New Strawn Notes

October/November/December 2021

Hometown Pie Company winner of 'Coolest Thing Made In Kansas'

After eight weeks of competition, the Kansas Manufacturing Council (KMC) on Tuesday, Oct. 12, announced the Hometown Pie Company, New Strawn, is manufacturer of the 2021 Coolest Thing Made In Kansas - pies.

"The KMC is excited to celebrate the Hometown Pie Company as the 2021 Coolest Thing Made in Kansas. Thank you to everyone who nominated and voted for their favorite Kansas-made products. It has been a fun competition," said KMC Interim Executive Director Sherriene Jones-Sontag. "The manufacturing industry is an important part of the Kansas economy. The KMC launched the Coolest Thing competition is a way to promote the manufacturing industry and to raise awareness about the many cool products made in our state."

Presented by BKD CPAs & Advisors, the competition kicked off in August. The top nominated 32 products competed in head-to-head match-ups in a bracket-style tournament. The product with the most votes moved to the next round. More than 25,000 votes were cast during the competition.

The final round put the final four Kansas-made products up against one another. The final four were Voltar 2.0 Solar UPS, EPSi Corporation, pies made by the Hometown Pie Company, Frontiersman 30 by Yoder Smokers, and metal and



Jennifer Wold, left, BKD CPAs & Advisors, presents Wanda Chaffain, Hometown Pie Company, with a trophy for winning the 2021 Coolest Thing Made In Kansas contest. Other manufacturers finishing in the top four were, from left, Joe Phillips, Yoder Smokers, Kyle Bauer, ESPI Corp., and Darrell Pulliam, representing Mpix.

wood prints by Mpix.

Our team at Hometown Pie Company is excited to be part of the Coolest Thing Made In Kansas and honored to be this year's winner. The other nominated Kansas-made products are amazing and the competition was fierce," said the company's founder and owner, Wanda Chaffain. "The competition not only gave us an opportunity to share our product with

Kansans across the state but also allowed us to meet many other manufacturers and learn about their products."

The winner of the 2021 Coolest Thing Made in Kansas was announced during the KMC's Kansas Manufacturing Summit held at the Kansas Casino and Event Center in Mulvane.

EMP Shield, Burlington, won the 2020 Coolest Thing Made In Kansas.

Halloween party

The New Strawn Spooky Stroll will be held 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the New Strawn City Park. Check out the stops along the path for plenty of opportunities to fill those buckets full of candy.

This event is sponsored by New Strawn Community Improvement Organization (NSCIO).

Businesses or individuals can participate in the Table Decorating Contest: 1st place - \$100, 2nd - \$50 and 3rd - \$25. They are asking for donations of candy for the event. If you would like to contribute, you can drop bags of candy off at City Hall or New Strawn Branch Library.

Election is Nov. 2

Don't forget to vote in the Nov. 2 General Election. New Strawn residents will decide who will serve four-year terms on three city council seats. Four candidates will be on the ballot: David Christiansen, Jeanne Haas, Rhonda Taylor and John Waner

November meeting

Due to the Veterans Day holiday, the November regular meeting of the New Strawn City Council will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, at New Strawn City

Governing Body/Staff

Mark A. Petterson, Mayor Council Members: Johnny Hernandez Jeanne Haas Gary Haehn Rhonda Taylor Jim Weeks

Lana Johnson, City Clerk Robert Williamson, Assistant Brenda Klubek, Treasurer Steven Dwight, Maintenance Martha Newkirk, Zoning Administrator

New Strawn Branch Library news

The Coffey County Library - New Strawn Branch has a wide selection of items to check out. They have books, CD's, magazines and movies. If you want to watch a new release, get it for free at the library. They also have activities for all ages.

ALL AGES

YAK & YARN: Tuesdays at 5 p.m. CHILDREN

SNACKS & STORIES: Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

ON-THE-GO: A different craft/activity each week ready for take home fun (while supplies last)

Wednesday, Oct. 27 @ 6 p.m.: Hunt-A-Killer game night (adults 13 and up) @ New Strawn Community Building

Saturday, Oct. 30, 1-3 p.m.: Spooky Stroll @ New Strawn City Park along with NSCIO

Tuesday, Nov. 9 @ 6:30 p.m.: Cricut Presentation and Welcome Signs with Pizza Pans @ New Strawn Community Building

Saturday, Nov. 20 @ New Strawn Branch Library: Pet Photos

Tuesday, **Dec.** 7 @ 6:30 p.m.: Wine glass/bottle paintings @ New Strawn Community Building

Wednesday, **Dec. 22** @ 10:30 a.m.: Cookies & Story with Santa

Tuesday, **Jan. 11** @ 6:30 p.m.: Vision Boards @ New Strawn Community Building

YARD OF THE MONTH: The Fall "Yard of the Month" contest winner will receive a \$20 Casey's gift card. The council will be looking for the Best Fall Decoration and Best Halloween decoration. Judging will be Oct. 22–24.

