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"We are all one body, we have the same Spirit, and we have all been called to the same glorious future." Eph. 4:3,4 (NLT)

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Swansons appointed as Central territorial leaders

Commissioners Barry C. and Sue Swanson, currently serving respectively as international secretary and zonal secretary for women's ministries for the Americas and Caribbean, have been appointed as territorial leaders for the Central Territory as of October 1, 2008.

Commissioner Barry Swanson is appointed as territorial commander and Commissioner Sue Swanson as territorial president of women's ministries. They succeed Commissioners Ken and Joy Baillie who will retire in September.

While the Swansons have been serving for the last two years at National Headquarters (NHQ) and then International Headquarters (IHQ), they have spent the rest of their officership, spanning more than three decades, right here in the Central Territory. Having served in about half of its divisions and at Central Territorial Headquarters, they know the territory well and are well-known and well-loved throughout it.

Commissioner Barry is a native of Chicago, Ill., having attended Northern Illinois

University where he earned a bachelor's degree in marketing. A fifth-generation Salvationist, Sue was born in Ohio to Commissioner and Mrs. Andrew S. Miller (then captains). She earned a bachelor's degree in social work from Asbury College. After graduation she opened a crisis center for teenage runaway girls in Chicago.

Barry and Sue married in 1975 and entered the College for Officer Training as members of the Disciples of Jesus session in 1976. They were commissioned in 1978 and subsequently led several corps and a city command in the Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Division and corps in the Eastern Michigan and Northern divisions. They also were part of the divisional staff in Heartland and Eastern Michigan and were divisional leaders in Heartland.

In 1999 they came to Central Territorial Headquarters as secretary for program and associate secretary for program. In 2001 Sue became the territorial candidates' secretary. In 2003 she was appointed as secretary for women's ministries, while he was appointed chief secretary. They were appointed to NHQ as national chief secretary and national secretary for women's ministries in July 2006. Appointments to IHQ followed.

On a personal note, the Swansons have four grown children and one granddaughter in the Chicago area.

"Commissioners Swanson are good and godly officers who will lead this territory well," said Commissioner Ken Baillie. "I know all Centralites will join with me in saying to the Swansons, 'Welcome Home!'"

See what God can do with your week!

by Chris Shay

If you have a week of vacation and \$750, what might you do? For 40 members of the territory's four Global Mission Teams (GMT), the answer included working 10-hour days tiling, sewing, visiting children, painting, building walls and much more. It also

included worshipping with new friends, Chilean and Jamaican Salvationists. But worship wasn't limited to chapel. Each team member found every hour of labor an act of worship which they hoped would be pleasing to the Lord. GMT participants, representing seven divisions and divided into two women's and three men's teams, were united in purpose and joy as they served and learned.

Santiago, Chile

At the Escuela de Cadetes (training college) two teams tiled three floors,

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The baby and the bathwater

by Lt. Colonel Paul R. Seiler
Chief Secretary

I recently read Major Terry Camsey's article in the 2008 March/April issue of *The Officer* magazine. You, no doubt, have heard the old idiom "Let's not throw the baby out with the bathwater" when change is on the horizon. Think about that with me.

We gather for commissioning events in June and other divisional functions during the summer months. During that time, look around. Are there new members of the "family" at these events? New babies in our own families expand our experiences, stretch our joy and open new possibilities for the future. Is it happening in our denomination? Look around. With the "Come Join

Our Army" focus, there have been some exciting enrollments. Many are "new babes" in Christ and our Salvation Army family. Will we embrace the changes needed to attract and retain new members?

Camsey's article challenges us to think about this phrase and asks if we have changed the "bathwater" since the first babies were born? At risk of overdoing the health analogy, is it healthy to put new babies in old bathwater?

I am old enough to remember the Saturday night bath concept in a household of four kids. We had to share the bathwater. I'm not sure why, but it wasn't fun then and we don't do it now. Major Camsey notes



that as a healthy, growing baby changes, the old water needs to go. The "water" is the context; the "baby" is the substance. The baby matures, outgrows the tub, likes fresh and warmer water, becomes an adult. The adult has babies and suddenly begins to worry that changing the bathwater may harm the baby. In this picture, the soul and substance of the Army's mission and vision is the baby. The context for a corps and Salvationists, for our ministries, is the bathwater.

Camsey challenges us to understand that clinging to tradition (bathwater) because we are afraid we may "throw the baby out with the bathwater" isn't good for the baby. He admits that as a retired officer and lifelong soldier, he is qualified to talk of the powerful pull of traditional Army. Interestingly, his real challenge is to ask if resisting change to more relevant ways of ministry actually is not holding firm to "real Army," but instead is "real grief." That is a different perspective.

