

COMMUNIQUE



MAY 2022

The Chamber's Centennial Celebration Month Comes to a Close

The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce set aside the month of April to celebrate 100 years of service to the business community and the city of Bessemer. The chamber received overwhelming support from its membership, volunteers, and the community, as hundreds of people attended the chamber's mixer, 100th Birthday Party in the Park, and the 100th Anniversary Celebration & Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders' Gala. Celebratory festivities began on April 7th with the anniversary mixer, where guests included past and present chamber volunteers, supporters, and elected officials. Those in attendance were able to network amongst each other, sharing past experiences and future goals.

The 100th Birthday Party in the Park was held on Monday, April 18th at Debardeleben Park in downtown Bessemer. Dozens of chamber members set up vendor booths in the park to advertise the different products and services they have available to community. In the spirit of celebration, attendees enjoyed live entertainment, free food and birthday cake, along with door prize giveaways, which were donated by the participating vendors.



The chamber's 100th Anniversary Celebration & Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders' Gala was held on Thursday, April 21st at the Bessemer Civic Center. Bessemer native Eunice Elliott served as the mistress of ceremonies and Lil Man Mitchell provided the night's entertainment. The annual business and first responders awards were given to the following: 2022 Business of the Year - Chambers Funeral Home; 2022 Doctor of the Year - Dr. Michael Burch; 2021 Deputy Sheriff of the Year - Dep. Det. Jason Deramus; 2021 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year - Officer Jonathan Brady; 2021 Firefighter of the Year - Captain Stephen Parker; and 2022 Ambulance EMS of the Year - TaQuira Carter.

Even though Centennial Celebration Month has concluded, the Bessemer Chamber plans to continue celebrating throughout the remainder of the year! Stay tuned for announcements on upcoming chamber events such as the annual Taste of Bessemer and Business Expo and the Marvel City Family Fun Fest, both of which will return this fall!



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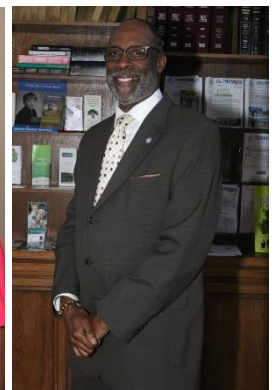
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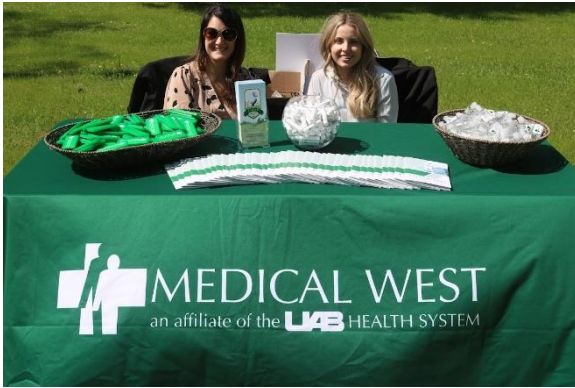
100TH ANNIVERSARY CHAMBER MIXER



Above picture: The Chamber received this commendation certificate for 100 years of service from Alabama Governor Kay Ivey on January 28th, 2022.



100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY IN THE PARK



100th ANNIVERSARY GALA



Left to Right:

**2022 Business of the Year:
Chambers Funeral Home**

**2021 Law Enforcement
Officer of the Year:
Officer Jonathan Brady**



Left to Right:

**2021 Deputy Sheriff
of the Year:
Deputy Detective
Jason Deramus**

**2022 Ambulance EMS
of the Year:
TaQuira Carter**

Left to Right:

**2021 Firefighter
of the Year:
Captain Stephen Parker**

**2022 Doctor of the Year:
Dr. Michael Burch**



Thank you to our event STAR (Medical West Hospital, Jefferson county Sheriff's Office, and Bessemer Utilities) and SILVER (Chambers Funeral Home, EEFS, Julie Bell State Farm Agent, and Lawson State Community College) sponsors for partnering and celebrating with us! Also, thank you to Milo's Tea Company, The Back Porch Restaurant, and Ms. Lisa Sanders for providing the beverages, great food, and an array of delicious desserts for our celebration gala!

