

## VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS



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

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#### **Calendar of Events**

Dec. 4 - SAWA Meeting (noon) Membership Meeting & Christmas Potluck Luncheon (noon)

Dec. 13 - Mission 66 Diner

Dec. 10 - Last Day for Mall Angel Tree - turn in gifts!

Dec. 14 Angel Tree Distribution

Dec. 15 – Senior Angel Distribution

#### 2018

Jan. 8 – SAWA Meeting (noon)

Jan. 10 - Mission 66 Diner

Feb. 5 – SAWA Meeting (noon)

Feb.23-25 - Affairs of the Heart

Mar. 5 – SAWA Meeting (noon)

Apr. 2 - SAWA Meeting (noon)



#### **Contact Us**

http://vixsawa.weebly.com/news.html

#### Or Email:

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### Message

#### My Christmas Wish To You

If I could wish a wish for you. it would be for peace and happiness not only now, but for the whole year through!

I wish that there always be food on your table. And that you always remember those less fortunate. May you always take time to share, and thank those who share with you.

I wish for time, so you may reflect on the blessings that you have, and that you express your love to those who are dear to you.

May you never feel lonely, because there are those who care.

That you realize: you are special, you are unique, you make a difference, not only at Christmas, but all year!

I wish for your thoughts to be positive ones, that you never quit, that you never give up, and that you continue to learn.

I wish for the love, peace, and joy of Christmas be yours always.

(Poet - Catherine Pulsifer)

Jesus Is The Reason For The Season! Rejoice!

Merry Christmas



# 2016 - 2018 SAWA Officers and Committee Chairmen

Trudy James ..... President

Martha Roberts ... 1st Vice Pres.

(Membership Chair)

Kamace Priest ... 2nd Vice Pres. (Publicity Chair)

Carrie Callender ..... Secretary

Barbara Cashman - Treasurer

Mary Barnes - Chaplain

Carrie Callender ..... Nominating Committee Chair

Patricia Wines..... Finance Committee Chair

Jo Beth Britt .....Affairs of the Heart; Senior Angels

Judy Monroe – 2014-17 - Soup & Sandwich Chairmen; Jacque Henley and Pat Wines, Co-Chairmen

2013-17 Silent Auction Co-Chairmen: Tina Grau & Martha Roberts

Kamace Priest – Christmas Angel Tree Coordinator/Helper

Louise Derrington – 2015/17 Vicksburg Mall Angel Tree Coordinator

Harriet Gray - Hospitality Com. Chair



Tina Grau ..... Newsletter

#### Salvation Army Office:

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



Remind your neighbors that The Salvation Army still NEEDS clothing, linens, household items and rags!

Please VOLUNTEER a few hours a week at the former Mission 66 Family Store organizing for Rummage Sales. THANK YOU!!



# December Meeting Theme: Jesus is the Reason for the Season

Thanks to our December meeting hostesses: Linda Jackson, Cappy Martin, Judy Monroe, and Martha Roberts. This is our Quarterly Membership and Christmas Luncheon. Please bring a potential member and dish to share with others.

Bible verse: And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid.

I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. Luke 2:8-16 (NIV)

Members are asked to bring one of the following items for Senior Angels: gripper slipper socks, diabetic socks, throws (lap robes), lotions, or grocery gift card.

#### Thank You!

I would like to thank the ladies for all they do to help us in all the areas that they volunteer. You make the Salvation Army look great. William Booth said that some of his best men were women. Through all the hustle and bustle, running here and there, remembering



that the reason for Christmas is that God's Son came to be with us. God came to save us. The reason for the Salvation Army helping is so men and women might find Him. Thanks again for helping to make this possible. Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Major Mary Welch

# Pay Dues

## **Dues are Payable Now**

Reminder: Membership dues are have increased to \$15 per year and Lifetime

to \$150. See Barbara Cashman at the meeting or mail to Barbara at 237McAuley Drive, Vicksburg, MS 39183.



#### Affairs of the Heart 2018

Dates for Affairs of the Heart 2018 are February 23-24-25. Jo Beth Britt is looking for entertainers! Text her at 601-618-5457 or email Jbbr.seren.shel@usa.net.



### Angel Tree/Red Kettle News

The Angel Tree/Red Kettle Campaigns are up and running every day of the week. Call or email Louise Derrington, 601-529-4465, to set up time if you can sit at Vicksburg Mall angel tree. Volunteer **groups of bell ringers** are still needed and welcome. Points of Contact: Trudy James at 601-415-2994 or Major Steve Welch at 601-262-8844 or 601-636-2706.



Warehouse: Kamace reports Santa's Workshop Distribution site is currently in organization mode. The floor is being marked and toys will be brought to the center this week. If you would like to be added to the group text to help in the distribution center, please text Kamace Priest at 601-218-8108. Hours of operation will be sent out as she is available; therefore, most notifications will be last-minute. Angel Tree is Distribution date of 12/14.

Major Mary will be working with Alene Thornton from Community Council coordinating Senior Angels. Distribution for seniors will be 12/15.



#### Volunteer Thanks

Thank you to all our loyal Office and Family Thrift Store volunteers. Your help is vital to keep things running smoothly at the Vicksburg Salvation Army. More volunteers are always needed to make up food boxes, answer the phone and take messages in the office, or sort, shelve, and hang donations at the Thrift Store.

## Family Thrift Store News

The Salvation Army Thrift Store is open and steadily doing business. Cash register and credit card machines easily accommodate customers' purchases. A donation of hotel furniture awaits customers at the store. *Volunteers are still very much needed to sort donations*. The Salvation Army is no longer able to receive donations of mattresses/box springs, nor certain large televisions. Call 601-636-2769 for more information or to arrange pick-up of large donations.



## **Volunteer Bell Ringers – More Groups Welcome!**



Shout Out to Women of Faith Ministries, 3rd year as bell ringers at Corner Market. THANK YOU and may God bless you!

