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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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Commissioner Brian Peddle elected 21st General

Commissioner Brian Peddle has been elected the 21st General of The Salvation Army. He will succeed General André Cox who will retire on August 2, 2018.

General-elect Commissioner Brian Peddle hails from the Canada and Bermuda Territory where he and his wife held appointments in corps, divisional headquarters, the training college and which they eventually led. The Peddles also served in the New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory and in the United

Kingdom Territory with the Republic of Ireland. He held the position of International Secretary for the Americas and Caribbean before becoming the Chief of the Staff. He has been second-in-command of The Salvation Army since November 2015.

Upon the announcement of his election, General-elect Commissioner Brian Peddle responded, "It's with absolute pleasure to stand before you today and acknowledge the confidence that the High Council has placed in myself and Commissioner Rosalie. We are overwhelmed, to say the least, but we are deeply honored, feeling somewhat unworthy of this momentous task that's now before us. We feel very much that we already love the international Army, and it will not be dif-

ficult for us to embrace our diversity and our many countries and peoples around the world.

"Today, we stand in front of you, the High Council—all of us—so eager for God to move in a new way amongst us. We're anticipating with the commitment here and this High Council that God will do amazing things around this international Salvation Army. We would ask very humbly for your prayers—for your support in that way—as that will be the greatest and most wonderful gift that you could offer to us is to have the prayer support of the international Salvation Army."

He continued, "Thank you to General André and Commissioner Silvia Cox for leading us these past years. Your legacy is known to all of us, and we are grateful. We pray that The Salvation Army internationally will now move from strength to strength and that God almighty will bless in an incredible way, that He will surprise us with His mighty power as we move forward into the future. Thank you for

your prayers and your continued interest in the mission of The Salvation Army around the world. God bless you."

The Nineteenth High Council which elected the new General met from May 17 through May 24. It was comprised of 111 officers and held some history-making moments, including the nomination of the first married woman as a candidate for General.

"We are confident that the Lord has chosen the right General for the right time," reflected Central territorial leaders Commissioners Brad and Heidi Bailey. "I know you will join us in supporting in prayer General-elect Commissioner Brian Peddle and Commissioner Rosalie Peddle as they move into their new international leadership roles. Their new responsibilities will require much, but we believe with confidence that the Lord will continue to be faithful in providing strength and direction for our leaders."



General André and Commissioner Silvia Cox with General-elect Commissioner Brian Peddle and Commissioner Rosalie Peddle



Fatherhood in Action expands

by Jacqueline Rachev

Recently the Metropolitan Division brought its Fatherhood in Action program to the Cook County Jail, helping fathers build better relationships with their children and the children's mothers.

The program is completely voluntary and open to most inmates. Twice

a week during an eight-week session, the men meet with their peer group and two facilitators to focus on responsible parenting, healthy relationships, financial education and wellness. In addition, the group focuses on issues specifically related to building family relationships while in jail and after release. According to Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart's office, the program is making a difference in the lives of inmates.

"This program is so impactful because the men know we care," said Janet De La Torre, communications liaison in the policy and communications department. "Most of them feel nobody has taken an interest in them before."

On the day we visited, they were discussing milestones and the road map of their lives. The men identified the times and situations that have impacted them so far. This could include vacations, birthdays, school detentions and

deaths. They drew these points on their maps and shared them.

"We are looking over our past so we can learn from our experiences and identify patterns," Derrick White, Fatherhood in Action facilitator, told the group. "Does anything need to be changed to make it safe for your children? You need to take your past pain and transform it, make it a stepping stone to a better future."

The nonjudgmental atmosphere allows the men to look at their lives and how their choices affect their children and the relationship with the family. For many of them, they're learning for the first time how to be adults and parents.

Darryl Paige has three young children, and he's working on being a leader. "My kids watch me. I have to set an example for them. I have to be supportive and understanding," he said. "I don't want them to end up here."



The program has been so successful that Sheriff Dart has requested several more sessions. The Fatherhood in Action program also is offered to clients at the Chicago Harbor Light Center, the adult rehabilitation centers and the Pathway Forward community-based corrections program.



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Everyday witness

by Lt. Colonel Vicki Amick
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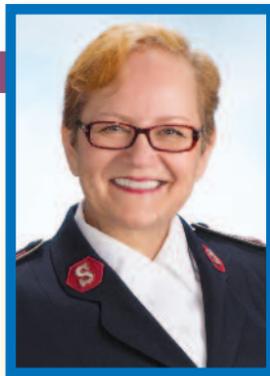
While attending a Bible study a few months ago, one of the women shared it was her "birthday month" and she wouldn't be able to attend for the next four weeks since she'd be celebrating with family and friends. *What? Why haven't I heard about this custom before now? Let the celebrations begin!*

This month as I celebrate turning another year older, may I also be able to celebrate another year of growth and maturity in my walk of faith.

Scripture challenges us to grow in

the knowledge of God's Word as shown in 2 Peter 1:5-8 (NIV): "...Make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

People aren't interested in our



preaching; they want to see us live our faith.

Recently I walked into the salon to get my hair cut right behind another woman. I had an appointment; she didn't. However, they were running behind and told us both it would be a 15-minute wait. When my stylist called me back, the woman became quite angry, saying she should be next. My stylist froze with a look that said, "Help!" I agreed it was okay for her to take the other woman first.

The next month when I arrived at the salon to get my hair cut, I was shocked to be welcomed not only by my stylist but the owner, who gave me a free haircut! Why? Simply because I was willing to allow someone else to take my place. I had given little thought to it, but these two women had been moved by this act of grace.

We never know when we will have an opportunity to witness for our Savior. Sometimes it will be with words; other times it will be by our actions. Either way, may God find us faithful.

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind..." (Romans 12:2, NIV)

Blessed beyond expectations

Stephen Day entered the Indianapolis, Ind., Adult Rehabilitation Center (ARC) to avoid prison. Anthony LeClair entered it homeless and broken from substance abuse, while Danny Willis simply left work one day and caught a bus there to deal with his drug addiction. All three men committed themselves to the program and surrendered to Christ's lordship at the ARC, where they now mentor others as volunteers.

and using drugs since age 11, had no hope for his future. "What I didn't realize was God had other plans," said Steve. Today he and his wife faithfully attend worship at the ARC and are always looking for ways to give back. Steve owns a small painting business and often hires program graduates who need a second chance just like he received.