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS' DAY LUNCHEON

The Bessemer Chamber hosted an Administrative Professionals' Day Luncheon on Wednesday, April 27th at Lawson State Community College's Bessemer campus. Local businesses had the opportunity to either send or accompany their administrative staff to network with other admin professionals, enjoy a delicious lunch, and to have the chance to win amazing door prizes that included a 40-inch television! Emily Worthy, CRNP (Medical West Hospital) was the afternoon's guest speaker. The highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of the 2022 Administrative Professional of the Year awards, which went to two very well-deserving individuals: Angela Coleman (City of Bessemer) and Rosiezier Hall (Lawson State Community College). Congratulations to this year's winners!



COMMUNITY NEWS

The City's Annual National Day of Prayer Program



The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the City of Bessemer's National Day of Prayer program on Thursday, May 5, 2022 in DeBardeleben

Park. Area ministers, business, civic & community leaders gathered to pray for peace in the city, county, state, nation, and Ukraine. The 45-minute program was facilitated by Dr. Reginald Calvert, New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, with welcoming comments by the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce president, LaTasha Williams, IOM and greetings from Bessemer City Council President Jesse Matthews. The prayer petitions were given in the following order: First Responders: Chief Randall McFarland – City of Bessemer Fire Department; Businesses: Joyce Quinn – Bessemer Industrial Development Board; Community/Churches / Leaders: Pastor T. Jefferson Rogers, Jr. – New Bethlehem Baptist Church; Family: Reverend Jake McCall – Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church; City / County / State / Nation / Ukraine: Brother Joey Mojica – Church of God Prophecy; and Youth: Pastor Noah Rocker – Fountain of Life Church. Reverend Edwin Attaway, Flint Hill Baptist Church, was this year's speaker, and Major Robert Lyle, Bessemer Salvation Army, delivered the closing prayer. Immediately following the program, the area ministers and leaders led those in attendance on a Unity Prayer Walk around Debardeleben Park.

Bob Sykes Holds Its 11th Annual BBQ & Blues Festival

Bob Sykes sends a special THANK YOU to everyone who attended and supported their 11th Annual BBQ & BLUES Festival presented by The City of Bessemer, Premiere Chevrolet, BLOX and Pepsi. Several thousands of festival goers attended at the beautiful DeBardeleben Park on April 30th and enjoyed a day of eating Bob Sykes BBQ and dancing to award winning, legendary blues musicians including Bobby Rush. Planning is now underway for the 2023 festival scheduled for April 29th. Stay tuned for details!

District Attorney Lynneice Washington's Annual Candlelight Vigil

Bessemer Cutoff District Attorney Lynneice Washington and staff hosted their candlelight vigil on April 28th at Perfecting Reconciliation Church in downtown Bessemer. This event is held annually during National Crime Victims' Rights Week in memory of the victims of violence. Loved ones and friends of victims were invited to remember, empower, and uplift the victims of violent crimes. Speakers were on hand to give words of encouragement, offer prayer, and share their experiences, with DA Washington reading the names of 248 victims of violence. The evening concluded with prayer, as family members and friends lit candles and released balloons in their loved one's honor.

Thank you to the following members for continuing your chamber membership!

- Advanced Welding Supply
- Assistant Tax Assessor Office – Bessemer Division
- Bessemer Elks Lodge (P.E.R.)
- Bessemer Fire Department – Chief McFarland
- Bessemer Redevelopment Corporation
 - Best Western Plus
 - BLOX / GA Studio
 - Builders Millwork LLC
- Carmack Law Office, The
- Comfort Care Home Health & Hospice
 - Dana's Cake Creations
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 - eCO Credit Union
 - First Financial Bank
- Holt Insurance Agency Inc.
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- Law Offices of Merika Coleman LLC
- Manufacturers Packaging Services
 - Masonry Arts, Inc.
- McAdory Veterinary Clinic
 - Pinnacle Motorsports
 - Purse, Michelle
- Sherry McClain, Jefferson County Deputy Treasurer
 - Sneaky Pete's
- Southland Pipe & Supply
 - Therapy South
 - Tillman, Ontario
- Twenty First Street Baptist Church
- Wallace Optometry Associates

