



## VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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### Calendar of Events

- Sep. 12 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Oct. 3 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Oct. 10 – S&S Prep Day  
 Oct. 11 – Soup & Sandwich Luncheon  
 Oct. 17-20 – Angel Tree Applications  
 Nov. 7 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Nov. 11, 5:30 – Angel Tree Kick-off at Vicksburg Mall  
 Dec. 5 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Dec. 12 – MVD Day of Caring  
 Dec. 15 – Angel Tree Distribution
- 2012**
- Jan. 9 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Feb. 6 (noon) – SAWA Meeting  
 Mar. 5 (noon) – SAWA Meeting



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### *From the President's Desk*

*Ladies,*

Labor Day is a great way to celebrate the end of the summer and the change of seasons into fall. Take it easy on Labor Day!



We do set good examples most of the time, don't we? But did you, today or yesterday or last week, falter into something wrong? Children often begin to do things like smoke, drink or use illegal drugs because other children are doing it. Children usually know better, but some just can't take not being with what they think is the popular group, so they follow the leader. Sometimes "children" twenty or forty or sixty years old do the same thing. They just want to be sociable or popular, so they embrace the ways and actions of the people around them.

No matter who you are, others are looking at you and being influenced by your example. Without a doubt, we all have been bad examples at one point or another, sometimes to someone who is weaker or a new brother or sister in Christ.

The way we set a good example:

1. With our speech, Colossians 4:6 says; Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.
2. The way we live our lives. Romans 1:17, Hab.2:4, "The righteous will live by his faith."(WE HAVE A SET OF STANDARDS.)
3. The way we love others. John 13:35, "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."
4. The way we demonstrate our faith. "We live it."
5. Philippians 4:8, "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."

Most of the time it's too late when we discover that evil examples corrupt good character.

**The way to happiness requires that one set  
a good example for others.**



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
- Jo Beth Britt .....Affairs of the Heart;  
Senior Angels
- Cappy Martin - Soup & Sandwich  
Committee Chair; Jacque Henley,  
Assistant Chairman
- Tina Grau..... 2011 S&S Silent Auction  
Chair; Beth Fields, Silent Auction Co-  
Chair
- ???. Christmas Angel Tree Committee  
Chair

**Help Wanted!**

- Christmas Stocking Committee Chair
- Patricia Wright – Pemberton Angel  
Tree Chair
- Barbara Cashman ..... Publicity  
Committee Chair

**Help Wanted!** Monthly Hospitality  
Committee Chair



Tina Grau ..... Newsletter



We wish to welcome our newest Auxiliary members Agarine "Denise" Moore and Marie Thompson..

**Meeting Theme: Patriotic**

Our meeting theme for September is patriotic in recognition of the tenth anniversary of 9/11. Many thanks to Judy Monroe and Martha Roberts for serving as September meeting hostesses.



Recognizing God in our national life, our Bible verse is **Psalm 117:**

**O praise the Lord, all ye nations: Praise Him all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: And the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Praise ye the Lord.**



Please wear a **RED SHIRT** to the September meeting – a Soup and Sandwich publicity photo will be taken immediately after the meeting.

*Hospitality hostesses are needed for the October and November meetings. Time to step up and volunteer, if you haven't taken your turn.*



**Budget Input Needed**

Anyone knowing of any potential income or expense in 2012 should get the information to Pearl as soon as possible by phone (601 636 4709) or email. [pwcarter55@ att.net](mailto:pwcarter55@att.net). If you contribute any funds to the

Auxiliary for any purpose, either in cash or by check (or if you receive donations from non-members), please be sure to indicate on the check or tell the Treasurer that it is for the Auxiliary and what it is for. This is very necessary in order that we may track the budget as required by Headquarters. Also, if not marked AUXILIARY, it will go into the Corps regular fund.

