



VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS



The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Calendar of Events

- Nov. 4 - Rummage Sale (10 – 2)
 Nov. 7 – SAWA Meeting (noon)
 Nov. 12 (noon) – Vicksburg Mall
 Angel Tree & Red Kettle Kick-Off
 Nov. 18 – Rummage Sale (10– 2)
 Dec. 5 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
 Membership Meeting & Potluck
 Luncheon (noon)
 Fri., Dec. 9 – Angel Tree gifts
 due at Vicksburg Mall
 Thurs, Dec. 15 – Angel Tree gift
 distribution
 Sat., Dec. 16 – Senior Angel gift
 distribution



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President's Message

Be Thankful

“Rejoice always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

“*Rejoice always,*” the Bible says. Be joyful when things go right; be joyful when things go wrong. Be joyful in every situation, even if it means ignoring our sinful nature to worry and find a joyful hope in the Lord.

There is nothing like getting together with family and friends and giving thanks. Thanksgiving is a special time for us to think of all the blessings we have been given. We have much to be thankful for — good health, the love from family and friends, freedom of religion, and the joy of the Lord in all of our pain.

Maybe Thanksgiving comes at just the right time of year to remind us of God’s many blessings.

Always give thanks!

God gives us great gifts all the time, and we sometimes forget to say, "Thank you." If we paid more attention to praising God and less attention to our problems, we'd be a lot more joyful.

How do you feel when someone forgets to thank you for something nice you did?

How do you think God feels when we forget to thank him?

Thanks for....

Start a list of the ways God has been good to you. Whenever you think of another reason to be thankful, add it to your list.

By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. Hebrews 13:15

And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 5:20

Let's ask God to help us become a more grateful person!

Happy Thanksgiving, enjoy your family and friends!

Serving together,

Trudy James



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
- Judy Monroe – 2014-16 - Soup & Sandwich Chairmen; Jacque Henley and Pat Wines, Co-Chairmen
- Silent Auction Co-Chairmen: Tina Grau (2009-16) & Martha Roberts (2013-16)
- Kamace Priest – Christmas Angel Tree Coordinator
- Louise Derrington – Vicksburg Mall Angel Tree Coordinator
- Harriet Gray – Hospitality Com. Chair
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- Tina Grau – Newsletter



Welcome New Members

It's great to be welcoming two new members to the Auxiliary this month: Maggie Hasted and Pat Lawson. We look forward to serving with both of you as we work together to serve others in our community.

November Meeting Theme: Giving Thanks

The meeting theme is Giving Thanks.
Bible Verse: The LORD is my strength and my shield; My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart exults, And with my song I shall thank him. (Psalm 28:7)



MEMBERS: Please bring a Senior Angel donation or two such as: gripper slipper socks, diabetic socks, throws (lap robes), lotions, or grocery gift card.

Reminder



Membership dues – Regular dues have increased to \$15.00 per year and Lifetime to \$150.00. See Barbara Cashman.



Angel Tree

Angel Tree/Red Kettle Kick Off will be at the Vicksburg Mall with a school choir (Trudy is coordinating). This venue takes the possibility of inclement weather out of the picture. Also, the Angel Tree is at the mall, and we would not be competing for attention with other groups/distractions. The SA brass ensemble will be performing. After preliminary music, the actual Kick-Off will be at noon. The mall tree will be up that day and Angels will be adopted out. They will then be replaced with Forgotten Angels until the mall tree is manned on 11/25.

As of today, we have 347 angels; 228 are children and 119 are seniors (218 households).

Vicksburg Mall Angel Tree & Red Kettle Kick-off – Sat., Nov. 12, noon
Kansas City Holiday Express – Wed., Nov. 30th beginning at 4 p.m.

Angel Tree gifts due Friday, December 9

Distribution date - Thursday, Dec 15

River City Tumble and Cheer will be the distribution center.

