

In August, readers of the Daily News and the Amplifier were invited to nominate their favorites in over 100 categories. In September, the top three (or more in cases of ties) nominees in each category were then voted on by the readers to determine the best.

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- ★ **Cracker Barrel**
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BEST PLACE FOR LUNCH

- ★ **Cambridge Market**
- Buckhead Cafe
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BEST CASUAL DINING

- ★ **Rafferty's**
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- Longhorn
- Buckhead Cafe

BEST FINE DINING

- ★ **Montana Grill**
- Brickyard
- 440 Main
- Mandolin

BEST ROMANTIC RESTAURANT

- ★ **Mandolin**
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- Mariah's

BEST PLACE FOR FAMILY FRIENDLY DINING

- ★ **Cracker Barrel**
- O'Charley's
- Ryan's

BEST PLACE FOR CHEAP EATS

- ★ **Wendy's**
- Taco Bell
- McDonald's

BEST RESTAURANT OVERALL

- ★ **Mariah's**
- Montana Grill
- Longhorn
- Rafferty's

BEST RESTAURANT SERVICE

- (Waiters/Waitresses)
- ★ **Rafferty's**
- Longhorn
- Montana Grill

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- ★ **Culver's**
- Steak 'n Shake
- Wendy's

BEST PLACE FOR BARBEQUE

- ★ **Smoky Bones**
- Smoky Pig
- Split Tree

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- ★ **Pizza Hut**
- Mancinos
- Papa Johns

BEST PLACE FOR A STEAK

- ★ **Longhorn**
- Outback
- Logan's

BEST PLACE FOR FISH

- ★ **Red Lobster**
- Catfish House
- Captain D's

BEST PLACE FOR CHICKEN

- ★ **Zaxby's**
- Chic-fil-a
- Kentucky Fried Chicken

BEST PLACE FOR WINGS

- ★ **Buffalo Wild Wings**
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- Toot's

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- Lost River
- Southern Lanes

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- Southern Lanes
- Bowling Green Skatepark
- Greenwood Mall

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- ★ University Plaza
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- ★ Party One
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- Big Fun Entertainment

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- ★ Cue Time
- Southern Lanes
- Checks
- Utley's

BEST SPORTS BAR

- ★ Double Dogs
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Toot's

BEST PLACE FOR HAPPY HOUR

- ★ 440 Main
- Sonic
- Rafferty's
- Mariah's

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- Brewing Company
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- WUHU - Woohoo 107.1
- WPTQ - 103.7 The Point

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- ★ Scooter Davis (WBVR)
- Tony Rose (WKLY)
- Brooke Summers (WUHU)
- Rockin' Rhonda (WDNS)

BEST LOCAL TV STATION

- ★ WBKO (13)
- WNKY (40)
- WKYU (24)

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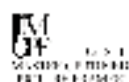
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