can also visit them online at www.Hedgepeth-Hutson.com or call them at 252-459-2613

# **Celebrating over 95 years!**

Daughtridge Gas & Oil is an experienced extraordinaire provider of propane gas in and around Rocky Mount.

Also serving Greenville and Roanoke Rapids, and Scotland Neck, Daughtridge Gas & Oil is a diversified marketer of petroleum products and services in Eastern North Carolina and Southeast Virginia. Based in Rocky Mount, the company is family owned and operated, and committed to providing the highest quality products and services to its customers at reasonable, competitive prices in the industry.

Through its wholesale and retail delivery division, Daughtridge Gas & Oil is a full service distributor of propane gas, home heating oil, diesel fuel, and other petroleum products. Tharrington Parts is a division that specializes in wholesale and retail sales of tobacco barn replacement parts.

In addition to our corporate offices located in Rocky Mount, we have four showrooms, which are located in Rocky Mount, Greenville and Roanoke Rapids and Scotland Neck. Each showroom offers grills, fireplaces, wall heaters, and a wide variety of outdoor cooking accessories.

The underlying philosophy of our propane gas Rocky Mount company is that of our excellent customer service. We are committed to providing our customers with prompt, courteous, and dependable service and products and to delivering the highest quality products available at a reasonable price.





# Madelyn's Flowers & Gifts

Celebrate the holiday, order early!



We can help with sending that perfect arrangement, or gift, to let those you love know you're thinking of them.

We also invite you to visit our shop in downtown Nashville, right across from the courthouse, to see all of the beautiful fall arrangements and gifts. We also have new gift items such as garden flags, and themed aifts.

The holidays are just around the corner! We can assist with cemetery arrangements, tabletop settings, floral gifts and more!

Stop by the store during business hours and meet the smiling faces who make Madelyn's shine!







Scott McClure, left, CEO of Division Arms with his father, Robert McClure, **President of Division Arms** 

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are offered on a regular

basis to ensure customers

have the right guidance

when carrying or firing a

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Division Arms, LLC in Nashville offers a large showcase of guns and accessories while also specializing in customer service and education.

The company is operated by Scott McClure, CEO; McClure's father, Robert McClure, is President and co-founder as well as being an NRA Training Counsellor, which means that he trains other trainers. Otto McNabb is an on-site Gunsmith: and Elizabeth Lee. McClure's "right hand person."

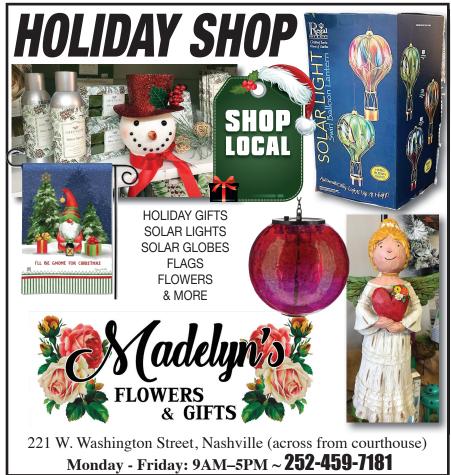


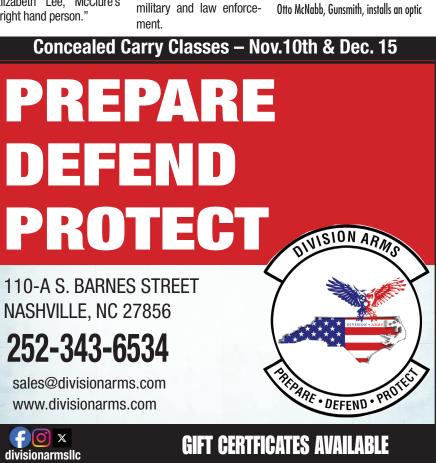
Scott McClure assists customers



Elizabeth Lee

Locally owned by Kaylan Collie





Monday (appointment only) • Tues-Fri 11am-6pm • Sat 10am-4pm

# **NASHVILLE EXCHANGE** Café and Catering

Lisa Hattaway has owned Nashville Exchange the since it first started as a book store in 1996 in a small building on Boddie Street. Hattaway added a coffee shop in 1998, after she bought the Washington Street building. In 2001, Hattaway added the cafe.

Whether you're hungry for breakfast or lunch, you'll find an array of options at the Nashville Exchange Monday through Saturday.

Catering is available on site at the restaurant or at other local venues. Options from a light to full menu are available. Holiday functions, baby showers, wedding receptions are just a few of the events Hattaway caters. The Exchange is now booking holiday parties. "It's not too early to reserve your date," said Hattaway. For more information, call 459-6275.



Lisa Hattaway Owner Nashville Exchange and CateringCafé

Whether it's a formal occasion or a family gathering, let us do the work while you enjoy vour event!