Anthony LeClair realized only God's power could help him overcome his addictions. He's been employed at the ARC for several years and helps men discover and use their talents to serve God. As leader of the center's praise team, Anthony's love of music helps him share Jesus. "It's because of the biblical teaching and great family I have here at the ARC that I'm still sober today and able to give back," he said.

Danny Willis, self-described as a hopeless drug addict who'd also been imprisoned three

times, was welcomed with open arms when he walked into the ARC, where he still participates in Sunday worship. "That was the day I surrendered," Danny recalled. He worked at the ARC before deciding after much prayer to return to the job he'd walked away from in 2012.

"I returned as a testimony to what God can do," said Danny, who eventually hired another ARC graduate, Marcelino Rodrigues.

After the hurricane in Puerto Rico last fall, the company sent Marcelino to help install supermarket generators. In the meanwhile, God used Danny to direct the donation of 40

commercial generators to Salvation Army relief efforts in Puerto Rico after sharing with the company's owner what the Army had done for him and Marcelino. Additionally, the Kroc Center in Puerto Rico—which happened to be administered by Marcelino's officer cousin—also received a generator!



Major Troy Barker, Danny Willis and others, such as Kurt Westergren (l), often minister to the homeless in Indianapolis.



Pictured (l-r) are Major Troy Barker, Steve Day, Danny Willis and Anthony LeClair.

"One of the greatest blessings we've experienced has been the number of men who've completed the program and are still giving back," said Major Troy Barker, administrator of the Indianapolis ARC with his wife, Major Linda Barker, who added, "Their love for God is evident and runs deep in each of their hearts."

Stephen Day, who'd been drinking

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The Whole World Mobilizing (TWWM) is still going strong in the Central Territory! Across the Midwest there is a renewed sense of passion and urgency to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Officers, soldiers, friends and volunteers—young and old—are actively involved in neighborhood ministries that are meeting the needs of their community. From sharing a cup of coffee to marching with the Army flag, Centralites are mobilizing for the sake of the gospel.

Check out the mobilizing webpage at <https://mobilising.salvationarmy.org>

- Download the app
- Submit prayer requests for fellow Salvationists around the world to lift up
- Post pictures of your corps' mobilizing ministry and share events

Let us celebrate with you. Our God is faithful to bless our efforts to share His boundless love.

You can also easily link to TWWM from our territorial website www.salarmycentral.org!

Being mission people in WMNI

by Major Keith J. Welch

We need to be creative enough without compromising the gospel," proclaimed

Commissioner Brad Bailey, territorial commander, at the Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Division (WMNI) Mission Effectiveness Conference. "We need to reach out to our culture and to be flexible in evangelism."

The conference, led by divisional leaders Majors Glen and Carole Caddy, encouraged 225 delegates toward mission effectiveness through two main sessions, individual workshops and fellowship. On Friday night, the territorial commander commissioned 33 local officers. He challenged them to give their all, saying, "Lord, I am willing. The Salvation Army, I am willing." Combined with other new leaders



commissioned in March, WMNI now has 70 new local officers!

Another highlight of the conference came on Saturday when Commissioner Heidi Bailey, territorial president of women's ministries, enrolled 13 soldiers and three adherents! She asked, "Are we more church people or mission people?" and then explained what it means to be "mission people."

All delegates received brochures to use in their commands to invite people to "be a part of something good" by becoming senior or junior soldiers and adherents.



Workshops included music as a corps ministry (Dr. Harold Burgmayer), effective use of "Orange" Sunday school curriculum with children (Major Angie Pennington), teaching adult learners with the "Orange" strategy (Captain Jennifer Ortman), understanding Jesus as a historical figure (Dr. James Lacy), using multimedia in corps ministry (Josh Cowing), and corps evangelism plans (Major Claire Grainger).

"The conference gave me practical information for leading," one delegate said. "I can't wait to get home and put it into practice."

WMNI Divisional Commander Major Glen Caddy invited delegates to gather as corps groups and share what each person learned from the conference before praying together, a fitting ending to an



inspiring conference.

The division's prayer is that the conference is only the beginning of what each corps can become through the power of the Holy Spirit. The proof will be in the

result of each corps growing, empowering it's members and enrolling new soldiers.

As Commissioner Brad Bailey summarized, "You will not be comfortable where you are, and you will not return to your corps the same if you listen to God's call."



Leadership changes



Lt. Colonel Paul Smith

Territorial Commander Commissioner Brad Bailey has announced the following changes in leadership which will take place on June 27, 2018.



Majors Philip and Deslea Maxwell

Lt. Colonel Paul Smith will assume the role of Assistant Chief Secretary.

Majors Philip and Deslea Maxwell will become Territorial Secretary for Program and Assistant Territorial Secretary for Program, respectively, with the rank of Lt. Colonel.

Majors Dave and Darlene Harvey will become Divisional Commander and Divisional Director of Women's Ministries, respectively, for the Kansas and Western Missouri Division.



Majors Dave and Darlene Harvey

Becoming connected

by Jon Shaner

We see it every day. Masses of people walk on the street, shop in the grocery store and work in the yard, all connected to devices via headphones or earbuds. Nowhere is this more true than in a fitness center.

At the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Grand Rapids, Mich., one officer decided to take advantage of this phenomenon by starting a podcast. Lt. Taylor Brutto, Kroc officer for mission integration and youth development, introduced the "Become" podcast after being appointed there in 2016.

"One of the things we heard from employees and members at the Kroc Center was that they wanted more interaction with officers and leadership," said the lieutenant. "But with 5,000 members and nearly 200 employees that becomes an enormous challenge. The podcast is a way we can share ourselves and our mission with others in a way that is deeper than an email or a quick hello."

Each episode typically involves information about current events at the Kroc Center, an encouraging devotional and a guest interview.

Most guests are from the Grand Rapids Kroc Center, but Lt. Taylor likes to invite others as well. Some of these have included a director from the Kids Hope USA mentoring program in which many Kroc employees participate and Lt. Corey and Captain Nikki Hughes from the Chicago Englewood Corps, Red Shield Center.



"I felt the conversation with Corey and Nikki was important for people in Grand Rapids to hear," said Lt. Taylor. "Their experiences on the frontlines of poverty, racial issues and police-community relations are helpful as our neighborhood works through some of the same issues."

Podcast episodes generally range from 25 to 45 minutes so listeners can fit it into a workout or lunch break. The podcast is available by searching "GR Kroc Center" on SoundCloud or in the iTunes podcast library.



Lts. Bill and Taylor Brutto with Ben Fales, a sports and recreation instructor.

