



VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Calendar of Events

- Feb. 4 & 5 (7:00 p.m.) – Affairs of the Heart
Vicksburg Theater, Iowa Ave.
- Feb. 7 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- Mar. 7 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- Apr. 4 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- May 2 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- June 6 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- July 11 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- Aug. 1 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- Sep. 12 (noon) – SAWA Meeting
- Oct. 3 (noon) – SAWA Meeting



Contact Us

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

Or Email:

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From the President's Desk

My Sisters in Christ,

February is the shortest month of the year, but it's a busy month. We will have our first fundraiser, Affairs of the Heart to be held on February 4 and 5 at the Vicksburg Theater. Let's do our best to help make this event a success!

The American Football extravaganza, the 2011 Super Bowl XLV (45) is scheduled to be played on Sunday, February 6, 2011 at the Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas. The game is between the Pittsburgh Steelers versus the Green Bay Packers. Enjoy the game and I hope your team wins. Did your team get to the Super Bowl?



National African American History Month celebrates the contributions that African Americans have made to American history in our struggles for freedom and equality and deepens our understanding of our Nation's history. Note— one of the many achievements by African Americans in our history is Barton McIntyre attained the highest rank held by an African American in the Salvation Army when he was promoted to Lt. Colonel in 1969.

And then there is Valentine Day, February 14, a day for celebrating love and affection for family and friends by giving flowers, cards, candy, etc. As Christians, we demonstrate our love for God and our neighbors daily.

Christian love is giving to others those things that we want given to us if you were in their situation, and it's doing so even when we know they can't pay us back. In fact, we should do so especially when they can't pay us back! Christian love is respect for others; it's mercy and it's charity. (Luke 6:30-36)

God's love is unselfish and unconditional.

"Every day is God's gift to you, and how you live it is your gift back"
Leo Buscaglia

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
 - Joe Beth BrittAffairs of the
Heart; Senior Angels
 - Sue Tolbert/Phyllis Renfro.....
Soup & Sandwich Committee Chair
 - Tina Grau..... S&S Silent Auction
Chair; Pat Martin & Carole
Simpson, Asst. Chair
 - Phyllis Renfro.. Christmas Angel
Tree Committee Chair
 - Rosa Bells..... Christmas Stocking
Committee Chair
 - Patricia Wright - Pemberton Angel
Tree Chair
 - Barbara Cashman Publicity
Committee Chair
- Help Wanted!** Monthly
Hospitality Committee Chair

Welcome New Members

Welcome new members Debi Aden, Margo Brock, Beth Fields, Andrea Gibson, Peggy Griffin, Alice Jones, and Corrine Palmer. All have joined in just the past four months!



February Meeting Theme: Valentine

Pearl Carter has graciously volunteered to be Hospitality Chairman for February – thank you, Pearl. My children, our love should not be just words and talk, it must be true love, which shows itself in action. 1 John 3:18 TEV

Need Your Contact Info Updates

Ladies, if any of your contact information (phone #, address, email) has changed, please let me know so that change can be made on the new 2011 membership list. An email or phone message before the meeting would be appreciated to renfros@bellsouth.net, 601-638-7999.



Affairs of the Heart



At 7:00 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday February 4th and 5th, we are presenting for the FIRST time ever "Affairs of the Heart"– musical and variety revue performances at Vicksburg Theater, 101 Iowa Avenue. Attending this is a wonderful opportunity for our community to support the many very worthwhile projects of the Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary projects which include Angel Tree, sending children to summer camp, summer bible school and many others. ALL (100%) of ticket proceeds and donations will go to the SAWA projects BECAUSE EVERYTHING has been donated for this event - Vicksburg Theater has donated use of the buildings; entertainers are donating their time and talents; stage people including myself are donating our time and dedication, intermission supplies, programs and advertising. *Affairs is TRULY an act of love and devotion to these community needs!* As a member of the Theater Board as well as a member of SA Women's Auxiliary, Affairs is my idea and creation with the help of MANY to make it happen.

