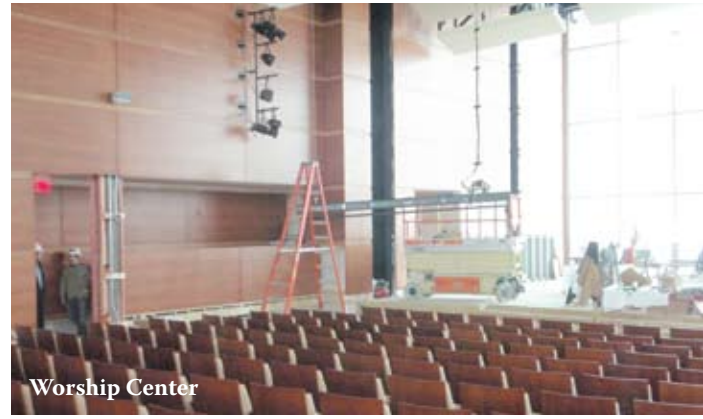


# The Kroc Center Report

## Kroc Center In Progress

**W**e thought you'd like to see a few photos of all of the activity underway at the Kroc Center. It is really looking GREAT and all of us at The Salvation Army cannot wait to move in. More importantly, we cannot wait until you join us!



## Mark Your Calendar!

The Dayton Advisory Board of The Salvation Army, along with Majors Tom and Barb Duperrree, cordially invite you to attend the **GRAND OPENING WEEKEND** of The Salvation Army's Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center on May 8 and 9, 2010. There will be tours, food, entertainment and lots of family activities. A detailed schedule of events will be outlined in the next edition of this newsletter.

Outdoor Scoreboard at the Rec Center



## A Message From The Majors



*Barbara and Tom Duperree*

Recently we were dining at a local restaurant when a young lady came over to our table wearing a huge smile on her face. She said, "I'm sure you don't remember me, but ..." As we chatted with her, she shared

that four years ago she had been a resident of The Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Center. The "ARC" is a wonderful 6-month program for those men and women trapped in the throes of drug addiction, substance abuse or alcoholism. Because all of our ministries are holistic, it combines counseling, work therapy, and a spiritual foundation which helps each beneficiary realize that they have a God-given destiny in Christ, and that they can find a new beginning and a new life in Him.

Our friend was so very proud to tell us that she has been successfully clean and sober since completing the program. What a testimony to the wonder-working power of Jesus Christ to transform lives! While continuing to offer us the biggest smile, she simply wanted to take the opportunity to say "Thank You" to The Salvation Army.

We're always encouraged to meet people who have passed through the Army's programs, or who have been recipients of services we offer. It's nice to hear the words "Thank You!"

Luke's gospel contains the story of ten lepers whom Jesus healed. All ten were made completely well, but only one said "Thank You" to Jesus for his wonder-working power.

At the writing of this column, we are only three months away from the Grand Opening of the Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center! How we thank God for this marvelous journey on which He has brought us! And we thank you as well, our donors and friends, for your continuing support through gifts and prayers.

God alone knows the lives which have been changed because you took the time to care! As winter gives way to spring, may God help us to be truly thankful for His gifts.

God Bless You! And, Thank You!

## McDonald's Steps Up To Help The Kroc

McDonald's Miami Valley Advertising Co-Op recently committed to an overall gift of \$75,000 (\$25,000 per year over three years) in support of programming at the Dayton Salvation Army's Ray & Joan Kroc Community Center. The gift will be used to fund the Army's Youth Basketball Program and sponsor the Technology Café in the Education Building.



Alan Herzog, one of the Co-Op's owner/operators, commented about the gift, "We are really pleased to be

a part of this incredible venture! It was a natural for us since the Kroc family founded the McDonald's restaurant dynasty, and we are truly excited to be involved with the recreational and educational components within the Kroc Center. This facility, and particularly all of the programming, will positively impact the lives of innumerable families and young people in the entire area - not just now, but for years to come."

Twenty-three separate owner/operators of 85 restaurants comprise McDonald's Miami Valley Advertising Co-Op. It covers a geographic area from Lima to Springboro, and from Springfield to Richmond, IN.

We are certainly elated and proud to have the McDonald's group as a valued partner at the Kroc Center. Their commitment to helping others through The Salvation Army is greatly appreciated. If we may borrow (and slightly change) a line from a McDonald's advertising campaign, "We're lovin' it!"

