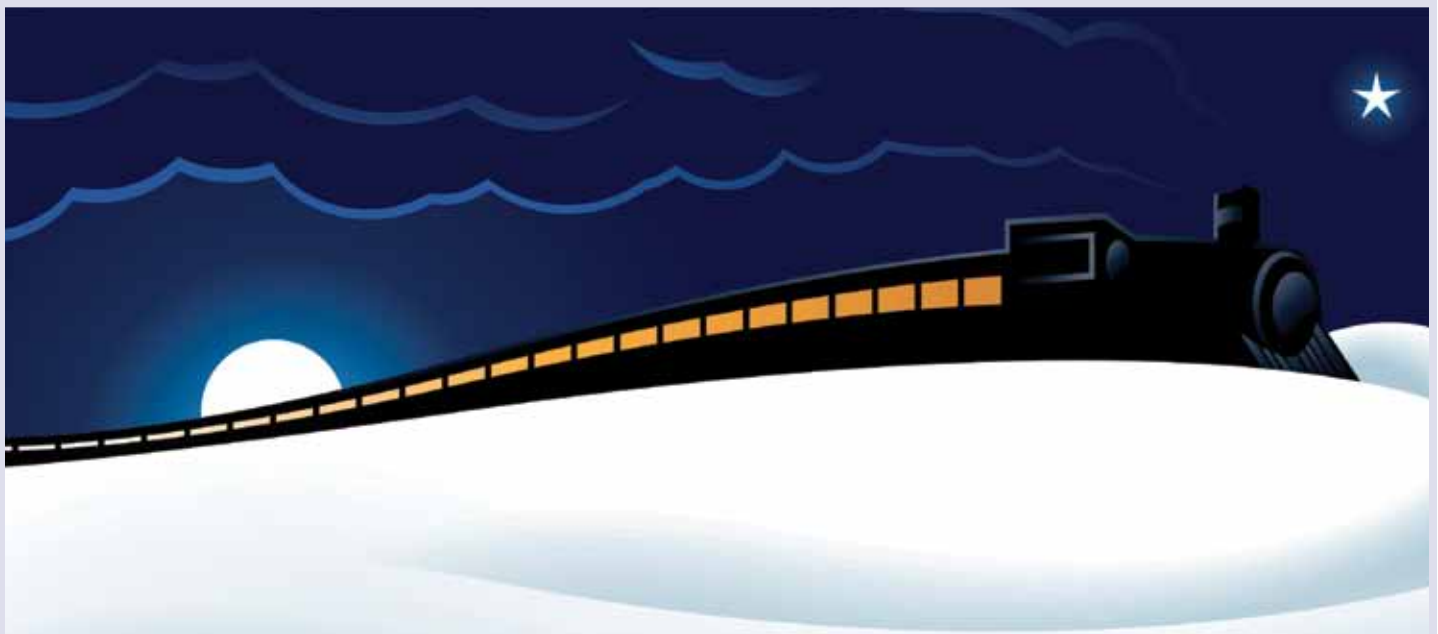


The Kroc Center Report



Please join us for our Second Annual **Christmas Tree Lighting** on Saturday, November 19 from 5P-9P. It's a jam-packed event for the entire family, and a great way to kick off the holiday season. This year's theme is "Believe" and you won't believe all of the activities we have planned for you! Polar Express train rides, pictures with Santa, a silent auction, cookie decorating, craft vendors, ornament making and performances from our brass band, Stivers School of the Arts singers and the Beavercreek Children's Choir.

It's free and everyone is welcome!

“Believe”

A Message From The Majors



Barbara and Tom Duperree

The Federal Trade Commission reports that as many as 9,000,000 Americans have their identities stolen each year. Felons use personal information such as your name, Social Security or credit card number to commit fraud or other crimes. Skilled thieves can obtain your information in a variety of ways: they “dumpster dive” to sort through your trash or

they “skim” numbers when processing a credit or debit card for payment. Some old-fashioned thieves simply steal right out of the mailbox, or divert mail away from your home by filling out a change of address form.

