Sally Ann's holiday drive aims to help 150 families

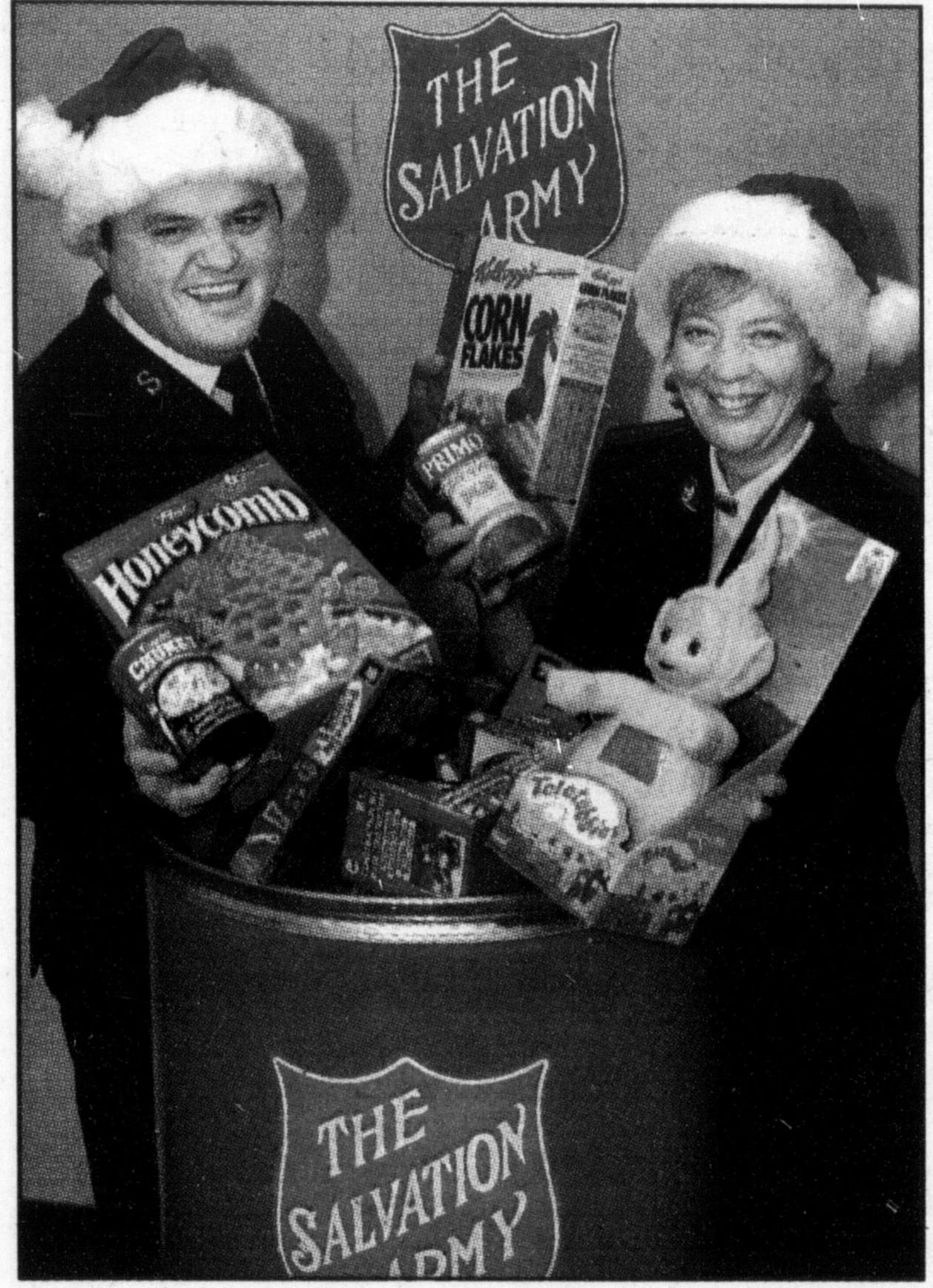


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Helping all families have a pleasant Christmas is the aim of Salvation Army pastor Sheldon Feener (left) and Family Services worker Janice Tansey. Non-perishable food and unwrapped new toys as well as cash donations are needed.

It's Christmas time and the giving is easy.

At least it is when it comes to the Salvation Army Milton Family Services Food and Toy Christmas Drive.

Making it convenient to give food and toys for needy Milton families means bringing the drive to the places people are most apt to go.

Drop-off points include the November 26 Milton Santa Claus Parade. Non-perishable food items and unwrapped, new toys will be collected at the parade, where the Salvation Army will be represented with a small float and band.

The parade will also show off the Salvation Army's emergency response vehicle.

That's ready to bring hot chocolate and comfort in times of extreme crisis.

"If there's a disaster in our community, we have the wherewithal to bring that," said Janice Tansey, a family services worker with the Sally-Ann.

The kettle campaign, which accepts monetary donations, will launch Friday and a toy bin will be set up at Milton Mall Monday.

Kettles will be placed at Milton Mall, Loblaws, the Liquor Store and Halton Rent-All, located on Steeles Avenue.

Eventually, the Beer Store will have a kettle.

Also, residents should mark December 2 on the calendar as the date of this year's Firefighter and Kinsmen's Food Drive.

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