

# IMAGINING FREEDOM

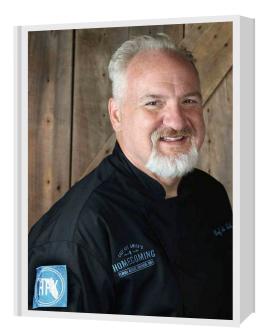
STANDING WITH HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS

A FUNDRAISER TO CELEBRATE COOKING AND CONSUMING WITH A CONSCIENCE



# SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 PREPROGRAM 11:15AM | EVENT BEGINS AT 12PM

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This fun and informative program features a cooking demonstration by Chef Art Smith, a Jasper, Florida, native. He is a familiar face on the national food scene with restaurants in several major cities and his Homecomin' restaurant in Disney Springs in Orlando.

Television viewers know Chef Art from the "Today" show, "BBQ Pitmasters" and "Top Chef Masters." A sixth-generation Floridian, he was Oprah Winfrey's personal chef for 10 years and cooked for two Florida governors in Tallahassee.

Since the pandemic, Chef Art has been hosting a series of cooking videos and has lost 70 pounds. He is the author of several books including, "Art Smith's Healthy Comfort: How America's Favorite Celebrity Chef Got it Together, Lost Weight, and Reclaimed His Health!"



# A CELEBRATION OF RED HILLS FARM ALLIANCE



**Red Hills Small Farm Alliance** recently adopted a statement against trafficking and is informing all of its farmers and producers about the issue.

The statement reads: Red Hills Small Farm Alliance is committed to helping to eradicate human trafficking as defined in State of Florida and federal laws. We do not condone human trafficking and will not engage in this practice or knowingly work with suppliers who engage in these practices. Our producers are committed to practices that ensure that no human trafficking exists in their business operations. We will provide our producers and members with information on human trafficking to help carry out the terms of this statement of principles.

They serve as a shining example for other businesses and organizations. This is the first time that a farming organization in our region has adopted a statement like this to underscore their collective commitment to preventing human trafficking.



# **IMAGININGFREEDOM**

#### **TODAY'S PROGRAM**

Thursday, September 10, 11:15 pm-1 pm

11:15 am PRE-PROGRAM
12:00 pm PROGRAM BEGINS

#### **WELCOME AND BOARD GREETINGS**

Robin Hassler Thompson, Executive Director STAC Judy A. Gagnon , STAC Board President

IN MEMORIAM: RICH POUNCEY

#### WHY STAC, WHY NOW?

Pastor Douglas Harris, Midway Unity Fellowship Church, STAC Board Member

#### **WALKING THE TALK**

Cari Roth, President, Red Hills Small Farm Alliance Sundiata Ameh-El, Compost Community and Frenchtown Urban Farm

#### BEING A CONSCIOUS CONSUMER

Susan Levin Turner, Co-Owner Food Glorious Food, STAC Board Member

#### **COOKING DEMONSTRATION**

Chef Art Smith

### INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE: PARTNERING WITH STAC

Kristina Bailey, Human Trafficking Program Coordinator, International Rescue Committee Tallahassee

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Faith Moore Cruz, Family and Emergency Nurse Practitioner, STAC Board Member, Robin Hassler Thompson, Executive Director STAC

#### 1:00 pm PROGRAM CONCLUDES











#### **HERE'S WHAT YOU MAKE POSSIBLE**

- STAC provides training and education to over 2,500 people annually, including healthcare and child welfare professionals, law enforcement, educators and students, community-based organizations, faith communities and many more.
- In 2019, the Hotline identified **896** trafficking cases and over **2,000** hotline contacts from Florida.
- Since 2018, **STAC** has assisted over 40 people who were trafficked or at serious risk, along with dozens more who were identified as extremely vulnerable to being sex or labor trafficked.

#### 10 WAYS YOU CAN HELP END TRAFFICKING

- 1. Know the National Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-3737-888; Text "Help" or "Info" to 233733.
- 2. Know the signs CALL 911 if you suspect danger.
- 3. Join the Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking.
- 4. Buy and demand fair trade/slavery-free goods.
- 5. Visit www.slaveryfootprint.org.
- 6. Share info about trafficking widely.
- 7. Join STAC's email list and get involved.
- 8. Ask local leaders to support anti-trafficking measures.
- 9. Make a financial contribution to support STAC's work.
- 10. Volunteer with STAC and our partners in the Big Bend!

