



Welcome Angels

Please consider attending one or all of our monthly area Soldiers' Angels events.

These events will help spread the word about SA and honor our heroes.

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Cold Weather Care Package Ideas

The weather has turned colder not only here at home but for our heroes deployed to the Middle East as well. In Iraq highs in the 50's and lows in the 30's are common this time of year. Afghanistan will reach much lower temperatures at this time of year.

Some items that will help your hero through this cold season include: warm blankets, black thermals, black stocking hats and gloves (esp. mechanics gloves which will allow them to still operate their weapons), soup packets, hot cocoa, hot tea, hand warmers, chap stick, cough drops, cold remedies (not containing alcohol).

Some fun themed care package ideas for this time of year include a Super Bowl party care package, or a Mardi Gras care package.

Don't forget about sending your hero(s) a Valentine to let them know that you are thinking of them.





January Meeting & Valentine Swap

**Saturday, January 27th
On the Border
95th & Quivira**

Lunch, which is optional, begins on the patio at noon (enclosed and heated). The meeting will begin by 12:45pm.

If you would like, please bring some "Dear Service Member" Valentines to swap. Bring between 10-20 already completed Valentines, either kid's Valentines, homemade, or note card style. The plan will be to swap and get as many as you bring for you to send to your hero (s).

Please RSVP to either
kcsoldiersangelsks@gmail.com
or
kcsoldiersangelsmo@gmail.com
so that we may reserve the appropriate space needed.

Monthly Breakfasts to Support Troops

American Legion Riders, Post 370, Overland Park will serve a breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 9am-noon.

Cost is \$6 per person. Breakfast will include an omelet made to your request, toast, hashed browns, biscuits and gravy, fruit, juice and coffee.

All of the proceeds after cost will go to purchasing phone cards for troops supported by SA either through Operation Phone Home or for the wounded transitional backpacks.

The Post 370 members have voiced great respect for Soldiers' Angels and would like to work together for this cause.

Armory Nights

Armory Nights are monthly get togethers of KC area angels. Come and meet other angels, share ideas, and get your questions answered.

We'll work on special projects that will support Kansas City area deployed troops.

When: 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6pm-9pm

**Mark your Calendar:
Tuesday Jan. 9th**

Where: Army NG Armory
7600 Ozark Rd. KC, MO
Near I-435 & Eastwood
Trafficway
(near Arrowhead
Stadium)

Please RSVP
kcsoldiersangel@yahoo.com

2007 Soldiers' Angels Convention Set for San Antonio, Texas August 1-5

Mark you calendars! The next Soldiers' Angels National Convention is moving to the Central Region. Previous conventions were held in DC in 2005 and Las Vegas in 2006. This one will be more family oriented with SeaWorld and the Alamo nearby. Typically these conventions are not very structured but will include some tours of military installations nearby and/or veterans' memorials. Joanna Frazier the Adoptions' Team Manager will post updates on the forum as plans start to progress.



New Data Base Makes Adoptions Easier

In December, Soldiers' Angels converted over to a new database system for first and subsequent adoptions. This new database will make it much quicker for angels to request and be assigned to additional soldiers to support. If your soldier has gone on mail stop or you would simply like to support more than one through letters and care packages, go to the link below and fill out the requested information.

<http://soldiersangelsforum.com/index.php?name=Sections&op=viewarticle&artid=35>

The Soldiers' Angels Forum What It Is and Why It's So Important

The Soldier's Angel Forum is an online forum that generates an enormous amount of information sharing. You'll find information on many different subjects including Mail Stops, which are related to when a unit is coming home. There is also a Community Forum which is set up as an online message board for people to share their ideas, information, as well as get their questions answered.

To join the forum go to <http://www.soldiersangelsforum.com/> and click on LogIn, then choose New User Registration.

We have very busy lives and often don't have time to regularly read the forum but it's suggested you go in on a monthly basis to check things that are pertinent to you and your hero, especially Mail Stop information.

Important Email Addresses & Links

Returned Mail Issues – Tae (Terri) Arnold taede@comcast.net
Please type *(soldier's last name)/Return* as subject; this aids in the research process.

Blankets of Hope – Dee Jurge blanketsofhope@soldiersangels.org

Letter Writing Team – http://www.soldiersangels.org/Letter_Writing_Team.php
Anyone who is 18 or over, has computer access and would like to join, can learn more about the LWT and sign up by going to this link. When submitting your info please fill in all fields. Please include both your first and last name. Any missing information that has been requested will delay processing and our ability to get you assigned to a LWT "Team Leader" in a timely manner, so you can begin to write to one of our deployed heroes.