BUSINESS NEWS

Former City Hall Set to Become Mixed-Use Development by 2023

By: Blake Ells, *Selma Sun*



The former Bessemer City Hall space has long been the target of a renovation project downtown, and it could become a reality by 2023. Scott Crawford, Inc., a Milwaukee-based firm, is leading the project for the property they bought in March 2021, and with new incentives, the firm hopes to have it completed by 2023. The company spent eight months on environmental testing on the site. Since then, the company has been trying to build capital by reaching out to Opportunity Zone investors and banks. They hope that the remaining finances can be secured via tax credits. Que El-Amin, principal at the firm, says those tax credits can come if the site is deemed historic by the state. They are currently awaiting that approval by the state historic preservation. The label would allow incentives that would

make the project more manageable, as it would allow access to federal historic tax credits. Those tax credits would contribute about 20% of the needed equity for the project. "We hope that the space has 40 apartments," said El-Amin. "There is parking available in the adjacent lot that we have also purchased next door to city hall."

Though the firm isn't locally based, they discovered the property when a man from Brighton contacted them and boasted of Bessemer's recent economic boom and revitalization. The company saw a need for new housing and started down the path nearly five years ago. El-Amin's father and family are from the West Alabama area, and he had long had a relationship with the state. But this was his first business venture here. They expect to receive word about the historic designation within the next 30-60 days. If everything goes to plan, construction will begin by the third quarter of the year. El-Amin expected the project to take 10-12 months, with completion due by the third quarter of 2023.

Regional Air Medical Services Opens at Bessemer Municipal Airport

By: Seth Holloway, *The Cutoff News*

Regional Air Medical Services (RAMS) will be opening its doors to a second location at Bessemer Municipal Airport. RAMS is original based in Jasper, Alabama and founded by the same owners as Regional Paramedical Services. RAMS will provide around the clock access to critical care transport to the citizens of central Alabama. Each aircraft is equipped to provide critical care lifesaving interventions in a timely manner. Each aircraft is staffed with a critical care registered nurse and a certified flight paramedic. RAMS is in partnership with Metro Aviation. Metro provides all the aviation aspects for Regional Air-Medical Services, Inc. "Metro Aviation's common philosophy of safety, quality and customer service will continue to serve more of North Central Alabama through technology, training and highly qualified pilots, technicians, and medical staff. We are pleased to partner yet again with RAMS." - Kenny Morrow/Chief Operating officer of Metro Aviation, INC.



RAMS is an in-network provider with Blue Cross/Blue Shield and is currently negotiating with other insurance providers. "Our company prides ourselves on compassionate billing practices for our uninsured patients. Patient care is our number one priority, it is our mission to provide lifesaving interventions to critically sick or injured patients with the highest standard of care, urgency, and compassion," said Katrina Key/ Rams Program Director. RAMS began accepting scene and interfacility transports flights on May 2, 2022.

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AMBASSADORS



Left to Right: Daryl Owens, Akilih Haley (Lawson State Community College), Connie Fuell (Dex Imaging), Anna Wooten (First Financial Bank), Cathy Ackerman (First Financial Bank), Minnie Roper (Retired), Claire Mitchell (Retired), Donna King (D & K Lawncare), Charles King (D & K Lawncare)

Not pictured: Tamala Briggins (Oak Trace Care & Rehabilitation), Denise Jackson (New Jerusalem Baptist Church), Lori Chisem (Lawson State Community College), Dorian Waluyn (Lawson State Community College)

Honorary Ambassador: Sarah Beasley (Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation), Sarah Belcher (Retired)

Ambassadors are the key resource in extending hospitality in the Bessemer area and are experienced in business, community, and promotional arenas.

An Ambassador must serve as an active public relations arm of the Chamber and be prepared to meet visitors, local businesses, and various forms of the media.

We encourage you join the ambassador program. The ambassadors meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month; meetings alternate every month between 8:30am and 12 pm at the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce.

