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The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Calendar of Events

- Sep. 11- 8am – 11 am – First Responders Breakfast
- Sep. 11 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
Membership Meeting & Potluck Luncheon (noon)
- Sep. 13 – Mission 66 Diner
- Oct. 2 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Oct. 9/10 – Soup & Sandwich Set-Up and Fundraiser
- Oct. 11 – Mission 66 Diner
- Nov 6 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
- Nov. 8 – Mission 66 Diner
- Dec. 4 - SAWA Meeting (noon)
Membership Meeting & Christmas Potluck Luncheon (noon)
- Dec. 13 – Mission 66 Diner



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President's Message

Greetings,

No challenge has the power to put you down because you are blessed with bundles of energy and positivity. I salute your efforts, energy and approach towards life which have always kept you moving ahead in life. I wish you a very Happy Labor Day!!

[911 Remembrance](#). Ceremonies and events are planned every year to mark the day, considered one of the darkest in America's history. This year, 2017 marks the 16th anniversary of 9/11. Let's remember the victims and honor the heroes of September 11, 2001.

When our thoughts turn to worry, fear, discouragement, and anger, we are to knowingly and quickly turn every thought into prayer and every prayer into thanksgiving. Paul commands us to stop being anxious and instead, "in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" ([Philippians 4:6](#)). Paul taught that believers should devote themselves "to prayer, being watchful and thankful" ([Colossians 4:2](#)). He urged believers to see prayer as a weapon to use in fighting spiritual battles ([Ephesians 6:18](#)). As we go through each day, prayer should be our first response to every fearful situation, every anxious thought, and every undesired task that God commands. The lack of prayer will cause us to depend on ourselves instead of depending on God's grace.

In the wake of Hurricane Harvey's massive flooding in Texas, victims are in need of relief and aid. There are several organizations taking donations to provide "physical, emotional and spiritual care to survivors and relief workers."

Let's continue to lift the storm victims of Texas and Louisiana in Prayer!

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 BrittAffairs of the Heart;
Senior Angels

Judy Monroe – 2014-17 - Soup &
Sandwich Chairmen; Jacque Henley
and Pat Wines, Co-Chairmen

2013-17 Silent Auction Co-Chairmen:
Tina Grau & Martha Roberts

Kamace Priest – Christmas Angel Tree
Coordinator/Helper

Louise Derrington – 2015/17 Vicksburg
Mall Angel Tree Coordinator

Harriet Gray – Hospitality Com. Chair



Tina Grau Newsletter

**September Meeting Theme:
Honoring First Responders**



Our September meeting coincides with the 9/11 First Responders Breakfast, and is our quarterly membership covered dish luncheon as well. Thanks go out to our hostesses Angela Ross, Mary Galtney, Peggy Mosley, and Harriet Gray. *Please wear your red shirt for our Soup & Sandwich publicity photo.*

Bible Verse:

"My God is my rock—I take refuge in him! — he's my shield and my salvation's strength, my place of safety and my shelter. My savior! Save me from violence!" (2 Samuel 22:3).



9-11 Breakfast

The 9/11 Breakfast will be held on Monday, September 11th this year from 8am – 11am. Del Minor-Harris is chairing this event and counting on members who volunteered to cook and bring breakfast casseroles that morning. Thank you Del and volunteer cooks and helpers.

Soup and Sandwich Coming Soon!

We are one month away from our Soup and Sandwich, Silent Auction & Bake Sale! Please come to our meeting on the 11th prepared to get tickets, if you have not gotten yours or need more, and to sign up for ways you can help on October 9th and 10th, if you did not get to sign up at our August meeting. Plans are being made by the ladies who volunteered to help us early and we thank you for all that you are doing and will be done. Continue to keep the fundraiser in your prayers and I look forward to a great event.



Judy Monroe



As part of The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary's Annual Soup and Sandwich Luncheon, there will again be a Bake Sale. We are asking any individuals and various women's groups 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 9 between 10:00am and 2:00pm or on Tuesday, October 10 between 9:00am and 11:00am. Having your items already priced and labeled helps workers answer customers' questions.



