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# VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS



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

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### Calendar of Events

- July 11 – SAWA Meeting (noon)
- July 22 & 23 – Walmart Book Bag Drive
- July 29 & 30 – Walmart Book Bag Drive
- Aug. 1 – SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Aug. 1 – 3 – 10 – 2 – Fill Book bags
- Aug. 4-5 – Distribute Book bags
- Sep. 12 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon)
- Oct. 3 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Oct. 10/11 – Soup & Sandwich Set-Up and Fundraiser



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### President's Message

Doing The Most Good

“Doing The Most Good.” In these four words, our mission – to feed, to clothe, to comfort, to care. To rebuild broken homes and broken lives. By walking with the addicted, we can lead them to recovery. In fighting hunger and poverty, we can feed and nurture the spirit. And, in living and sharing the Christian Gospel by meeting tangible needs, we give the world a lasting display of the love behind our beliefs.

What We Believe

The Salvation Army's eleven articles of faith reflect our determination to remain faithful to our standards and principles.

1. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and that they only constitute the Divine rule of Christian faith and practice.
2. We believe that there is only one God, who is infinitely perfect, the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of all things, and who is the only proper object of religious worship.
3. We believe that there are three persons in the Godhead – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, undivided in essence and co-equal in power and glory.
4. We believe that in the person of Jesus Christ the Divine and human natures are united, so that He is truly and properly God and truly and properly man.
5. We believe that our first parents were created in a state of innocence, but by their disobedience, they lost their purity and happiness, and that in consequence of their fall, all men have become sinners, totally depraved, and as such are justly exposed to the wrath of God.
6. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has by His suffering and death made an atonement for the whole world so that whosoever will may be saved.
7. We believe that repentance toward God, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and regeneration by the Holy Spirit are necessary to salvation.
8. We believe that we are justified by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and that he that believeth hath the witness in himself.
9. We believe that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedient faith in Christ.
10. We believe that it is the privilege of all believers to be wholly sanctified, and that their whole spirit and soul and body may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**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 – 2014-16 - Soup &  
Sandwich Chairmen; Jacque Henley  
and Pat Wines, Co-Chairmen
- 2013-16 Silent Auction Co-Chairmen:  
Tina Grau & Martha Roberts
- ? Kamace Priest – Christmas Angel  
Tree Coordinator/Helper
- ? Louise Derrington – 2015 Vicksburg  
Mall Angel Tree Coordinator
- Harriet Gray – Hospitality Com. Chair



Tina Grau ..... Newsletter

11. We believe in the immortality of the soul, the resurrection of the body, in the general judgment at the end of the world, in the eternal happiness of the righteous, and in the endless punishment of the wicked.

I wish all of you a happy and safe Fourth of July. May God Bless all you serve, and may God Bless the United States of America.

Trudy James



**Welcome New Members**

We are pleased to (belatedly) welcome Del Harris-Minor and Shelia McKinnis to Auxiliary membership. We look forward to serving alongside both of you on our many projects helping others.

**July Meeting Theme: God Bless America**

NOTE TO MEMBERS: Please bring one or more of the following items to the June meetings for Camp Hidden Lake: sunscreen or bug repellent spray, bandaids, and/or towelette wipes. Our Back to School Project is gearing up, so if members could supply a box of Kleenex, roll of paper towels, pocket folders with clasps, 24-ct crayons, and/or a box of colored pencils, it would be appreciated.



