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Heber Valley businesses do well at 'Best of State'

Recently, six Heber Valley businesses claimed top honors in 10 different categories from this year's "Best of State" awards ceremony in May.

This year's winners from Heber Valley were – the Blue Boar Inn & Restaurant, Dairy Keen, Heber Valley Artisan Cheese, Red Ledges, Café Galleria, and Nitro-Pak.

Being named as one of Utah's Best of State is quite an accomplishment. Best of State organizers use an extensive nomination and adjudication process to find out who is best in each category.

According to Best of State organizers the awards were created to recognize outstanding individuals, organizations and businesses in Utah.

"By recognizing excellence in our community and sharing examples of success and triumph in so many worthy endeavors, we hope all will be inspired to reach a little higher, to try a little harder, and to work a little smarter for our dreams and goals."

These six businesses achieving the best in their categories represents good things for the business community as a whole says Ryan Starks, executive director of the Heber Valley Chamber of Commerce.

"The success of these businesses shows that our economic and business environments are strong and competitive, proving that Heber Valley still has a great entrepreneurial spirit," says Starks. "We are very proud of the success of these businesses, for all their hard work, and dedication to their craft."

Blue Boar Inn

The Blue Boar Inn and Restaurant is one of Heber Valley's most elegant European inspired retreats. Guests of the Blue Boar experience large comfortable rooms, and a dining environment second to none. This year Blue Boar took home three Best of State wins in Northern European, Plated Brunch, and the Bed and Breakfast categories.

Dairy Keen

Dairy Keen, a favorite among locals and visitors to the Valley, is known for great food in a fun atmosphere and quality customer service. People will come from miles around for one of their famous shakes, Train Burger, or homemade soups. This year Dairy Keen took home category wins in Fast Food, Soup, and Specialty Foods categories.

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Heber Valley Artisan Cheese

Crafting cheese from milk from their own cows, gives Heber Valley Artisan Cheese the unique ability to control the flavor of their cheeses from feed to packaging. With over 40 different flavors of cheddar cheese, Heber Valley Cheese has created many award winning blends. This year Heber Valley Artisan Cheese took home the win for best Dairy Product.

Café Galleria

Café Galleria is an artisan pizza restaurant in Midway, blending art and pizza in a local eatery. Guests enjoy traditional pizzas from a wood-fired oven in one of Heber Valley's most serene settings. This year Café Galleria took home the Best of State medal in New York Style Pizzas.

Red Ledges

Heber Valley is home to some of the best golf in Utah, and Red Ledges Golf Course proves this with amazing scenery and challenging play. Two Jack Nicklaus designed courses mark Red Ledges as Utah's premiere golf experience. Once again Red Ledges was awarded best Golf Course in Utah.

Nitro-Pak

Planning for an emergency can be tough and daunting. Nitro-Pak in Heber City, tries to take the worry out by creating a "one-stop-shopping" experience. Rounding out the Heber Valley businesses, Nitro-Pak took home the best in state Preparedness Foods & Supplies.

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As Utah's Adventure Escape, the Heber Valley office of Tourism, Economic Development and Chamber of Commerce (HVTED) works to promote the Heber Valley and Wasatch County as an excellent destination to live, learn, work, and play for travelers and businesses from Utah and beyond. By providing the local businesses with resources they need to succeed, HVTED helps to stimulate the local economy through tourism, partnerships, and proactive communication. Connect with the #HeberValley at www.gohebervalley.com.