SIMPLY RSAMCC
REDSTONE ARSENAL
October 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello!

Welcome to Fall! I love this season — the colors, cooler temperatures and crisp days just make me want to slow down and take-in everything around me. Plus, who can resist the continuous aroma of "pumpkin spice" everywhere!

When we slow down and keep everything simple, we are able to make time and enjoy all our favorite activities; which, as you know, RSAMCC has something for everyone. So, take advantage of all the activities offered and spend time with your friends!

October's luncheon is just around the corner and will be a fun time of playing Bunco. I will be out of town for this month's luncheon and will miss seeing everyone. I do hope you all can simplify your days enough to come out and play a game with friends! In the meantime, I encourage you to heed the wisdom of the in-coming Fall season and simply appreciate the beauty that surrounds you!

Melinda
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Get in the spooky spirit with costume fun

RSAMCC

invites you to our

Boo Bunco Luncheon

Tuesday, October 10th at The Summit

Doors open at 11:00 for shopping with our vendors. Luncheon is served at 11:30 and Bunco follows. The cost is $20. No refunds after the 10/6 RSVP deadline. Payment link & details are in your Evite or at RSAMCC.org.

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RESERVATIONS

Our monthly luncheons are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Summit on Redstone Arsenal, Building 130, Golf Course Road, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898, unless otherwise stated. Each month, you will enjoy a themed luncheon with wonderful vendors and giveaways, all for $20. Bring a friend or invite a newcomer to join in the fellowship!

PLEASE R.S.V.P USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:

Reservations via Evite:

Members will receive monthly invitations to our luncheons by Evite delivered by email. You may enter your response on the site, and your reservation will be automatically sent to our Reservations Chair. There is a link on your evite in the details section for payment or you may pay with cash, check or card upon check-in on the day of the luncheon or pay online via linked button below.WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO PAY ONLINE. If paying thru the online link, you will be redirected to PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account to pay with your card. Please include your name, phone number, and the month for which you are paying in the “Note” section.

Reservations via email:

Email rsamccrsvp@gmail.com. Then you may pay with cash, check or card upon check-in on the day of the luncheon or online at rsamcc.org/luncheon-payment

The deadline for placing your reservation is noon on the Friday prior to the scheduled luncheon. Cancellations must be made by the same deadline or you will be responsible for the cost of the luncheon. Refunds will only be granted if cancellation is received prior to noon the Friday before the scheduled luncheon.

STOVE HOUSE

EST. 1929

RSAMCC Membership Welcome Get Together

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Join us for the September Luncheon!

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$20

RSVP to your EVite by Noon 9/8

Shop with our Vendors!

The Simply RSAMCC Social

Winners

Good Deeds ★ **Good Times** ★ **Good Friends**

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NOVEMBER 1ST

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Military & Civilians' Club

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ACTIVITIES

Lyssa Barrow rsamccactivities@gmail.com

It's Fall Y'all! And we have a great month of activities lined up to enjoy it! From Disc Golf Lessons with the Adventurers to a trip to Scottsboro with Lorri to make wood signs, we have something for everyone to enjoy! Don't miss grooving with Vine and Dine at Stella's or dining al fresco at Pane e Vino with the Cosmo Gals and at Hound & Harvest with Lunch Bunch. I hope to see all of you this month! Keep doing great with your RSVPs!

See you soon,
Lyssa

Don't miss hanging out with your RSAMCC friends!

evite.com

Set up your EVITE account and get the mobile App so all your RSAMCC Luncheon and Activity Group invitations are easy to find!

JOIN EVITE

Fun with Fido
Day Trip Divas
Cosmopolitan Gals
Lunch Bunch
Adventurers

Bunco
Crafty Chicks
Podcast
ChickLits
Vine & Dine

LUNCH BUNCH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
11 AM
HOUND & HARVEST

Join the RSAMCC Lunch Bunch. For our October lunch at Hound & Harvest! Details are in the evites. RSVP by 10/16.

CRAFTY CHICKS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2ND
10 AM
LORRI'S HOME & WORKSHOP

Join the RSAMCC Crafty Chicks as we return to a club favorite to make Home Décor wood signs for the holidays and our homes. Evites are out with the details! Limited Space.