If you need more information, please contact Cheryl Lloyd at cmlloyd46@hotmail.com or 601-636-4121. Our members always come through so Thanks in advance.

Cheryl Lloyd

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!!



Silent Auction donations are trickling in and the website is up (<http://vixsawa.weebly.com/2017-silent-auction-offerings.html>) for you to share with your friends. We need to create as much interest as possible in buying tickets, attending, bidding and supporting our programs through this fundraiser.

Please take your merchant assignments seriously. Without each and every member doing her part to bring in assigned merchant donations, needed funds for our service projects will be unavailable. Bring all Silent Action merchant donations to the Monday, September 11th meeting so that they can be inventoried and advertised on our website, (and so we can see which merchants still must be visited), as well as prepare the necessary Certificates of Service and Bid Sheets for each item. "Buy It Now" items are needed too – these are new items (bunko, pokeno, bingo prizes, unused gifts; etc.) members donate, usually priced under \$20). What a great way to clean out those closets of unused/unwanted items and raise money to help the less fortunate in our community! We know we can count on our members to come through as they always do.

Tina Grau and Martha Roberts

Angel Tree News

Angel Tree is Distribution date of 12/14. Kamace is not sure about when applications will be taken.

Major Mary will be working with Alene Thornton from Community Council coordinating Senior Angels.



Volunteer Thanks

Thank you to all our Office and Family Thrift Store volunteers. Your help is vital to keep things running smoothly at our local Salvation Army. More volunteers are always needed to make up food boxes, answer the phone and take messages in the office, or sort, shelve, and hang donations at the Thrift Store.

Family Thrift Store News

The Salvation Army Thrift Store is open and ready for business. Cash register and credit card machines await customers to easily accommodate their purchases. A donation of hotel furniture awaits customers at the store. **Volunteers are still very much needed to sort donations.** The Salvation Army is no longer able to receive donations of mattresses/box springs, nor certain large televisions. Call 601-636-2769 for more information or to arrange pick-up of large donations.



SALVATION ARMY WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S REPORT

				July 2017	
Balance last statement		06/30/2017		\$23,811.12	
Date		Deposit			
	7/10	100.00	donation Mission 66 diner		
	7/17	700.00	25.00 donation school suppli		
			675.00 refund soccer camp		
	7/24	500.00	donation school supplies		
				total deposits	1,300.00
		Withdrawals			
	7/18	4,271.83	1,500 Corn Walton		
			1,834.23 Soup & Sandwich		
			137.60 Youth Program		
			800.00 Client Services		
	7/25	101.35	Mary Barnes Mission 66 dine		
				total withdrawals	4,373.18
Balance 7/31					\$20,737.94
Earmarked Funds		8800.00	Client Services		
		8969.78	Youth Services		
		3,500.00	Book Bag Project		
				total	\$21,269.78
					-\$531.84
		9,600.00	Client Services		

SALVATION ARMY WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance last statement		7/31/17	August 2017	
Date	Deposit			
8/01	1,834.23 SA corps bk adjustment			
8/01	233.05 Book bag kettle			
			total deposits	2,067.28
	Withdrawals			
8/3	3,700.00 Client Services			
8/8	34.23 S & S paper			
8/11	141.24 Cashman Book bags			
8/3	348.28 Book Bag school supplies			
8/15	1,800.00 S & S food			
			total withdrawals	6,023.75
Balance 8/31				\$16,781.47
Earmarked Funds				
	5,100.00 Client Services			
	8,969.78 Youth Services			
			total	14,069.78
				2,711.69 funds available

Hurricane Harvey: The Salvation Army Disaster Relief Update

September 05, 2017 Philip Burn | philip_burn@uss.salvationarmy.org



Dallas, Texas (September 5, 2017) - In response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Harvey, The Salvation Army is supporting one of the largest disaster relief operations in its history. To date, The Salvation Army has deployed 78 mobile feeding units to Texas. Salvation Army trained disaster workers are being deployed to the stricken area from across the United States and Canada.

