

FEBRUARY 2021



Redstone Arsenal  
Military & Civilians' Club



# *From The President*



Happy Valentines Day and or Galentines Day for those of us who do enjoy celebrating with friends on this occasion. In the military community I know how much these friendships and relationships have mattered and are still valued.

This month is Black History Month and is such a great way to remember and honor all those who have contributed and impacted our country. In the great state of Alabama here are a few individuals that I have found who have done just that, Rosa Parks, Condoleeza Rice, Mae Jennison, and Regina Benjamin just to name a few of these very accomplished women. I challenge and encourage you to see what is going on here in our local community to celebrate, learn and become empowered with knowledge and appreciation for the great accomplishments and awareness that we all should seek out.



*All You Need is Love.  
But a little Chocolate now and then doesn't hurt!  
-Charles Schulz*



Our applications for Merit Awards (Scholarships) and Community Grants are available now and the deadline is February 28th, 2021. Check out our website, [rsamcc.org](http://rsamcc.org), for specific details. We will be presenting the awards on May 11th, 2021.

The “Pineapple Open” will be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> and we are so excited to share some ALOHA with the Redstone Arsenal Links and all those who will be participating. Registration information will be sent out soon. We need golfers and volunteers! This will be a great event outdoors !

Soon we will be accepting nominations for the 2021-2022 RSAMCC Board. All members interested in positions or opportunities to serve on our amazing board please contact Kerrie Sheppard at [rsamccparliament@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccparliament@gmail.com).

A huge thank you to our RSAMCC Board and members you are truly the HEART of this community.

With Love,

*Michelle Nash*

STAY HEALTHY  
STAY CONNECTED  
STAY INFORMED





Love

IS A

fruit

IN SEASON  
AT ALL

times

AND  
WITHIN  
REACH OF  
EVERY

Hand





# Hospitality



*If you are interested in joining the RSAMCC Hospitality Team  
Please stop by our table at the next upcoming event.*

LOVE RECOGNIZES  
NO BARRIERS.

- Maya Angelou

Not even Covid can stop love!!  
Wishing you all a love filled February.  
Looking forward to seeing you in March.

Renee McCaleb &  
Essence Nisbit

# RSAMCC Merit Awards 2020-2021



**Applications are now open at  
[rsamcc.org](https://rsamcc.org)**



The Redstone Arsenal Military and Civilians' Club (RSAMCC) will be awarding educational merit awards in 2021 to eligible students who are affiliated with and acting as contributing members of the Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, military and government civilian community. THE RSAMCC IS A 501(c) 4 PRIVATE ORGANIZATION NOT AFFILIATED WITH REDSTONE ARSENAL OR THE US ARMY. There were two scholarships to apply for this year. 1. RSAMCC Merit Award Application – For members of RSAMCC and their dependents 2. (NEW) RSAMCC Military Community Scholarship Application – The eligibility requirements are the same as the RSAMCC Merit Awards, with one exception. Applicants do NOT need to be a member of the RSAMCC Club to be eligible.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:  
February 28, 2021**





# SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS



Merit Awards eligibility is open to the following:

- Graduating high school seniors of the Class of 2021 who plan to continue their education.
- Currently enrolled full-time college students, and military spouses enrolled in college (full- or part-time).
- Armed Forces personnel (Active/Reserve) or civil service employee assigned to, attached to, living on or residing in the vicinity of the Redstone Arsenal Community or the Greater Tennessee Valley area.
- Armed Forces personnel (Active/Reserve) or civil service employee currently serving an unaccompanied short tour from RSAMCC and returning to Redstone Arsenal.
- Retired military personnel residing in the Redstone Arsenal Community or the Greater Tennessee Valley area.
- Gold Star Family Members of deceased military personnel residing in the Redstone Arsenal or the Greater Tennessee Valley area. Applicant's home of record must be within a 50-mile radius of Redstone Arsenal.
- Applicant must not be in receipt of a full scholarship (pays tuition, room, board, books, lab fees, etc...) or full post-9/11 GI Bill.
- Applicant must NOT be a past recipient of a RSAMCC Merit Award.

All applicants are eligible for MOAA-sponsored scholarships.