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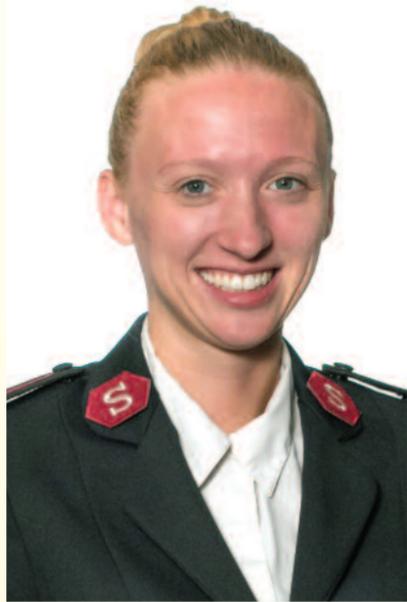
4,336 days and counting

by Captain Erin Eddy

Seriously, what was God thinking? Sometimes as an officer this thought bullies its way into my mind. In those moments, when what I do makes no sense from a worldly perspective, I am reminded that the very same God who called Moses to lead the Israelites and who made young David a king called me to do exactly what I'm doing right now. I believe God has big plans for every person, but sadly few of us exercise the faith to let God truly have His way. Calling can be a scary proposition.

As a candidates' secretary I meet with people on a regular basis regarding their calling to officership. In every discussion I am reminded of the calling God placed on my own life 15 years ago and the once crippling fear that accompanied it. God spoke straight to my heart when I was working on camp staff. He didn't promise it would always be easy, but He assured me of His presence every step of the way.

Each year at commissioning I'm reminded of the covenant I made to preach God's Word and love every person He places before me. God constantly brings me back to the call He put on my life all those years ago. I've found Him faithful to provide just what I need and to continuously invite me into a deep-



er relationship with Him.

It's often when God reminds me of what He requires of me: "to love and serve Him supremely all my days, to live to win souls and make their salvation the first purpose of my life, to care for the poor, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, love the unlovable and befriend those who have no friends, to maintain the doctrines and principles of The Salvation Army and, by God's grace, to prove myself a worthy officer."

In my journey as an officer, God has used me in ways I never could have imagined. I am unable to describe how glad I am I trusted Him and exercised faith when He called me to "drop my net and follow Him." I may not understand what God was thinking, but I am still excited to find out!

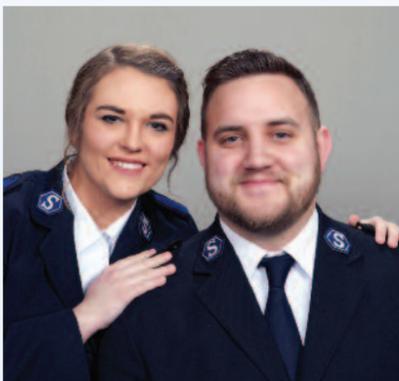
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Newly accepted candidates

Nate and Cherie Woodard
Green Bay, Wis., Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division



until age 13, I attended camps and occasionally church during my youth. It wasn't until 2003 that we each accepted Christ. Afterward, we both began working more with youth ministry, Rob with the church and I at camp.

In 2011 we each felt the Lord call us to something bigger. I thought maybe I was meant to go to Africa or on mission trips, while Rob felt called into ministry.

We met in the summer of 2012 and married in 2014. A few months later Rob felt called to officership, and I began praying about my calling. A year later I finally felt the Lord tell me that I, too, was meant to be an officer. Since then we have had struggles, but the Lord has continued to confirm we should be officers.

Robert and Stephanie's corps officers are Lts. Shawn and Aubrey DeBaar.

Christian and Justice Smith
Plymouth, Mich., Corps Eastern Michigan Division



In 2013 we met working at Army Lake Camp in Wisconsin. Instantly, we had a connection, but it wasn't until a year later that we fell in love and got married. We spent the beginning of our marriage trying to make ends meet and found ourselves "going through the motions."

After our daughter, Lola, entered the world in 2015, God slowly started to reveal we were not fulfilling His purpose for our lives. We felt everything we did should be honoring to Him, so we started pursuing fulltime ministry together.

God placed us in an internship with Majors Bob and Lisa Mueller in Green Bay, Wis. They have helped us grow in every aspect of our lives, and we are very thankful for them. We started our internship exploring the possibility of officership, and in these past two years have come to understand that God has been equipping us for this moment all of our lives. Where one of us lacks, the other excels. We were made for each other, and we were made to serve Christ together as officers.

Nate and Cherie's corps officers are Majors Bob and Lisa Mueller.

Robert and Stephanie Leach
Elkhart, Ind., Corps Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Division



We grew up in two different styles of homes. While Rob attended church

Christian and I started dating when we were teenagers in 2004 and got married eight years later. Our loving baby boy, Isaac, was born in March 2017.

Christian had attended the Plymouth Corps youth activities as a child; as for myself, though I knew God was real I didn't have a personal relationship with Him until I was 19.

After being absent from church throughout high school, we started working at the Wayne Westland, Mich., Corps and began attending worship and programs. Immediately we realized there was something different here than we had experienced. Everyone was welcoming and encouraged our growth in God.

In our private moments with God, He started to reveal His call for us to be Salvation Army officers. After Christian started working at the Plymouth Corps as the program ministry coordinator, we verbalized our calling. We look forward to a lifetime of ministry as we faithfully serve others for God's glory.

Christian and Justice's corps officers are Majors Keith and Colette Bailey.

Central launches Discover 730

by Major Tricia Taube
Territorial Candidates' Secretary

Exploring a calling to fulltime ministry is a very personal thing, but there are blessings and advantages to including interaction with a like-minded community of believers.

Discover 730 is an opportunity to join a fellowship of people who share the common goal of exploring officership as a response to God's calling to fulltime ministry. Retreats, regional D730 (Discover 730) meetings, Join the Conversation gatherings, coffee with leaders and organized fun will give members opportunities to seek the wise counsel of divisional leaders. It will allow for self-examination, with guidance, as you explore how your unique gifts and talents can be used in ministry and will provide the rich fellowship of others who share your desire to know and do God's will.



Membership in Discover 730 can be invaluable as you seek to identify the plans and purposes God has prepared for you (Ephesians 2:10). It is open to those ages 14 to 56.

Every division has an active Discover 730 group. For more information contact your divisional candidates' secretary or visit candidates.salarmycentral.org



with
Amy Williams
Jo Saxton
Commissioner Heidi Bailey
Sharon Irving

Redeeming spaces theme of preconference

The 2018 Arise & Shine Women's Conference, October 12-14, 2018, kicks off on Friday with a preconference themed "Redeeming Spaces for God's Glory" beginning at noon for 200 registered delegates.