OVERVIEW OF SERVICE

The Area Command relocated to Dallas on Monday while five Incident Command Teams are actively coordinating service delivery and assistance based in Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Dallas Fort Worth, Houston, and Victoria. Local response units are providing assistance in Abilene, Freeport, Galveston, Killeen, New Braunfels, Orange, San Antonio, Temple and Wharton. 74 mobile feeding units are supporting shelter operations, first responders, and communities in 13 counties along the Texas coastline: Bell, Bexar, Calhoun, Comal, Galveston, Harris, Hays, Nueces, Orange, Refugio, Tarrant, Taylor, and Victoria.

One Field Kitchen in Harris County, and another in Beaumont are supporting local feeding operations. A laundry unit has been deployed to Freeport.

Salvation Army local units have been operating emergency shelters accepting evacuees in the following eight locations: Abilene, Angleton, Corsicana, Freeport, Galveston, Houston Harbor Light/Red Shield, Waco, and Wilkerson.

The Salvation Army has secured warehouses in Corpus Christi, Victoria and Houston. These locations will support our warehousing and feeding efforts along the coastline.



GREATER HOUSTON



33 mobile feeding units and response teams serving survivors and first responders provided drinks, snacks, water, hygiene items, clean up kits, and spiritual care. The Salvation Army staff continue to assess the need and opportunities for ministry in unserved areas as they become accessible and need is apparent.

Best Buy has agreed to donate 100 tablets and the ESC team will be trained in how to use them to assist clients in signing up for FEMA assistance. Also, the IC Team hopes to release a Google Survey for those clients to take as they sign up so that we can better assess specific needs.

The Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) will begin transition from the NW Corps to Area Command, located close to downtown, on Tuesday.

Emergency shelter is being provided to evacuees at the Harbor Light/Red Shield Lodge, Sally's House and Family Residence.

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, MS

Date of Meeting: August 7, 2017

Type of Meeting: Executive Board ____ General Membership X

Number in Attendance: 23 Members, 1 SA Representative(s), 0 Visitor(s)

Presiding: Kamace Priest, 2nd Vice President & Trudy James, President

Minutes Submitted by: Carrie Callender; Recording Secretary

Devotion: Mary Barnes - Chaplain

SA Representative: Present Yes X No

Old Business

I. The meeting was called to order by Kamace Priest, 2nd Vice President. She welcomed all members. We had no guests present. The meeting theme was *Back to School*. Mary Barnes, Chaplain, offered the devotional on *Who is God*.

II. The July minutes were presented and approved following a motion by Mary Barnes and seconded by Judy Monroe.

III. The Treasurer's Report was not presented due to Barbara Cashman being out. It will be presented at next month's meeting.

IV. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have been helping in the store and in the office. Volunteers are still needed to help organize and work at the store.

V. Thank you to the SAWA members who helped in the Mission 66 Diner this month. We fed approximately 40 people. SAWA volunteers will serve lunch again on August 9, 2017. Anyone wanting to help with this monthly project please contact Judy Monroe.

VI. Major Mary reported that the Book Bag Project and United Way Health Fair went well. In total, the Auxiliary spent \$350 purchasing additional supplies needed to fill the bags. Major Mary thanked all of the volunteers that helped with this project. We had a donation of backpacks that came in late that will be used for next year's fundraiser. The donation came from Eddie Busby with ESG Operations.

New Business

VII. The Soup and Sandwich Luncheon & Silent Auction will be held on October 10, 2017. Volunteer sign-up sheets were passed around for both Oct 9 (set up) and October 10 (event & take down). Volunteers are also needed to help make pimento cheese sandwiches, brown meat, and bake cookies or cakes. Everyone needs to work on getting donations for the Silent Auction and SELLING TICKETS! If you need tickets, contact Pat Wines.

VIII. The 9/11 Breakfast will be held on 9/11 this year from 8am – 11am. We are in need of someone to take the lead on this project. (Del Harris volunteered to take the lead.)

