

# VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS

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

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### **Calendar of Events**

Aug. 2 (noon) - SAWA Meeting Sep. 13 (noon) - SAWA Meeting Oct. 4 (noon) - SAWA Meeting Oct. 11 – S&S Prep Day Oct. 12 – **31<sup>st</sup> Annual Soup & Sandwich Oct. 18-19 & 21-22 – Angel Tree Sign-Ups** 

Nov 8 (noon) - SAWA Meeting Dec 6 (noon) - SAWA Meeting Dec. 13 – Angel Tree Day of Caring Dec. 16 – Angel Tree Distribution Day

### 2011

Jan. 3 (noon) – SAWA Meeting Feb. 7 (noon – SAWA Meeting Mar. 7 (noon) – SAWA Meeting

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### From the President's Desk

Dear Ladies,



I hope you're enjoying your summer with family and friends, vacationing, family reunions, class reunions or perhaps just enjoying some of the wonderful summer vegetables from your garden. Whatever you're doing this summer, just enjoy each day to the fullest.

School will be starting soon. Let's pray for the safety and well being of all of our children, faculty and staff throughout the community.

We are approaching our demanding time of the year and we will need your help to serve up hope in our community. Please note the Calendar of Events and sign up to help and make a difference.

Love means "to be full of goodwill and exhibit the same, and to have preference for, wish well or regard the welfare of someone". It is the love of Christians toward one another, regardless of gender, race or color. It is the love of God which provides salvation for human beings through the death of Jesus on the cross. Jesus said our most important responsibility in life is to love God; our second most important responsibility in life is to love our "neighbor." We should consider all the people in the world as our "neighbors."

Love requires sacrifice. It requires us to go out of our way and to notice the little things in one another's lives. It means going beyond just saying, "I'll pray for you," but we must actually pray, and then follow it up with action, if possible. It means preparing a meal during at difficult time or just simply being there to listen. That is what true Christian community is all about.

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary is an excellent example of true Christians loving thy neighbor. When the Auxiliary is at its best, needs are met, people are cared for, and lives are changed. You are helping to make a difference in the lives of people you don't' know and perhaps may not ever meet. Yet, you answer the call for help everyday by serving meals, working at the Thrift Store and/or working in the office. We can say thank you to each other and give all kinds of awards, but only God can give the ultimate Reward: "Well Done Thou Good and Faithful Servant. ... Welcome Home".

God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. (NLT, 1 John 4:16)

Serving together,

Trudy

### 2010 - 2012 SAWA Officers and Committee Chairmen

Trudy James ..... President

Phyllis Renfro ... 1st Vice Pres. (Membership Chair)

Barbara Cashman .... 2nd Vice Pres. (Publicity Chair)

Judy Monroe ..... Secretary

Carolyn Fugler ..... Treasurer

Anne Page ..... Chaplain

Gwen Edris.... Nominating Committee Chair

Pearl Carter..... Finance Committee Chair

Sue Tolbert/Phyllis Renfro..... Soup & Sandwich Committee Chair

Tina Grau..... S&S Silent Auction Chair; Pat Martin & Carole Simpson, Co-Chair

Help Wanted!.. Christmas Angel Tree Committee Chair

Rosa Bells.... Christmas Stocking Committee Chair

Barbara Cashman ..... Publicity Committee Chair

Help Wanted?..... Hospitality Committee Chair

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Tina Grau ..... Newsletter

### Salvation Army Office:

Mon – Fri. 9:00 – Noon; 1:00 - 4:00 Office closed on Friday (and daily from Noon – 1:00 for lunch)

### **Thrift Store Hours:**

Mon – Fri	9:00 – 5:30
Saturday	9:00 - 4:00

# Help always needed here!

Phone 601-636-2769 for pickups.

Remind your neighbors that OUR THRIFT STORE NEEDS THEIR OLD STUFF!!!



# August Meeting Theme: Office Shower

Our Citadel Office is in need of supplies; please bring anything suitable: three-inch binders; white and colored copy paper, pens, pencils, tape, folders, post-its, markers, hi-liters, paperclips and clamps, scissors, staples, legal pads,

doorstops – you name it. Please bring one or two items to help shower our Salvation Army Office for the Fall season.

At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their

plenty will supply what your need. Then there will be equality. 2 COR 8:14

### Welcome New Member

At our July meeting we welcomed Patsy Robinson as a new Auxiliary member. We look forward to getting to know you, Patsy, while forming new friendships as we work together on upcoming projects.



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# A Bowl of Soup and A Sandwich

For over 30 years "a bowl of soup and a sandwich" have provided food, clothing, and shelter, to thousands of individuals and families in our community. "A bowl of soup and a sandwich" have given assistance to those affected by a fire, a flood, a tornado, or a hurricane. "A bowl of soup and a sandwich" have given thousands of children and nursing home residents Christmas gifts they didn't expect. "A bowl of soup and a sandwich" have given life changing and life saving spiritual and emotional support to people of all ages. Yes, for over 30 years, "a bowl of soup and a sandwich" have served up HOPE to those in need.

