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## First National Community Bank Wins 'Best Bank' and 'Best Teller'-Jennifer Everett in The Dalton Daily Citizen 2025 Reader's Choice Awards

To host all day celebration at both Dalton branch locations on September 5th

Chatsworth, Ga., August 29, 2025 – First National Community Bank (FNCB), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Chatsworth Bankshares, Inc., is honored to announce that it has been named "Best Bank" in the 2025 Dalton Daily Citizen Reader's Choice Awards, and that one of its own, Jennifer Everett, has been recognized as "Best Teller." This recognition comes at a truly momentous time for the bank as it celebrates its 50th Anniversary, marking a half-century of serving the Dalton community with unwavering commitment, care, and community-first service.

"To be recognized as 'Best Bank' by the readers of The Dalton Daily Citizen is incredibly humbling. This award is a reflection of our team's dedication, our strong community partnerships, and the trust our customers place in us every single day. It's especially meaningful during our 50th anniversary year," said Ryan Earnest, President & CEO of FNCB.

FNCB opened its doors on August 18, 1975, and celebrated 50 years of community banking just last week with a bankwide anniversary celebration. In addition to the Reader's Choice honors, the bank was recently ranked by **S&P Global Market Intelligence** as one of the **Top-Performing Community Banks** both nationally and regionally—**6th in the Southeast Region** among banks under \$10 billion in assets and **19th nationwide** among community banks under \$3 billion in assets.

"These awards are a tremendous honor and speak volumes about the strength of our team. Our commitment has always been to serve our customers with excellence, and we are honored to win Best Bank. Jennifer Everett's recognition as Best Teller highlights the dedication, professionalism, and personal touch that define the people we're proud to have at FNCB," said Gary Middleton, Chief Banking Officer of FNCB.

To thank the Dalton community for their continued support, First National Community Bank will host an all-day celebration on Friday, September 5th, from 9:00am to 5:00pm at both of its Dalton branch locations:

- Dalton Northgate Drive: 362 Northgate Drive, Dalton, GA 30721
- Dalton Thornton Avenue: 415 S. Thornton Avenue, Dalton, GA 30720

The event will feature food and refreshments throughout the day in appreciation to our customers and community for this tremendous recognition. Customers and community members are invited to stop by any time, meet the team, and help celebrate this tremendous recognition.

"Winning 'Best Bank' and seeing Jennifer recognized individually as 'Best Teller' is a testament to the relationships we've built and continue to nurture. Our team proudly reflects the spirit and values of this amazing community and we are honored by this recognition," said Brad Ramsey, Market President for Murray and Whitfield Counties.

As Dalton prepares to celebrate its best and brightest in this year's *Dalton Daily Citizen* Reader's Choice Awards, FNCB remains proudly committed to the values that have shaped its legacy for 50 years—integrity, service, and community.

"I'm truly honored to be named 'Best Teller' in the 2025 Reader's Choice Awards. This recognition means so much because it comes from the very community I have the privilege to serve every day. I love what I do, and I'm grateful to be part of a team at FNCB that always puts people first," said Jennifer Everertt, Teller-Dalton Northgate Drive location.

For more information about First National Community Bank's services and its involvement in local initiatives, please visit <a href="https://fncbank.com">https://fncbank.com</a>.

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