Applicant's being sponsored by an RSAMCC member will have priority for club-sponsored scholarships.

Deadline to become an RSAMCC member is January 15, 2021.

***If you do not meet these eligibility requirements, your application will NOT be considered. Additional proof may be required on a case by case basis. The applicant's sponsor (for spouses) or legal guardian (for children) must share the same home of record with the applicant and belong in one of the above categories.***



When we work together we can change the world

2020-2021 RSAMCC Community Assistance Grant  
Applications are now open at [rsamcc.org](https://rsamcc.org)  
Deadline to submit application is  
Sunday, February 28, 2021

The Redstone Arsenal Military and Civilians' Club (RSAMCC) is a volunteer organization that "salutes" those who have served our country and promotes education, community, and social welfare. We recognize we have an obligation to use our funds wisely, and to ensure that we donate to organizations that reflect our club's values, practice good stewardship, and meet the needs of the local military community. All information and eligibility requirements will be found on our club website, [rsamcc.org](https://rsamcc.org). For questions, please contact our Community Grant Chair at [rsamccgrants@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccgrants@gmail.com).

RSAMCC is a not for profit 501(c)(4) service organization. RSAMCC is not affiliated with the US Army or RSA.





**RSAMCC Community Assistance Grants gives priority to grant requests for Projects/Events that:**

- Are Nonprofit (501(c)(3) Organizations
- Support military, veterans, DoD civilians, and their families (Note: the requesting organization's mission does not have to specifically focus on the military, just the project/event for which funds are being requested.)
- The organization must be located within a 50-mile radius of Redstone Arsenal, Alabama
- Meet practical, tangible needs
- Impact multiple people, not just one or a few individuals
- Reflect excellence, innovation, and effectiveness

**Limitations: Donations will NOT be provided to/for the following:**

- Individuals (only for 501(c)(3) organizations)
- Normal operating expenses (including salaries, overhead, office supplies, or advertising)
- Fundraising Activities
- Completed expenditures
- Goods or services that could be obtained using appropriated funds (no event food or beverage).
- Political parties or activities

Funds donated are to be used for the sole purpose for which they were requested and may not be used to fund other needs not identified in the original request.

Funds must be deposited within 90 days of receipt of check. If any portion of received funding is no longer needed for the requested purpose, unused funds will be returned to RSAMCC.

2021 GOLF TOURNAMENT

# PINEAPPLE OPEN



April 30th

The Links at Redstone Arsenal

*Redstone Arsenal*



*Military & Civilians' Club*





MERIT AWARDS

GOOD DEEDS



GRANTS

**RSAMCCFUNDRAISING@GMAIL.COM**

RSAMCC is still planning fundraising events. Planning meetings will be emailed and posted on our website and Facebook pages. We are still in need of sponsors and support. If you know anyone that may be interested, please send them our way. Volunteers and ideas are always welcome!

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



## Join us!

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When we work  
together we  
can change  
the world



### WE NEED HELP WITH:

- Gala Planning
- Tournament Planning
- Basket Donations
- Fundraising Support

[rsamccfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccfundraising@gmail.com)





# Honored Legacies for Veterans

Starting off with a customary joke from a World War II veteran is not typically how most meetings begin. But for this organization, it is.

A new senior veteran nonprofit stood up this month and is looking for veterans and volunteers. Honored Legacies for Veterans was created by former Forever Young Senior Veterans in Alabama coordinators Chris Batte and Elaine Oakes. They saw a need in the community to expand beyond Forever Young's primary mission of honoring senior veterans by returning them to the places they fought. The new organization will provide more close-to-home activities and an educational component to their outreach.

Honored Legacies' mission is to honor senior veterans and guard their legacies for future generations. The organization will provide learning tools to local schools through member visits, an "adopt a vet" program and by recording stories of service. Its veterans will serve as primary resources for the students, according to Batte, and give firsthand accounts of the wars in which they served.

"What can they get out of a book better than someone who was there?" Batte said.

Honored Legacies will also sponsor social outings for its members. Excursion and trip costs for veteran members 65 and older will be paid for by the organization.

Batte said they were looking for people with a heart for veterans to join their mission. There is no restriction on membership and no cost to join. "This is what this town does," she said. "We work together to support each other."