The luncheon will reflect on the story of a young woman who is given a beautiful white rose at her first meeting of home league (women's ministries). Placing it on her kitchen counter amidst the clutter and debris from a busy family, she is inspired to redeem her home and family for God's glory. After lunch, preconference guest Kristin Schell, founder of the Turquoise Table, will share how she redeemed her front yard for God's glory by creating a space of hospitality and community in her neighborhood.



Kristin Schell



Katelyn Beaty



Bonnie Camarda

Delegates then may choose from two workshops:

A Woman's Place: a Christian vision for your calling in the office, the home and the world

In this workshop hosted by the first female managing editor of *Christianity Today* and author of *A Woman's Place*, Katelyn Beaty will walk attendees through what the Bible says about the goodness of daily work. Far from insisting all women

must work outside the home, she will help attendees grasp a better framework for imagining their careers, ambitions and calling.

Women leaders breaking through the glass ceiling

This riveting workshop by the Rev. Bonnie Camarda, divisional director of partnerships and government relations for the Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware Division, will be based on the book of Esther.

Learn more at www.centralwomenarise.com.

Embracing what God asks you

by Jessica Davis

Have you ever felt the Lord just sit you down and ask, "What are you going to do about it?"

As a working wife and mother of two, my life was full but, being honest, I found myself longing for fellowship with other women of faith who I could learn from. At first it was something I internalized, but then I began to express this desire for fellowship. For the better part of six months my prayers asked God to bring into my life one or two ladies I could connect and bond with.

I was surprised when I felt the Lord say, "Ok, Jessica, so what are you going to do about it?" Even so, I ignored His prompting for some time while still praying the same way. His response did not change.

Expressing this conflict to others, someone suggested I look into Embrace. I was directed to the territorial women's ministries website where it describes Embrace as a small group movement for intentional and deep fellowship. This was it! It's what I had been looking for. The only catch was the Rockford Temple, Ill., Corps didn't have one.

Realizing and accepting the Lord's direction, I set out to find other women who shared my interest in fellowship. I planned the first gathering with hopes that one or two ladies would attend. I was blessed when seven showed up!

A year and a half later we have an



Jessica Davis and Tina Fewell

active group that meets once a month for fellowship. Our gatherings are precious times of sharing with each other; our conversations are filled with life. The goal of Embrace is to provide authentic relationships by fellowshiping with a community, and I have found this within our Rockford Temple Embrace. We come from many different backgrounds and find ourselves in various stages in life, but we're bound by the desire for fellowship. We accept and support each other. I look forward to our times together, whether the regular monthly gathering or an outing such as seeing a play or visiting the main street market.

Had I ignored the Lord when He asked, "What are you going to do about it?" I would have missed an opportunity to meet and learn from some amazing women and realize in a new way that God's plans for me embrace meeting my needs.

A second chance

by Samantha Hyde

"God saved me, and I know if He saved me, He can save anybody," Cynthia Williams said with absolute conviction. This truth guides her every day as she works one-on-one with clients at the Indianapolis, Ind., Harbor Light Center led by Majors K.K. and Katrina Mathews.

For 20 years Cynthia struggled with drug addiction while living a double life. She often would work two jobs to provide for her children but also fund her habit, all without her family and friends knowing.

"I was a good chameleon," she said. "I still dressed nicely and took my kids to school. I still cooked, went to school programs, cleaned, was a mom, all because I didn't want anyone to know the real Cynthia."

Cynthia's moment of truth came after a weekend of using drugs that left her penniless and stranded on the side of the road. Sitting in her car she knew she'd hit rock bottom. "I just looked up and said, 'God, kill me now because death has got to be better than this. I'm tired.'" Cynthia got out of her car and started walking toward the hospital where she worked. That day marked the first day of her recovery and the turning point in her life.

This fall Cynthia will celebrate 14 years of recovery. In that time she has earned two degrees and is on her way to a Master of Divinity. As a counselor at the Harbor Light Center, she shares



her story to forge connections with men and women who are struggling to break free from addiction. Many are so discouraged by their past they can't imagine a better future.

Cynthia knows her recovery began when she finally surrendered to God. It's a lesson she passes on to others, encouraging them to look at this journey as one they don't have to make alone. Every day she walks the center's halls as proof God provides second chances. She hasn't forgotten her past but is focused on the future.

"I don't think about using drugs at all because I have faith enough in the God that I serve," she declared. "He delivered me, so there's no way I can go back. Even when I was at my worst, God cared enough about me to say, 'I still love you.' I owe my life to Him, and I owe my life to serving people."

Capital campaign resources applauded

In 2015, territorial headquarters (THQ) implemented a series of three-day seminars designed to equip officers and development staff preparing to conduct a capital campaign. New resources were developed to streamline and simplify the

process, and a partnership with the Fund Raising School at Indiana University brought instructors alongside to lead sessions.

"The seminars were developed to create a collaborative environment in which corps and the social services, property and development departments all work together," said Major Alan Wurtz, territorial capital campaign consultant.

Capital campaigns provide the funding necessary for the construction, major remodeling or purchase of Salvation Army facilities and are

an enormous undertaking.

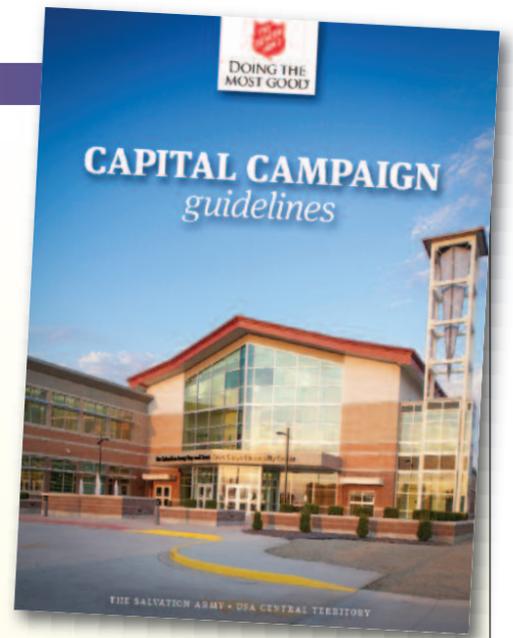
"The seminar gave us the opportunity to sit down and learn the entire process from how to start to what forms to file and the timeline," said Jeremy Monteith, Ottawa County, Mich., development director. With two campaigns currently in progress, he's grateful for the seminar and THQ resources.