I find myself identifying grief in the loss of familiar context. Even watching the joy of bathtime with my precious two-year-old grandson, I under-

stand not wanting to ever "change the bathwater." But he's changing. The bathwater needs to change as well. I suspect that one challenge is lack of clarity about which elements are baby (substance) and which are bathwater (context). Are they possibly different for different people? Can we find common understanding?

The Spirit-led Salvation Army of 1886 identified and met spiritual, social and physical needs in a manner that related to the culture. Talk about mission growth! Camsey challenged me by saying, "The 'baby' surely includes Booth's spirit, convictions, passion, motivation and drive. It just as surely also includes the doctrines on which both Mission and Army were founded, and embraces the unchanging principles and purpose upon which Booth founded the movement."

My heart is touched seeing the resources God has given to this Army for His purpose. Recently new soldiers told me with tears of their privilege to wear uniform. I'm discouraged when energy is expended to preserve bathwater at the expense of the "baby."

In the many outreach events this summer, will you be sure to reflect on the health of the baby and acknowledge grief as you change the "bathwater?" May we see "Come Join Our Army" as an opportunity for genuine new life.

The value of volunteers

by Robert Bonesteel

The Salvation Army has been blessed with amazing volunteers! Last year, 690,116 volunteers served in the Central Territory, allowing us to meet the needs of countless people.

Our volunteers are valuable not just because of the work they selflessly provide or because their combined service saved us \$65 million dollars last year in the Central. Their value exceeds the money they donate to the very programs in which they volunteer or the fact they often become our primary spokespeople in their communities. They're valuable because they have, like those we serve, been created in the image of God. For this reason we are charged by God to treat them with dignity and respect. This spring our territory took a huge step in meeting that charge.

Forty-one volunteer management professionals from across the territory came together to receive training by two of the profession's leading



scholars and practitioners. Nancy MacDuff and Connie Pirtle, instructors from Washington State University, taught this inaugural certificate program. We learned a lot about one another while also learning trends in volunteering, current standard professional practices, techniques on recruitment, placement, supervision, recognition and retention.

We realized how knowing this information and putting it into practice can transform our programs to more effectively meet changing needs. Our eyes and hearts were opened to unlimited possibilities of how, with some work and effort, The Salvation Army, with volunteers, can radically change our communities.

If you work with volunteers, I'd strongly recommend this training. It will prepare you to have a greater experience in your ministry within The Salvation Army.



Enhancing EDS ministry

Central Territorial Disaster Services Director Kevin Ellers successfully defended his doctoral thesis this spring. He has earned a doctorate of ministry in marriage and family therapy from Denver Seminary.

His thesis was a study to determine the effects of an intensive crisis response training program in providing emotional and spiritual care in disasters. Originally Kevin had planned to pursue a different thesis, but after 9/11 he saw an unmet need for crisis response training for clergy, mental health professionals and lay crisis responders. He began his doctoral project in 2001.

Kevin says that this project has enhanced his ministry. He has written Salvation Army National Disaster Training Program materials which have been nationally accepted, as well as authoring training materials used by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, Inc., and presented at their World

Congress. The courses written from Kevin's research are *Emotional and Spiritual Care in Disaster* and *Grief following Trauma*. He also has prepared and presented train-the-trainer curriculum, resulting in 37 internationally approved instructors.

"I believe that this material reaches audiences outside the church in the secular realm, while validating spiritual issues and the contribution of the faith community in times of crisis," Kevin said. "It can even serve as an evangelism tool."



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Strengthened by His presence in us individually and corporately, we share a common passion for bringing people into an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ and meeting human needs in His name in the diverse communities where we serve.

Newest accepted candidates

Jared Collins

Waukegan, Ill.
Metropolitan Division



Growing up as a fourth generation Salvationist, Jared knew all the things he should do and sensed God calling him to officership since his teen years, if not earlier.

But he was more worried about other people's opinions, than following God's will. He finally realized it's God's opinion that matters.

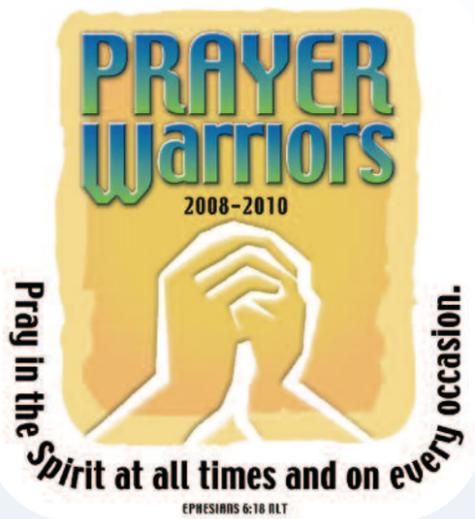
God gave him a scripture to confirm his calling in II Timothy 4:2 (NIV): "Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction."

Jared is currently a corps ministry intern at the Waukegan, Ill., Corps. His corps officers are Captains Jeff and Valerie Carr.

