



Poplar Word

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A monthly newsletter for the Women's Auxiliary
of The Salvation Army of Greater Charlotte

President's Message

Greetings SAWA,

It's that time of year, yes, the spring cleaning time of year. I am embracing the mission of our ReSale Extravaganza and cleaning out my closets, my jewelry box, my attic and garage, looking for items that others will treasure. It's invigorating and I hope my enthusiasm spreads to my friends and family as I motivate them to stretch their imagination for a great cause.

It will take all of us to make this work. Whether you are soliciting items to sell, volunteering your time to get ready for the sale, or contributing financially, we need all hands on deck. It's going to be a fun few months working on another successful fundraising campaign. We have been offered an incredible gift, the use of the Temple Corps facility on Marsh Road, for our sale. We are excited to be able to take advantage of this generous offer which will allow us greater flexibility and access to set up and conduct our sale.

At our next meeting on April 19th, we will be celebrating Carolyn Ginyard, one of our long time members as she moves into Emeritus status. She is planning to be with us that day so please join us as we celebrate her dedication to the Auxiliary. We will also have the installation of our new officers and a delicious lunch. Please RSVP to Beth if you can join us.

Thank you all, for all you do to make the Salvation Army's women's auxiliary the very special service group it is.

Have a blessed Easter, see you on April 19!!

**Gratefully,
Jennifer Adkins,
President 2020-2022**



Meeting Reminder for Members & Guests

Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 19th at 11:30 am** at Area Command, the board meeting will be held immediately before at 10:30 am. An Email will be sent out with meeting details on April 18th. Please **RSVP** to **Beth** if you plan to attend (beth.butchino@uss.salvationarmy.org), an accurate count is crucial!

ARC Update

Jewelry sorting is the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. We meet from 10:30 am until 1:00 pm and have lunch in the cafeteria with the residents.

Many thanks to everyone who brought candy, snacks and the treat bags. April 12 is our next meeting at the ARC and we will fill the goody bags before starting with the jewelry. Please join us!

Becky Herring

Boys and Girls Club Update

Happy Easter All!

We will be celebrating this month with bakery cupcakes. It seems restrictions are still in place to keep the Boys and Girls Clubs safe. They have been fortunate and successful with this protocol. Thank you to all the wonderful cooks that offered to bake. Hopefully, next year we will be back on target with our homemade cupcakes.

We will be celebrating Spring with a craft. This craft will be held at our Milton Road Boys and Girls Club located at 2901 Milton Road, on Monday, April 18th at 11 a.m. We will be potting and decorating pots with small buds for Mother's Day. We will also be making Mother's Day cards with the kids. I will be bringing bakery cookies for the children to have a treat. We will have close to 50 children on this day and hope you might join us for fun! This Boys and Girls Club will be part of our capital campaign receiving funds and if interested it would be a great time to see this facility.

May you all share in Easter Blessings!

Rosella Bergen



Scholarship Student Highlight

RECIPIENTS OF THE CLARY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of Marty Clary who retired as Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club in January 2022, the Boys & Girls Club executive board has funded a scholarship in his name along with his wife, Wanda. It will be made available to the children of Boys & Girls Club staff members. The recipients of this scholarship for the 2022-2023 academic year were named in March. These three students will receive funding next year in appreciation by the Clarys of their mothers who are unit directors of area Boys & Girls Clubs.

Paradise Jones, daughter of Tekisha Scott (Booth Commons) is a sophomore at Central Piedmont Community College majoring in Culinary Arts. Fellow Lewis, son of Tonia Lewis (Milton Road), will be a junior next year at Jackson State University majoring in criminal justice. Tonea Welch, daughter of Lakesha Welch (Marsh Road), will be a senior at Shaw University where she majors in early childhood education.

Congratulations to these students!

Diane Minsker



Paradise Jones



Fellow Lewis



Tonea Welch

Member Birthdays

Please join me in wishing the following members a Happy Birthday and blessed day!

Joyce Sellers	April 2
Molly Tucker	April 5
Sally Moore	April 8
Betty Maxwell	April 9
Jennifer Moore	April 11
Annetria Lattimore	April 13
Nina Robertson	April 13

Jean Freeman	April 20
Debbie Laity	April 24
Debbie Pendleton	April 30



ReSale Extravaganza

Wow, God has his paint brushes out and he is coloring this beautiful earth in bright colors. So many hues of yellows in the daffodils, so many hues of pink and red in the azaleas and camelias, the trees are budding in various pale green yellows and vibrant greens. What a glorious time to be in the South.

As we revel in springtime, it is also a time for us to work with our friends, neighbors and acquaintances to get them to round up their best gently used items to help our cause. Cleaning is so cathartic and I am trying hard to convince everyone I see that it will set them free and they will know they are helping support a good cause. Let us know if you need the list of items that we are hoping to collect and will accept, Beth can email it.

I know that each of you knows the gravity of our situation and how hard it is for us to fundraise now. We are pulling out of Covid and we have to work even harder to help those facing obstacles realize their dreams. In our small group we have been able to help lift people up and meet their goals to achieve a better life. God works through us when we glorify his mission on earth. Let's seek to accomplish great things on Saturday, June 4th at our own Temple Corps, 940 Marsh Road. We will dazzle, dazzle our attendees as they come out to seek a great buy. We need everyone's participation to make this sale successful. Please call Melanie Mason to coordinate pick up of items, (704) 564-5677, there are many of us willing to pick up. We have plenty of places to store items until the big sale: a storage room, a basement, several garages and storage units. So, let's fill them up and make the money to go forward with our great programs. Together we can do this!

We will be able to utilize the space at Marsh Road for days before to get organized and set up and will enjoy great parking space at this location. I feel very strongly that this is what it takes to make some money.

*Thanks for all you do,
Brenda Rorie*



ReSale Extravaganza Needs

If anyone has hanging clothing racks we need a few for organizing the clothing, please call Brenda Rorie if you are willing to loan them for this event.

Please save and collect:

Hangers

Plastic and paper bags with handles