CHICKLITS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH
10 AM
THE CAMP

Join the RSAMCC ChickLits! Our October Book is Weyward by Emilia Hart. Join us for the discussion at The Camp. This is a no pressure to read book club you are welcome to attend all meetings no matter if you have read the book or not. Evites will have the details.

ADVENTURERS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
10 AM
KEN JOHNSON PARK

Join the RSAMCC Adventurers as we learn the fun sport of Disc Golf with a group introductory lesson! RSVP by 10/24 and see evite for fee and location details. For those interested, we'll picnic lunch after. No Maximum.

FUN *with* FIDO

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH
10 AM
INDIAN CREEK GREENWAY (PROVIDENCE)

Join the RSAMCC Fun with Fido club! October will be at the Providence end of the Indian Creek Greenway. Check the evites for the details.

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 submitted prior to your first outing.

DAY TRIP DIVAS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH
1:15 PM
SCOTT'S ORCHARD

Join the RSAMCC Day Trip Diva's as go apple picking at the iconic Scott's Orchard! We'll enjoy treats and their store as well! Check Evites for details. RSVP by 10/5.

COSMOPOLITAN GALS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
11:30 AM
PANE E VINO

Join the RSAMCC Cosmopolitan Gals at Pane E Vino for a delicious Italian lunch overlooking Big Spring Park. RSVP by 10/2. Max number of 20. If you have questions, email Sandra Smith at Irishsandra.smith@gmail.com

VINE and DINE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5TH
5 PM – 7 PM
STELLA'S ELIXIR LOUNGE

Join the RSAMCC Vine & Dine group for a fun event at Stella's. Cocktails and charcuterie for purchase. 25 Max! Evites with details are out!

BUNCO

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
10:30 AM
LINH NARUM'S HOME

Join us for October Bunco! Evites will go out soon. Read all the details in your evite! Cost to play and what to bring are all in there as well as address. Enjoy the game! The evite will also provide the attendee limit so RSVP early!

PODCAST *brunch and* CHAT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
10 AM
EDGARS IN PROVIDENCE

Join the RSAMCC Podcast Brunch and Chat group! We'll enjoy brunch while catching up on the great podcasts that we listened to this month! This month's theme will be True Crime, Season 1 of Serial. Evites will have all your details.... RSVP by 10/25.

OCTOBER EVENTS

October 2 | Crafty Chicks
10 am
Lorri's Home Creations Workshop

October 4 | Cosmopolitain Gals
11:30 am
Pane E Vino

October 5 | Vine & Dine
5-8pm
Stella's Elixir Lounge

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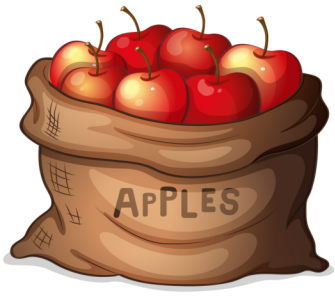
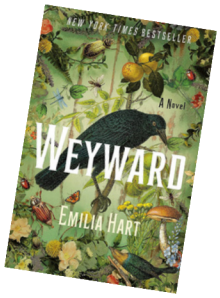
October 6 | Day Trip Divas
1:15 pm
Scott's Orchard



October 10 | RSAMCC Luncheon
11 am
The Summit

October 11 | Chick Lits
10 am
The Camp



October 18 | Lunch Bunch
11 am
Hound & Harvest

HOUND & HARVEST BACKYARD BISTRO

October 25 | Bunco
10:30 am
Hosted by Linh Narum

October 26 | Podcast & Brunch
10 am
Edgars in Providence

Edgar's BAKERY&CAFE

October 27 | Fun with Fido
10 am
Indian Creek Greenway in Providence

October 30 | Adventurers
10 am
Ken Johnson Park

PLEASE NOTE

Our November 14th Luncheon will be an evening event, from 5:30-8pm, at the Mad Malts Brewery. Please mark your calendars for our Brews and BBQ Night Event

Vine & Dine

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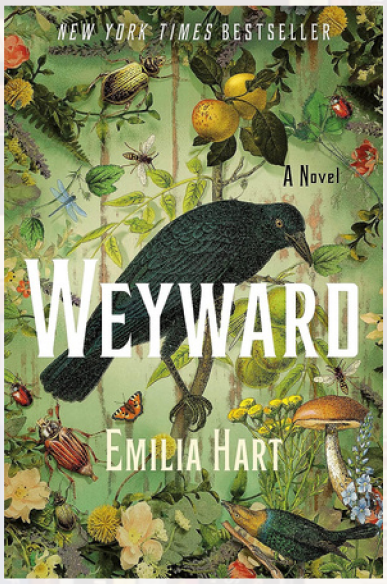
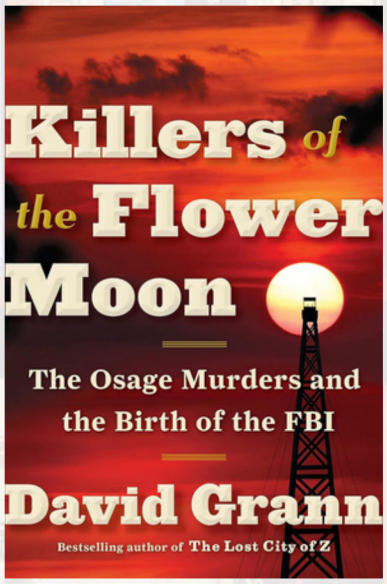
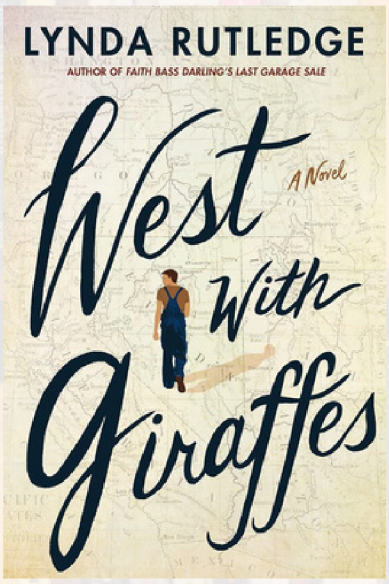
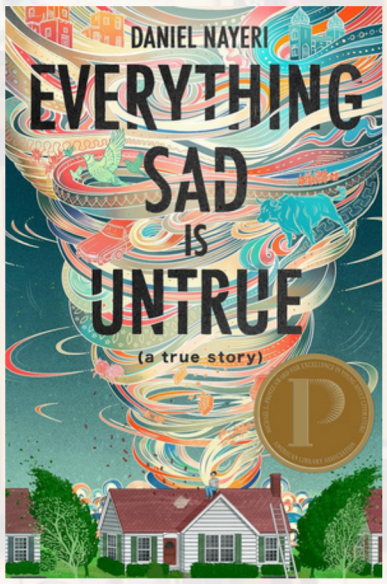
Good Times Good Friends

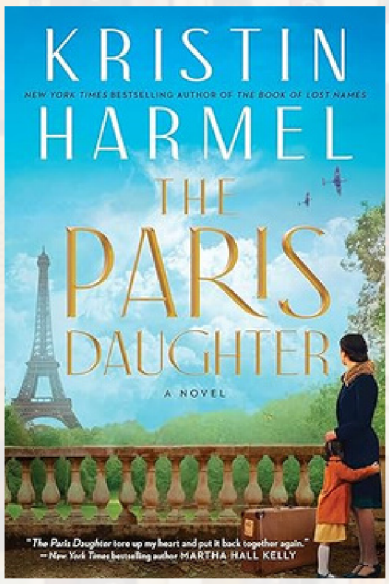
ChickLits Book Selections



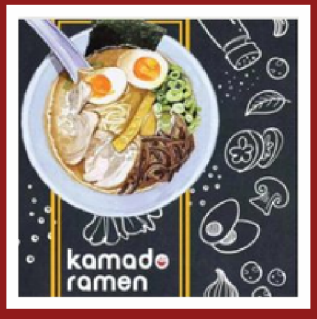








OCTOBER	Weyward by Emilia Hart
NOVEMBER	Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann
DECEMBER	West With Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge
JANUARY	The Snow Hare by Paula Lichtarowicz
FEBRUARY	The German Wife by Kelly Rimmer
MARCH	Everything Sad is Untrue by David Nayeri
APRIL	The Paris Daughter by Kristin Harmel
MAY	One Italian Summer by Rebecca Serle