Most recently, Major Alan has been developing a new database with more information, including sample case statements, job descriptions and videos.

In addition, territorial and divisional headquarters provide financial incentives as campaigns reach fundraising milestones. According to the major, these funds play an integral role in helping corps see the possibilities for success. They also show the community the corps has the support of the larger organization, boosting confidence in the project and helping increase the level of giving from donors. Time is limited, however, as the incentive period ends in September 2019.

Currently there are seven capital campaigns in various stages throughout the territory. People from each location conducting a campaign have attended a seminar. In total, 240 individuals have been trained.

"The seminar was very helpful as far as learning the process," said Lt. Chrissie Coreano, Dodge City, Kan., corps officer, "but Major Alan has



been the best resource. He's always available to help, and he's very knowledgeable."

Going forward, seminars will be held annually to continue resourcing and equipping the territory for capital campaigns.

Next, the major hopes to turn his attention to developing a strategy and resources for more effective advisory boards, which are critical to the capital campaign process and to the Army's ongoing ministry in every community.



Breaking ground for building expansion of the Holland, Mich., Corps

Room to grow



Some newly installed Advisory Board members with Majors Ron and Carol Lemirand, corps officers, and Major Tim Meyer, Wisconsin and Upper Michigan divisional secretary

When Majors Ron and Carol Lemirand were appointed to the Marinette, Wis., Corps in 2014, the advisory board numbered eight. To the majors, it seemed the board had room to grow. Along with their leadership team they created a STEPs (Strategic Tool to Engage Potential) goal to double the size and initiate a committee structure to further the presence of The Salvation Army in the counties of Marinette, Wis., and Menominee, Mich.

The team prayed for individuals who are leaders within their organization or sphere of influence; representative of both Marinette and Menominee counties; diverse in ethnicity, gender, age and profession, and involved in a variety of community activities. It was a tall order to fill, but through prayer, faith and intentionality, the advisory board has

added 11 new members in four years, bringing the total to 19!

The new members are the result of seizing opportunities and building relationships. "We get out in the community, and I always tell myself not to shortchange the conversations about how people can help," said Major Carol. "People want to be involved. We just have to give them the opportunity."

Each member's path to The Salvation Army was unique. For instance, one joined after engaging in a volunteer event through his employer, while another wanted involvement in something meaningful in retirement. There's a business owner, former mayor, social worker, substitute teacher, recently retired dentist and his wife, a banker and a chemist. It's a diverse group that's united in a common goal.

In addition to serving on the board, the members give to the Army's mission and ministry in other ways. Some volunteer regularly at the corps, whether at the meals program or answering phones, while others recruit volunteers from their social circles and clubs for various activities and events. All give their time, talent and resources to further the work of the Lord through the Marinette Corps.

As they prepare to retire the Lemirands give glory to God for the work He has done in their final appointment.



Advisory board member Ali Karamyar volunteers to prepare meals at the corps feeding program.



Alexandra Kuebler, Kansas and Western Missouri divisional director of development, and Lt. Andrew Wheeler, Lawrence, Kan., corps officer, at a recent seminar

Small but mighty

The Black Hills, S.D., Women's Auxiliary is small but mighty. Ten strong, the women work tirelessly to raise money through a variety of service projects and give freely of their time and energy to make each one a success. Once a month the group meets to discuss proposed fundraising and volunteer opportunities presented by the executive committee and vote on projects to undertake.

"The auxiliary ladies are amazing," said A/Captain Michelle Johnson, Rapid City, S.D., corps officer. "They all have such love for the Army."

As locals who know their community well, they search out opportunities that will resonate with others. For instance, bussing tables for donations at Pizza Ranch and Culver's brought in funds from the public as well as the restaurant, which gave a percentage of its profits to the Army and set out mini kettles during the fundraiser. Other efforts include an annual hot-dog lunch and a bake sale at the thrift store. According to the a/captain, the bonus to these smaller, more frequent events is making personal connections for the Army through multiple points of contact throughout the year.



Women's auxiliary members (l to r) Karen Sortdahl, Sandy Santjer, Donna Norton and Karine Carpenter volunteer at the toy shop.

The money raised by the auxiliary goes to support projects such as a camp scholarships, gifts for residents at the Hot Springs Veterans Association and items for the corps' toy shop at Christmas.

In addition to raising money and financially supporting projects, the auxiliary members volunteer at annual events such as Shop with a Cop at back-to-school time. But the Christmas toy shop is the group's premier volunteer event. "They recruit their husbands, children and grandchildren to help," A/Captain Michelle said. "This group truly is a blessing."

New Members



January - March, 2018

128 Senior Soldiers
33 Adherents
78 Junior Soldiers

PRAYER CENTRAL



July Prayer Calendar

My Prayer List	Day	Bible Reading	Pray for The Salvation Army
	1 Sunday	Philippians 1-2	Officers transitioning into new appointments
	2 Monday	Leviticus 10-12	Bloomington, Ind., Corps
	3 Tuesday	2 Kings 1-5	El Dorado, Kan., Corps
	4 Wednesday	Psalms 78-80	Thank God for our freedom in Christ
	5 Thursday	Proverbs 8-9	Chicago Englewood, Ill., Corps
	6 Friday	Ezekiel 19-24	Belleville, Ill., Corps
	7 Saturday	Luke 17-18	Bismarck, N.D., Corps
	8 Sunday	Philippians 3-4	Boone, Iowa, Corps
	9 Monday	Leviticus 13-15	Benton Harbor, Mich., Corps
	10 Tuesday	2 Kings 6-10	Escanaba, Mich., Corps
	11 Wednesday	Psalms 81-83	Davenport River Valley, Iowa, ARC*
	12 Thursday	Proverbs 10	Heartland DHQ**
	13 Friday	Ezekiel 25-30	Bay City, Mich., Corps
	14 Saturday	Luke 19-20	Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Corps
	15 Sunday	Colossians 1-2	New lives for Christ this Decision Sunday
	16 Monday	Leviticus 16-18	Brown County, Ind., Corps
	17 Tuesday	2 Kings 11-15	Emporia, Kan., Corps
	18 Wednesday	Psalms 84-86	Chicago Irving Park, Ill., Corps
	19 Thursday	Proverbs 11-12	Branson, Mo., Corps
	20 Friday	Ezekiel 31-36	Brainerd Lakes, Minn., Corps
	21 Saturday	Luke 21-22	Central Bible Leadership Institute
	22 Sunday	Colossians 3-4	Council Bluffs, Iowa, Corps
	23 Monday	Leviticus 19-21	Big Rapids, Mich., Corps
	24 Tuesday	2 Kings 16-20	Fond du Lac, Wis., Corps
	25 Wednesday	Psalms 87-89	Des Moines, Iowa, ARC*
	26 Thursday	Proverbs 13	Dearborn Heights Citadel, Mich., Corps
	27 Friday	Ezekiel 37-42	Champaign, Ill., Corps
	28 Saturday	Luke 23-24	Columbus, Ind., Corps
	29 Sunday	1 Thessalonians 1-3	Garden City, Kan., Corps
	30 Monday	Leviticus 22-24	Chicago LaVillita, Ill., Corps
	31 Tuesday	2 Kings 21-25	Cape Girardeau, Mo., Corps