For more information on Honored Legacies for Veterans, visit the group's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/honoredlegacies/](https://www.facebook.com/honoredlegacies/) or email Batte at [chris@honoredlegacies.org](mailto:chris@honoredlegacies.org) and Oakes at [elaine@honoredlegacies.org](mailto:elaine@honoredlegacies.org).

**RR**  
RedstoneRocket

By KATIE DAVIS SKELLEY  
Staff writer/Social media  
January 15, 2020



Click on photo to bring up video

Soldiers' Stories are the Story of Us.

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Honoring the accomplishments,  
sacrifices, and commitment of  
American Soldiers

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Every Soldier has a Story



# Honored Legacies for Veterans

**\$15 each  
or  
2/\$25**



**HEARTTHROB HEROES**  
2021 Calendar

## Get your Honored Legacies for Veterans 2021 Calendar

Featuring 14 of North Alabama's Heartthrob Heroes. This year's calendar features heroes from the Vietnam War, Korean War, and WWII. All proceeds will benefit Honored Legacies for Veterans. You can purchase your calendar at the following locations... Posh Mommy & Baby Too!, Insanity Complex, Railroad Station, Sunny Street Cafe - Huntsville, or contact Honored Legacies for Veterans through their Facebook page.

# *The RSAMCC Mask*



For a limited time, you can order an official RSAMCC Lemon Squeezy Mask! Masks are \$18 and can be ordered by emailing Fern Brazda our Ways & Means Chair at [RSAMCCwaysandmeans1@gmail.com](mailto:RSAMCCwaysandmeans1@gmail.com). You can pay online thru Paypal for a small fee or pay in person at the September Luncheon where you can pick up your mask. If our limited stock is still available at the luncheon you can purchase there.

Don't forget you must email Fern to make sure your mask is reserved!







# SUB CLUB INFORMATION

We are pleased that we have been able to see so many of you turn out to our "adapted" sub-club activities over these past months. Many of you were unable to meet and we miss you and look forward to seeing you again.

We will continue with our preventative measures and curtail some of our sub-club plans until it is safer to meet. At this time we are only having outside activities that enable us to either distance or be masked the whole time or both depending on the activity.

The following will continue to be on hold for February, some may return in March: Lunch Bunch, Bunco, Vine & Dine & International. The following will continue to meet under our guidelines so bundle up for these fun events: Book Club, Fun with Fido, Adventure Club, Day Trip Divas\* and Craft Club\*.

\*These will meet if we can find activities that fall within our guidelines so they may miss a month when no plans are able to be made.  
We welcome suggestions!

Lyssa Barrow, Activities Chair



# RSAMCC Vine & Dine

at  
The Ledges  
with

Washington State Wines

A special evening  
Fundraiser event sponsored by the  
RSAMCC Vine & Dine sub-club in  
partnership with The Ledges. This event  
supports the RSAMCC Scholarship and  
Community Grant programs. Enjoy a  
delicious 4-course meal with your wine  
tastings and live music.

Wednesday, March 3rd  
6:30 PM

RSVP with payment of \$75 by February 23rd to Rachel  
Granger at [rachelheidergranger@gmail.com](mailto:rachelheidergranger@gmail.com)  
Space is limited

State Covid Restrictions will apply



# RSVP

— PLEASE REPLY —

***To keep your sub-club dates in order, make an Evite account at [Evite.com](http://Evite.com) (using the same email you registered for sub-clubs with) and get the Evite App.***

***You won't have to hunt through all those emails to find that Evite next time!***

***.....and don't forget to be a fabulous RSAMCC member and always RSVP. Thanks!***

***Lyssa Barrow***

***RSAMCC Activities Chair***

***[rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com)***



***The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules***

by Catharina  
Ingelman-Sundberg

Join the RSAMCC Book Club at our February meeting. We will be discussing *The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules*. Our meeting will be outside at Stovehouse around her fire pit so we can keep toasty warm. Bring blankets if you want to keep warm and masks! Evites will have the details. Weather date is the 15<sup>th</sup>.



