

## **THE SALVATION ARMY--A CHURCH ON A MISSION**

Captain Joel Aurthur is minister of The Salvation Army of Council Bluffs, a church originating in England with a 240 year old mission of charity. Aurthur explained each Christmas holiday season, The Salvation Army engages in the tradition of "staffing the kettles" to promote the plight of the needy in Council Bluffs and surrounding Pottawattamie County. With the money it raises plus United Way contributions and government grants it supports the organization's programs for the rest of the year. Aurthur further explained The Salvation Army provides valuable services such as rent & utility assistance, prescription assistance, and food through our food pantry. During the holidays children receive gifts through our Toy shop. Clothing, food and other items are donated to individuals, families and senior citizens receive gifts and visits. The Salvation Army of Council Bluffs assists over 5000 people during the holiday season. If you want to learn more about volunteer opportunities call (712) 328-2088.