New life through Orange

Since launching the Orange Sunday school curriculum last fall on Rally Day, the Madison, Ind., Corps, led by Lts. Vinal and Brenna Lee, has implemented Orange as an approach to all they do and have found it has breathed new life into their corps.



They are harnessing the Orange strategy of blending two critical influences, the light of the Church (yellow) and the heart of the family (red), to more effectively promote spiritual growth in their corps.



orange

"In his book, *Think Orange: Imagine the Impact when Church and Family Collide*, Reggie Joiner asked, 'What would happen

dig into it all throughout the week as they process the prior week's small group discussion and prepare for the next."

The corps also utilizes Orange resources for their character-building Bible time each week and hosted "AMPED: Live Fully Alive," vacation Bible school where children learned Jesus came into the world so they may have life to the fullest.

Orange small groups have helped the corps to be more intentional with use of its space. A new teen room and a remodeled clubhouse have been created for the school-age children, and a conference room has been redesigned for adults.

Lt. Brenna concluded, "It's so exciting to see the church and families working together to live loving God and loving others."



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If you follow the prayer calendar during the year, you will have read through the Bible!

* = Adult Rehabilitation Center
 ** = Divisional Headquarters

if...both churches and families started believing in the potential of combining their influences to accomplish the same mission?" said Lt. Brenna. "This idea has helped us focus on the whole family, even if only one member attends, by providing cohesive lessons that build over the week."

They now weave the Orange strategy through every program and service by asking, "How are we as the Church encouraging, engaging and equipping the heart of the family throughout the whole week?"

"Think Orange has been exactly what our corps has needed," said the lieutenant. "Our church family is so hungry for God's Word they

--Mustard Seeds--



On the move

Effective June 27 unless otherwise noted

Every officer in the territory additionally has been appointed as Assistant Candidates' Secretary unless they hold the position of Candidates' Secretary or Associate Candidates' Secretary.

Adult Rehabilitation Centers Command

Major Elmer Gamble, Business Admin., Flint, MI; **Major Michele Gamble**, Program Admin., Flint, MI; **Major Jodi Montgomery**, Program Admin. in Training, Northwest, IN; **Major Nicholas Montgomery**, Business Admin. in Training, Northwest, IN; **Captain Johnny Bartsch**, Program Admin. in Training, Grand Rapids, MI; **Captain Kerry Bartsch**, Business Admin. in Training, Grand Rapids, MI; **Captain Gaylynn Buttrely**, Command Asst. Special Services; **Captain Jason Schaal**, Project Specialist, Minneapolis, MN; **Envoy James Bracey**, Admin., Springfield, IL; **Envoy Tom Canfield** (change in desig.), Business Admin., Minneapolis, MN; **Envoy Trudi Canfield** (change in desig.), Program Admin., Minneapolis, MN; **Jennifer Bowyer**, Program Admin. in Training, Rockford, IL; **Paul Bowyer**, Business Admin. in Training, Rockford, IL.

College for Officer Training

Major Elsie Cline, Spanish Training Officer; **Major Karen Johnson**, Spanish Training Dir.; **Major Marc Johnson**, Asst. Principal; **Major Christine Poff** (change in desig.), Education Officer; **Major Arnel Ruppel**, Dir. of Curriculum; **Major Scott Salisbury**, Personnel Officer; **Captain Aaron Ortman**, Asst. Dir. of Business; **Captain Edwin Velez**, Field Training Officer (transfer from USA Eastern Territory); **Lt. Natalie Austin**, Field Training Officer, Add'l Appts: Distance Learning Coord., Multicultural Ministries Coord.; **Lt. Christine Coreano**, Health Officer; **Lt. Enrique Coreano**, Field Training Dir., Add'l Appt: Asst. Dir. of Curriculum; **Lt. Robyn Shanahan**, Family Ministries Coord.

Eastern Michigan Division

Major Louise Blessing, Community Care Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Older Adult Ministries Dir., Veterans' Admin. Rep.; **Majors Wesley & Susan Dalberg**, COs, Port Huron, MI; **Major Kathy Hellstrom**, CO, Flint Citadel, MI; **Major Randy Hellstrom**, CO, Flint Citadel, MI, Add'l Appt: Genesee/Shiawassee Regional Coord., Flint, MI; **Majors Wayne & Tracy Ruston**, COs, Monroe, MI; **Majors Cornell & Candace Voeller**, COs, Warren, MI; **Captain Karl Blessing**, Men's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appt: Correctional Services Dir.; **Captain Christina Cooper**, Divisional Youth Sec., Add'l Appt: Divisional Candidates' Sec.; **Captain Jonathan Cooper**, Divisional Youth Sec.; **Captain James Scott**, CO, Detroit Grandale, MI; **Captain Lorna & Lt. Lennard Cossey**, COs, Mt. Clemens, MI; **Michael & Janice Quick**, Corps Admins., Flint Beecher, MI.

Heartland Division

Majors Randall & Susan Summit, COs, Champaign, IL; **Majors Gregory & Carla Voeller**, COs, Decatur, IL; **Captain Jason Bigelow**, Add'l Appt: Asst. Admin., Eagle Crest Camp & Retreat Center; **Captains Jeffrey & Erin Eddy**, COs, Springfield Clear Lake, IL; **Captains Matthew & Emily Phelps**, COs, Dubuque, IA; **Captain Leanna Tuttle**, CO, Keokuk, IA; **Lt. Edward Williams**, Add'l Appt: Multicultural Ministries Coord.