**Monday, February 8th**  
**1:30pm**  
Stovehouse Fire Pit

RSVP via the Evite. Updates can also be found on Facebook. For more information message Lyssa Barrow @ [rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com) or text 813-713-1402.



## Daytrip Divas



**Thursday,  
February 18th  
12:30pm**

Burritt on the Mountain

Join the RSAMCC Day Trip Diva's as we tour Burritt on the Mountain. We will take a group tour of the Mansion, historic park and barnyard. Bring a picnic lunch and arrive early at 11:45 to have a socially distanced picnic with beautiful views. Stay after our tours for a nature walk thru the Burritt nature trails. Details will be in the evite! The weather back up date is the 23rd.

RSAMCC Craft Club is having a Paper Petals Workshop. We will be creating our own beautiful Valentine roses with Paper Petal kits at Kristina's home (on the screened porch). Check the evite or contact Lyssa for ordering details.



**Wednesday, February 10th  
1:00pm**

Kristina's Covered Porch

RSVP via the Evite. Updates can also be found on Facebook. For more information message Lyssa Barrow @ [rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com) or text 813-713-1402.

## Adventure Club



**Monday, February 22nd**

Beaverdam Swamp Boardwalk

Join the RSAMCC Adventure Club as we get some lovely fresh air and walk Madison's Beaverdam Boardwalk. This is a short walk just over a mile so we may do it twice for those wishing to get more exercise. RSVP by 2/19. Rain date is 2/24.

Join the RSAMCC Fun with Fido club! Have a fur baby that loves to go for walks and hang out with other pups? Join us as we take monthly and sometimes bi-monthly walks with our pups. Our February walk will be at the Huntsville Botanical Gardens since they have their Dog Days thur the 28<sup>th</sup>.



*Fun With Fido!*

**Tuesday, February 16th**

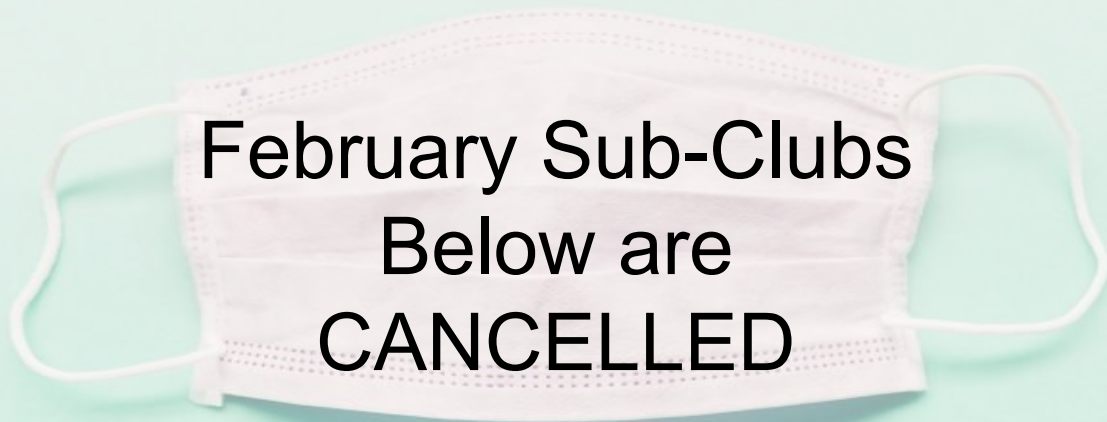
**1:00pm**

Huntsville Botanical Gardens

*All pups must be dog and human friendly and be on leash as well as up to date on their vaccinations and flea and tick treatment. A waiver form that we have on our website must be brought to your first outing.*

RSVP via the Evite. Updates can also be found on Facebook. For more information message Lyssa Barrow @ [rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com) or text 813-713-1402.





