

Today's Army

Reporting on the programs & services you support



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

From Major Cain

THAT AND BETTER WILL DO!

General William Booth, Founder of The Salvation Army, was famously hard to please. When presented with an idea or evidence of good



Major Paul Cain

work he is said to have commented, "That and better will do!"

I can imagine what he would say to us upon hearing about

the completion of our two new central Ohio facilities: "Congratulations, but have you noticed that what you have there are two new empty buildings? Let's work to get them filled!" Or perhaps, "So, exactly how many more lives will you be able to serve with these new buildings? And, what are you waiting for?" To General Booth, we say, "Thanks for the reminder! We still hear your words."

Yes, we have set the standard for public trust, client service and donor confidence - "That and better will do!" Yes, we are better positioned and resourced to serve others with our new facilities - "That and better will do!" Yes, our promise remains "Doing the Most Good" - "That and better will do!"

Promises Made. Promises Kept.

TWO NEW WORSHIP AND SERVICE CENTERS OPEN



October 6-10, we will celebrate the opening of our two new worship and service centers. These centers will enable us to significantly expand our life-enhancing programs and services. This celebration represents a major milestone in our Capital Campaign, through which we successfully raised \$12.5 million.



East Main Worship and Service Center

The completion of both facilities delivers on the promise that we made to our contributors and to the community to faithfully use the resources that have been entrusted to us, and to serve OTHERS in God's name without discrimination.

Both buildings are attractive, spacious and energy-efficient, and have been designed with functionality and the future in mind. They have also been fitted with the latest technological innovations. We will move our administrative headquarters to the second floor of the East Main facility to enable us to stay in touch with the people we serve. Our goal is to become a catalyst for energizing and revitalizing the community.

The **East Main Worship and Service Center**, located at 966 East Main Street, is a 27,000-square-foot structure designed by Moody Nolan Inc., and built by The Daimler Group. Having this spacious new facility will enable us to triple our program size and further expand three of our very successful programs: our **Career Enhancement Center, After School Learning Center** and **Material Assistance programs**, which includes our Heart-to-Heart and Senior Food Distribution programs as well as the Kroger Choice Pantry.

The **Chapel at Worthington Woods Worship and Service Center**, located at 760 Worthington Woods Boulevard, is a 24,500-square-foot facility designed by Robert S. Davis, Ltd., and built by Miles-McClellan Construction and Development. Worthington Woods will offer adult music programs, material assistance programs, after school youth ministries, and a full-sized gymnasium. It will be a God-centered hub of activity, where children and adults can have fun, grow and learn in a safe environment.



Chapel at Worthington Woods Worship and Service Center

FALL | 2006
IN THIS ISSUE

Coats for Columbus

Tax-Free Charitable
Contributions

Dedication Celebration
Highlights

COATS FOR COLUMBUS



Carl Faehnle and Tom Karparos of HER Real Living collected over 200 coats last year.

Autumn is here and winter's chill is fast approaching. Help us keep Columbus warm this winter by donating your new or gently used

coats **September 25 through October 11.** Drop off boxes can be found at any of the following locations: Sky Bank, Columbus Fire Stations, and the Columbus Metropolitan Library. The Salvation Army will sort and clean your donated coats, and then distribute them to children and adults who need them.

Your generous support is a key component to the success of this worthwhile endeavor. For more information, log onto our website, or call (614) 221-6561. Sky Bank and 92.3 WCOL are proud sponsors of this year's *Coats for Columbus* program. 🍀

FAREWELL CAPTAIN DOVE

We bid farewell to our beloved Captain John Dove who was transferred to the Lima Citadel where he will assist Captains Dan and Linda English. His 14-month tour of duty here in Columbus has left an indelible mark on all our hearts. Thank you, Captain Dove, for your faithful service. May God speed you on your way! 🍀

AT&T SENDS STUDENTS PACKING



Stephani Reid, Salvation Army Director of Education

AT&T has been donating book bags full of school supplies to The Salvation Army's After School Learning Centers (ASLC) since 1999. The program called "Tools for Learning" is just one of the many community service projects which the AT&T Pioneers Group performs throughout the year. The program's coordinator, Quentin Jung, Integrated Planner for AT&T, asks employees to purchase a brand new book bag and fill it with school supplies. This year AT&T employees provided 65 book bags, which is a 45% increase over last year.