Indiana Division

Major Janet Litherland, Divisional Business Sec.; **Major Daniel Sawka**, Add'l Appt: Divisional Candidates' Sec.; **Major Stephanie Sawka**, Add'l Appt: Older Adult Ministries Sec.; **Major Jeremiah Stouder**, Divisional Business Officer; **Major Rachel Stouder**, Divisional Program Sec.; **Major Mark Litherland**, CO, Muncie, IN; **Major Mark Turner**, CO, Evansville Fulton Ave., IN, Add'l Appt: Southwest Indiana Regional Coord.; **Major Sandra Turner**, CO, Evansville Fulton Ave., IN, Add'l Appt: Southwest Indiana Regional Business Admin.; **Captain Anthony Bowers**, CO, Indianapolis Eagle Creek, IN; **Captain Brianne Bowers**, CO, Indianapolis Eagle Creek, IN, Add'l Appt: Assoc. Candidates' Sec.; **Captains Geffory & Leticia Crowell**, COs, Fort Wayne, IN; **Captains Jonathan & Catherine Fitzgerald**, COs, New Albany, IN.

Kansas and Western Missouri Division

Major Toni Dorrell, General Sec., Add'l Appt: Metro Kansas City Area Coord.; **Major Curtiss Hartley**, Divisional Program Sec.; **Major Sandy Hartley**, Divisional Business Sec.; **Major Carolyn Schuetz**, CO, Grandview Southland, MO, Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Older Adult Ministries Dir., Veterans' Admin. Rep.; **Major Kirk Schuetz**, Correctional Services Dir., Add'l Appts: Men's Ministries Sec., CO, Grandview Southland, MO; **Major Candy Curl**, CO, Wichita Citadel, KS; **Major James Curl**, Wichita City Commander, Add'l Appt: City Corps' Coord., Wichita, KS; **Majors Kenneth & Robin Shiels**, COs, Independence, MO; **Captains Roberto & Elia Davila**, COs, Dodge City, KS; **Captain Luis & Lt. Linda Acosta**, COs, Kansas City Blue Valley, MO; **Envoys Brett & Stephanie Dietrich**, Corps Admins., Leavenworth, KS; **Karla Salisbury**, Assoc. Corps Admin., Salina, KS.

Metropolitan Division

Major Timothy Pascoe, Divisional Business Sec.; **Major Johanna Pook**, Kroc Center Officer for Business Admin., Chicago Kroc Center, IL; **Major John Pook**, Senior Kroc Center Officer, Chicago Kroc Center, IL; **Major Kjell Steinsland**, General Sec., Add'l Appt: Officer

Development Sec.; **Captain Clara Braddock**, CO, Chicago Temple, IL; **Captains Derek & Joanna Rose**, COs, Blue Island, IL; **Captains Caleb & Stephanie Senn**, COs, Oakbrook Terrace, IL; **Lt. Dalvius King**, CO, Chicago Midwest, IL; **A/Captain Ketsia Diaz**, Asst. Women's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Moral and Ethical Issues Sec.; **Envoy Scott Hurlula**, Hope-Strong Ministries Dir. (effective May 2).

Midland Division

Captain Jeffrey Carr, Add'l Appt: Men's Ministries Sec.; **Captain Carol Lewis**, Divisional Development Sec.; **Captains Will & Larisha Richardson**, COs, Midtown Corps, Add'l Appts: Social Services Chaplains, Greater St. Louis Metro. Social Services Dept.; **Captain Scott Strissel**, Divisional Youth Sec., Add'l Appt: Divisional Candidates' Sec.; **Captain Shanais Strissel**, Divisional Youth Sec.; **Lts. Grant & Jaclyn Holloway**, COs, St. Louis Temple, MO; **Lt. Christina Tamayo**, CO, Granite City, IL.

Northern Division

Majors Noel & Rose Mason, Special Services (pro tem until Jan. 1 retirement); **Major Nancy Mead**, Divisional Program Sec., Add'l Appt: Women's Ministries Sec.; **Majors Robert & Lisa Mueller**, COs, Rochester, MN; **Majors Jerry & Vangie O'Neil**, COs, Fargo, ND; **Majors Roberto & Melissa Viquez**, COs, Minneapolis Temple, MN (transfer from USA Western Territory); **Captains LeOtis & LaTonya Brooks**, COs, Minneapolis Harbor Light, MN; **Captain Ilona Schaal**, Admin., Booth Manor Residence, St. Paul, MN; **Captain Bersabe Vera-Hernandez**, Divisional Sec.; **Lts. Michael & Erin Metzler**, COs, Lakewood Temple, MN; **Lts. Jonathan & Ceamona Taube**, COs, St. Paul Citadel, MN; **A/Captain Ron Felt**, CO, Willmar, MN.

Western Division

Major Cindy Strickler, Women's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Moral & Ethical Issues Sec., Community Care Ministries Sec., Older Adult Ministries Dir.; **Major Jeffrey Strickler**, Divisional Sec., Add'l Appt: Men's Ministries Sec.; **Major Kelli & Captain Jesus Trejo**, COs, Norfolk, NE; **Captain Adam Moore**, Divisional Business Officer; **Captain Deannie Moore**, Divisional Program Sec., Add'l Appt: Multicultural Ministries Coord.; **Captain Pam Kasten**, CO, Marshalltown, IA; **Captains Chris & April Rutledge-Clarke**, COs, Sioux City, IA; **Lt. James Beardsley**, CO, Boone, IA; **Lts. Steven & Jessica Dahl**, COs, North Platte, NE.

Western Michigan & Northern Indiana Division

Major Valerie Nance, Program Asst., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Moral and Ethical Issues Sec.; **Major Rebecca Simmons**, CO, Michigan City, IN; **Captains R.C. & Miranda Duskin**, COs, Cadillac, MI; **Captain Dale Simmons**, CO, Michigan City, IN, Add'l Appt: Multicultural Ministries Coord.; **Lt. Taylor Brutto**, Add'l Appt: Kroc Center Officer for Congregational Life, Grand Rapids Kroc Center, MI.

Wisconsin & Upper Michigan Division

Majors Robert & Ruth Fay, COs, Oak Creek Centennial, WI; **Majors Thomas & Julie McDowell**, COs, Manitowoc, WI; **Major Angela Pennington**, Milwaukee County Program Coord., Milwaukee, WI; **Majors Jonathan & Kim Welch**, COs, Fond du Lac, WI; **Captain Malinda O'Neil**, Senior Kroc Center Officer, Green Bay Kroc Center, WI; **Captain Matthew O'Neil**, Brown County Coord., Green Bay, WI, Add'l Appt: Kroc Center Officer for Congregational Life, Green Bay Kroc Center, WI; **Captain Andrew Shiels**, Dane County Coord., Madison, WI, Add'l Appt: CO, Madison Temple, WI; **Captain Melissa Shiels**, Dane County Special Services Dir., Madison, WI, Add'l Appt: CO, Madison Temple, WI; **Captains Joshua & Rhegan Stansbury**, COs, Marinette, WI; **Captain Julie Trapp**, Divisional Business Sec.; **Captain Steven Wilson**, CO, Janesville, WI, Add'l Appt: Rock County Coord., Janesville, WI; **Captain Telinda Wilson**, CO, Janesville, WI; **Lt. Kelly Summit**, Assoc. CO, Milwaukee Citadel, WI.