LUNCH BUNCH

STOVEHOUSE

Day Trip
DIVAS
LAKE GUNTERSVILLE

Cruising

Dining

La Esquína Cocína

MEXICAN EATERY

Shopping

DOWNTOWN

FUN WITH Fido

Monte Sano State Park

CRAFTY CHICKS PUMPKINS

Sculpting & Painting

Designbyhart
Pottery Studio

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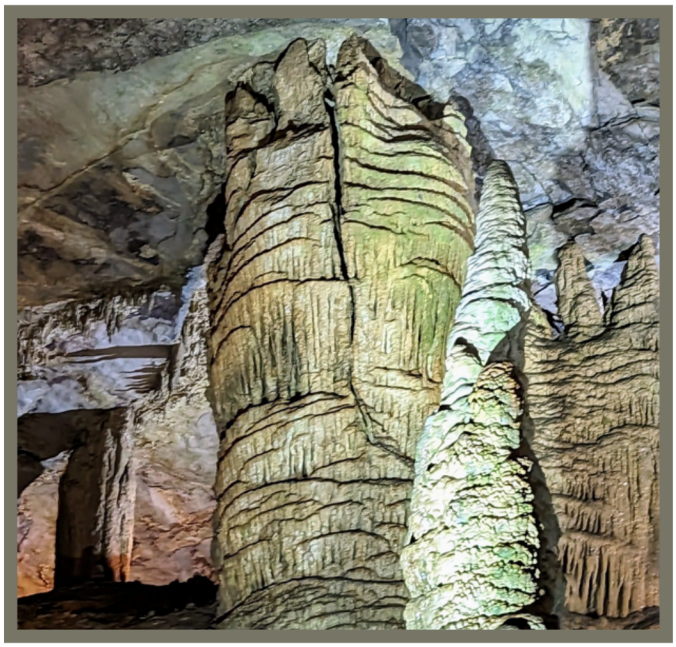
ADVENTURERS

CATHEDRAL CAVERNS STATE PARK

Originally called Bat Cave, Cathedral Caverns was opened to the public by Jacob Gurley in the 1950's. The cave was renamed because of its cathedral-like appearance. Purchased by the state in 1987, it was opened as a State Park in the summer of 2000. The first feature most people notice about Cathedral Caverns is its massive entrance. The huge opening measures 126 feet wide and 25 feet high, a possible world record for commercial caves. The grand entrance is only the beginning. Inside the cavern are some of the most beautiful formations Mother Nature has ever created including “Goliath”- one of the largest stalagmites in the world measuring 45 feet tall and 243 feet in circumference. Cathedral Caverns features many amazing sites: a "caveman" perched atop a flowstone wall, a "frozen" waterfall, a large stalagmite forest and a most improbable stone formation - a stalagmite that is 27 feet tall and 3 inches wide!



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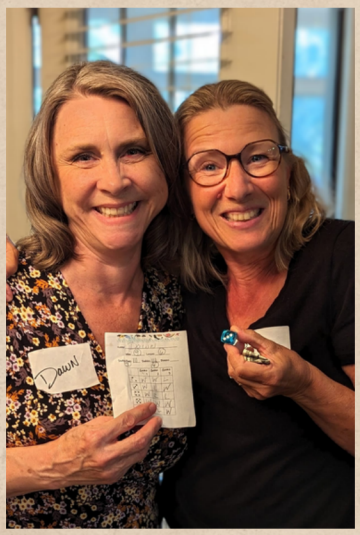

PODCAST and Brunch

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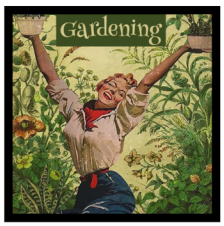

APRIL

MAY

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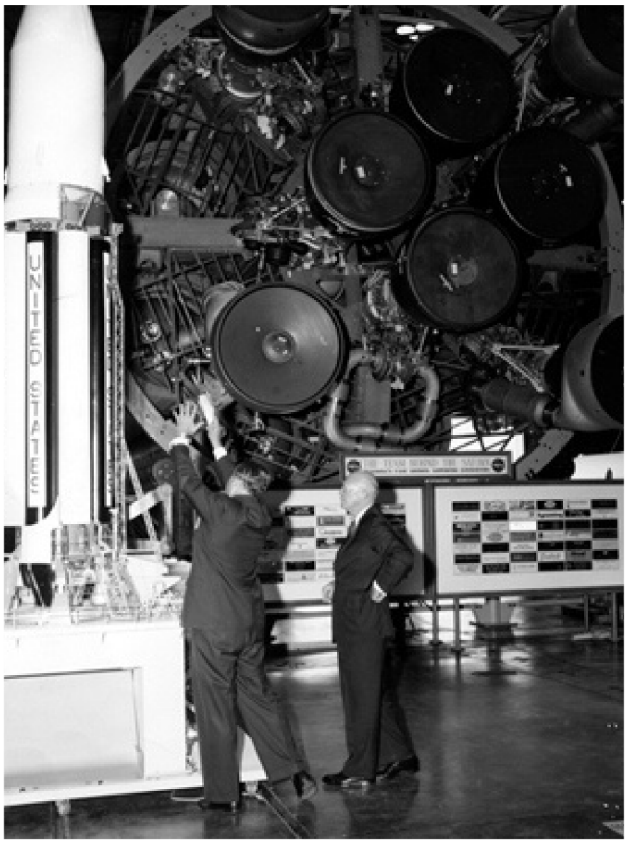
60's RSAMCC Flashback

OUR STORY

Did you know...

Redstone Wives luncheons had many themes.... the wives modeled the latest fashion at the fashion show luncheons throughout the 60s and they occasionally put on a crazy Hat luncheon at Easter.

NASA was created on Redstone Arsenal. President Eisenhower came to Huntsville to dedicate the George C Marshall Space Flight Center at Redstone Arsenal.



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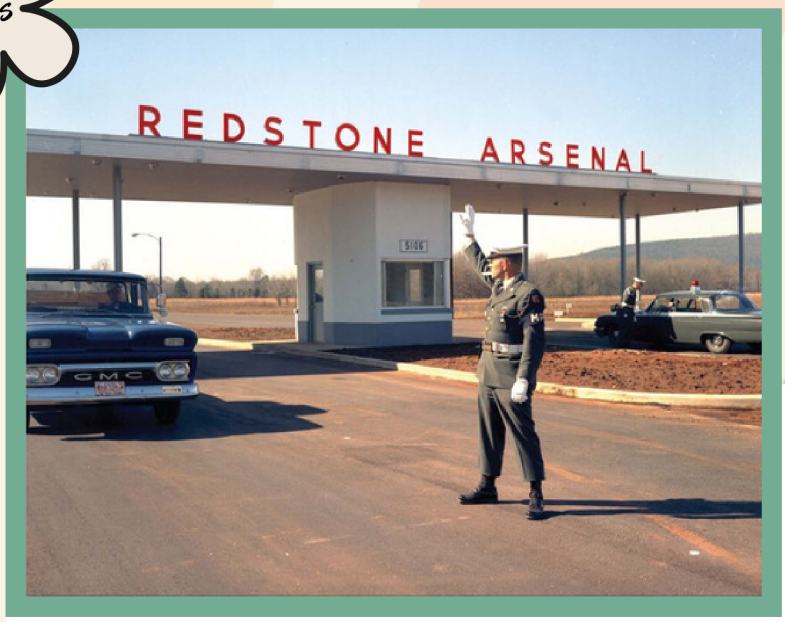

Redstone Arsenal was the home of US Army Missile Command in 1962 and played a significant role in the development of ballistic missiles.

FUN FACT

Did you know that 57 years ago the Redstone Officers Wives Club offered 30 activities including Antique Shopping, Ballroom Dancing, Bridge Lessons, Cake Decorating, Cooking, Dress Making, Gift Wrapping, Tennis, Book Club, Conversational French and even Charm and Slim & Trim classes! They also planned Day Trips like we do today!