**August Volunteers**



Thanks to all of our office volunteers for August 2011: Auther Bailey, Cheryl Lloyd, Louise Montgomery, Gloria Naylor, Tammy Smith, Dot Steen, and Pat Wright. Many thanks go out to these Thrift Store volunteers as well: Wanda Clark, Beth Fields, Carolyn Fugler, Jacque Henley, Paula Jones Cappy Martin, Janice Parker, and Sue Tolbert; non-Auxiliary member, Judy Morrisey. **More volunteers are always welcome.**

**Get Your Soup & Sandwich Tickets Now!**

Tickets will be available before and after our September meeting. Please contact friends, business contacts, and family to purchase tickets. Remind people that we have a limited number of tickets and they **will not be sold at the door**. **The deadline for ticket sales and turning in money is our October 3rd meeting.** If you need tickets or wish to turn in money, contact: Cherry Hudson: 601-636-8531 [cghudson4@yahoo.com](mailto:cghudson4@yahoo.com)



**Salvation Army Office:**

Mon – Fri. 9:00 – Noon; 1:00 - 4:00  
(office closed 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!**



## Soup & Sandwich Luncheon – Are You Ready to Serve (Up Hope)?

It's September and our Soup & Sandwich event is fast approaching. We need full cooperation from all! Tina needs auction items, we need tickets sales, and baked goods. We must increase our SAWA funds. Our county needs us and we must step up to the job. We have working hands but to do our duty fully we need the CASH in hand. Our Soup & Sandwich goal this year is \$15,000. We can do this, ladies –but we have to do it together.

My bakers– start now cooking cakes and freezing them. Go to "Dollar Tree" and buy the small tin oblong pans (2 for \$1). The capacity of three of these is equal to one regular oblong baking pan. One whole cake selling for \$10 to \$12, can now sell for \$12 to \$15 as mini-cakes. Many people can't eat a whole cake, but like a sample of several items. Think 1/2 cakes and 1/3 cakes for better sales. Remember to price your cakes and cookies to help our booth workers. (Anyone wishing recipes can contact Cappy. Copies of recipes also will be available at the September meeting).

We need to push our ticket sales. Remember your friends at church and the people you do business with. They don't have to buy in bulk. Remind them that it is a donation to the Salvation Army. If they have Luau Tickets, they can redeem/swap though Cherry. The Soup & Sandwich tickets are \$8 and they will get a \$2 credit toward our Bake Sale goodies, if desired.

Tina needs raffle items. Half the funds raised at this event are from the Silent Auction. Restaurant meals, artwork, household décor, and salon services (especially manicures, pedicures, and massages) are tops in bidding. If you know of new businesses, please check with Tina to see if they are assigned and then go ahead and approach them. Remind businesses that their donation can help to bring in new customers – while doing a great public service and getting a tax reduction.

Thanks to all for making this happen. With God's guidance, it will be a success!

**Cappy Martin, Soup and Sandwich Chairman; Jacque Henley, Co- Chairman**

## Silent Auction Show and Tell



Silent Auction donations have begun coming in, and to increase awareness of all the fantastic goodies that will be up for bid, our website address is included on tickets. Therefore, it is even more important to get donations in early so they can be advertised on the website. This raises anticipation and hopefully increases the volume of bidders present at our Luncheon. Please bring in as many Silent Auction donations as possible to the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting so we can have a "Show and Tell." Also, don't forget to bring items for our "Buy It Now" section of the Silent Auction Sale – these are items members donate that are new (bunko, pokeno, bingo prizes; unused gifts; etc.). What a great way to clean out those closets of unused/unwanted items and raise money to help the less fortunate in our community!

**Tina Grau, Silent Auction Chairman; Beth Fields, Co-Chairman**



## Angel Tree – Announcement Coming at Meeting!

Angel Tree Applications will be entered into a computer database this year. No hand-written applications will be taken. On line training is required and volunteers have been recruited. Applications will be taken October 17 – 20. Coordinator – Lt. Indrani; Assistant – Pearl Carter  
Important Angel Tree Dates to mark on your calendar: Kickoff at Vicksburg Mall - Nov. 11 (5:30); Dec. 12 – MVD Day of Caring; Dec. 15 – Angel Tree Distribution Day.

**A Christmas Stockings Chairman is needed ASAP if this project is to continue.** 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).



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## Corps Officers Reach Out to Community

Lt Indrani and Sue Tolbert recently spoke at River Region Medical Center for United Way. They also spoke to a lab group at River Region on August 31<sup>st</sup> as well as two groups at River Region on July 27th and at River Hills Bank. Many more community contacts are being made by both of our Corps commanders as they reach out to businesses and clubs for support to the less fortunate in the area.