We need all Auxiliary members to come and bring friends with them. Tickets may be purchased at the theater the nights of the performances. Advance tickets may be purchased - Adult Advance tickets are \$7 (at the door cost is \$10). Call Sue at 601-529-7574 or email Jo Beth at jbbj.seren.shel@usa.net). Tickets also may be purchased from most of the entertainers. Local talent/entertainers include (but this is not all):

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| Lt Herb Frazier (our SA Lt) | AKP.s |
| Mt Zion #1 MB Church Male Choir | Jason and Andrea Fairchild |
| Gwendolyn Yates (local author) | Elevated |
| Michael Bunch and Bettie Yates | Raggy Ragsdale |
| Vicksburg High School Madrigals (and two other performers) | Jimmie Price |
| Bowmar Church Praise Team | Debra Franco School of Dance |
| GOLD in the Hills performers | Vicksburg High School Show Choir |
| Jackson Salvation Army | |
- (again this is NOT all.....each night will have different entertainers

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!*



I would like to thank those who responded to my request for assistance for a homeless man living in his truck. With donations received, he spent several nights in a motel room during the severe weather and cold. A Vicksburg property owner is letting him stay in one room of a house that includes kitchen and bath and we only have to pay utilities. We are praying that his appeal for Social Security disability will be approved soon and he can move into better home.

He has a queen size bed, kitchen essentials, microwave, coffee pot, toaster, lamp, radio, blankets, sheets and some cleaning supplies that were donated by Auxiliary members and others. He is a very good Christian man who lost his job and home, and then had a series of strokes that prevent him from working. He needs a couch or chair (recliner type if possible). He could also use a dresser, storage cabinet, etc. for clothes; currently, everything he owns is on the floor. Also I will continue to beg for donations to help with utilities so that he doesn't have to live back in his truck. The house has water and electricity but no gas, so we have provided him with a gas heater that uses propane gas tanks. He receives \$200 per month food stamps, Medicare and medicine from one of the medical ministries. He is not a candidate for the Rescue mission because he is not a drug addict or alcoholic. He is very appreciative of everything, and to those who have helped, wants me to please say "thank you" for him.

Sue Tolbert



December/January Volunteers

Thanks to all of our Office Volunteers for December 2010 and January 2011: Ron Anderson, Auther Bailey, Yolanda Horne, Cheryl Lloyd, Louise Montgomery, Gloria Naylor, Tammy Smith, and Dot Steen.

December Social Services Report

Lt JoAnn Frazier reported the following services provided clients during the month of December:



Meals Served	1,102	Volunteers	82	Hrs volunteers served	170	
Angel Tree families helped	415	Total no. of children gifted:	952	Senior Angels gifted:	160	
Clothing items given:	81	Blankets:	55	Entergy Assistance:	27	
Rental Assistance:	14	Furniture:	4	Total Cases seen:	227	
First Time:	194	Groceries:	63			

Member Snapshots

Although officially joining the Auxiliary just 7 months ago, **Cappy Martin** was contributing to Auxiliary Bake Sales long before that, and continues to be an asset to our organization since joining. Cappy is single and volunteers with the Humane Society, Vicksburg Family Development and the Bowmar Baptist Church kitchen. Her hobbies include cooking, raising rabbits, chickens, and veggies.



Patsy Robinson is also a 7-month member of the Auxiliary. Patsy is now retired after doing administrative work in hospitals and clinics for 35 years. Her family includes children Pam Houston, Donna Vines, Beverly Cooper, and Frank Johnson.



A weekly office volunteer **Tammy Smith** is a 6-month member of the Auxiliary. Tammy is single and enjoys reading movies, and traveling.



Member Snapshots (Continued)



Joining the Auxiliary 4 months ago, **Beth Fields** is married to Paul Field, Sr. (retired US Army). Beth's previous employment was at the Dress Barn. Her hobbies and interests are cooking and reading.

Alice Jones joined the Auxiliary in December and went right to work helping with Angel Tree. She retired from Hampton/Holiday Inn after 33 years as a sales/personnel manager. Alice is a widow with two children Keith Alexander and Kelly Alexander; three grandchildren: TC and Kevin Alexander and Crystal Lee; and two great-grandchildren, Neelie and Benton. Alice enjoys exercising and sewing.



Thrift Store Reminder

Members are reminded that donations of garments and household items are always needed at our Thrift Store – as are shoppers. 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.) Tell your friends and neighbors! For pickups, call 601-636-2769.



The Salvation Army
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