December 1969, The Operation We Care Booth was set up in the Heart of Huntsville Mall by some Redstone Wives Club members. The program sent Christmas gifts to patients and staff of the community's adopted 93rd Evacuation Hospital in Vietnam.

Although not the fundraiser that we hold today, the Redstone Arsenal Officers Wives Club did have a golf club as one of its activities and they held an annual women's golf tournament during the 1960s.

Huntsville News for Women
Evelyn Spearman Women's Editor

For Christmas in Viet Nam

A check for $50 changes hands as Mrs. Edwin L. Donley, second from left, chairman of Red Cross Volunteers at Redstone Arsenal, accepts a Redstone Officers' Wives Club donation from Mrs. Edward E. Stembridge, Wives Club treasurer. Mrs. Hartsell H. Northington, right, new vice president of the Wives Club, and Mrs. Hugo C. Sanford, publicity coordinator for the Red Cross, look on. The money will be used to buy small gifts for the Red Cross ditty bag program providing Christmas presents for U.S. servicemen in Viet Nam. 18 Oct '66

1966 Redstone Officers Wives Club donates to the Red Cross at Redstone Arsenal.

SHARE YOUR WARES WITH RSAMCC

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How does it work?

Fill out the registration form online, selecting particular event dates. Wait for confirmation. Sandy, our Vendor Coordinator, will email you. You must respond to her email to confirm by her deadline or you will not be registered for that event.

ATTENTION VENDORS

RSAMCC welcomes our community of small business vendors.

What does it cost?

Vendors fees for RSAMCC members are $15 per luncheon with a $10 value gift donated for door prizes and for non-members vendor fees are $25 per luncheon with a $10 value gift donated for our door prizes. This does not include the price of lunch.

Have more questions?

Visit our website at rsamcc.org/vendors. Or contact our Vendor Coordinator, Sandy at rsamccvendorcoordinator@gmail.com

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ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS WITH RSAMCC

Redstone Arsenal
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What does it cost?

$50 annually (June thru May). Registration fees will not be prorated. Your info will be posted in the RSAMCC monthly Newsletter and on the RSAMCC public webpage until May 31st. Renewals will be available in June.

ATTENTION EVENT VENDORS, MEMBER OWNED BUSINESSES, AND LOCAL COMMUNITY BUSINESSES

Reach our entire RSAMCC Membership

Our Business Community Members have their info displayed in the back of our monthly online RSAMCC Newsletter (no July Newsletter) which is distributed to all our members (200+ on average) as well as on our website for members and the public to view.

Being Added is Easy

Fill out the form at rsamcc.org/businesscommunity and submit a graphic of your business card or contact info. There is a $50 annual fee.

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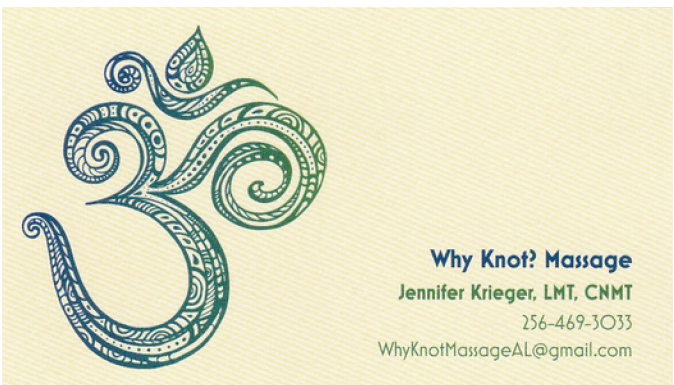