### McDonald's Miami Valley Advertising Co-Op Members

Paul Bailey	Tim Mosher
Terry Coley	Dan Neitzke
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Ed Donnelly	Mickey Reese
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Alan Herzog	Debbie Wright
Joyce Mance	Doug Blanford
Jeff Monfort	Jerry Lewis
Mary Monfort	



## “We Believe In Taking Care Of The Whole Person”

The mood was light and festive as thousands of people lined up at The Salvation Army on December 23 for a free turkey, a box of Esther Price chocolates and a Kroger gift card. “We are living through a recession that is really affecting many families. A gift like this, as modest as it is, makes a difference in people’s lives,” said Major Tom Duperree. The number of families served this year – 5,600 – was bigger than last year by 850 families. Amazingly, charitable giving to The Salvation Army was up 2% this Christmas season over last year’s. The event was completely funded by donations and every family that applied was helped. The event was staffed by volunteers, and included many members of the Dayton Advisory Board as well as their families. “If a man is hungry, you have to put food in his belly first. We believe in taking care of the whole person, and this is just a small part of that,” adds Duperree.



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## “Everybody gets to come to the Kroc. We will find a way.”

Those words, from Major Tom Duperree, perfectly express The Salvation Army’s commitment to serve every man, woman and child who wants to participate in all that the Kroc Center offers. After school programs, computer labs, piano lessons, basketball leagues, movies, literacy classes, aerobics and a food pantry are just a few of the treasures waiting at the Kroc Center.

Individual and family memberships are available, but what about the very deserving people who cannot afford to join, or need help paying for specific programs? As the Major says, “We will find a way.”

To that end, a Sponsorship Program with a goal of \$250,000 is being established with the express purpose of funding scholarships and programs for needy children and families. This Program will defray the costs of membership and programming so that those in need will only have to pay a minimal amount per month to enjoy all that the Kroc has to offer. Reggie Winters, Business Administrator of Dayton’s Salvation Army, reports: “Because of this Program, all will be welcome and no one will be turned away. Some very generous foundations, companies and individuals – led by a \$100,000 gift from the Mathile Family Foundation – have already stepped forward and donated two-thirds of the funds needed for memberships and programming. Major Barbara Duperree is the Scholarship Coordinator, and will review all scholarship applications.”

If you are interested in donating to this Sponsorship Program, please contact Reggie Winters at 937.222.1435

## Angels We Have Heard On High ...

The Salvation Army and JC Penney joined forces this past Christmas to help children across the nation have a gift-filled holiday. The retail giant’s program, Angel Giving Tree, offered online “angel adoptions” for consumers wishing to help make a child’s Christmas a little brighter. Consumers selected an angel from the website, purchased gifts, and dropped them off at their local JC Penney or Salvation Army. The Dayton Salvation Army distributed gifts to 140 area children! Thank you for helping to make the lives of these children a little brighter this past Christmas.



*Major Tom and an Angel Box*

## Legacy Pancake House Happy To Be Part Of Neighborhood Transformation

According to Gary Manos, one of your friendly hosts at the Legacy Pancake House in Old North Dayton, the recent neighborhood transformation has been remarkable. "We've seen the eyesore of Parkside Homes go down and the dramatic rise of The Salvation Army's Kroc Center go up. It's made such a difference, not only in the physical sense but in the inspirational sense as well. All of us here at the Legacy are anxious to see the positive changes the Kroc Center will bring to our area once it is fully operational," said Manos.

The Legacy has been in business under the current ownership for over two years. Previously, it was the Golden Nugget Pancake House which was owned and operated by the Thomas Family for 20 years. Manos added, "Although we've only been here a relatively short time, our roots in the neighborhood run deep. When we took over we retained several members of the wait staff, some of whom have been at this location for over 17 years." Legacy's management has expanded the menu, added daily soup and entrée specials as well as takeout service and has extended the hours to include early dinner. But one thing remains constant – they continue to serve breakfast from morning til night.

Legacy has over 20 employees and is a valued asset to the neighborhood. They are an active member of the Greater Old North Dayton Business Association (GONDBA) and a proud participant in Senior Resource Connection activities.

When asked what impact the Kroc Center will have on the area, Manos concluded: "We know our business will get more exposure as the Kroc Center brings more people to the Old North Dayton sector. But more importantly, it will provide the children, families and residents of this neighborhood and the entire Greater Dayton area the opportunity to better their lives through the programs offered at the Center. We are happy to have The Salvation Army as our neighbor and we sincerely wish them much success as they approach the opening of this new facility."

