#### **TOP 10 DINING**

George's Pizza & Steakhouse Checkerboard Restaurant One Eleven Public House Opa's Deli at In't Veld Meat Market Yamato Steak House of Japan Baggio's Italian Restaurant Liberty Street Kitchen Cantaritos Grille & Cantina Deng's Garden Kone Korner

#### **TOP 10 SHOPPING**

### **TOP 10 AFTER 5**

The Sanctuary Candi's Flowers & Gifts Simple Treasures Silver Lining Best of Thyme The Funky Zebras Elite Boutique emBellish Thistles Theisens The Cellar Peanut Pub The Grand Theater Peace Tree Brewing Co. A & P Pub Knoxville Raceway The Wijn House Kone Korner Liberty Street Kitchen Smokey Row Coffee House One Eleven Public House

#### TOP 10 EVENTS

Pella Tulip Time Festival-May Knoxville Sprint Car Nationals-August Lake Red Rock Balloon Fest-July Thursday Nights in Pella-June & July Pella Christmas Tour of Homes-Nov./Dec. Knoxville Living Windows-November Pierce's Pumpkin Festival-October Pella Wine Walk-October Pleasantville Pigout-June Union Street Players Productions-Year round



The Best of Red Rock contest is held annually by the Marion County Development Commission to honor the best in local tourism and business. Visitors and residents can vote on-line at redrockarea.com from early April until the end of October. The contest includes four top ten lists as well as 55 category winners. Winners are announced in January.

The Marion County Development is a department of county government who strives to cultivate a positive business environment, promote the area and building connections for economic development. To learn more go to redrockarea.com for tourism information or marioncountyiowa.com for economic development information.

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# 2019 Best of Red Rock Area Category Winners

#### **BEST FOOD**

Salad-Applebee's Appetizer-Checkerboard Restaurant Pizza-George's Pizza & Steakhouse Cup of Coffee-Coffee Connection Ethnic Food-Deng's Garden Steak-George's Pizza & Steakhouse Burger-Culver's Breakfast-Windmill Cafe Dessert-Jaarsma Bakery Tenderloin-Hometown Meats & Deli Family Restaurant-George's Pizza & Steakhouse Outdoor Eating Location-Kone Korner Sandwich or entree made from local items-Opa's Deli at In't Veld Meat Market

#### **BEST BEING SOCIAL**

Happy Hour-The Cellar Peanut Pub Bar, Pub or Tasting Room-The Cellar Peanut Pub Caterer-Central College Date Night Restaurant-One Eleven Public House Wedding Reception Venue-Sun Valley Barn Family Reunion Spot-Cordova Park Pavilion Meeting Venue-Central College

# **BEST LODGING**

Campground-Howell Station Recreation Area Hotel-Cobblestone Hotel & Suites B & B or Cabin-Cordova Park Cabins

#### **BEST BUSINESS**

Place to Work, < 50 employees Marion County Bank Place to Work, 50-250 employees Knoxville Hospital & Clinics Place to Work, > 250 employees Vermeer Corporation

Business Supporter of Community Projects < 50 employees-Marion County Bank Business Supporter of Community Projects 50-250 employees-Hy-Vee of Knoxville Business Supporter of Community Projects > 250 employees-Vermeer Corporation

# BEST SHOPPING

Antique/Vintage Shop-Simple Treasures Women's Shop-The Funky Zebra Consignment Shop-The Well Thrift Store-Pella Gift Shop-Candi's Flowers & Gifts Fresh Meats-In't Veld Meat Market Locally Made Souvenir-Jaarsma Bakery Shopping After 5 p.m.-Maurice's Men's Shop-Theisen's Kids Shop-Silver Lining Garden Center or Nursery-Nick's Greenhouse Pet Care & Supplies-Faux Paws Bakery Photography, Graphic Design, Printing or Video Shop-Ramaeker Screen Printing Floral, Craft or Decor Shop-Thisles

## **BEST COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Hospitality-Knoxville Hospital & Clinics Real Estate or Construction Services-Home Realty Banking, Finance or Legal Services-Marion County Bank Auto or Auto Repair Services-Raceway Tire & Exhaust Spa, Salon or Barber Services-Expressions by Design News & Local Community Information-KNIA-KRLS

## **BEST ENTERTAINMENT**

Live Entertainment-Knoxville Performing Art Center Historical Experience-Pella Historical Village & Vermeer Mill Indoor Recreation-Knoxville Recreation Center Outdoor Recreation-Pella Aquatics Center Hidden Treasure-Pierce's Pumpkin Patch Place to Entertain Kids-Pella Aquatics Center Public Art-Scholte House Gardens & Sculptures

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