Senior Angels – Nursing home seniors will be taken care of by Major Mary and anyone who would like to help. Alene Thornton with Community Council will pick out 150 of her most needy clients and fill out Senior Angel tags. Suggested Senior Angel gifts: Lotion, shawl or lap throw, slipper socks with grippers, diabetic socks, grocery gift cards.

Senior Angel Distribution is planned for Friday, December 16th.

Kamace, Angel Tree Chairman

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!!**



Soup and Sandwich Fundraiser BIG SUCCESS!

The 37th Salvation Army Soup & Sandwich, Bake Sale and Silent Auction was a wonderful success. The day was beautiful, the food was delicious (with about 600 fed), the Bake Sale and Silent Auction were well attended by many buyers and bidders, the many volunteers had helping hands and giving hearts and the community enjoyed their day!! Thanks so much for all that was done prior to the event and all the prayers offered. At last count, we raised **\$12,656** and some monies were still out! Fantastic effort SAWA!

Judy Monroe, 2016 Chairperson

Thank you, thank you to everyone who contributed all the yummy items for the bake sale. Thanks to all who helped set up and worked on Soup and Sandwich day. And thanks to all who bought; SAWA members are the best customers!!

Cheryl Lloyd, Bake Sale Chairperson

Many thanks for all the fantastic help from each and every member who assisted with our Silent Auction. Whether you gathered donations from merchants, unloaded and set up displays at Wesley Hall, sorted bid sheets, clerked at Buy It Now, packaged purchases, called winning bidders, or checked out purchases – it took an Army of willing women to make this Silent Auction the success it was. Give yourselves a **BIG PAT ON THE BACK** for helping raise **\$4,872.50**. You ladies **ROCK!** God bless you all for Doing the Most Good. (*Now WHO is stepping up to Chair NEXT year?*)



Tina Grau and Martha Roberts, Silent Auction Co-Chairpersons



Tickets for Belk's Charity Sale Available

Belk's Charity Sale is scheduled for Saturday, November 5th (BEFORE our next meeting) – tickets are available to purchase and/or sell for \$5 each and help raise funds for the Salvation Army. Contact Trudy or Major Mary at the Citadel for tickets.

Office and Family Store Volunteer Thanks

Thanks to our October office volunteers: Del Harris-Minor, Peggy Simpson-Mosley, Patricia Wright. An Office Volunteer Coordinator is needed; please contact Trudy James at 601-415-2994 if you can fill this position.

Thanks go out to Auxiliary members who volunteered in the Rummage Store during October: Jo Ann Burke, Louise Derrington, Rosemary Fairchild, Tina Grau, Jacque Henley, Trudy James, and Mattie Robinson.



Mark your Calendars: Affairs of the Heart 2017

Affairs of the Heart VII - Show dates are Friday and Saturday February 17 and 18, 2017. Per Jo Beth Britt, in order to perform, EVERYONE must attend one dress rehearsal (Tues., Feb. 14 and Thurs., Feb. 16).



FOR CHARITY

Rummage Sales Strong - Volunteers Needed!

Women's Auxiliary members conducted Rummage Sales on Friday, Oct. 7th (\$1,064) and Oct. 21st (\$1,187). We have completed 31 bales of rags, and are ready to satisfy the amount required at one time for purchase by the recycler.

Our next sale dates are Friday, Nov. 4th and 18th (from 10 until 2). The neater and more presentable our store looks, the more sales we should be able to generate.

Income derived from these sales is a MUCH NEEDED source of revenue for Salvation Army programs as well as for day-to-day operations. The Salvation Army can help fire victims as well as others in dire need through store voucher "shopping" – a real blessing to those in need. If you know families in need, the store presently has a LARGE stock of school uniforms available (must go through Social Worker by appointment).

In Memory of Mary Richmond Clark



Mary Clark died Friday, Sept. 30, 2016, in Jacksonville, Fla, at the age of 96. While in Vicksburg, Mary was a Life member of the Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary. Our sincere condolences to her family and friends.



The Salvation Army

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