

# VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS



## The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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### Calendar of Events

- Apr. 6 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- May 4 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- June 1 (or 8<sup>th</sup>) - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon)
- July 6 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Aug. 3 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Sep. 14 - 1 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon)
- Oct. 5 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Nov. 2 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Dec. 7 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon)



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### President's Message

Hello Ladies,

I hope this finds everyone doing well and enjoying these warmer spring temperatures.

With Spring comes spring cleaning! As your friends, neighbors, etc. start this process, ask them to consider donating all of their unwanted items to the Salvation Army Thrift Store.

Also, I wanted to share this poem with you:

### His Love

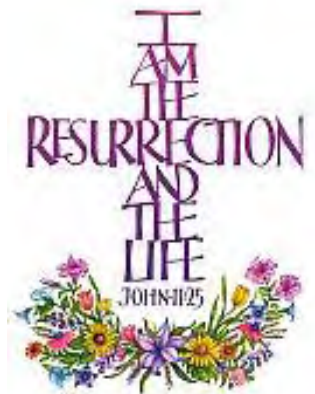
God sent His Son to take the punishment  
For all the thoughtless, sinful things we do;  
Jesus gave his life because He loves us;  
His love is boundless, sweet, forever true.

On Easter morn He showed He is our Savior;  
His resurrection proves He is our Lord.  
That is why we tell you, "Happy Easter!"  
He secured our heavenly reward!

*By Joanna Fuchs*

I hope all of you have a wonderful Easter.

Kamace Priest



**2012 - 2014 SAWA Officers and Committee Chairmen**

- Kamace Priest ..... President (2013-14)
- Trudy James ... 1st Vice Pres. (Membership Chair)
- Martha Roberts ... 2nd Vice Pres. (Publicity Chair)
- Carrie Callender ..... Secretary
- Jessica Henderson .. Interim Treasurer
- Mary Barnes/Barbara Cashman ..... Co-Chaplains
- Carrie Callender ..... Nominating Committee Chair
- Patricia Wines..... Finance Committee Chair (2013-14)
- Jo Beth Britt .....Affairs of the Heart; Senior Angels
- Judy Monroe – 2014 Soup & Sandwich Chairmen; Jacque Henley and Pat Wines, Co-Chairmen
- Martha Roberts – 2013-14 Silent Auction Chairman; Tina Grau, Co-Chairman
- LT B/Kamace Priest – Christmas Angel Tree Coordinator/Helper
- Pat Wright/Harriet Gray – Vicksburg Mall Angel Tree Coordinators
- Harriet Gray – Hospitality Com. Chair
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- Tina Grau ..... Newsletter



**April Meeting Theme: Easter**

Thank you Carrie Callender and Kamace Priest for serving as hospitality hostesses at our April meeting with an Easter meeting theme.

NOTE TO MEMBERS: Please bring one or more of the following items to the April and May meetings for Soccer Camp and Camp Hidden Lake: sunscreen spray, bug repellent spray, bandaids, and/or towelette wipes.

**Bible Verse John 11:25-26: Jesus said unto her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"**

**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

- June 1-5 Soccer Camp (we think we will need to move our meeting to the 8th; Kamace will be asked)*
- June 10 - 9:00 Applications taken for school supplies*
- June 17 - 10:30 Back to School committee meets to decide how many supplies will need to be purchased (We hope to get supplies earlier this year)*
- July 18-19 and 24-25 Back to School Supply Drive at Walmart*
- July 27-29 Pack book bags*
- July 30 Distribution at the Citadel*



**Salvation Army Office:**

Mon – Fri. 9:00 – noon; 1:00 - 4:00  
(office closed daily from noon - 1:00 for lunch)

**Family Store (2600 Clay St.)**

**Hours:**  
Mon – Sat 10:00 – 5:30

**Help always needed here!**

**Phone 601-456-4092 for pickups.**



*Remind your neighbors that the Thrift Store NEEDS clothing, linens, household items (including working computers, TVs and electronics) & rags!*

**Back to School Drive**

The Back to School Drive Committee has met and believes it might be a good idea for members to start collecting, if possible, these items that are hard to get to fill book bags. Maybe they are more available at this time. It would be helpful if members can bring to the April, May or June meetings: quart or gallon zip lock bags, book bags, Fiskar scissors (rounded ends), washable markers, highlighters and protractors. More supplies are needed but we are targeting these at this time.