Embassadors

SPOTLIGHT

Minnie Roper **Retired, Bessemer Utilities** **Chamber Ambassador Coordinator**

1. **Tell us about yourself and your company/profession.** I was born and raised in Bessemer, Alabama. I retired from the City of Bessemer (Bessemer Utilities) after 27 years of service.
2. **What is your favorite part about living and/or working in Bessemer?** I truly enjoy living and working in Bessemer. I love meeting and helping people. When I worked in the city, it was a pleasure to serve and help anyone in need. Sometimes people just need a listening ear. I really loved my job.
3. **What motivates you to serve as an ambassador?** Working in the community and helping Bessemer grow!
4. **Tell us about your experience serving with the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce.** I've learned so much working along with Mrs. LaTasha Williams. It gives me great joy to see a new business cut a ribbon and help a member any way I can. I have met some life long friends with the Bessemer Chamber of Commerce.
5. **What are some hobbies/personal interests you enjoy in your free time?** I love traveling, going to social events, and I especially love spending as much time with my family as possible.



Are you a Bessemer Chamber member interested in sending a representative from your company to serve as an Ambassador? Contact the chamber today!



Chamber Member

SPOTLIGHT



The Good Art Company

Amy Mims
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PH: (205) 997-8284
Hours of Operation:
uesday – Saturday: 10am-6pm; Sunday 1pm-5pm
Email: amy@goodartcompany.net
Website: <https://www.goodartcompany.net>

1. **How did your business get started?** I am an artist that traveled from show to show and decided to open a location where the artists and customers come to us and teach art as well!
2. **What products and/or services do you offer?** Art gallery rental space to local artists to sell their products, classes (drawing, painting, crafting, etc.) and “sip and paint” parties.
3. **Why did you choose to open your business in the Bessemer area?** To build a business locally that involves the community! I need Bessemer, and Bessemer needs me!
4. **What is your favorite part about living and/or working in Bessemer?** The variety of people, local artists, and being in the historical area. I like being in a city that continues to grow where I am able to provide art in an area where it currently does not exist. Providing art therapy for all ages and giving local artists a place to sell their creative work, collaborate, etc. are also my favorite parts.



“The Good Art Company is a small, locally owned and operated art gallery, supply store, and activity center. Our goal is to involve the community by providing a unique place for local, seasoned artists and inspiring upcoming artists to display and sell their hand-crafted creations. We offer rental of various spaces including booths, wall, shelf, and open space at an affordable rate to support local artists. Our services include a wide range of classes such as drawing, painting, pouring and hands on crafting in the activity center. Examples include acrylic pours, reversed acrylic on glass, group painting, and more. We also provide fun and creative classes for children and accommodate birthday parties for all ages. A variety of artists bring new items in on a daily basis, updating the inventory with exciting new art displayed throughout the gallery. Our dream is to be successful as artists and small business owners, to design a fun place to shop, learn, create and be the bridge for other artists to become successful!”

- Amy Mims, owner of The Good Art Company

Chamber Member

SPOTLIGHT



Malik Temple No. 270 **A.E.A.O.N.N.S. Inc.**

Dwight Coleman
8030 22nd Street N., Bessemer, AL 35020
PH1: (205) 276-1277; PH2: (719) 930-3164
Email: maliktemple270@gmail.com

- 1. How did your business get started?** Malik Temple No. 270 was chartered October 9th, 2021 by 54 men with one single-minded vision and that is to make a difference and be a pillar in the community.
- 2. What products and/or services do you offer?** Community service and charity.
- 3. Why did you choose to open your business in the Bessemer area?** Because we see a need to help in the Bessemer and West Jefferson County areas.
- 4. What is your favorite part about living and/or working in Bessemer?** The people, the city, and the opportunity.

Malik Temple No. 270 is pleased to be a part of the Bessemer Chamber of Commerce. Malik Temple No. 270 is the newest local Shrine Temple under the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (AEAONMS, Inc.). It will be a positive contributor to our ever-growing community. On October 9, 2021, in Washington D.C, at the second oldest AEAONMS Temple site (Mecca Temple #10) within the Imperial Domain (The World), the 44th Imperial Potentate, John T. Chapman, conducted a Chartering and Creation Ceremony officially establishing the Temple and welcomed 32 new Nobles into Prince Hall Shrinedom. Malik Temple No. 270 chartered with 54 members fraternal organization that will serve the Bessemer community to support the city of Bessemer. The Noble men of Malik Temple embrace the fundamental concepts of the Masonic Order. However, they conduct a broader spectrum of visibility by how they dispense charity within the community. Membership into this prestigious organization is only open to members of Masonic organizations (PHA). The AEAONMS has a long and colorful history. The order was established as an Imperial Council of Prince Hall Shriners on June 3, 1893, in Chicago, Illinois, under the leadership of John George Jones. The Worldwide Fraternal Shrine Family has a membership of 35,000 in 227 Shrine Temples and 209 Courts (female auxiliary). The AEAONMS is primarily a benevolent, charitable, and fraternal organization. Its dedicated members live out the principles of fostering civic, economic, and educational development programs throughout the world.

