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DUBUQUE BUSINESS CHOSEN FOR STATEWIDE SBDC AWARD

The Smokestack chosen for Small Business of the Month Award

AMES, Iowa – America's SBDC Iowa (SBDC) is pleased to announce that Susan Price and Scott Cornwell, owners of The Smokestack in Dubuque, are the winners of the SBDC's statewide Business of the Month Award.

Jay Wickham, regional director of the Northeast Iowa SBDC, Dubuque, which is hosted by Northeast Iowa Community College, says, "Susan and Scott took everything they had and put their minds, hearts, and souls into making The Smokestack a new experience for Dubuque, for citizens and visitors alike. They have created a unique venue, which preserves the raw, industrial aesthetic of the original building, and opened it to the public to enjoy. Susan and Scott are great examples of the entrepreneur vision, risk taking, and work ethic that are required to take nearly nothing and create lasting community value."

The Smokestack is an historic urban-industrial venue in the heart of downtown Dubuque that is a hip, vibrant arts and entertainment establishment that offers a great, eclectic food menu plus crafted cocktails and other drinks. It offers live entertainment and can be used for both public and private events.

For more information on The Smokestack visit www.smokestackdbq.com or www.facebook.com/smokestackdbq.

The SBDC Business of the Month Award will be presented to Susan and Scott by SBDC Regional Director Jay Wickham, who nominated her for the award.

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