*Vine & Dine*



INTERNATIONAL



WOMEN'S CLUB

Download the App and keep up to date on  
Sub-Club information



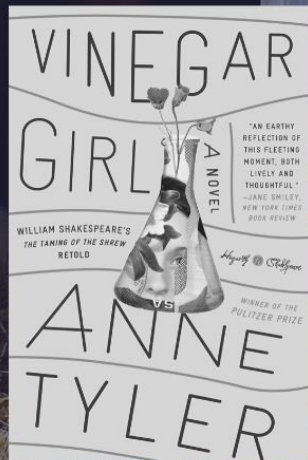
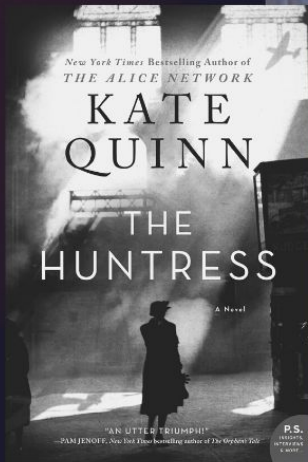


# ADVENTURE CLUB

## Rainbow Mountain







BOOK  
CLUB



# BOOK CLUB

October

***The Age of Witches***

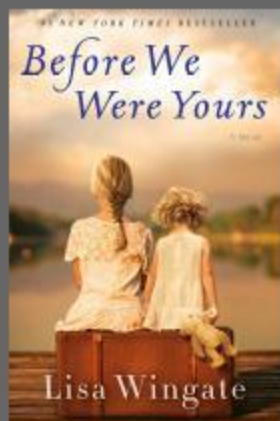
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November

***Before We Were Yours***

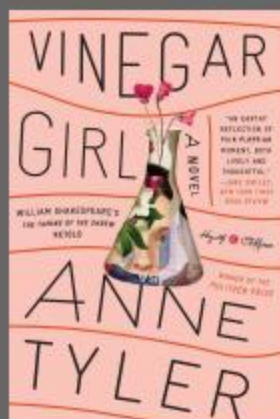
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December

***Vinegar Girl***

By Anne Tyler



January

***The Huntress***

By Kate Quinn



February

***The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules***

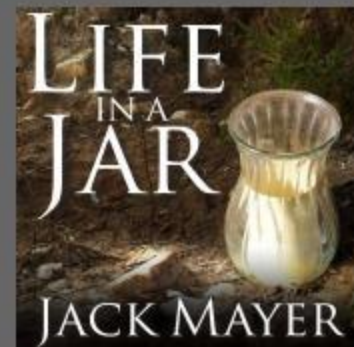
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March

***Life in a Jar***

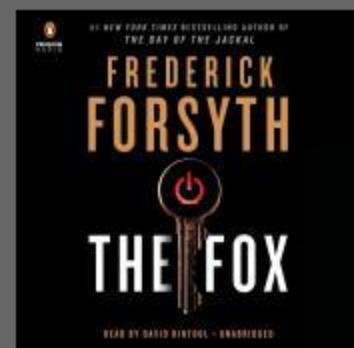
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April

