We are grateful for the many community partners who have helped us to serve more than 41,000 individuals in the last year. Over the last 130 years, The Salvation Army has had the incredible privilege of forming lasting partnerships with individuals, corporations, churches, government agencies and other non-profit organizations. In the last few years, for example, we’ve worked closely with the Syracuse Boys and Girls Clubs to provide structure and enrichment for at-risk youth. What this means for local families is a more efficient network of services to which they can turn to keep their children off the street and headed in a positive direction. We’ve also partnered with the City of Syracuse to make sure that local seniors receive the best possible support to maintain their independence and with the Syracuse Police Department (through Syracuse Truce) to eliminate gang violence from our neighborhoods. Other community partners with whom we work to improve lives on a daily basis include Catholic Charities, The United Way and Onondaga County.

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SU vs Clemson Football Game

Please bring non-perishable food items to the Dome. Food receptacles will be at all gates, as well as at the quad and at Sky Top Parking.

Thank you!
Here Comes the Rain Again

by Captain John Luby, Area Coordinator

My wife, Major Gayle Luby, and I recently arrived here in our new appointment as Area Coordinators for The Salvation Army of the Syracuse Area. We bring more than 37 years of combined experience as Salvation Army administrators, serving most recently as state coordinators in Providence, Rhode Island.

Much like our experience in Rhode Island, this tragedy gave us a very quick introduction to the spirit of the people in this region. What we witnessed was nothing short of amazing, as Central New Yorkers rolled up their sleeves and worked passionately to help friends, neighbors and, in many cases, total strangers. One of the great things about working for The Salvation Army is that we get to see the best in people as they come together to help those who have suffered great loss.

In the Syracuse Area, The Salvation Army was able to mobilize dozens of staff members and volunteers to the flood zones to aid with distribution of food and other basic needs for the clean up efforts. In addition, we worked with our media partners to coordinate the collection of food and cleaning supply donations. Thanks to your efforts, we were able to send six large van loads of supplies to families in Oneida and Herkimer, as well as providing nearly 700 hours of volunteer service. We feel blessed to have witnessed firsthand the incredible generosity of our new community.

My wife and I couldn’t be more proud and happy to be “Central New Yorkers,” and we are excited by the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead as we work with you to help those in need. I, too, have been a person “in need” and have benefitted greatly from the love and support provided by The Salvation Army, but that is a story for another time.

God bless you all. Know that you are in our prayers every day and that we look forward to meeting all of you.

Nearly four years ago, when we arrived in Rhode Island, torrential rains caused major flooding in the Providence area, closing down I-95 and many streets into the city. Arriving here in late June, the Eurythmics song lyric, Here comes the rain again, falling on my head like a memory... resonated with me as severe flooding hit the communities of Herkimer and Oneida, causing serious property damage and the displacement of many families.

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Thank You for Helping us Make Change Happen!

Thank you to Jim Burns and Vicki Brackens for hosting our 130th Anniversary Celebration and the Philanthropy Center for providing a wonderful space for our event.

Thank you to the Syracuse Chiefs, Wayne Mahar, CNY Central and HOT107.9 for their support of Christmas in July.

Thank you to Wegmans for hosting another successful KidsCare Scan Campaign.

Thank you to College interns from SRC, Inc., who contributed their energy and talents to our programs this summer.
Please join us on September 24th at The Oncenter as The Salvation Army honors the civic contributions of Dr. David Smith and Wegmans and welcomes keynote speaker David Muir.

David Muir is an Emmy Award-winning anchor and correspondent for ABC News based in New York. He is the weekend anchor for the flagship ABC News broadcast “World News” and co-anchor of the ABC newsmagazine “20/20.”

Muir reports from the scenes of major news events around the world. Most recently he anchored five hours of live coverage of the unfolding tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut before leaving to report from the scene. Overseas he was the first American journalist to report from Mogadishu, Somalia on the worst famine of a generation, coming under fire while reporting from the war-torn city. He earned a prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award for those reports.

Muir is a principal substitute anchor for “World News with Diane Sawyer,” where his Emmy-nominated series “Made in America” has become a hallmark of Sawyer’s broadcast. He is a graduate of Onondaga Central High School and Ithaca College and spent five years as an anchor and reporter at WTVH-TV in Syracuse.

Dr. David R. Smith
President, SUNY Upstate Medical University

Dr. Smith is an accomplished health care professional and academic administrator with an impressive record of public service. During his tenure, Dr. Smith has reenergized the Upstate campus, promoting growth in all its missions — education, research and patient care. SUNY Upstate’s dedication to its immediate community has resulted in a revitalization of downtown Syracuse with building projects that repurpose abandoned properties. Upstate is also a committed partner for urban Syracuse and has won the “Spirit of Caring” award for employee volunteer efforts in the community.

Wegmans has been a longtime supporter of charitable causes in Central New York, including The Salvation Army. In addition to hosting a check-out scan campaign that raises more than $20,000 each year for our programs and services, Wegmans donates more than 18,000 lbs. of food each year for Christmas Bureau Distribution and is an annual sponsor for our Turn-Around Jumpers 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament.

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