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## Vintage Affair returns Saturday

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Staff / Samantha M. Shal From left, Charlene Levinson and Catherine Lautenbacher, of the CAC, will host Vintage Affair Saturday at Holy Innocents. The art shown here will be included in the silent auction.

The Community Assistance Center's 12th annual Vintage Affair is back to promote the conceptual marriage of a good time with a good cause.

This year's event, themed Uplifting Our Community, is set to take place Saturday at Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church in Sandy Springs. Proceeds will benefit the center in its effort to aid the underprivileged in Sandy Springs and Dunwoody.

"Vintage Affair allows CAC to gain the attention and support of local businesses, community leaders and individuals who want to be a part of helping their neighbors in need and the community in which they live be a better place," said event chairwoman Shelly

Dozier-McKee.

"Every person who is involved with Vintage Affair or attends the event [represents] an opportunity to spread the word about the need in our communities and how a helping hand can make a difference."

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McKee and company are encouraging prospective patrons to come enjoy a “great evening” out.

Once inside, guests will be privy to culinary offerings from renowned local eateries and fine wine tastings. Silent and live auctions are also on the agenda, as is live music provided by The Prime Suspects.

Coordinators said the evolution of the event has benefitted its host entity.

“Vintage Affair has always been the largest fundraising event that CAC puts on each year and I am proud to say that, through the hard work of the [planning] committee, CAC staff and volunteers, we have attracted more businesses and guests to support and attend the event — which has in turn raised more money each year for the organization,” said Dozier-McKee, a Sandy Springs resident and vice president of the center’s board.

The center has helped more than 16,000 local families with food, clothing and assistance for rent and utilities since its founding in 1987.

For board chairwoman Catherine Lautenbacher, getting involved in the cause comes with its own rewards.

“Both my children have volunteered at CAC a number of times,” she said. “For them it has widened their lens and improved their personal growth.

“They now think about opportunities to donate and are able to share the [center’s] mission. This makes our community stronger — when more and more people seek to lend a hand to a neighbor.”

IF YOU GO:

- o What: 12th annual Vintage Affair
- o Benefits: Community Assistance Center
- o When: Saturday from 7 to 11 p.m.
- o Where: Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church, 805 Mount Vernon Highway, Sandy Springs
- o Tickets: \$110 per person; \$200 per couple
- o Information: [www.vintageaffair.org](http://www.vintageaffair.org)

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