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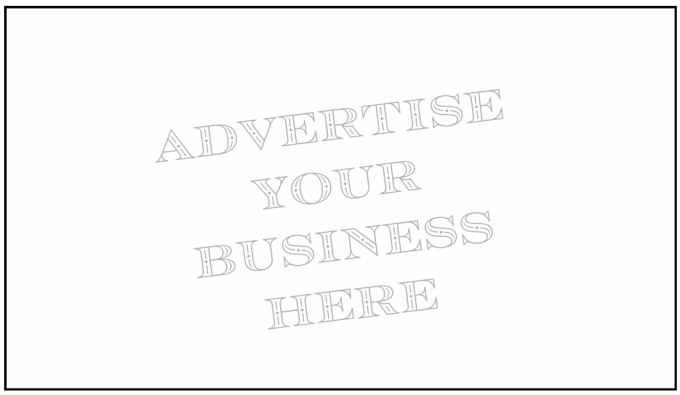
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THE ROOTS OF WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Morrill Worcester, owner of Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine, was a 12-year old paper boy when he won a trip to Washington D.C. It was his first to our nation's capital and one that would change the trajectory of his life and the lives of millions of others across the country. Seeing the hundreds of thousands of graves and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery made an especially indelible impression on him. It was to be an experience that would follow him throughout his life and successful career, reminding him that his good fortune was due, in large part, to the values of his nation and the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

In 1992, Worcester Wreath found themselves with a surplus of wreaths nearing the end of the holiday season. Remembering his boyhood experience at Arlington, Worcester realized he had an opportunity to honor our country's veterans. With the aid of Maine Senator Olympia Snowe (ret), arrangements were made for the surplus wreaths to be placed at Arlington in one of the older cemetery sections that had been receiving fewer visitors each passing year. As plans were underway to transport the wreaths to Washington, a number of other individuals and organizations stepped up to help. James Prout, owner of local trucking company Blue Bird Ranch, Inc., generously provided transportation all the way to Virginia. Volunteers from the local American Legion and VFW Posts gathered with members of the community to decorate each wreath with traditional red, hand-tied bows. Members of the Maine State Society of Washington D.C., helped to organize the wreath-laying, which included a special ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

> "This is a story for anyone who has ever wondered if one person could make a difference in the lives of millions."

Morrill Worcester, Founder of Wreaths Across America, and his wife Karen Worcester, Executive Director

For over a decade, this annual tribute went on quietly and privately. Everything changed in 2005, when a photo of the stones at Arlington, adorned with wreaths and covered in snow, circulated around the internet. Suddenly, the homespun tribute from a small town in downeast Maine was receiving national attention. Thousands of requests poured in from all over the country from people wanting to help purchase and lay wreaths at Arlington. Thousands more wanted to emulate the Arlington project at their local National and State cemeteries. Still others simply desired to share their stories and thank Morrill Worcester for honoring our nation's heroes. Many were surviving family members of some of those heroes.

Unable to donate thousands of wreaths to each state, Worcester began sending seven wreaths to every state: One for each branch of the military and an additional wreath to pray tribute to POW/MIAs. In 2006, with the help of the Civil Air Patrol and other civic

Our Mission: Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve, and Teach the next generation the value of freedom.

organizations, simultaneous wreath-laying ceremonies were held at over 150 locations around the country. The Patriot Guard Riders volunteered as escorts for the wreaths going to Arlington in the beginnings of the annual "Veterans Honor Parade," a convoy that now travels the east coast every year in early December.

The annual trip to Arlington and the groups of volunteers eager to participate in Worcester's simple wreath-laying event grew each year until it became clear that the desire to remember and honor our country's fallen heroes was bigger than he could have imagined possible at the outset. The movement had grown beyond Arlington and bigger than this one company.

In 2007, the Worcester family, along with the support of veterans organizations and a variety of other groups and individuals who had helped with their annual veterans wreath ceremony in Arlington, formed Wreaths Across America, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, to continue and expand this effort, and support others around the country who wanted to do the same. The simple mission of the organization was established: Remember. Honor. Teach.

REMEMBER HONOR TEACH
WREATHS across AMERICA

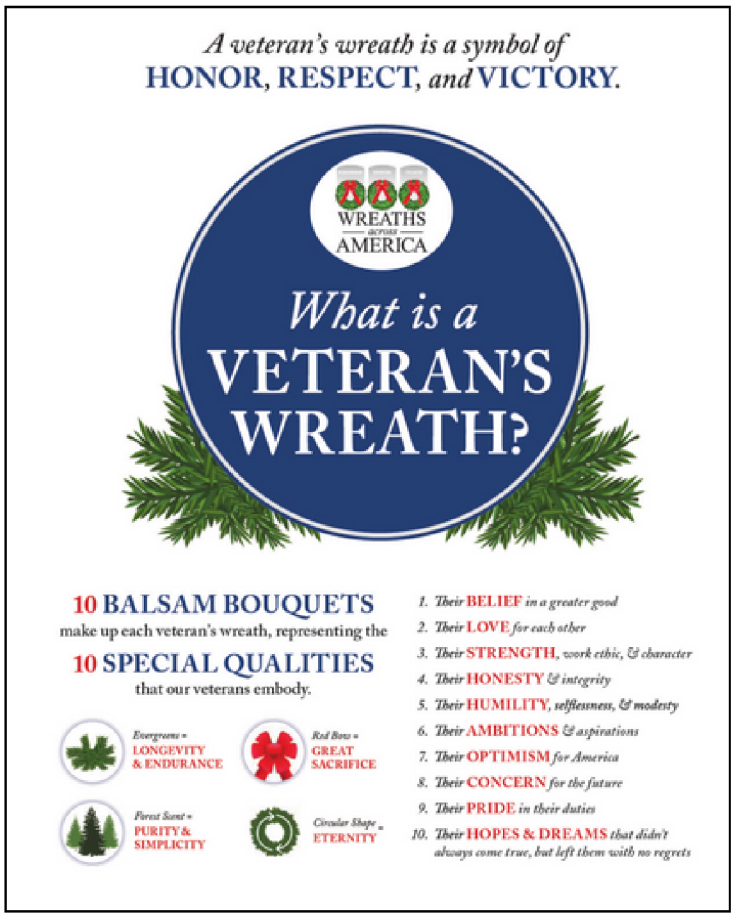
"To be killed in war is not the worst that can happen. To be lost is not the worst that can happen... to be forgotten is the worst."
— Pierre Claeyssens (1909-2003)

Just one year later, over 300 locations held wreath-laying ceremonies in every state, Puerto Rico and 24 overseas cemeteries. Over 100,000 wreaths were placed on veterans' graves. Over 60,000 volunteers participated. And that year, December 13, 2008 was unanimously voted by the United States Congress as "Wreaths Across America Day."

In 2014, a goal of placing a veteran's wreath on every grave marker was met with the sponsorship and placement of 226,525 wreaths.

In 2018, a delegation of volunteers and supporters were invited by the American Battle Monuments Commission to hold a wreath ceremony to honor the nearly 10,000 heroes interred at Normandy American Cemetery in France.

In 2022, Wreaths Across America and its national network of volunteers placed more than 2.7 million sponsored veterans' wreaths on headstones of our nation's service members at 3,702 participating locations. This was accomplished with the support of more than 5,000 sponsorship groups, corporation contributions, and in-kind donations from the transportation industry across the country.



The wreath-laying that began more than 30 years ago is still held annually, on the second or third Saturday of December. WAA's annual pilgrimage from Harrington, Maine to Arlington National Cemetery has become known as "the world's largest veterans' parade." Every year the convoy of trucks, local law enforcement, staff and supporters stop at schools, monuments, veterans' homes and communities along the way to talk about the Wreaths Across America mission and remind people how important it is to remember, honor and teach.

REMEMBER ★ HONOR ★ TEACH

SUPPORT WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA AND RSAMCC

While we have Veterans Day in the fall and Memorial Day in the spring, our servicemen and women sacrifice their time and safety every single day of the year, to preserve our freedoms. In many American homes, every day there is an empty seat for one who is serving or one who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and never came home. That is why the Wreaths Across America mission to Remember, Honor and Teach lasts all year long, far beyond the single day in December when we coordinate wreath-laying ceremonies. All throughout the year, Wreaths Across America works in a number of ways to show our veterans and their families that we will not forget—we will never forget. Read on to see the many ways we Remember and Honor our veterans, and Teach the next generation to do the same.

All are invited to join the RSAMCC as we travel up to Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery for the day to participate in Wreaths Across America's Laying of the Wreaths. We will meet up there prior to the 11am start time and join many other organizations and families laying over 5000 wreaths at this location to honor our veterans. Meeting areas and exact timeline will go out to volunteers before the event. You are welcome to bring family and friends to join our group.

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