Gregory Magoon

Chillicothe, Mo.
Midland Division

As the son of Majors Stanley and Lynda Magoon, Greg knew a lot about The Salvation Army. With a bachelor's degree in music and being an excellent tuba player, Greg found himself a member of



the Chicago Staff Band (CSB). On one of the CSB trips Greg heard Lt. Colonel Gary Herndon say, "Each member of the CSB has his or her own individual ministry."

"He's talking about you, Greg," the Holy Spirit said to Greg's heart. "You are to be an officer." Though inaudible, there was no mistaking the message.

In the 1990s Greg met, fell in love with and married Lt. Michelle Reinhardt. Currently they serve as corps administrators of the Chillicothe, Mo., Corps. When they come to the CFOT this fall, Greg will be a member of the Prayer Warriors session.

Mitch and Teresa Brecto

Northbrook, Minn.
Northern Division



Mitch, with a degree in accounting, and Teresa, who's working toward a degree in criminal justice and social work, are happy in their

careers. In fact, Mitch has been with the same company for more than 20 years. So why are they going to training?

In 1997 Teresa checked out Salvation Army activities in which her children were involved and began attending the corps herself. During a Bible study she rededicated her life to Christ. At a Jamboree she realized God was calling her to officership.

For Mitch, it's been a process of listening and waiting which ended during the Mission and Purpose Conference. At the altar Captain Chipp Windham helped Mitch hear God's call.

Mitch and Teresa will come to the CFOT with their children, Aric (16) and Joshua (7). Their corps officers are Majors Ed and Deanna Wilson.

Alan and Jodi Sladek

Springfield, Ill.
Heartland Division

While attending a board meeting at another denomination, Alan felt God calling him to fulltime service in The Salvation Army. Soon after that Alan and his wife, Jodi, started attending the Springfield, Ill., Corps and quickly became soldiers. Yet even before they became soldiers, Jodi felt the calling to officership at a divisional women's camp.

Alan and Jodi talked to their corps officers who gave them the opportunity to participate in ministry and even preach. During one of these sermons, the Holy Spirit made it clear they were to serve Him as officers. While they've had some distractions Jodi said, "God counteracted the devil's distractions with scripture."

Coming with them to the CFOT will be their sons, Zachary (14) and Austin (12). Their corps officers are Majors Paul and Barb Logan.

Matthew and Emily Phelps

Lafayette, Ind.
Indiana Division



With a bachelor's degree from Wabash College and teaching certification from Anderson College, Matthew found himself working at Purdue University in Lafayette, Ind. So did Emily. At Christmas they decided to try bellringing and ended up getting an education in The Salvation Army's holistic ministry.

Looking for a church, Matthew and Emily began attending the corps. They fell in love with its total ministry and in July 2007 became soldiers. Almost from the beginning they knew The Salvation Army is where God wanted them to give their lives. While Emily continues to work at Purdue, Matt is now the community outreach and program development director for the corps.

Their corps officers are Majors Bob and Linda Meyer.



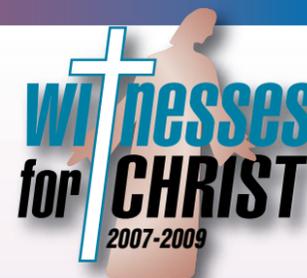
Oh, the possibilities

Keeping with the women's ministries theme for the year, Possibilities All Around, the College for Officer Training women's ministries luncheon and program this spring celebrated what the Army is doing for women all over the world. A surprise tribute to Commissioner Joy Baillie featured three cadets testifying how the commissioner's messages had touched them personally. Major Barbara MacLean enrolled four second-year cadets, Twyla Brookins, Catherine Fitzgerald, Shannon Martinez and Heather Montenegro, as women's ministries members. The major charged them to be creative in ministry, remembering the four-fold purpose of the program: education, service, fellowship and worship. Lt. Colonel Carol Seiler brought a devotional urging the cadets to recognize the possibilities found in Christ. Cadet April Clarke is pictured with Commissioner Baillie.



Summer Assignments

Keep the Witnesses for Christ in your prayers as they serve in their summer assignments.



Cadets Anthony L. and Brianne M. Bowers	Hammond-Munster, Ind.
Cadets LeOtis T. and LaTonya M. Brooks	Des Moines (Citadel), Iowa
Cadets Jonathan R. and Christina M. Cooper	Warren, Mich.
Cadet Stephen J. Hansen	Springfield, Mo.
Cadet Amanda K. Hellstrom	Clinton, Iowa
Cadet Paula A. Poff	Mankato, Minn.
Cadet Aubrey A. Robbins	St. Louis (Gateway Citadel), Mo.
Cadet Ashley S. Shumaker	Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.
Cadets Michael B. and Kristina E. Sjogren	Oak Creek, Wis.
Cadets Ronald L. and Lavella J. Wubben	Battle Creek, Mich.