"These weren't your ordinary book bags," said Stephani Reid, Director of Education. "Some came with cell phone and CD player compartments and more. AT&T really knows what kids look for and they provided the best. All of the book bags are heavy duty and made to last the entire school year."

"This program is great in that it helps parents who may have difficulty purchasing all of the school supplies their children need for the school year," said Reid. "AT&T has taken away that burden and put many parents' minds at ease. We cannot thank AT&T enough for their generosity in support of our students and their families." 🍀

THEY'RE SINGING OUR PRAISES

An After School Learning Center Success Story

Kelley Grace has been coming to the West Mound Worship and Service Center After School Learning Center for two years. He came to the Learning Center because he needed help with his homework. "The Learning Center has helped me a lot," said Kelley. "It helped me raise my grades, my confidence and helped me to make friends at school."

His mother, Verna, has nothing but praise for the Learning Center. "Kelley and I were butting heads when it came to his homework, and the reason I brought him here was to help our relationship. I didn't want every night to be a fight between us, and I knew the Learning Center would have the staff that would be able to teach him subjects better than I could."



Kelley and Verna Grace

She also has praise for Sara McCurdy, the Learning Center's Program Coordinator. "I want to give kudos to Ms. McCurdy, because she has been awesome with my son. Kelley has been up and down and he has fought hard. And, during his toughest time, Ms. McCurdy stuck with him – even though she may have felt like giving up – she's been there for us! The Learning Center is a *great* community place for your children." 🍀

Planned Giving

TAX-FREE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM IRAS



Erika L. Haupt, Esq.
Roetzel & Andress,
LPA

As part of the Pension Protection Act of 2006, effective August 17, **tax-free distributions from regular and Roth IRAs** are now permitted for taxpayers age 70½ and older.

Here are the rules:

- ♦ The distributions must be made before January 1, 2008.
- ♦ Only taxpayers who are at least 70½ at the time of the distribution may exclude IRA distributions from gross income.
- ♦ Annual, aggregate distributions cannot exceed \$100,000 per taxpayer.
- ♦ Charitable distributions can satisfy a taxpayer's minimum distribution requirements.
- ♦ Distributions must be made directly from the IRA administrator to a qualified charitable organization. Qualified charitable organizations do not include donor-advised funds, private foundations or supporting organizations.
- ♦ If the taxpayer receives any benefit of value for a charitable distribution, the entire amount will be subject to tax.
- ♦ The charitable organization must provide the taxpayer with a written acknowledgment of the gift.

This new option will likely be attractive to many donors. Because the bill includes a number of technical requirements, please contact your tax advisor prior to making a charitable distribution from your IRA. For more information about charitable giving options, please contact Planned Giving Director, Marc Littlecott, at 1-888-633-1962 or (614) 437-2145.

INCLUDE THE SALVATION ARMY IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING

To include us in your estate plan and ensure your gift is used to support those who are in need in central Ohio, please contact our Planned Giving Director, Marc Littlecott, at 1-888-633-1962 or (614) 437-2145, or log onto www.SalvationArmyColumbus.org. Correct wording is necessary to assure your intent is realized locally.

SAVE THE DATE

Registration for Christmas Cheer

Nov. 13 - 17 & Nov. 27 - Dec. 1
10 am to 1 pm daily, also
5 pm to 7 pm Tue & Thur
All Columbus Area Worship and Service Centers

Red Kettle Campaign

November 14 - December 23

Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 23 🍷 12:00 Noon
East Main Worship and Service Center

Christmas Cheer

December 18 - 22
DiSalle Center - Ohio Expo Center & State Fair

In this issue, we acknowledge once again the writing contributions of Gary Klase. Gary, an English major at Otterbein University, interned with The Salvation Army last spring.



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

THE SALVATION ARMY IN
GREATER COLUMBUS

STAFF

Major Paul Cain
Area Coordinator

Major Alma Cain
Associate Area Coordinator

Michelle Hannan
Social Services Coordinator

Ken Van Brunt
Business Coordinator

Erika Shemberg
Development Coordinator

Jeanie Fisher
Development Director

Oather Talley II
Community Relations Director

AREA CENTERS

Citadel Worship and Service Center
Captains Justin and Katherine Longcoy

East Main Worship and Service Center
Captains Yuri and Lisa Marie Harrington

West Mound Worship and Service Center
Captains Scott and Patricia Harvey

Chapel at Worthington Woods Worship and Service Center
Lieutenants Greg and Keren Tuck

Linden Service Center
Jan Lucas

Adult Rehabilitation Center
Majors Lawrence and Naomi Shaffer; Major Margaret Allen

Greenwood Lake Camp
Jonathan Klemanski,
Camp Director

Staff Spotlight

SHEILA YOUNG



Sheila Young and Workforce Development Trainer, Luci Erife

Sheila Young served almost nine years in "Uncle Sam's" Army as a Medical Supply Sergeant prior to joining The Salvation Army in 1997. As the Director of Employment Services, she designs training curriculum, provides staff supervision and is always in search of the "best practices" that will enable us to improve our program and better serve our customers.

Sheila enjoys helping people work on their career goals. "I love teaching them job searching techniques and how to advance in the workplace. When I see the customer is doing well and progressing, and when I see their lives, family and financial situations have changed, I find it very rewarding. Even if I didn't have to work," she confesses with a smile, "I would probably own a company that is doing the same thing I am doing here at The Salvation Army. Watching people's self-esteem bolstered assures me that I'm in the right place and doing the most good." 🍀



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

DEDICATION CELEBRATION HIGHLIGHTS



Provided is a listing of the various events that are planned to celebrate the opening of the East Main and the Chapel at Worthington Woods Worship and Service Centers. All events are free and open to the public. Some events and times are subject to change. For an updated listing of all events planned, visit our website, or call (614) 437-2138.

Family Activities

Saturday, October 7

- ♦ **Citadel** – Spaghetti Dinner (5 pm) and Gospel Concert (7 pm)
- ♦ **East Main** – Carnival, Tailgate Party, Fire Safety Smoke House, and Free Health Screenings (10:00 am – 5:00 pm)
- ♦ **Linden Service Center** – OSU Tailgate Party (11 am – 4 pm)
- ♦ **West Mound** – Open House and Street Fair (11 am – 3 pm)
- ♦ **Worthington Woods** – Pancake Breakfast (8 am), Open House (Continuously) & Musical Concert (7 pm)

Worship Experience

Sunday, October 8

- ♦ **East Main** – Chapel Dedication Service (2:30 pm)
- ♦ **Worthington Woods** – Building Dedication and Worship Service (10 am) and Divisional Soldiers' Rally (6 pm)

Dedication Ceremony

Tuesday, October 10

- ♦ **East Main** – Parade from current site to new location followed by Civic Ribbon-Cutting and Dedication Ceremony (11 am)



United Way of Central Ohio

Volunteer Spotlight

MIKE O'NEIL

For the last seventeen years, Worthington Christian Middle School teacher and Salvation Army volunteer, Mike O'Neil, has been giving his students and their family and friends a chance to serve the community by participating in The Salvation Army's annual Christmas Cheer program. During Christmas Cheer, Mike brings approximately 35-50 volunteers to help serve. The students help our Cheer clients to their cars, they clean the facilities, and – perhaps their favorite task – they get to jump in the dumpsters in order to break down empty boxes.



Mike O'Neil

Mike got involved with The Salvation Army because he was looking for a service project which would engage his students and enable them to put the teachings and examples of Christ into practice. "The rewards are many," Mike says, "as we can actually apply principles of service that Jesus taught. Whereas our young men are very tired at the end of the day, it is a good thing."

Participating in Christmas Cheer has not only helped Mike's students to understand the importance of serving the community, but it has also helped them to develop integrity, teamwork and cooperative skills. "They're actually learning how to help each other." 🍀

JOIN THE ARMY

In 2005, The Salvation Army in Greater Columbus responded to more than 56,100 requests for service from people in need. How? In part, through the generous support from volunteers and people like you. **For more information on volunteer opportunities, please contact us at (614) 221-6561 or visit our website.** 🍀