# YOUR SUPPORT BRINGS SEX AND LABOR TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS TO SAFETY AND A BETTER PLACE IN LIFE. THANK YOU!

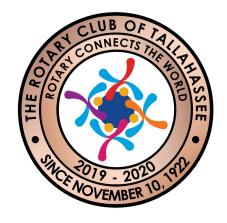
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Uptown Cafe and Catering

North Florida Animal Hospital





# IMAGINING FREEDOM — BASKET DRAWING



STAC is offering a drawing to win a basket of gourmet food and wines, gift cards, desserts and chocolates, recipes, a signed cookbook by Chef Art Smith, and other goodies. (Value: \$700+) All items are donated by STAC Board, Staff, and our amazing sponsors who are listed below.

Any person may enter the drawing by donating to STAC starting on September 8, 2020 at 12:00 am, through September 13, 2020 at midnight, Eastern Time on STAC's STAC's website, or on STAC's Facebook page or by sending an email to stacesurviveandthriveadvocacy.org as described below. The suggested donation is \$25 per chance and you may donate more than once. Each donation of \$25 will provide the donor with one chance to win the basket. (A donated amount up to \$25 will provide the donor also with one chance to win.)

Those who wish to enter the drawing, and not donate, may send an email to stacesurviveandthriveadvocacycenter.org, noting "BASKET DRAWING" in the subject line, and including name, address, email, and phone number in the body of the email.

The drawing will take place at noon, September 16, 2020, on a "Facebook Live" event on STAC's Facebook page. The winner will be announced at that time and notified by phone or email on or before the close of business Sept. 16, 2020. Proceeds to benefit the Survive and Thrive Advocacy Center, 851 East Park Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32301.

For any questions, please contact Robin Hassler Thompson at robin@surviveandthriveadvocacy.org or 850-597-2080.

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Fair Trade Basket donated by Michelle Hawken, Owner of Soul Fabric

#### **Basket Items:**

- 1.\$100 Gift Certificate from Food Glorious Food
- 2.\$50 Gift Certificate from Glendower Farms
- 3. Four \$25 Gift Certificates (total \$100) from Red Hills Small Farm Alliance
- 4. Two \$5 Drink Gift Certificates and Two Bags Each of Peru & Columbia Coffee from RedEye Coffee
- 5.\$50 Gift Certificate from SoDough
- 6. One Mac Meal Gift Certificate from Tally Mac Shack
- 7. Gift Certificate for one Smoked Salmon from Uptown Café at Midtown
- 8. One Bag Each of Corn Meal, Corn Flour & Grits from Bumpy Road Farm
- 9. An assortment of Baked Desserts by Susan Turner
- 10. Local Honey by McKibben Honey from David Grimes
- 11. "Put up" Canned Goods from Backwoods Crossing/Backwoods Bistro
- 12. Ten Dark Chocolate Bars by Tony's Chocolonely
- 13. One Bottle each of White and Red Fair Trade Wines from Renee C. Starrett
- 14. Recipes, Public Awareness and Educational Printed Materials from STAC
- 15. One set of annual canine vaccines from North Florida Animal Hospital (value \$215)
- 16. Eggs for desserts from Lovett Farms
- 17. Signed Cook Book by Celebrity Chef Art Smith from STAC



#### **LEARN MORE**

STAC and the Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking (BBCAHT) offer FREE training from 1 pm to 2:30 pm on the third Friday of every month for anyone who would like to learn about trafficking and how to help. Sessions include facts and trends, as well as a specialized topic that changes each month.

The next workshop on **Friday, September 18 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm**. This session will explore the challenges in building a local coalition to end trafficking, explore successes, and promising practices, discuss the role of child welfare professionals and the Department of Children and Families on this local effort, and provide ample time for participant questions and discussions. **Visit survive and thrive advocacy.org for more information.** 

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