His faithfulness is great!



by Captain Nancy Azuaje

When I think about the ministry of The Bridge, the song "Tu fidelidad es grande" ("Your faithfulness is great") comes to mind.

The Bridge was launched in Hanover Park, Ill., Easter 2005 by Majors Marc and Karen Johnson, who for a year worked hard to establish its foundation then were appointed to Metropolitan Divisional Headquarters. Auxiliary Captains Edgardo and Elizabeth Ávila then led this new corps for about a year. Sadly they left The Salvation Army, and no one was assigned to The Bridge. Subsequently, it had to be closed.

In spite of this, a group of faithful believers did not let the ministry die. They continued to meet weekly in the home of the Garcia family.

In August 2007 my husband,

Captain Enrique Azuaje, received an additional appointment as divisional Hispanic ministries director for the Metropolitan Division. One of his priorities was to support this group. We began visiting them regularly. Though space was limited, the group continued to grow to about 40 people. Eight wanted to become soldiers, so we invited them to attend Templo Laramie, where we're the corps officers, to take soldiership classes. This May they were enrolled as soldiers.

Because of these wonderful events, Enrique spoke with Lt. Colonel David Grindle, divisional commander, who assigned The Bridge as an outpost of Templo Laramie.

One of our goals has been to find a building where the group could meet. Scott Hurula, Oakbrook Terrace, Ill., Corps Hispanic ministries director, introduced us to Jenny Swanson, pastor of Living Christ Lutheran Church of Hanover Park, who gladly opened her facilities to the outpost.

In February we celebrated with a reopening service attended by Lt. Colonels David and Sherry Grindle, divisional leaders, and members of the division's Hispanic Heritage Committee and corps. Without a doubt, we can say God's faithfulness is great!



Promises to Keep



This spring the St. Joseph County, Ind., Corps enrolled three junior soldiers, Bethany Walker, Cole Fairley and Luke Kettlehut. According to Captain Jodi Montgomery, corps officer, it was a special day for the corps family, especially the children! Over the last year the children have learned what it means to be a junior soldier, being sure of their hearts' commitment to knowing and loving God before enrollment. They recited their simple but practical promise, and some adults in the congregation asked to get a copy of it. "Our prayer is for God to lead, guide and direct their lives in perfect love and service for Him," said the captain who leads the corps with her husband, Captain Nicholas Montgomery.

How far can a broken car take you?

by Alfredo Martinez

One morning Jasiel Garcia was driving through Des Plaines when his car started having trouble. Immediately, he looked for a place to park. He saw a tall building and thought "I can find help here."

It was Central Territorial Headquarters. He was welcomed by Pesi Mauga, a property department employee, who offered him a cup of coffee. Going through the chapel, Jasiel asked why the building contained a chapel. Pesi explained that employees and officers meet there weekly to praise God and that the Des Plaines Corps held worship services there on Sundays. It was an answer to the Garcia family's prayers! They'd been looking for a place to worship for about a year.

The next Sunday Jasiel, his wife, Yesenia, and their children, Jafeth and Nayeli, returned. They were warmly welcomed by Daniel Faundez, then Des Plaines Corps Hispanic ministries director. They felt they'd come home and began attending the corps faithfully.

On April 17, 2005, Jasiel and



Yesenia were enrolled as soldiers by Auxiliary Captains Pedro and Mirca Arias. Later that year when the Garcias moved to Hanover Park they learned about The Bridge and so attended the Des Plaines Corps in the mornings and The Bridge in the afternoons.

Eventually though The Bridge had to close, the Garcias' spirit did not die. They invited former members to their house for praise and prayer on Tuesdays and Sundays. Soon 40 people were meeting at their house.

In February The Bridge reopened as an outpost of the Templo Laramie Corps largely as a result of the Garcias' fervent spirit.

ARC enrollments continue

Spiritual growth and soldier enrollments continue to be hallmarks of Adult Rehabilitation Centers (ARCs) in the territory.

Lt. Colonels Paul R. and Carol Seiler, chief secretary and territorial women's ministries secretary, enrolled three new soldiers, Timothy Walters, Ed Speer and Robert Dooley, at the Davenport, Iowa, ARC this spring. During the enrollment, each man testified to the power of God in his life.

Bob's testimony began, "Bob Dooley has never stood for anything. I give God the glory because all that changes now as I sign the *Soldier's Covenant* and wear the Salvation Army uniform."

The Davenport ARC is led by Majors Russell and Jan Sjogren, who were appointed there last June.

The Springfield ARC, led by Envoys Van and Cheryl Wirth, also



New Springfield, Ill., soldiers Charles Schoonover and Amber Ellis, and adherent Benjamin Ellis.

is celebrating the enrollment of two soldiers, Charles Schoonover and Amber Ellis, and an adherent, Benjamin Ellis.

"This has been such a wonderful experience for me," said Amber. "I love the Lord so very much, and it is important for me to serve my God in the greatest capacity possible. That is why I chose to become a soldier. I believe that The Salvation Army is the vehicle to fulfill that service."

This is the third group enrolled as soldiers and adherents at the Springfield ARC. The first occurred at the rededication service of the facility in July 2005. The ARC expects to begin new recruits classes in late summer.



New Davenport, Iowa, soldiers Timothy Walters, Ed Speer and Robert Dooley with Lt. Colonels Carol and Paul Seiler (l) and Major Russ Sjogren (r).



Army writers find their voice

by Captain Lisa Mueller

Faulkner, Hemingway, Dickens. Lucado, Yancy, Nouwen. Garipey, Chase, Forster. Our names may never appear with such well-known authors as these, but delegates attending the Territorial Writers' Conference, *Right Here, Write Now*, have gained insight and instruction to nurture the writer in us all. And hopefully we have emerged with something to say.

"Great writers are born, but good writers can be made," promised Major Charles King, international communications secretary, during the keynote session.

Produced by the Central editorial team, the conference drew nearly 100 delegates and staff together.

They represented not only all divisions, Central Territorial Headquarters, the College for Officer Training and the Adult Rehabilitation Centers Command but also the three other U.S.A. territories and outside authors and publishing houses. While some delegates consider themselves writers, others simply see it as a necessity to their ministry and position.

Some, like Captain Jennifer Woodard, possess a deep yearning to have a voice in the written word. "I hope this conference will give me a clear path to release the raw material that is crying to be let out," she explained.

Major Dallas Raby appreciated the opportunity to rub elbows with thinkers and get motivated with new ideas, while Major Mary Corliss hoped to learn how to write better newsletters and articles to impact her ministry.

Instructors from all over the country and different literary circles taught relevant and informative

workshops ranging from "The Art of Readable Writing" to "Humor in Writing," from "Writing for Salvation Army Publications" to "Creativity." Each instructor expressed his or her personality and passion for writing while encouraging and affirming the desire in each delegate. Practical advice included everything from varying sentence length to handling rejection.

"The first sentence is the most important. Begin with a quote!" That was Major Ed Forster's first piece of advice. As editor-in-chief of *The War Cry*, Major Forster shared how contributions are edited, what kind of stories they print and their powerful impact on thousands of people.

Optional evening activities rounded out the days. Both published and beginning writers had the chance to share in a creative and affirming setting during an open mic. Their offerings reflected poignant and humorous experiences and their amazing imaginations.

"What is the number one secret to good writing?" Major Charles King said, "Have something to say, the rest can be learned." Lt. Colonel Marlene Chase, well-loved former national literary secretary, shared, "You can do it if you want to. With God, you can do anything." According to Bob Putman, editor of *BGC World* magazine, the number one secret to good writing is rewriting. "Let it sit for 24 hours, then rewrite it," he urged.

Is there a writer within each of us? As Major King said, "Writing is about two things: words and what you do with them." There are words within each of us. There is something worth saying. It may be a letter to the editor. It may be a poem. It may be a short story, a business letter, a journal, an article, a newsletter or an inspirational message. And it deserves a voice. Right here, write now.



Strong showing at women's clergy conference

More than 170 Salvationists from 11 countries attended the Wesleyan Holiness Women Clergy Conference this spring. Twenty delegates were from the USA Central Territory, and

Commissioner Ken Baillie, territorial commander, presented a workshop on biblical foundations for women in ministry—

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quite an honor since he's the first man to ever present at this conference!

In addition, Commissioner Nancy Moretz gave a plenary address and Commissioner Christine MacMillan presented a workshop.

The Central Territory sponsored Svetlana Sharova from Eastern Europe and the Midland Division sponsored Theresa Baah and Colonel Sharon Strissel from the Ghana Territory.

This 8th International Wesleyan Holiness Women Clergy Conference was held in Nashville, Tenn., with the theme, "Come to the water." It drew together nearly 560 women clergy from seven denominations.



See what God can do with your week!



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painted roofs and rooms, gardened and made curtains. Central Territory officers Captains Phil and Sheila Davisson, along with their daughter, Julia, were wonderful hosts. The teams enjoyed learning about the work in Chile through their stories and getting to know the staff. The Davissons, in turn, loved being able to speak in English after many months of working on their Spanish—which is getting better every day!

Kingston, Jamaica

At the Havendale compound similar work was done and relationships were formed with the Salvationists



and employees. As Jason, the groundskeeper, worked alongside the teams, he shared grief over his mother's recent death and his desire to see her again. Marisa, a member of the women's team, told him about Jesus and he began asking questions. Jason also received a Bible from Major Gary Felton, the Central Territory officer stationed at Havendale with his wife, Karen. Jason has been attending the corps.