Territorial Headquarters

Major Michele Heaver, Emergency Disaster Services Project Coord.; **Major Daniel Hull**, Property Sec.; **Major Jolene Hull**, Asst. Sec. for Women's Ministries; **Major Audrey McClintock**, Order of the Silver Star Sec., Add'l Appt: Personnel Services Events Coord.; **Major Robert McClintock**, Men's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appt: Correctional Services Dir.; **Major Timothy Parker**, Audit Dept. Sec.; **Majors Joseph & Lois Wheeler**, Pastoral Care Officers; **Captain Robb Buttrely**, Asst. Property Sec.; **Captain Kirsten Kocyan**, Property Specialist; **Captain Christopher Marques**, Asst. Youth Sec.; **Lt. Amanda Keene**, Youth Christian Education Dir. for Discipleship.

Retirements

July 1: **Majors Dan & Mary Burris**; **Majors James & Paulette Frye**; **Majors Robert & Joyce Gauthier**; **Majors Ronald & Carol Lemirand**; **Majors Byron & Elaine Medlock**; **Majors Von & Linda Vandiver**; **Captains Pedro & Mirca Arias**; **Captain Donna Rose**.

August 1: **Major Cheryl Lawry**; **Majors Thomas & Kay Mason**; **Major Joyce Shiels**.

September 1: **Majors David & Gay Ann Fulton**; **Majors Dale & JoAnn Hixenbaugh**.

CO/COs = Corps Officer(s)
DHQ = Divisional Headquarters

Promoted to Glory

Mrs. Lt. Colonel Lucy Anderson

Mrs. Lt. Colonel Lucy Anderson, 98, was promoted to Glory on March 22, 2018. She was born in Seattle, Wash., on January 31, 1920, to Colonel and Mrs. Tom Gabrielson.



Known for her passionate love of scripture and ardent prayer life, Lucy touched many lives.

A woman ahead of her time, she earned a degree in sociology in 1942 and went on to complete two years of graduate studies in social work administration. In 1944, she entered the College for Officer Training (CFOT) and was commissioned in 1945 with the "Fearless" session. Notably, she spent 10 years as supervisor of the family welfare department in St. Louis, Mo.

Lucy married widower Major C. Milton Anderson in 1960 and joined him in raising his two daughters, Marilyn and Sheila. The Andersons served as divisional leaders of the Scandinavian, Metropolitan and Wisconsin/Upper Michigan divisions, and at territorial headquarters. Milton was promoted to Glory in 1975, and Lucy retired from her final appointment as assistant principal of the CFOT in 1984.

She is survived by her daughter, Sheila (Milton) Nelson and three grandchildren as well as many great- and great-great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Major Ethel Stange

Mrs. Major Ethel Stange, 91, was promoted to Glory on March 31, 2018. She was born on September 29, 1926, to Major and Mrs. Frederick Bailey.



Ethel found salvation as a child at her mother's knee. As a young girl, her giftedness in music became evident and she developed into an outstanding musician, using her talents to glorify God all her life. Even in retirement she remained a faithful bandsman, member of the string band and songster for 32 years.

Ethel met Kenneth Stange at a divisional band rehearsal in Milwaukee, Wis. They married and entered the College for Officer Training in 1946. Commissioned with the "Warriors" session in 1947, the Stanges served in corps throughout Michigan and as Northern divisional youth leaders before leading the Detroit Harbor Light Center for 13 years. There they found great joy as they saw many lives redeemed.

Nine years in divisional appointments followed. They retired in 1986 from their last appointment leading the territorial community relations and development department.

Ethel was preceded in death by her husband and two sisters. She is survived by her siblings, Major Frederick (Bodil) Bailey and Shirley Smith; children, Colonel Sue (William) Harfoot, Stephen (Barbara), John (Cindy) and Kenneth (Karen); nephews

Commissioner Brad (Heidi) Bailey and Bram (Carolyn) Bailey; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Major Elsie Froberg-Jones

Major Elsie Froberg-Jones, 92, was born July 9, 1925, in Saginaw, Mich., to Envoy and Mrs. Bruce Littleton. She was promoted to Glory on March 11, 2018, in Ocala, Fla.



Elsie was well known for her musical talent, playing organ, piano and accordion. But unknown to most, she also wrote songs. One of her choruses was her testimony: *God put a song upon my heart the day He saved me and I am happy in His love that made me free. And Oh, the peace and satisfaction that He gave me has grown sweeter as the years go by to me.*

Elsie entered the College for Officer Training in 1946 with her husband, Howard Froberg. They were commissioned with the "Warriors" session in 1947. The Frobergs served in corps and Men's Social Service (now adult rehabilitation center) appointments throughout the territory and at Midland Divisional Headquarters. After Howard was promoted to Glory in 1974, Elsie served faithfully until her retirement in 1983. Ten years after retiring, she married A/Captain John Jones.

She is survived by her husband, John, her daughter, Alice Sharp, two grandsons, two great grandsons and one great granddaughter.

Major Bonita Spicer

Major Bonita Jean (Bonnie) Spicer was promoted to Glory on April 20, 2018. She was born on August 9, 1933, to a family of Swedish immigrants in Chicago's Roseland Corps neighborhood. From childhood she loved singing from *The Salvation Army Songbook*.



Bonnie was commissioned from the College for Officer Training in 1955 with the "Soul-Winners" session. While serving in her first appointment in Superior, Wis., she met Lt. Ralph Spicer, who was stationed in Duluth, Minn. They were married in 1957 and ministered together for nearly 30 years, serving in corps throughout the Midwest until their retirement in 1985.

Bonnie shared her love of singing with hundreds of children throughout her ministry. Decades later, adults tell how much those songs and the love of Jesus that flowed through her meant to them. She never stopped reminding her children, grandchildren and others they are special gifts from God and Jesus loves them.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph, and is survived by their children, William, Curtis and Scott, as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren.