

FEB 2024

# CASA CORNER

LOVE  
YOU



## UPCOMING COURT DATES

### IBERIA PARISH

February 07, 2024

February 28, 2024

### ST. MARTIN PARISH

February 02, 2024

February 23, 2024

### ST. MARY PARISH

February 08, 2024

## CASA BIRTHDAYS

David O - Feb. 10

Katherine Friend - Feb. 17

Erin Romero - Feb. 20

Lakondra Hines - Feb. 23

## FAMILY VALENTINE'S DATE

Valentine's Day is right around the corner and what better way to celebrate it then at home with your loving family! Here's some date ideas we've found to be the perfect way for everyone of all ages to be included:

- **Movie Night:** Grab your popcorn, blankets, and favorite movie snacks and head to your family room to watch a favorite movie. Make it even more fun by crafting your own movie tickets that have to be turned in at the door!
- **Family Fondue:** Melt down some chocolate and grab your favorite snacks (we like pretzels, marshmallows, and strawberries) and get to dipping!
- **Karaoke Night:** Pull up the karaoke versions of your favorite songs on Youtube, grab your hairbrush mic, and get to singing!
- **Royal Camping:** Grab all your blankets and pillows and build your own fort or campsite in your family room! You can even enjoy charcuterie boards, deserts and dinner inside. Make it even more fun by exchanging Valentine's cards and gifts!

## CASA Children w February Birthdays

Lakondra Hines - 1 child (Feb 2th)

Kristie Caruso - 1 child (Feb 2th)

Susan McFarland - 1 child (Feb 13th)

Michaela Davis - 1 child (Feb 14th)

**PLEASE contact the office about your party in a bag.**



# Black History Month

In 1915, in response to the lack of information on the accomplishments of Black people available to the public, historian Carter G. Woodson co-founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History. In 1926, the group declared the second week of February as "Negro History Week" to recognize the contributions of African Americans to U.S. history. This week was chosen because it includes the birthdays of both Frederick Douglass, an abolitionist (someone who wanted to end the practice of enslaving people), and former U.S. president Abraham Lincoln. The week-long event officially became Black History Month in 1976 when U.S. president Gerald Ford extended the recognition to "honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history." Black History Month has been celebrated in the United States every February since. Black History Month was created to focus attention on the contributions of African Americans to the United States. It honors all Black people from all periods of U.S. history, from the enslaved people first brought over from Africa in the early 17th century to African Americans living in the United States today.



## Movies to Watch:

- HARRIET (PG13)
- RESPECT (PG13)
- HIDDEN FIGURES (PG)
- SELMA (PG13)
- 12 YEARS A SLAVE (R)

## Books to Read:

- KING - JONATHAN EIG
- BUILT FROM THE FIRE - VICTOR LUCKERSON
- THEIR EYES WERE WATCHING GOD - ZORA NEALE HURSTON
- THE COLOR PURPLE - ALICE WALKER



# HAPPY CASAVERSARY

Rosalyn  
Conrad  
5 years

Chasity  
Morales  
5 years

Susan  
McFarland  
9 years







# Declutter For A Cause

February is dedicated to encouraging you to declutter your home/workplace and donate unused or unwanted items to nonprofits. This cause not only helps nonprofits gain needed items, but decluttering is also shown to improve your mood, relieve anxiety, and help with increased productivity. To help get you started, here's a **29 Day Declutter Challenge...and it only requires 10min of your time each day!**

1. Fridge & Freezer
2. Pantry (dry food, herbs & spices)
3. Kitchen Cupboards (aim for 2)
4. Kitchen Drawers (aim for 2)
5. Kitchen Work Surfaces
6. Under the Sink (cleaning supplies)
7. Laundry Supplies
8. Sort Through Any Piles of Paper
9. File or Shred Paperwork
10. Desk (work area)
11. Craft Supplies (gift wrapping, etc.)
12. Electronics (chargers & cables)
13. Under the Stairs Cupboards
14. Medicines & First Aid Supplies
15. Bath & Shower Supplies
16. Make Up & Toiletries
17. Linen & Bedding
18. Towels
19. Bedside Tables
20. Clothes
21. Shoes
22. Accessories (jewelry, belts, etc.)
23. Bags & Purses
24. Kids' Rooms (surfaces, floors, etc.)
25. Kids' clothes
26. Kids' toys
27. Books & magazines
28. DVDs, CDs, Games
29. Miscellaneous



CASA OF THE 16TH JDC'S

# Annual Casa Gala

APRIL | 12 | 2024

CADE COMMUNITY CENTER

1688 SMEDE HWY ST. MARTINVILLE, LA 70582

\*THIS IS AN ALCOHOL FREE EVENT\*

SOCIAL HOUR 5:30

DINNER SERVED AT 6:30

BIZ CASUAL | ADULT ONLY

\$50 TICKETS

\$5,000

SPONSORSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY

\$2,500

SPONSORSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY

\$1,000

SPONSORSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY

\$500

RESERVED  
SEATING FOR 8

## Our Mission

WE ADVOCATE FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILDREN IN THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CASA OF THE 16TH JDC, INC. IS COMMITTED TO A SINGLE GOAL: ADVOCATING FOR ABUSED CHILDREN TO SECURE THEIR PLACE IN STABLE AND NURTURING HOMES. WE ARE A PRIVATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION IN THE 16TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF ST. MARTIN, IBERIA AND ST. MARY PARISHES AND ARE BASED IN NEW IBERIA, LA. WE RELY ON VOLUNTEERS TO DEVELOP MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN IN NEED OF CARE AND HELP THEM OVERCOME CHALLENGES, AS WELL AS REPRESENT THEIR BEST INTERESTS, EXPLAIN COURT PROCEEDINGS TO THEM IN SIMPLE TERMS, & KEEP THE COURT UPDATED ON THEIR STATUS AND SITUATION.

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AUCTION ITEMS



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# 2024 ANNUAL CASA GALA

## SPONSORSHIP FORM

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CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

### SPONSORSHIP LEVEL (PLEASE SELECT)

☐ KING & QUEEN (\$5,000)

- ONE SPOT ONLY
- 2 FRONT ROW TABLES W/ SEATING FOR 10
- VERBAL & SCREEN RECOGNITION THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT
- COMPANY NAME & LOGO ON ALL EVENT MATERIAL
- PRINT ON ADS & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS PRE & POST GALA NIGHT

☐ PRINCES & PRINCESSES (\$2,500)

- TWO SPOTS AVAILABLE
- TABLE W SEATING FOR 8
- VERBAL & SCREEN RECOGNITION THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT
- COMPANY NAME & LOGO ON ALL EVENT MATERIAL
- PRINT ON ADS & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS PRE & POST GALA NIGHT

☐ KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE (\$1,000)

- THREE SPOTS AVAILABLE
- TABLE W SEATING FOR 8
- COMPANY NAME & LOGO ON ALL EVENT MATERIAL
- PRINT ON ADS & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS PRE & POST GALA NIGHT



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