And what do identity thieves do with this information?

They open up credit card accounts to purchase all sorts of goods and services. They sign up for phone and utility service; pay rent; obtain government benefits and write counterfeit checks – all in your name. And, when the bill comes due, they don't pay. The delinquent account goes on your credit report, creating all kinds of problems.

The reason we know so much about this crime is because we were victims of identity theft this past spring. We were fortunate in that our creditor immediately noticed that there were charges on our account completely foreign to our spending habits. They noticed the pattern after only three fraudulent charges and \$100 worth of goods had been

billed to our account. We simply couldn't believe that something we had worked so long and hard to build and protect - our credit record - had been so easily compromised.

When we consider The Salvation Army's Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center, we've had more than a fleeting concern about losing our identity as The Salvation Army. The formal title of our new center is so long that, even internally, it has become known as the “Kroc Center.” But that's NOT who we are! We are The Salvation Army!

We want to assure you that even though the title of our organization's name is a little longer now, the mission of God's Army remains steadfast! Central to that mission is the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ and meeting human need in His name without discrimination.

We still feed the hungry.

We still visit the lonely and shut-ins.

We still serve the needs of suffering humanity.

We still offer a cup of cold water to those affected by natural disasters.

We still build confidence, character and hope in the lives of men, women and children who have been forgotten or passed by.

We serve as a beacon of hope to the least, the last and the lost.

And we earnestly hope and pray that we will never lose that identity!

God Bless You!

Host Your Corporate Event at the Kroc Center!



Did you know that the Kroc Center is available for rental? With a beautiful 400-seat sanctuary/theater and a 500-seat banquet facility, it's the perfect place for your next meeting, trade show or conference. Classrooms, outdoor plaza, technology cafe and a fitness center round out our campus. And, wait til you taste the food! Centrally located, 24/7 security and all the amenities you could ask for.

For more information, contact Rachel Dufour at 937.528.5131 or rachel.dufour@use.salvationarmy.org

“The Kroc Center – It's A Good Place To Be!”

There is so much for children to see and do at the Kroc Center, but we had no idea that there was someone who was trying to do it all! Melyndee White (age 11) and her mother, Denise, took a moment to tell us about all of the programs they've participated in.

“I was in Day Camp this past summer, and signed up for Junior Chef, Animal Trackers, Theatre and Creation Camp. I loved Creation Camp! We got to learn about God's Word, the seven days of Creation, and go to the Creation Museum,” says Melyndee.

Even though they live 20 minutes away, the Whites consider the Kroc Center their home. They attend church here, along with their cousins, and have made a lot of new friends along the way. They have enjoyed Back to School and Family Nights, sponsored by The Salvation Army.

“I love this place! It is very safe, and the staff is so nice and welcoming. The children's programs are outstanding, and I even got to attend a Spa Night. The most important thing is that everything is Christian based. That was important to me, and why I don't mind driving the distance to make sure Melyndee gets exposed to this wonderful atmosphere. The Kroc Center – it's a good place to be,” adds Denise.

In addition to the Day Camps, Melyndee participates every Thursday in the Sunbeams program with Major Barb Duperree; gets homework help and tennis



Melyndee and Denise White

instruction after school; and, was selected to appear in a cooking show on local cable TV. Her proudest achievement? Melyndee was awarded a 2nd place finish in Solo Dance Level 1 at The Salvation Army Eastern Territorial Star Search Competition. This was her FIRST year competing and we are all so very proud of her! Melyndee also sings in the junior choir, makes excellent grades and is a champion speller.

We are so happy that Melyndee and Denise are members of the Kroc Center. We are blessed to have them in our presence.

Move It to Lose it

You've heard about the terrific indoor and outdoor basketball courts at the Kroc Recreation Center ... but, are you aware of the state-of-the-art Fitness Center? It rivals any local private health club and houses all of the latest equipment from summit trainers and ellipticals to kettle bells.