*The Legacy Pancake House is located at 1510 North Keowee St. Phone number: 937.222.2037. They are open Monday through Saturday from 6 AM to 7 PM, and on Sunday from 7 AM to 3 PM.*



Gary Manos, LaDeana Lane, Faith Wells, Cindy Horsley, Linda Andrade, Sherry Smith



## Commanding Officer's Report: Red Kettle Club

Red Kettle Club memberships (Christmas gifts of \$1,000 or more) totaled 182 in 2009, generating \$303,689 in donations. Your generosity made the following possible:

### **5,600 Families Were Provided Holiday Assistance**

5,600 families received holiday assistance with food, clothing and toys.

### **41 Nursing Homes and Institutions Were Visited**

Majors Tom & Barb Duperree, along with 47 volunteers, spent 100 hours visiting 41 nursing homes and institutions during the holiday season. The residents received 7,500 gifts. For some of the elderly in Dayton, The Salvation Army is their only family.

### **48,301 Nights of Lodging Were Provided**

Over 1,000 homeless men, women and children received 48,301 nights of lodging at our three area shelters in 2009.

### **127,212 Meals Were Served**

127,212 meals were served in 2009 to individuals in the Greater Dayton Area.

### **Year-Round Counseling Assistance**

5,130 at-risk individuals received counseling and assistance with food, utilities, rent, transportation and clothing through The Salvation Army's Emergency Support Services office in 2009.

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*Richard ("Dick") Smythe*

## Get To Know Our Advisory Board

### Richard ("Dick") Smythe

**W**e are proud to introduce you to one of our valued Dayton Advisory Board Members,

Dick Smythe. Dick joined the Board in 1986 and served as Board Chairman from 1996-1998. After owning and operating Buckeye Electric for more than four decades, he decided to retire a few years ago. Dick and wife June have lived in the Miami Valley for 52 years and have three grown children: Sheryl, Cassandra and Rick. Five grandchildren keep the Smythes plenty busy these days, but Dick took the time to share his thoughts about The Salvation Army.

Dick's first exposure to The Salvation Army was through Business Manager Reggie Winters. Dick was serving on another board at the time, and he met Reggie at a board meeting about fund raising. Reggie talked to Dick about the Army, specifically its mission and programming, and Dick quickly consented to accepting a Board position so that he could help. "That's the Dick Smythe we've come to know - always helping. From the very first day he walked through our door, he has been all in," says Reggie. Smythe quips, "As good as a salesman Reggie is, he didn't close the deal on my Board membership. When I met The Salvation Army Officers in charge, that's when I knew I was with the right organization. These Officers are incredible! They do what they do because they love the mission and the people they serve. It is very gratifying to be associated with an organization that does so much good work for others."

Asked about the Kroc Center and what impact it will have on the Dayton area, Smythe said, "At this point, I don't think anyone really knows how far reaching and impactful this project will be. I do know one thing for sure - it is a Godsend for this community! When you factor in the spiritual, educational and recreational components of the Kroc Center, along with its accessible location and the caring nature of those in charge, it is just unimaginable how many lives this project can change for the better. I am particularly fond of the education programs that will be available. I see a great opportunity to teach children things that will prepare them for careers they never thought possible."

**We are very interested in your comments and suggestions about this newsletter and about the Kroc Center. Please contact Major Tom Duperree at 222.1435 or [tduperree@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:tduperree@use.salvationarmy.org).**





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## DOING THE MOST GOOD

*“... 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*



*Major Barb Duperree and two lucky shoppers*

**“Thy shoes shall be of iron and brass: and as thy days, so shall thy strength be.”**

*Deuteronomy 33:25*

**A**mong the many activities The Salvation Army sponsors at Kiser School is the very popular After School Program. Those students – 26 first through fifth graders - had a very special day last December. They all rode to The Greene in Beaver Creek, Ohio and were treated to a new pair of shoes! Through the generosity of Army donors, the kids descended on Payless Shoe Store and had the time of their lives. Payless was extremely kind to us – they marked out special parking spots, brought in inventory, gave us special deals and measured each child so that their new shoes would fit to a T. A great big Thank You to the staff at Payless and our awesome donors for these very special gifts.

*Priceless!*