On October 12, 2010, for the 31st time, "a bowl of soup & a sandwich" will be used to rally community support for the work of The Salvation Army.

October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.....Those are the dates to reserve on your calendar for the preparation and presentation of SAWA's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Soup & Sandwich, Silent Auction, & Bake Sale Fundraiser. Since the small group of women prepared that first batch of soup and sandwiches in the Citadel kitchen in 1979, Auxiliary members have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to serve the needy in our community through the services of The Salvation Army. This event has grown into one that is anticipated and supported by the people of Vicksburg. Since 2007 we have raised over \$30,000. Last year Sue Tolbert, serving in her 15th S&S, challenged us to raise more than ever...\$10,000. Well, we did...we raised \$12, 483! Now I want to challenge each member to step up and volunteer every minute you can to acquiring Silent Auction items, selling tickets (we sold 777 in 2009), using your talents in the preparation and execution of this event. Let's again exceed the \$10,000 challenge. Sue and I need and appreciate your ideas, your input, your talents, your energy, and your participation. Get your ladles ready. .It's time to "serve up Hope"!

> Serving together, *Phyllis and Sue* Soup & Sandwich Co-Chairmen



# Silent Auction Challenge

Calling all members! We hereby challenge each and every Auxiliary member to bring three donated silent auction items to the <u>September meeting</u>. Items can be from either assigned merchants or from artist acquaintances (new items you have on hand and want to

donate are fine – Don't forget our "Buy It Now" section of Silent Auction). With your cooperation and spirit of teamwork, 50 members each bringing in just three items will provide us with 150 bidding items toward our 2010 Soup and Sandwich Silent Auction proceeds. Think of all the less fortunate in our community proceeds from your efforts will help. YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF SO MANY.

Tina Grau, Silent Auction Chairman; Pat Martin and Carole Simpson, Co-Chairmen

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# Mexican Dinner Fundraiser

First Church of Nazarene Benefit for Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary Mexican Dinner - \$7.00

Saturday, August 14, 2010 ♦ 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Chicken enchiladas, Refried Beans, Rice, Drink

> Eat In or Take Out First Church of Nazarene,

3428 Wisconsin Ave., Vicksburg

Get your tickets to sell NOW before they're gone! Call Kathy Jones (601-529-8500), Sue Tolbert (601-529-7574), Ron Anderson (601-831-4003) or pick up at the Salvation Army front desk. At the meeting you will have the opportunity to volunteer to help set up, decorate, serve, clean up, bake, and donate toward the purchase of ingredients.



# **Angel Tree Reminder**

An overall Angel Tree Project Chairman is needed -- please consider teaming up with a friend and co-chairing this worthwhile project – see Trudy!



*Thank you Rosa Bells, for volunteering to Chair the Angel Tree Stockings Project.* Members – don't forget to begin (*or continue*) collecting items for your child angel stockings.

Please continue collecting items for *Senior Angel gifts* (larger size warm-ups, lap throws, large-print Bibles, clock radios/CD players, and inspirational music CDs all make great gifts for senior citizens).



# **July Volunteers**

A big THANKS to our JULY Office Volunteers: Judy Monroe, Louise Montgomery, Gloria Naylor, Dot Steen, and Cheryl Lloyd. Thrift Store volunteer: Carolyn Fugler. We regret if anyone was omitted from this listing.

# **July Social Services Report**

Jamie Leonard, our Social Worker, reports the following services provided clients during the month of July:

Total Cases:	47
Clothing Items/Furniture:	41
Volunteers:	92; 345 hours



Cases Served 1st Time This Year:	41
Meals Served:	1329
Groceries:	22

# **Member Snapshots**



**Barbara Yerger** joined our Auxiliary earlier this year and already has helped out at the Salvation Army front desk. Barbara is married to husband Joe, they live in Tallulah, and their family includes daughters Sophia and Ann, as well as four grandchildren. Barbara's interests include reading and gardening.

**Wanda Clark** also joined our Auxiliary earlier this year and she too has helped out at the Salvation Army front desk. Wanda is single and retired from Cooper Lighting after 30 years as an inspector in quality control. Wanda's family

includes three children: Johnny Clark, Angela Neal, and Yulonda Myles. Wanda's interests include volunteering with River Region Auxiliary as well as SAWA, and she is a newspaper carrier in her spare time.





Harley Caldwell recently joined us as a member of the Auxiliary.

Harley is Managing broker with Coldwell Banker All Stars LLC, and has sold real estate since 1988. She is married to husband Rick (31 years) and they have a son John Halpin (3<sup>rd</sup> year law student at Ole Miss), and daughter Kinley (works for New York Life with offices in Jackson and Vicksburg). Harley's hobbies and interests include gardening and playing bridge.



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