Next month's meeting and quarterly luncheon will be on September 11, 2017. Please plan to attend and bring a friend!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Callender; Recording Secretary

Attendees-

Samestine Adams
Mary Barnes
Rosa Bells
Jo Beth Britt
Carrie Callender
Wanda Clark
Louise Derrington
Gwen Edris

Rosemary Fairchild
Mary Galtney
Tina Grau
Jacque Henley
Linda Jackson
Trudy James
Lillian Lee
Del Harris-Minor

Judy Monroe
Kamace Priest
Martha Roberts
Mattie Robinson
Peggy Simpson-Mosely
Gladys Thornton
Patricia Wines

Staff:

Maj. Mary Welch

CORPUS CHRISTI AREA

13 mobile feeding units and teams are deployed in the Coastal Bend area providing food, drinks, and emotional and spiritual care to Gregory, Port Aransas, Rockport, Aransas Pass, Ingleside, Ingleside on the Bay, Holiday Beach, Lamar and Taft as well as The Corpus Christi Salvation Army. The count of meals served in the area doubled in number on Tuesday.



DALLAS FORT WORTH

The numbers of evacuees staying in local hotels is increasing rapidly. Mobile feeding units are providing meals at several hotels where FEMA is placing evacuees as well as area shelters. Salvation Army staff will continue to monitor this situation in an effort to ensure that all evacuees receive assistance, even if they are not part of the FEMA program.

The Salvation Army is providing meals at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center in Dallas and the Wilkerson Greines Recreation Center in Fort Worth. The distribution of clothing and other essential items continues to area shelters. It is anticipated that three additional shelters will open in the area this week.

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE – BEAUMONT, ORANGE, PORT ARTHUR

The Golden Triangle team (GTT), now based in Beaumont, is operating 10 mobile feeding units and 2 catering trucks. A field kitchen arrived today and is expected to be fully operational by Wednesday.

Two mobile feeding units served in Orange where the US Army delivered two truckloads of water to The Salvation Army Corps on Monday for distribution. Four units served in Port Arthur.

Lunch and dinner was served at fixed sites in Beaumont while three other units drove through the community offering assistance. Plans are in place to establish the Corps as a “comfort station” providing a range of services including meals, clothing vouchers, and a shower unit. Extensive clean-up and preparations continue at the warehouse where about 40,000 sq. ft. is ready for deliveries.

VICTORIA



The Salvation Army is serving in Victoria, Seadrift, Calhoun County, Refugio, and Port Lavaca. Fallen trees continue to impede access to some area for a full-size feeding unit and so teams plan to use catering trucks. Support in Calhoun County continues to grow as families return home and begin the recovery process. Many in this county live below the poverty level and were impacted by major wind and water damage. Multiple canteens are serving at specific locations in this county as well as roaming in communities where service is needed.

A mobile kitchen was sent today to provide feeding and emotional and spiritual support. It was noted that multiple other groups were actively feeding in the community in addition to The Salvation Army. Therefore, it was determined that The Salvation Army will seek new locations to provide service, possibly in Woodsboro.

ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS

Galveston - Four new mobile feeding units were deployed today. Continued lunch/dinner service to the Dayspring Church relief center in Santa Fe and meals at the Hometown Heroes Park in League City. Three meals a day are

being served in Dickinson at the city's hurricane recovery center as well as area neighborhoods to people who could not make it to the distribution site. Survivors are also receiving cleaning kits and hygiene kits.

The Galveston Island Center of Hope continues to operate as a disaster shelter and feeding meals to anyone who needs them.

San Antonio - Mobile feeding units providing meals to evacuees in area motels in San Antonio and Comal County.

Killeen - Evacuee population has dropped below 200. No indication that the city will receive more evacuees. Equipment and personnel are being evaluated for other areas.



Abilene - Providing shelter and meals in their facility to small number of evacuees from Houston.

Austin - The mobile kitchen teams from Austin have returned from the coast to serve in La Grange, about an hour south-west of Austin, where the Colorado River has experienced historic flooding and affected more than 500 homes.

Other local units providing services: Freeport, Orange, Temple and Wharton

As of September 4, The Salvation Army has served 234,629 meals, 170,585 snacks, and 227,275 drinks statewide in response to Hurricane Harvey. ESC Officers have spoken with 10,341 individuals.

To make a financial donation to support the Hurricane Harvey relief efforts please go to www.helpsalvationarmy.org, call 1-800- SAL-ARMY, text STORM to 51555.



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