The teams pray that he will find the answer in a relationship with Jesus!

Valparaiso, Chile

The last team ministered in Valparaiso, Chile, at the men's shelter. Major Joe Wheeler, territorial men's ministries secretary, spoke with emotion of the joy Captains Jorge and Patricia Aikon, officers at the shelter, expressed in having the team tackle their overwhelming project. The shelter was at risk of being condemned, so the team worked long hours enclosing a roof and building a subfloor and three walls. The team was moved by the way the Aikons live. Everyone, old and young, rich and poor, knows them and calls

out to them with friendly greetings.

Global Mission Teams are not new to the Central Territory but this year represents the most adult teams sent in one year. Working from past good examples, they brought program and work skills, along with sweat equity, to the experience. Many members now hope to form corps or divisional teams as a result of what they've learned. The world missions bureau hopes to offer opportunities each year, especially for Salvationists who might not have a corps or divisional mission team they can join. They pray that God will be glorified by practical ministry accomplished through partnerships with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the Army world.

If you'd like to receive a GMT application, contact missions@usc.salvationarmy.org



A farewell to Spain

by Majors Brad and Heidi Bailey

Since 1971 the Spain Command has been purposefully involved in "Building an Army" that is renewing its passion for the lost and striving to fulfill William Booth's vision of "getting saved, keeping saved and getting somebody else saved." Since 2005 we have been privileged to

share in the building of that Salvation Army as command leaders in Spain and as soldiers of the Madrid Central Corps.

With only 30 officers ministering in Spain, the evangelism and caring ministries of the Army faithfully challenge and serve in an overwhelmingly secular Catholic society, where The Salvation Army is largely unknown, generally misunderstood, and presently categorized by the government as a "non-harmful sect."

Endeavoring to minister in biblically sound ways, under such circumstances, has been a life-changing experience for us, as our faith, our Salvationism and even our nationality have been challenged many times. Nevertheless, it has been an experience without which we would not be the same. It is true—Spain changes one, and



The officers of Spain at councils.

we are deeply grateful for the opportunity we have had to hopefully bring some small change to Spain.

We leave this beautiful country, with the knowledge that our mission of "Building an Army" will continue, as Spain's now 400 salvation soldiers seek to develop powerful and practical expressions of faith, in spite of significant challenges.

With pride, we salute this young Army as it boldly approaches its

fourth decade of service to God and man, recognizing that while The Salvation Army may never be big in Spain, Spain needs The Salvation Army.

With confidence, we continue to claim the words the Lord gave us three years ago:

"The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest." Psalm 85:12 (NIV)



A new family to the Army with the Baileys.

The next steps for Kroc

by Patti Phillips

At the recent Central Territorial "Kroc Next Steps" Conference, Captain John Van Cleef, administrator of the San Diego, Calif., Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center, shared a story about King Josiah.

"Do not be overwhelmed by the magnificence of this opportunity because the simplicity of our mission is the same," said the captain, who followed his remarks with a challenge to delegates to continue the charge given every Salvation Army officer—do all that you can with what you have.



John and his wife, Lisa, shared their Kroc experiences in San Diego with humor and candor. When Lt. Colonel Carol Seiler, territorial secretary for women's ministries, introduced conference delegates to the Van Cleefs (whom she had known while serving in the Western Territory), she said, "Lisa and John have an exciting irreverence for leadership. They've always had at least three solutions to a problem."

During the conference delegates were reminded as they prepare for new Salvation Army ministries that not only practical tools and resources are available to develop mission-driven programs, effective budgets and successful fundraising campaigns, but that people are fervently praying each Kroc project through to fruition.

Delegates were challenged to be substantial in their efforts to advance the Army in each Kroc community. Sessions covered all the issues being faced by Kroc Centers—the good, the bad, the

challenging and immediate.

In the final united session, Majors Ralph and Susan Bukiewicz, territorial Kroc project secretaries, talked about each project individually. (Central Territory Kroc Centers were awarded to Chicago and Quincy, Ill.; St. Joseph County, Ind.; Detroit and Grand Rapids, Mich.; Omaha, Neb., and Green Bay, Wis.)

Major Ralph Bukiewicz then asked the delegation from each Kroc Center to stand while he affirmed and encouraged them, and Major Susan Bukiewicz read a scripture she felt God had laid on her heart for each team.

Delegates expressed their gratitude to the majors, who will be leading the Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Division beginning next month. They thanked the Bukiewiczs for not only guiding the territory through the exciting, new opportunities presented by the Kroc grants but for ministering to the people in each location with hearts dedicated to service and the glory of God.

Relief after Missouri tornadoes

Emergency disaster service teams were activated in the Midland Division to provide assistance after tornadoes and severe storms with high winds and heavy rains swept through southwest Missouri on May 10 and 11, 2008. Canteens provided snacks and refreshments, while three meals were served daily at shelters following the storms. In fact, in the first three days more than 2,500 meals were served to residents and responders in Jasper County alone. The hardest hit areas were Barry, Jasper and Newton counties where 16 fatalities were reported. The State of Missouri requested The Salvation Army to assist with a multi-agency warehouse to receive donations for this disaster. Around 11,200 homes and businesses were without power in the state. These storms were part of a larger system that also affected Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee.

Don't miss the sequel: The return of special guests Andrew and Stella Mackereth, United Kingdom



The Mack is Back!

at

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JULY 2008

PRAY FOR:

- 1 The evangelistic ministry of the Kistler family in Fergus Falls, Minn.
- 2 The Kansas and Western Missouri divisional mission trip to Mexico
- 3 Officers who've just arrived in new appointments
- 4 The freedoms we enjoy in our great nation
- 5 The Midland Division's 40 Hours of Purpose hunger event
- 6 Cadets on summer assignments
- 7 The Metropolitan Division's Band of Survivors ministry team
- 8 Summer mission teams serving in Peru, Russia and Malawi
- 9 Teens encountering Christ at camps this month
- 10 Salvation Army volunteers
- 11 The Army in St. Louis, Mo.
- 12 The Bridge Outpost and Cicero Templo Laramie, Ill., Corps
- 13 New commitments made to Christ on this Decision Sunday
- 14 Candidates preparing to enter the College for Officer Training next month
- 15 The Business Administration Conference in Alexandria, Va.
- 16 Music camp students to continue developing their God-given skills
- 17 Summer mission teams serving in the Central Territory
- 18 God's anointing on the five divisions holding pilgrimages this weekend
- 19 The Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Divisional Family Reunion Day
- 20 Sunday school teachers and worship leaders at your corps
- 21 Kroc projects in the Central Territory
- 22 Summer mission interns serving in South Africa and Spain
- 23 Children's lives to be changed because of their camping experiences
- 24 The Salvation Army in Rochester, Minn.
- 25 The Springfield, Ill., and Davenport, Iowa, adult rehabilitation centers
- 26 The Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division's "Pray & Putt Invitational"
- 27 Officers and soldiers attending the Central Bible and Leadership Institute
- 28 Majors John and Nancy Mowers in Argentina
- 29 The Kokomo, Ind., Corps
- 30 Families to benefit from Christian camping opportunities
- 31 The St. Joseph County, Ind., Corps

Beds for babies

Families sleep on pallets, and babies lie in laundry baskets and dresser drawers. It's not a scene from a third world country, it's a reality that Janet Quinn, director of social services for the Kokomo, Ind., Corps, has seen many times. In response, she worked with Majors David and Nanci Moffitt, corps officers, and the Community Stewardship Council at St. Joseph's Hospital to find a solution.

The Beds for Babies program started with a \$500 grant from the council to purchase cribs for expecting families. Amy Griffith, manager at the local Meijer store, quickly partnered with this program. Janet was able to purchase four new cribs, and Meijer donated mattresses, pads, sheets and blankets.

Soon others became involved, including the local newspaper that did a feature, an individual who crocheted 12 blankets, and a communi-



ty group that raised \$3,700 through a bingo night and basket auction. In addition, a child care support agency provides halo bags designed to prevent smothering and packets of information for new parents about Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and safe sleeping for babies.

Janet has seen the difference these resources make. In fact, recently a soon-to-be mom came to the Army for food assistance. Janet talked to her about the crib program and arranged to have a new crib ready for the baby. When the baby arrived a little over two hours later, the mother was overjoyed knowing her child would have a safe, new crib.

"Often the mothers come to me crying because they don't have anything for their baby. When they see the new cribs that meet safety standards, they are thrilled," said Janet.

Better and better in Rochester

by Craig Dirkes

The Salvation Army's answer to serving the less fortunate in Rochester is now one big \$5 million, 33,000 square-foot reality. Those are the specs of Castleview, a new development located in downtown Rochester, just a few blocks from Mayo Clinic. The four-story Salvation Army facility includes 32 apartments for low-income and homeless individuals and an entire floor of medical and dental services.

The medical clinic will feature six private exam rooms where volun-

teers from Mayo and other clinics will treat uninsured persons suffering from colds, diabetes, high blood pressure and other ailments. Patients will receive medications through an on-site pharmacy funded by Mayo Clinic. The dental clinic will provide emergency dental services.

While The Salvation Army has operated a medical and a dental clinic in Rochester for years, they were located apart from each other and lacked sufficient resources. Through Castleview, The Salvation Army is poised to increase the amount and quality of its medical and dental services.

