

VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS



The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Calendar of Events

Sep. 12 - SAWA Meeting (noon) Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon) Fri., Sept. 16 - Rummage Sale Oct. 3 - SAWA Meeting (noon) Oct. 10/11 - Soup & Sandwich Set-Up and Fundraiser Nov. 7 – SAWA Meeting (noon) Nov. 12 - Outlet Tree Lighting & Vicksburg Mall Angel Tree 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 gifts distributed

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President's Message

September days are here and the end of the calendar year is fast approaching. Labor Day signifies the end of summer, fun outdoor activities and that vacations for most people have ended. It's also the beginning of school again for children and the kickoff of football season.

As we gear up for our busiest time of the year, local law enforcement are reminding drivers to be on the lookout for school buses and students. Remember to proceed with caution if you see a school bus or as you enter a school zone.

September 11th is a day for remembering and for serving.

"Even the smallest act of service, the simplest act of kindness, is a way to honor those we lost, a way to reclaim that spirit of unity that followed 9/11."--- President Barack Obama



Volunteers of the Salvation

Army are honoring our local First Responders by serving breakfast on Friday, September 9.

Trudy James



Welcome New Members

We are pleased to welcome Sherry Bradley to Auxiliary membership. We look forward to serving with Sherry on our many service projects helping others across our community.

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 – 2015/16 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!!

September Meeting Theme: Remembrance

Hostesses for the September meeting are Jo Ann Burke,

Louise Derrington, and Rosemary Fairchild. The meeting theme is Remembrance. This is our Quarterly Membership and covered dish luncheon. Please bring a guest and your favorite dish to share.

MEMBERS: The food pantry is in need of donations. Please bring a few non-perishable items to help resupply the pantry shelves.

Bible Verse: I know the plans I have in mind for you, declares the LORD; they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future filled with hope. (Jeremiah 29:11)



Message of Thanks

I would like to thank all those who worked on the book bags. What great work you all have done! Thanks so much. The thrift store crew have been great. Thanks so much for your continued support.

We could not make it without all of you. Thanks again for all your work and being part of the Army behind The Salvation Army. **Major Mary**

Dues Reminder -



Membership dues – Regular dues will increase to \$15.00 per year and Lifetime to \$150.00.



Doing The Most Good

Angel Tree

Angel Tree applications will be taken at the Citadel by appointment by the social worker from Sept. 26 - Oct. 26th by appointment only.

Outlet Mall lighting is 11/12/16; the Vicksburg Mall tree also will go up that weekend. We will meet with Mike, the mall manager in October to discuss the mall tree. Gifts will need to be turned in Friday, December 9th.

River City Tumble and Cheer will be the distribution center. Distribution date will be

Thursday, 12/15/16.

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 the Angel tags for them. Distribution in planned for Friday, December 10th for Seniors.







Soup and Sandwich Fundraiser

As we approach October 11, Soup and Sandwich Day, remember "God gives the hardest battles to His strongest soldiers". We are His soldiers in our cause of having a successful fundraiser which will provide funds for the Salvation Army to meet the needs of our community. Our assignments are **1**. Sell tickets; **2**. Gather donations for the Silent Auction;

3. Request baked goods for our Bake Sale; **4.** Be available to do whatever needs to be done: We need cases of bottled water, small or 16.9 oz. size. Also we need 3 or 4 volunteers to cook and freeze 15 lbs. each of ground beef. **5.** Several ladies have volunteered already to make contact on needed items and volunteers. Let me know if that is going well. **6.** Lastly, all hands available October 10 for our Set-Up Day. I thank each of you in advance for what you will do and for what you have done already.

Judy Monroe, 2016 Chairperson



For the Bake sale we encourage our members to bring items as well as please ask any women's groups you are in to consider helping with this effort. Any baked goods, homemade jams, etc. would be much appreciated. Cookies and brownies in small packages always sell well.

Items may be brought to Crawford Street UMC Wesley Hall on Monday, October 10 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. or on Tuesday, October 11 between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Having your items already priced and labeled helps workers answer customer's questions.

If you need more information, please contact at cmlloyd46@hotmail.com or 601-636-4121. God Bless You!! Cheryl Lloyd, Bake Sale Chairperson

I trust all members have contacted their assigned merchants for **Silent Auction** donations and will be bringing lots of wonderful items to our September meeting for cataloging. If you haven't already, please take a look at the Silent Auction website http://vixsawa.weebly.com/2016-silent-auction-offerings.html and share it with your friends.

We need to create as much interest as possible in buying tickets, attending, bidding and supporting our programs through this fundraiser. If you have any large, handled shopping bags, please bring them to the meeting so we can use them for shopper's purchases. We also need you to bring in any medium and especially large tabletop easels for displaying merchandise (marked with your name and "For Display only"). On Set-Up and Luncheon Days, it always amazes me how well this inspiring group of women come together and work like a well-oiled machine. Martha and I want to thank each and every one of you for supporting us and this worthwhile event.

Tina Grau, Silent Auction Co-Chairperson

Soup and Sandwich Tickets - Crunch Time!

Ticket Chairman Pat Wines reports that she only has distributed <u>279 tickets</u> (OUT OF 800) to members. She encourages everyone to get more tickets and sell them ASAP!





Office and Family Store Volunteer Thanks

Thanks to all of our August office volunteers: 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 Auxiliary members who volunteered in the Family Store during August: Jo Ann Burke, Rosemary Fairchild, Tina Grau, Jacque Henley, and Mattie Robinson. Sorry for any omissions – all help appreciated!





Rummage Sales Back Going Strong - Volunteers Needed!

Women's Auxiliary members conducted Rummage Sales on Friday, August 5th,

19th and Sept. 2nd. Customers were plentiful and sales have been brisk. Rummage sales are VERY BUSY DAYS, and your help is needed to prepare for upcoming sales. Show up any week day between now and our next Sale Days (Sept. 16, Oct. 7 & 21) between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to help sort, hang, shelve, and price merchandise. 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 is able to help fire victims or 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).



Members are the lifeblood of any organization.

Who do you know that would enjoy being a member of SAWA, making new friends, and serving the needs of others?

- Send them a newsletter
- Invite them to a meeting
- Offer to pick them up on meeting day



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