

Yukon Progress

# MainStreet MarketPlace nabs first place again

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For the third year in a row, MainStreet MarketPlace, 429 W. Main Street in Yukon, won the People’s Choice Award for the Christmas window display. The contest was part of the events connected to Yukon 66 Main Street’s annual “Christmas on Main,” which kicked off the holiday season in downtown Yukon on Thursday, December 10, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The community had the opportunity to vote on Facebook, choosing their favorite retailer’s Christmas window display.

Kim Stuart, owner of MainStreet MarketPlace, said she found out a few days ago that her front window display won the award. “We started with a contest to name the snow woman in our display. People submitted their ideas on our Facebook page. There were about 50 entries, and a lot of them



Suzanne Heggy designed Mrs. Felicity Frost for the Christmas window display at MainStreet MarketPlace, 429 W. Main Street in Yukon. (Photo by Carol Mowdy Bond)

were really good. But we chose the person who submitted Mrs. Felicity Frost for the snow woman’s name. We announced the winner on December 8, and that person won a gift card to our retail venue. We won a trophy. But it’s a traveling trophy, and now we have it for the third year in a row.”

Stuart, who has owned MainStreet MarketPlace

for eight years, said she has some ladies who spearhead the Christmas window display each year, and the main one is Suzanne Heggy. “She dreams up the inspiration and ideas,” Stuart said. “And she’s been a vendor here since the shop opened. Kathy McCurley helps Suzanne.”

Heggy said, “It was going to be a snow MAN.”

But Heggy shifted gears, making a snow woman instead. “Felicity was a lot of fun to make. She has a vintage hat and a vintage handbag. I often pick up things and I don’t know what I’m going to do with them. And I had these jewelry pieces and they were perfect for Felicity. The pearls at the bottom are from the garland at my daughter’s wedding a few

years ago.”

“We just thought she was so cute, and we needed a name for her. So we had a contest to get a name for her. Kim Stuart and I talked about not doing a window this year. But we decided we really needed it this year. For Kim and me, it’s a labor of love. People have really enjoyed the display. Felicity is made with chicken wire. And she is covered in cushion wrap. Her head is a beach ball that is covered with papier-mâché, and so are all the snowballs around Felicity. And I made the sleigh myself. I get an idea and then I am obsessed with it until I finish it.”

Stuart said Heggy always designs the shop’s window displays around the year.

Heggy teaches upholstery at Metro Tech. And she said, “I’m a staff attorney at the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Ap-

peals. I work in a job where there’s not much happiness. So, this is what I do for fun. That is also why I do upholstery. I can take something old and make it new.”

Heggy said the Christmas window display is especially pretty at night. “We enjoy it. It’s fun. I hope people like it. Our goal is to make people happy when they walk in the store.”

Stuart said, “We appreciate everybody who decorates downtown, and participates in making downtown beautiful for Christmas.”

“My store is a multi-vendor market with over 50 vendors, and a wide variety of furniture, gifts, food, decor, and something for everyone,” said Stuart.

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