December Yard of the Month judging will be Dec. 17–19, categories yet to be decided.

ANIMAL REGISTRATION AND TAGS: Any dog or cat over six months of age shall be annually registered with the city clerk. Fees of \$2 for each neutered male and spayed female and \$5 for each unneutered male and unspayed female are due in January. Fees will double in price for each month's delinquency, i.e.: February, \$4 and \$10; March and beyond up to a maximum of \$8 and \$20. Tagging your pet is also for your "peace of mind." Even dogs and cats that live almost entirely in the house occasionally escape outdoors and a tag makes it much easier to reunite an owner with an animal. Any owner or harborer of an animal that is found to be without a current license may be fined.

CITY HALL HOURS: City Hall regular hours are: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

NEWSTRAWN.ORG is the City Hall website where you can go online to pay your bill, read minutes, read city ordinances or check out upcoming community events. You can find forms such as new account applications, community building reservation and other licensing forms. You can also find us on Facebook at City of New Strawn – City Hall.

If paying your bill online, there is a 2.5 percent fee for credit cards and \$1.50 if paying with your checking account. To avoid these fees by KanPay (not the City of New Strawn), you can pay in person or use the night drop box.

CITY HALL CLOSINGS

Veterans Day, Nov. 11 Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25 Day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 26 Christmas Eve, Dec. 24

MEETING NOTIFICATIONS: The public is welcome to attend all city council and city planning meetings. City council meetings are conducted in the open

on the second Thursday of each month. While the public generally does not participate in meeting business, a portion of each regular monthly meeting is designated for public comments.

If you would like to be on our email notification list, leave your name and email address with the city clerk or assistance city clerk, or click the link by going online to our website at newstrawn.org. If you have been on a past notification list, you must renew your request annually. You must include your name with request to be added to our notification list.

Bar & Grill open soon

From Robert Lee's Bar & Grill: "We plan to open for business this month (October). Watch our Facebook and Instagram Page with updates. We are looking forward to seeing everyone! Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we continue to make Robert Lee's the best it can be!" Robert Lee's Bar & Grill has a new phone number, (620) 364-1415.

NEW STRAWN BUSINESS DIRECTORY

ADVANTAGE AUTO BODY 145 N MAIN ST (620) 203-8273

ARROWHEAD HILLS TRAVEL SVC Susan Croll (620) 364-5871

BAHR STORAGE Chris Bahr (620) 364-2689

BRI'S DANCE STUDIO Bri Birk (620) 343-5125

BUILDERS CHOICE CONCRETE 220 Industrial Rd (620) 364-2707

CASEY'S GENERAL STORE 129 N Main St (620) 364-5513

CITIZENS STATE BANK 407 Arrowhead St (620) 364-8871

COFFEY COUNTY HONDA 105 S Main St (620) 364-5600

COFFEY COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT #3 235 N Main St (620) 364-8099

DAVIS LOCK & KEY Jerry Davis (785) 493-4709

ESSENTIAL BODYWORK Kelsey Orr (620) 203-8733

FRAME UPS Janet Harkrader (620) 490-0268

GREAT PLAINS DESIGN CENTER 308 INDUSTRIAL RD (620) 364-2007

HARKRADER MOWING & SNOW REMOVAL

ROBERT HARKRADER (620) 490-0258

HOMETOWN PIE COMPANY 219 N MAIN ST (620) 344-0160

JEFF'S TOWING & RECOVERY 110 W DECKER (620) 213-1669 KAN-SEAL

1905 US HWY 75

(620) 364-3300

LAKESIDE LIQUORS 217 N MAIN ST (620) 364-8929

LEGACY FINANCIAL RICHARD CROLL (620) 364-9232

MC MURRAY DENTAL JAMES H MCMURRAY DDS 209 N MAIN ST (620) 364-8453

MERAKI SALON 205 N MAIN ST (620) 490-0057

MID WEST FIRE TRAINING CHERYL TREPTOW (620) 364-2832

NEWKIRK SALES RICHARD NEWKIRK (620) 203-0065

NEW STRAWN BRANCH COFFEY COUNTY LIBRARY 365 N MAIN ST (620) 364-8910

NEW STRAWN - STATION #8 COFFEY COUNTY FIRE DIST. #1 301 W LAKE RD (620) 364-8258

ROBERT LEE'S BAR & GRILL 255 N Main St (620) 364-1415

RUSTY COOP RESTORATIONS Laura Williams 785-979-3728

SWANK HEATING, COOLING & PLUMBING

117 N 4th St

(620) 364-8258

VICTORY EXCAVATING 345 N MAIN ST (620) 364-2505

VAUGHN – ROTH LAND BROKERS CAMERON ROTH (785) 917-0867

WOLF CREEK NUCLEAR OPERATING CORP. (620) 364-8831

WOLF CREEK RESORTS 400 W LAKE RD (620) 364-0046