Meet Bill Hoying of Springboro OH. Bill joined the Kroc Center last June, primarily to use the Fitness Center. Bill got involved with the Kroc Fitness Challenge, and ended up losing 80 pounds as a result.

“Well, first I have to credit my friend, Jill Woods and my trainer, David Speaker. I couldn't have done it without them. Whenever I felt like I didn't want to work out, they would motivate me. Jill lives right around the corner from the Kroc, and that's how I heard about it. I had no idea about these facilities – they are amazing! Great equipment, knowledgeable staff, clean locker rooms – they have it all. It's worth the drive from Springboro to come here,” says Bill.

Bill likens his weight loss to a journey. He had always wanted to make a change, but didn't know exactly the right way to go about it. In addition to exercising three times a week, he also started on a healthy diet. He found energy he didn't know he had, along with a renewed sense of self-confidence. And, working out with Jill and David provided a bit of needed peer pressure.

“To me, the Kroc Center is the Fountain of Youth. I'm 42 years old and have never felt better. This place gave me my life back, and I can't imagine ever NOT coming here. It's the best gym I've ever belonged to.”

Bill Hoying





Norris Cole, Salvation Army Recreation Director Dwayne Hasbro

NBA Star Gets Back to His Roots

Quick! Which Salvation Army, Dunbar High School, Cleveland State and Miami Heat standout basketball player used the Kroc Center gym for his off-season conditioning and skills training this past summer?

Norris Cole!

While he was taking a breather from his workout, we asked him to share his experiences playing for The Army, and how it related to his success as a college and professional athlete.

Norris reminisced, "I remember playing in that small, downtown Salvation Army gym. I quickly learned the fundamentals of the game, as well as discipline, effort and toughness. And, that's not all I learned from Coaches Bill Winters and Dwayne Hasbro. It wasn't just about basketball - it was just as much about leadership, teamwork and sacrifice. Those were great life lessons for me as I moved on to high school and college and now into the professional ranks. As for the Kroc Center: Wow, what a place! I plan to work out here whenever I'm home. It's very convenient for me and the people are so friendly and helpful. It's just one great place!"

Norris is a shining example of what can be achieved when hard work and dedication meet God-given talent. As he moves on to the next phase of his life, that of a professional athlete, we sincerely wish him the very best and consider ourselves fortunate to have had such a fine young man come through our program.

Our Thanks to World-Renowned Concert Pianist Leon Bates

The Kroc Center was fortunate to host a series of musical events by world-renowned concert pianist Leon Bates this past spring. Not only did Bates give a pair of concerts at the Kroc, he also gave private performances for Our Lady of Rosary, Kiser School, Stivers School for the Arts and the Kroc Seniors. Bates, who has performed frequently in Dayton during his lengthy career, first visited the Kroc Center last year during a two-week stint with the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra.

"I thought it would be marvelous if I came back to Dayton to do something under the auspices of the Kroc Center so that I could come in contact with all of the people they extend their hands to in their community," Bates said. "This is right up my alley. I want more people in the world to become aware of what we're doing, so we have to go into the communities and take it to the people."

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Leon Bates



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Maryann Bausman

Get To Know Our Advisory Board: Maryann Bausman

Senior Business Administrator Reggie Winters talks about Board Member Maryann Bausman in glowing terms. "Maryann has been an active and committed Board Member for 20 years. She has done everything we've asked of her and more, including chairing our Advisory Board in 1997 and 1998. I know we would not be as strong and prominent in our community without her contribution," Winters stated.

Maryann became interested in the work of The Salvation Army in 1988 when she joined the fledgling Women's Auxiliary Board. Three years later, the Auxiliary Board dissolved and Maryann was asked to join the

Advisory Board. She has served faithfully since ever since and adds, "I knew about the Army's great work through my contact with Depression-era and World War II veterans. They always spoke so highly of the care and help they received during those difficult times. Then, I got to see first hand how the Army helps the underserved. I said to myself, 'I want to be part of that.'"