***The Fox***

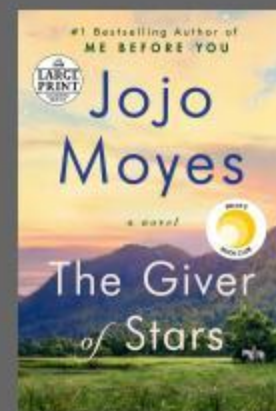
By Frederick Forsyth



May

***The Giver of Stars***

By Jojo Moyes

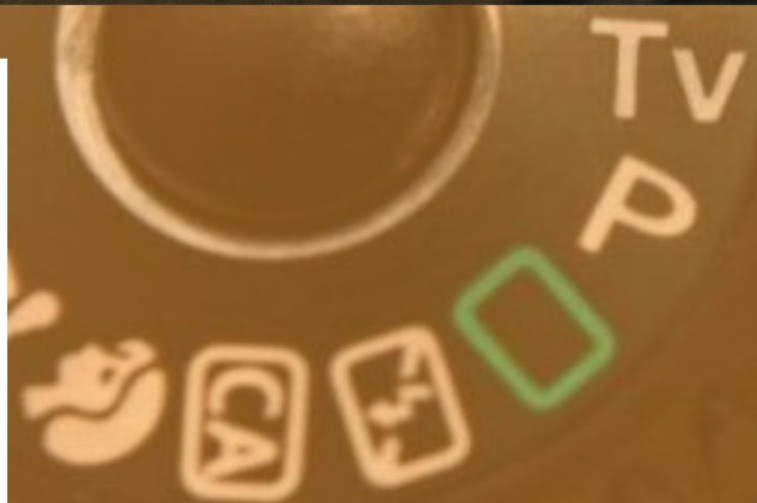
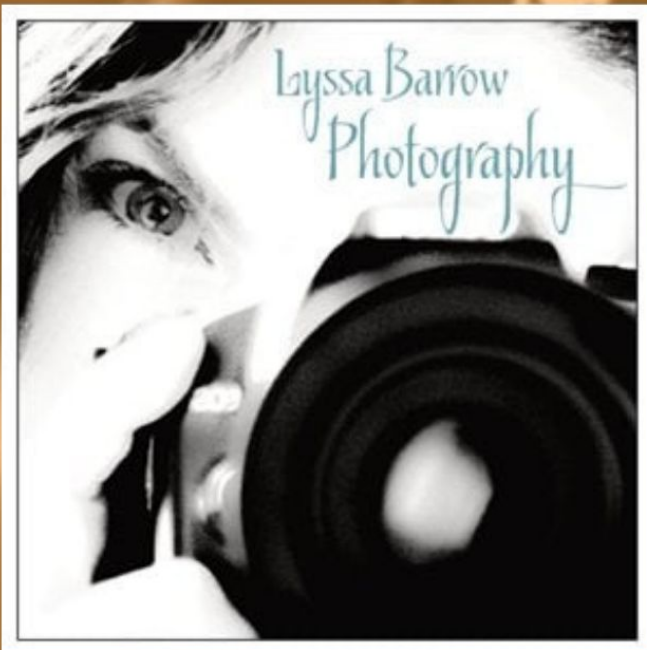




# CRAFT CLUB

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Basics of Photography







## CREEKWOOD PARK AND INDIAN CREEK PARKWAY







# Historic Twickenham Tour



Day  
Trip  
Divas





# **— FOLLOW US ON — FACEBOOK**



**Redstone Arsenal Military & Civilians' Club**

**RSAMCC Community**

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**RSAMCC Book Club**

**RSAMCC Craft Club**

**RSAMCC Adventure Club**

**RSAMCC Lunch Bunch**

**RSAMCC Bunco**

**RSAMCC Day Trip Divas**



# February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	 <p>1:30pm</p>		 <p>1:00pm</p>			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		 <p>1:00pm</p>		 <p>12:30pm</p>		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	 <p>1:00pm</p>					
28						

Save  
the Date



The Redstone Arsenal Military & Civilians' Club Presents

Masquerade Gala  
in the Garden



October 22  
2021

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Huntsville  
Botanical Gardens

Benefiting the RSAMCC Community Assistance Grants  
& Merit Scholarship Awards





# Gala in the Garden 2021



# Spirit Donations

The Gala Committee is in need of spirit donations for the fundraiser games at the Gala in the Garden. The funds raised go directly to the RSAMCC Scholarships and Community Grants.

You can donate several ways.....

Bring your donations to an RSAMCC event in December and January  
(Luncheons, Sub-Club events, Committee meetings, etc....)

Or...Contact Stacey Haring at [RSAMCCfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:RSAMCCfundraising@gmail.com) or text  
703-853-8818 to make arrangements to drop off your donation.







# *Gala* in the Garden 2021

## Basket Donations Needed

Below are two ways you can help with Gift Basket Donations for the Silent Auction at the RSAMCC Gala . The money raised by the silent auctions directly fund our Merit Scholarship and Community Assistance Grants Programs.

If you are an RSAMCC Sub-Club Member, would you like to donate an item or several items to one of our 9 Sub-Club Baskets? Please contact Lyssa Barrow at [rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com](mailto:rsamccactivitieschair@gmail.com) or text 813-713-1402 to get a list of the basket themes and arrange for pick up.

Do you know someone or a business that would donate a gift basket? If so please contact Stacey Harring at [RSAMCCfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:RSAMCCfundraising@gmail.com) or text 703-853-8818. If you are not a sub-club member and would like to donate an item or items or funds directly to a basket, please contact Stacey.





# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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Celebrate  
Life • Freedom • Diversity

*Happy Valentine's  
Day*





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Good Deeds



Good Times



Good Friends