# **Super Flame Gas Company**



Jessie Brantley, Hugh Brinn, Angie Ayscue, Chris Thomas, Debbie Hardy, Jeff Wade, Ray Brinn, Josh Phillips

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Looking to diversify Stalling Oil Company's Brad Bobbitt (Vice President) now lead the comthriving business. Hugh Shearin and his wife, pany which prospers as a provider of propane gas June Stallings Shearin, bought 19 100 lb, pro- for a variety of residential customers. Rav's son, pane cylinders for cooking gas in 1952. With Hugh, also helps lead Super Flame as Manager. the support of Mr. A.R. Stallings, June's father and company founder, the new propane op- thankful. "We've been blessed with an opportueration, Super Flame (named by A.R.'s wife, nity to serve and the potential to do even more. Mabel) was born. June handled the books. Hugh We thank our customserved as Vice President, delivery man and ser- ers and look forward vice technician. Dedicated employees met the to developing even demands of a growing community of loyal cus- more relationships in tomers. Sons-in-law Ray Brinn (President) and the future."

As Superflame begins its 72<sup>nd</sup> year, Ray is









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# **FAITH CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES** THRIFT STORES

Faith Christian Ministries has served Nashville and Nash County for 40 years. The organization has two locations in downtown Nashville featuring clothing for the entire family, accessories, household items, electronics, home decor, furniture and a specialty holiday shop inside the furniture location.

A seasonal formal wear department which is available upstairs except during Christmas which at that time is used for a toy ministry.

Director Laura Bartholomew came on board in 2021 and has worked diligently to take the ministry to a new level of shopping and giving.

Proceeds from goods sold at the two stores provide help to those in need in Nash County. In 2024, the stores assisted 3,707 people in need of things such as food, clothing, utilities and even



NASHVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2024 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

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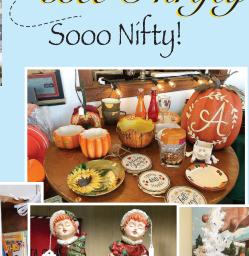
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#### Faith Christian Ministries of Nash County

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# **RIBEYES STEAKHOUSE**

Our menu offers a variety of favorites including our famous Ribeye Steaks, Pork Chops, Chicken Breast Plate, Fried Seafood, and our endless salad bar which is made fresh every day.

Jeff Ellis **Owner** 

Our guests have at least 28 salad bar items from which to choose.

We know times have been tough the past few months, and we're happy to be open to serve you.

We're open for lunch and dinner and we can help you with small group dining too! Come see us!





# **BOOK EARLY!**

It's not too early to book your holiday party! Enjoy private dining where you and your guests will enjoy an unforgettable meal!

# Need we say more?



Something for the entire family!



# **Baker's Professional Lawn Care, Inc.**

# Dedicated to providing customer service that is second to none since 1980

Baker's Professional Lawn Care, Inc. has been serving Nash County and Eastern North Carolina since 1980.

The operation is locally owned operated by father and son.

Owner Dan Baker's motto is "A cut above the rest." A statement he stands by.

Baker said he strives to give his customers the very best, "Our company's mission is to provide honest, reliable service that stands head and shoulders above the rest," he said. "We continually strive to exceed expectations by ensuring that each landscape design or remodeling project is completed on time and under budget."

Baker said his goal is to make sure each customer is left with full satisfaction from his services, "Our commitment to assuring the full satisfaction of our clients is something that we take great pride in."

Baker offers a variety of services including landscaping, garden design, landscape remodeling, irrigation, tree service, seeding, liming, fertilizing, tree and shrub pruning, drainage, top soil, mulch, pine straw, excavating and tractor services.

Baker offers free estimates and is licensed bonded and insured.

When planning your next landscape design project, rely on a company that offers unparalleled knowledge, experience and expertise. "Contact us today to learn more about what sets us apart from the competition," said Baker.

You can reach Baker's Professional Lawn Care, Inc. by calling 252-314-3639 or visit their website www.bakerprolawn.com.







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# **Strickland Equipment serves Tri-County Area since 1949**

Strickland Equipment in Nashville was established by brothers Millard and Emmett Strickland in 1949. Millard's son, Ross Strickland carried on the family business afterwards and now Millard's grandson, Matt, owns the company which continues to serve Nash County as well as neighboring counties.

When visiting you'll find friendly service representatives who are knowledgeable in the sales and repair of all outdoor power equipment whether large or small.

Strickland Equipment offers a showroom full of name brand lawn and garden equipment along with accessories, parts and advice for all types of outdoor equipment.

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need," said Matt, "We carry a wide range of equipment including chain saws, weed trimmers, roto tillers, lawn mowers, riding mowers, and tractors. Plus, we service all brands and offer complete tune-ups and blade sharpening."



Matt Strickland

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