### Thrift Store Needs Your Donations (Bags Needed!)

The Thrift Store needs your extra plastic bags for customers (Please bring to September meeting or drop by the Thrift Store anytime). Members are reminded that donations of garments and household items (*furniture and bedding too*) are needed at our Thrift Store. 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.) Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors! For pickups, call 601-636-2769.



**NOTE: The Thrift Store will be closed Thursday, Sept. 15 for cleaning and re-organizing.**

The Vicksburg Warren School District is planning a clothing drive for the Thrift Store Sept. 19-30. Dr. Liz Swinford is meeting with private schools and plans to ask them to participate at the same time. This clothing drive is going to be huge and will require lots of coordination and volunteers, and should bring in lots of income for the SA!



## Social Services Reports

Andrea Gibson, Social Services Caseworker, reported the following services provided clients:

### JULY 01 - 25, 2011

No. of Cases Served This Month: 106

No. of Families Assisted with Food: 26

No. of Clothing Vouchers Distributed: 6

No. of Personal Care Hygiene Kits Distributed: 4

No. of Families Assisted with Utilities: 8

No. of Individuals Served for the First Time: 21

No. of Food Bags Distributed: 65

No. of Furniture Vouchers Distributed: 4

No. of Families Assisted with Cleaning Supply Kits: 3

No. of Families Assisted with Rent: 5

**Total Amount of Assistance Provided : \$2,420.39 (100% of funds donated by TSA Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg)**

Amount of Assistance Provided with Electricity: \$ 806.13

Amount of Assistance Provided with Rent: \$1,507.00

Amount of Assistance Provided with Water: \$107.26

No. of Referrals: 24

No. of Meals Served in the Diner: 962

Average No. of Diner Meals Served for this month: 60.1

No. of Diner Volunteers: 64

No. of Diner Volunteer Hours Served: 140

No. of Volunteer Hours in Social Services: 191

No. of Thrift Store Vouchers received from The Flood Emergency

Operations Center (06/28/2011-07/25/2011): 6 (with a TSA value of \$378.50)

Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) Program Totals Submitted by Mrs. Frankie Meeks for July 2011:

No. of Families Assisted: 17

Amount of Funds Dispersed during June 2011: \$10,330.00

Amount of Program Funds Committed to be Drawn Down during August 2011: \$10,287.00

Account Balance in HPRP Program: \$29,716.22

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## Social Services Reports (Continued)

Andrea Gibson, Social Services Caseworker, reported the following services provided clients:

### August 01 – 26, 2011

No. of Cases Served This Month: 89

No. of Individuals Served for the First Time: 23

No. of Families Assisted with Food: 22

No. of Food Bags Distributed: 55

No. of Clothing Vouchers Distributed: 12

No. of Furniture Vouchers Distributed: 5

No. of Personal Care Hygiene Kits Distributed: 10

No. of Families Assisted with Cleaning Supply Kits: 7

No. of Families Assisted with Utilities: 9

No. of Families Assisted with Rent: 4

**Total Amount of Assistance Provided : \$ 1,505.10 (100% of funds donated by TSA Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg)**

Amount of Assistance Provided with Electricity: \$ 582.60

Amount of Assistance Provided with Rent: \$1,120.00

Amount of Assistance Provided with Water: \$792.30

No. of Referrals Made: 34

(to WWISCAA, MOFM Women's Shelter, River City Rescue Mission, & TSA Jackson for utility assistance, shelter and HPRP program assistance)

No. of Referrals Received: 14

(from United Way of West Central MS, FEMA, WWISCAA, and The American Red Cross of Vicksburg)

No. of Meals Served in the Diner: 1,139

The Average No. of Diner Meals Served for this month: 57

No. of Diner Volunteers: 161

No. of Diner Volunteer Hours Served: 121

No. of Volunteer Hours in Social Services: 223

No. of Individual School Shirts and Shorts distributed: 52 (28, 24)

No. of School Supply Kits distributed from Social Services: 11

(Kits include 2 packs of loose leaf paper, 2 notebooks, 1 box of pencils, 1 box of crayons, and two ink pens.)

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