Heading the list of recipients are the NAACP, Legal Defense Fund, Urban League, and United Negro College Fund, National Diabetes Initiative along with annual grants to HBCU's and hospitals domestically and abroad for medical and other research projects.

Diamond SPONSORSHIP \$10,000.00

100th Annual Meeting – Primary Seating of 8 and ½ page in program
Sponsor of Community Service Scholarship
29th Annual Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders Gala
- Primary Seating of 8 and 3 VIP passes or sponsor another chamber premiere event
2 page ad in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
1 page Story in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
Title Sponsor for the Golf Tournament or Membership Event
Plan a Business After Hours on your behalf (Not to exceed \$750)
Up to \$750 credit toward annual membership dues
6th Annual Taste of Bessemer Sponsor and 5 tickets
Marvel City Family Fun Fest Title Sponsor
Spotlight in Chamber Newsletter *The Communique*
4 Full page ads in Chamber's *Communique* throughout the year
Company Logo with website link on Chamber website
Logo recognition at all major events
Chamber listing for up to 3 company representatives
Sponsor for City of Bessemer Christmas Parade
- includes one entry in parade and listing on promotional materials
Pre/Post event advertising

Platinum SPONSORSHIP \$7,500.00

100th Annual Meeting - Table of 8
29th Annual Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders Gala
- Table of 8 and 1 VIP pass or sponsor another chamber event
1 full page ad in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine* (preferred spot)
½ page story in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
Sponsor for the Golf Tournament or Membership Event
Sponsor of a business after hours on your behalf (Not to exceed \$500)
Up to \$500 credit toward annual membership dues
6th Annual Taste of Bessemer Sponsor
Marvel City Family Fun Fest Title Sponsor
2 full page ads in Chamber's *Communique* throughout the year
Company Logo with website link on Chamber website
Chamber listing for up to 3 company representatives
Sponsor for City of Bessemer Christmas Parade
- includes one entry in parade and listing on promotional materials
Pre/Post event advertising

Gold SPONSORSHIP \$5,000.00

100th Annual Meeting - Table of 8
29th Annual Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders Gala
- Table of 8 or sponsor another chamber premiere event
1 full page ad in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
Silver Sponsor for Golf "FORE" Progress
Plan a business after hours with other gold sponsors (Not to exceed \$250)
Up to \$200 credit toward annual membership dues
6th Annual Taste of Bessemer – 4 tickets
½ page ad in chamber *Communique*
Company Logo with website link on Chamber website
Chamber listing for up to 3 company representatives
Pre/Post event advertising

Silver SPONSORSHIP \$3,000.00

100th Annual Meeting - Table of 8
29th Annual Bessemer Business Awards & First Responders Gala – 2 tickets
1/6 page ad in 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
Golf "FORE" Progress Golf Tournament
- Team of 4 and Name/Logo on all promotional material)
6th Annual Taste of Bessemer – 2 tickets
¼ page ad in Chamber *Communique* newsletter
Company Logo with website link on Chamber website
Chamber listing for up to 2 company representatives
Pre/Post event advertising

**Any events that are held but not listed will incur an additional cost.*

2022 Sponsorship Investment

SPONSORSHIP INVESTMENT FORM

Please complete the form below and mail to:

321 18th Street North, Bessemer, AL 3502
or fax to 205-425-4979

**Please email a JPG copy of your company logo to
mmilan1@bellsouth.net at this time.**

Company: _____

Contact (1) _____
(2) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

PH: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

ANNUAL INVESTMENT

Diamond _____ (\$10,000) Platinum _____ (\$7,500)

Gold _____ (\$5,000) Silver _____ (\$3,000)