"Years of planning are finally coming to fruition with the opening of Castleview," said Major Jim Frye, Rochester corps officer. "We are absolutely thrilled to be able to expand our services in southeastern Minnesota."

Castleview is funded by community donations, tax credits, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Greater Minnesota Housing.



Painting from the heart

by Janette Lonsdale

The walls of Family Haven, a Salvation Army shelter for homeless families in St. Louis, Mo., are being adorned with vibrant colors using creative techniques and charming murals. Volunteer Liz Fuchs hopes residents are finding her artwork a positive force in their lives.

Although Liz began this project last fall, she said her spiritual journey leading up to that point started four years ago. She found the Family Haven while searching for a place to donate computer equipment. When she saw its drab computer room, she offered to paint it and recruited her sister-in-law, Dee Cruse, to network the equipment to the Internet. The



room is now popular with residents searching for jobs and housing and with children doing homework.

Next Liz turned her energy to the craft area. Using a sponge and green and yellow paints, Liz made the space vibrate with color. To complete the room, Liz and her daughter, Danielle, painted quotes on the

Promoted to Glory

Captain Donna Horn

Donna Horn was promoted to Glory on March 20, 2008. She was born on April 9, 1963, to Lester and Iva Morrall in Belvidere, Ill.



Donna grew up in The Salvation Army. She married Jeffery Horn on May 12, 1984, and had three children. In response to God's call on their lives, the Horns entered the College for Officer Training in 1993 from the Grand Rapids Heritage Hill, Mich., Corps as members of the Messengers of Hope session. After being ordained and commissioned in 1995, the Horns served as corps officers in Warsaw, Ind., Salina, Kan., and Kansas City (Blue Valley and Northland corps), Mo.

Donna Horn was known for her love of and ministry to children in the corps and community. In response they called her, "My Donna." She worked diligently during the planning of the new Kansas City Northland Corps to make certain there was ample space for youth ministries. A memorial has been established in her honor at the building she helped design; the new Northland Corps nursery will be named "Donna's Place."

Captain Horn is survived by her husband, Jeffery; her children Erin, Brian and Eric; her parents, Lester and Iva Morrall; three brothers: Mark, Joe and Jim; and her in-laws Majors Dale and Shirley Horn.

Mrs. Major Jean Haun

Mrs. Major Jean Haun was promoted to Glory on March 31, 2008, from Simcoe, Ontario, Canada. Jean Verna was born in Lynn, Ontario, to George and Florence Michener on October 14, 1925.



Saved as a small child, Jean was active in the Simcoe Corps, where she served as a Sunday school teacher and brownie leader. On June 12, 1948, Jean married James W. Haun and had two sons during the next decade.

James and Jean were faithful soldiers of the Simcoe Corps for many years; Jean continued her ministry with the brownies there. The Hauns entered fulltime service on September 6, 1964, after being appointed "supply" officers to Ecorse, Mich., by the Eastern Michigan Division. A year later, the Hauns became auxiliary captains. Over the next 20 years, they led eight corps in the Central Territory in five divisions. They retired from active service in 1985 and returned to Canada.

After retirement Jean returned to being a brownie leader for 19 years and was a member of the Niagara Area Girl Guides Association. She also served as the Simcoe Corps' junior soldier leader for many years.

Mrs. Major Haun was preceded in death by her husband, James; a sister, Marion Peto; and her parents, George and Florence Michener. She is survived by her two sons, Gary (Sharon) and Ron (Cindy); grandchildren Aaron, William, Jeremy and Eric; and three great-grandchildren.

Major Kenneth R. Stange

Major Kenneth R. Stange was promoted to Glory on April 19, 2008, from Largo, Fla.



Born on October 18, 1921, to Myrtle and John in Green Bay, Wis., Kenneth was confirmed in the Congregational Church. After an open-air meeting, his entire family became soldiers. After high school, Kenneth enlisted and served in the 9th Army Air Force Troop Carrier Division. As crew chief on a C-47 aircraft, he was stationed in Africa, Italy and England during WW II and served in the D-Day invasion.

After the war Kenneth attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., where he met Ethel Bailey. They married on September 12, 1946, three days before entering the College for Officer Training. They were commissioned with the Warriors Session in June 1947 and served in six Michigan corps. After a divisional appointment, Kenneth received one he considered life-changing: the Detroit Harbor Light. Over 13 years, the Stanges transformed the Harbor Light into an effective treatment center. After two more divisional appointments, Kenneth became territorial community relations secretary. The Stanges retired from territorial headquarters in 1986 and moved to Florida. Kenneth was a former Chicago Staff Band member.

Major Stange was preceded in death by his parents, brother Dewey and sister Dorothy. He is survived by wife Ethel; children Lt. Colonel Susan (William) Harfoot, Stephen (Barbara) Stange, John (Cindy) Stange and Kenneth J. (Karen) Stange; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.