Bible Verse: "Second Corinthians 3:17 "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

**Back-to-School Project**



- Walmart Book Bag Drive: Fri./Sat., July 22 & 23 from 9:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. and  
Fri./Sat., July 29 & 30 from 9:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Mon., Aug. 1 - Sorting School Supplies (before AND after meeting)
- Tues. & Wed., Aug. 2, 3 – 10 a.m. until 2 - Fill book bags
- Thurs./Fri., Aug. 4 & 5 – Distribution from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Soup and Sandwich News**

The SAWA project fund-raiser Soup, Sandwich, Silent Auction and Bake Sale is scheduled for October 11 at Crawford Street UMC from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm. It will take many talents, helping hands and willing hearts to make this event a success. We are fortunate to have Judy Monroe once again chairing the event, along with Cheryl Lloyd chairing the Bake Sale, and Tina Grau and Martha Roberts co-chairing the Silent Auction. We look forward to many fellow members using their talents and time towards that day. Mark your calendars for October 10, our Set-Up Day, and October 11, our event day and begin praying for it.

Silent Auction merchant assignments will be distributed at the July meeting and/or via email.





## Welcome Major Steve and Major Mary Welch

We are delighted to welcome our new officers Majors Steve and Mary Welch. Here is a biographical sketch provided so that we can get to know more about them and their family.

Major Steve Welch, one of four Salvation Army officer children of Majors Jeffery L. (Promoted to Glory) and Shirley M. Welch (R) of Ludington, Michigan, lived in several western Michigan and northern Indiana cities

and graduated from North Side High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Upon completing a Bachelor of Music Education program at Indiana University (Fort Wayne campus), Major Steve met his bride-to-be, Major Mary, at The Salvation Army's Southern Territorial School of Music at Camp Keystone, Florida.

Major Mary Welch grew up in Lynn Haven, Florida and graduated from Mosley High School. Her first contact with The Salvation Army came at the age of 14 and resulted from an invitation from her grandmother to attend a Ladies' Home League meeting. Major Mary was soon involved in other Salvation Army programs and came to understand that God was calling her to officership in the "Army".

The Welch's were married at The Salvation Army, Melbourne, Florida Corps in 1978 and entered the School for Officers Training in Atlanta that Fall. In June, 1980, they were commissioned (ordained) Lieutenants by General Arnold Brown at the National Congress in Kansas City. Since then, they have held appointments in Jacksonville and Orange Park in Florida; Chickasha, McAlester, and Shawnee in Oklahoma; Gainesville, Sebring, Pensacola, and Key West in Florida, Meridian, Mississippi, and most recently Selma, Alabama.

Each of the Welch's three children was born in a different state. Rebekah, born in East Point, Georgia, graduated from Gainesville High School and the University of South Florida, taught school in Lake Placid, Florida, and completed officer training at the School for Officer Training at The Salvation Army Evangeline Booth College in Atlanta. She and her husband, Major Phil Swyers, are stationed in Savannah, Georgia. They are the parents of five of the Welch's grandchildren. Bethany was born in Orange Park, Florida and graduated from Trevecca Nazarene University. She and her husband, Tim Delaney are Salvation Army officers serving in Hickory, North Carolina and are the parents of three grandchildren. Christopher was born in Chickasha, Oklahoma. He graduated from Sebring High School and Florida Southern College. After teaching elementary music in Winter Haven, he became the Assistant Music Director for the Florida Division of The Salvation Army. He and his Italian wife, Jessica, are now Salvation Army officers stationed in Torre Pellice, Italy.

The Welch's are looking forward to the many opportunities for ministry in the Vicksburg area.

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## Office and Family Store Volunteer Thanks

Thanks to all of our office volunteers for June: Del Harris-Minor, Patricia Wright and any others who volunteered their time. An Office Volunteer Coordinator is needed; please contact Trudy James at 601-415-2994 if you can fill this position.,

Thank you to the following Auxiliary members who volunteered in the Family Store during June: Jo Ann Burke, Louise Derrington, Rosemary Fairchild, Mary Galtney, Tina Grau, Mattie Harris, Jacque Henley, and Shelia McKinnis, Peggy Simpson-Mosley. If you volunteered and are not listed, WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP TOO!

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**



**Kicks for Hope Soccer Camp/VBS - Wonderful Experience For All – THANK YOU Volunteers!!!**



Many more photos posted on The Salvation Army Vicksburg, MS Facebook page!



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