When asked about her thoughts on the new Kroc Center, she said, "What a Godsend for the community! We can now provide so much more programming and services than what we were capable of in our downtown location. The thing I really like is that there is something for everyone. There is sewing, cooking, basketball, computing, summer camps, musical instruction and more. The Kroc Center is a 'shining star' - it is inviting and open to all."

We know Maryann has participated in the Annual Christmas Food Basket Distribution, and we're happy to share her thoughts: "My husband Joe and I have been involved with this project for many years. Now, it has become a real family affair with our daughter helping out last year. It warms the heart to help out those who need it most. We've gotten to know many of the recipients through the years. They are so appreciative of the help. It's truly a labor of love."

As if all of her Board responsibilities weren't enough, Maryann assisted Major Barb Duperree with the interior design of the Kroc Center. If you have visited this beautiful facility, you know what a great job they did!

Thanks, Maryann, for all you do for The Salvation Army. We are proud and honored to have you as an Advisory Board Member!

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A Favor, Please!

After you've read this newsletter, would you please consider passing it along to a friend, family member or co-worker who may not be familiar with all of the wonderful things happening at the Kroc Center? **Thank you!**

Summer Day Camps

There's Something For Everyone!

This past summer, The Salvation Army hosted a number of Summer Day Camps for children in the Miami Valley. There was Kinder Camp, for children aged 2 -6 and You 2 Can YouTube for those in the 6th to 8th grades. Other camps included dancing, sports, cooking, karate, tumbling and more. Can you believe it - total attendance at all of our camps this summer was 1,753!

One of the more popular camps was Rockin' Roller Coaster. Children discovered why corkscrews, loops and several story drops are possible – and incredibly thrilling! – with this hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) camp. Sixth through eighth graders were challenged with building three different roller coasters using K'NEX construction and building toys. As always, the looks on the kids' faces told the whole story!



Fun (and Learning) Abound in Kroc After School Program

The Salvation Army offers programs designed to strengthen the whole person. That's why our After School Programs include recreational, spiritual, educational and art elements for the children of the Miami Valley. Parents and children choose activities based on their interests, and are guided and taught by the Army's caring, well-trained staff. The program is free for current Kroc members, and includes electives like Homework Help, Soccer, Piano Lessons, Basketball, Viva Espanol, Arts & Theater, Sewing in Style and Fitness Arcade. At no additional cost, children receive a snack when they arrive, and are served dinner at the end of the day. Parents can join their children for dinner on Thursday evenings for just \$1. It is through your generosity that we're able to serve the needs of hundreds of children three days a week – thank you!



We are very interested in your comments and suggestions about this newsletter and about the Kroc Center.

Please contact Major Tom Duperree at 937.528.5100 or tduperree@use.salvationarmy.org.



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"... For service is our watchword, and there is no reward equal to that of doing the most good to the most people in the most need." –Evangeline Booth

You Can Make A Difference!

Please join us in our mission to make certain that all of the wonderful opportunities at the Kroc Center will be enjoyed by everyone. The Salvation Army has established a Sponsorship Program with the express purpose of funding scholarships and programming for needy children and families. This Program will ensure that those in need will only have to pay a minimal amount per month to partake of all that the Kroc has to offer. **All will be welcome and no one will be turned away.**

To make your tax deductible donation, mail your check made out to The Kroc Center to:
The Salvation Army,
1000 N. Keowee St.,
Dayton OH 45404.

If you have any questions, please contact Reggie Winters, Senior Business Administrator, at 937.528.5100. Thank you very much!

Yes, I would like to be a part of the Kroc Center's "Sponsors Row"

Yes, please include me in "Sponsors Row." My check for \$1,000 or more is enclosed.

I am unable to donate \$1,000, but I want to help.

\$120 sponsors a family of four for one year.

\$60 sponsors an adult for one year.

\$36 sponsors a minor for one year.

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Please help us make the Kroc Center a Beacon of Hope for the entire Miami Valley!