Judy Monroe and Pat Wines



## Angel Tree Bargain Shopping Time!

**Ladies – Now is the Time to Shop Til You Drop!!** – If you like shopping for bargains and have some extra cash, you can score some great buys for Angel Tree children and seniors right now. Winter clothing for children is marked down to seasonal lows, as are lap throws and other items seniors may need (like large-size sweats and PJs or robes and slippers).



## Office and Family Store Volunteers

Thanks to all of our Office Volunteers for March 2015: Gloria Naylor, Dot Steen, and any others who volunteered their time. An Office Volunteer Coordinator is needed; if you can fill this position, please contact Kamace Priest at [KamaceP@Andersontully.com](mailto:KamaceP@Andersontully.com) or call 601-218-8108.

Thank you to the following Auxiliary members who volunteered in the Family Store during February: Jo Ann Burke, Rosemary Fairchild, Louise Derrington, Wanda Clark and Jacque Henley. More help is always needed at the Family Store at 2600 Clay Street.

## Family Store News – Spring Cleaning Time – Your Items Needed!

It's Spring Cleaning time and the SA Family Store needs your stuff! We need clothing, linens, and household items such as dishes, kitchen accessories, etc. – these items sell quickly. Members are reminded that donations of garments and household items (furniture/bedding too) are also needed. Usable computers, televisions, and electronics) are also welcome. NOTE: Broken electronics and wire coat hangers no longer accepted. Garments can be in ANY condition because income is also derived from rag sales. (The value of your donation is tax deductible and a receipt will be provided by store staff.) Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors! **New phone number for pickups is 601-456-4092.** (Volunteer help always needed in the new Family Store at 2600 Clay Street – come any day between 10:00 and 3:00.). Drop-off donations can be made by driving around store rear to last bay and honking horn. **Family Store hours are 10:00 – 5:30 Monday – Saturday.**



## Spring Cleaning Challenge: Declutter Around the House by Emily McClements

Here are some decluttering tips, and the process to follow for decluttering all around the house.

### Set Yourself Up for Success

Before you start decluttering, you need to have a place to put stuff that you are letting go. I love the system that I learned from watching TLC's Clean Sweep:

- **The Keep Pile** – I probably won't actually have a pile, but as I sort through stuff, I'll just put whatever I'm keeping back where it goes, hopefully more organized than when I started.
- **The Sell Pile** – I will either start a big box in our basement, or designate a shelf, as our sell/garage sale pile. We like to sell as much stuff as we can, either on Craigslist, Ebay or at a garage sale, so this will hopefully be my largest pile.

- **The Giveaway Pile** – There are some things that you just know won't sell well, so those things will go straight into the giveaway pile. I'll either use a box or just trash bags to gather this stuff together to get ready to drop off at Goodwill or [The Salvation Army](#).
- **The Trash Pile** – I'll probably add a Recycle Pile, because I'll plan to recycle whatever I can, and try to keep the amount of trash to a minimum. These will most likely be my regular trash can and recycling bin in my kitchen.

### **Tackle a Small Area at a Time**

It can be easy to get overwhelmed with the amount of stuff there is to sort through, declutter and organize. **I plan to tackle just small areas at a time, choosing one shelf, one drawer, etc. and working through that until I'm finished.**

Then if I have more time, I can move onto to another space, or I can just stop and call it good. This way I'll hopefully be able to do some serious decluttering by only working in 15-20 minute chunks of time.

### **Get Serious About Getting Rid of Stuff**

This one is important, especially for me, because I tend to hold on to more stuff than I should. I'm one of those who worry that I might need it "someday". **But I've decided that I would rather live free of the burden of extra stuff now, than realize a year or two down the road that I wished I would have kept something that I got rid of.** Most stuff is pretty easily replaceable. It's just stuff, after all.

So, be a little ruthless and get rid of stuff, even if it's hard, or you think you'll need it "someday". **Really only keep the things that you and your family are using now, or you are sure you will use in the (not too distant) future.**

### **Organize What's Left**

This step should be easier after you have gone through your stuff and really gotten rid of the things that you don't truly use or need. **Organize the stuff that you are keeping in a way that works for you and your family.** Invest in a few simple organizing materials in if you need to, but the best way I've found is to **use things that you already have for organizing.**

As you use these steps to move through your home, sorting, decluttering and organizing, I hope you will feel lighter and free from the burden of having too much stuff in your home. What a great way to start this Spring and Summer season! **Having less stuff will free you up to spend time doing all the wonderful things you want to do – like starting a garden, redecorating a room, or just spending more time with your family!**

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