Small Business Partner _____ (\$1,000)

APPROVED BY:

PRINT NAME AND JOB TITLE:

*Your signature indicates your agreement to pay the entire
amount owed. Balances not paid in full by July 15, 2022
will be turned over to a collection agency.*

CHOOSE METHOD OF PAYMENT

_____ Annual (January 2022)

_____ Semi Annual (January & July 2022)

Payment Options: ____ Check ____ Credit Card

CC# _____

Name on Card _____

Exp. Date _____ CVV# _____ Billing Zip _____

Small Business Partner SPONSORSHIP \$1,000.00

100th Annual Meeting (2 tickets) with option to upgrade
Business card ad in the 2022 *Bessemer Magazine*
Golf "FORE" Progress Golf Tournament – Hole Sponsorship
Business Card ad in one issue of the *Communique* newsletter
6th Annual Taste of Bessemer – 1 ticket
Chamber listing for up to 2 company representatives
Pre/Post event advertising

Bessemer

Area Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Member SPOTLIGHT

Your spotlight will be featured in the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Newsletter and on the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook page. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions!

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM, ONE PHOTO AND YOUR COMPANY LOGO, IF APPLICABLE, ASAP.

Company/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Hours of Operation: _____

Owner(s)/Contact Representative(s): _____

Phone (include fax number): _____

E-mail: _____

Website/Social Media: _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

How did your business get started (Brief history)?

What products and/or services do you offer?

Why did you choose to open your business in the Bessemer area?

What is your favorite part about living and/or working in Bessemer?





TIDBIT TUESDAY

“TIDBIT TUESDAYS” IS A WEEKLY VIDEO HIGHLIGHTING BESSEMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS AND THEIR SERVICES. THE PURPOSE OF THE WEEKLY VIDEOS IS TO EMPOWER AND INFORM VIEWERS ABOUT CHAMBER MEMBERS’ PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

Options for Filming:

1. Record your video (no more than 2 minutes) on your cellular device and submit along with this form to Micole Dudley at bessemerchamber.memberserv@gmail.com.
2. Schedule on site filming, allowing chamber staff to come out and film for you. Contact chamber staff to schedule day and time.

Company: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email address: _____

Quick History of Business: _____

Hours of Operation: _____

Summarized Tuesday Tidbit tips: **(Keep in mind that your useful tip(s) needs to be relevant and tied to the product/service being promoted! See example on back.)**

() Product OR () Service:

Please feel free to add additional pages if needed!

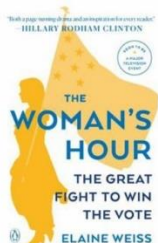
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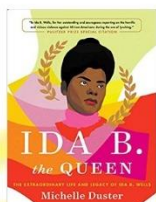
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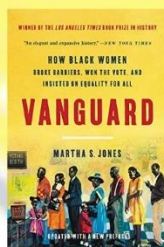
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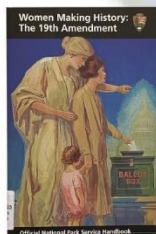
**Dr. Alex Colvin - The Woman's Hour:
The Great Fight To Win The Vote/ Elaine Weiss
April 5th & April 12th @10:00 -11:30 a.m.**



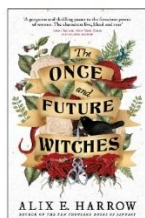
**Sarah Carmack - Ida B. the Queen / Michelle Duster
May 3rd & May 10th @ 10:00-11:30 a.m.**



**Dr. Carol Vaughn-Cross - Vanguard / Martha J. Jones
June 2nd & June 9th @ 10:00-11:30 a.m.**



**Dr. Alex Colvin - Women Making History: the 19th
Amendment/Office National Park Service Handbook
August 2nd & August 9th @ 10:00- 11:30 a.m.**



**Beth Hunter - The Once and Future Witches / Alix Harrow
September 14th & September 21st @ 3:00-4:30 p.m.**

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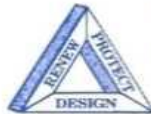
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2022 SMALL BUSINESS PARTNERS

America's First Federal Credit Union
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Chambers Funeral Home
Comfort Care Home Health & Hospice

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Legacy YMCA
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