



# Central Connection

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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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## re:Generation 2008 Know God's Word and live it!

by Cathleen Himes

You and I have a high call on our lives. You're here at re:Generation because you're really serious about God. We need to be about Kingdom business," exclaimed special guest Kay Arthur, popular author and founder of Precept Ministries.

Kay challenged the 184 young adults who'd come together from across the territory for re:Generation, an annual event which has come to be regarded as a powerful weekend of discipleship where Salvationists make positive life choices and form spiritual goals. There are high expectations for re:Generation, and, according to director Linda Himes, it's important to have high standards as this generation of young adults is enthusiastic to meet them.

Kay's message



was compelling. Know God's Word! Read it. Study it. Love it. Live it. On Friday night and Saturday morning, she spoke on I Chronicles and related how each of us today has a purpose in God's plan.

Small groups fur-

ther studied God's Word using Kay Arthur's 40-minute Bible study books which included topics like making choices you won't regret and building a marriage that really works. In between studies delegates could choose from educational workshops like The Salvation Army's efforts to stop human trafficking.

During united sessions The Singing Company led praise and the Bill Booth Theater Company reinforced the theme through drama. The atmosphere was one of worship and reverence. Delegates feasted on the wisdom of leaders such as Territorial Commander Commissioner Ken Baillie, Norridge Citadel, Ill., Corps soldiers Jack and Lucy Thomas and Territorial Music and Gospel Arts Secretary William Himes, who each offered "mentor moments," advice on how to build a life rooted in God's Word and will.

"Re:Gen was truly where God wanted me to be. I unexpectedly found answers that I had been

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## Harfoots appointed to Western Territory

Lt. Colonels William and Susan Harfoot have been appointed as chief secretary and territorial secretary for women's ministries for the Western Territory effective July 1, 2008. They have been serving since last July as territorial secretary for personnel and territorial officer resource and development secretary, respectively, in the Central Territory.

Prior to their current positions, the Harfoots led the Western Division and the College for Officer Training and held four corps appointments in the Midwest.



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## Possibility thinkers

by Commissioner Joy Baillie  
Territorial President of Women's Ministries

**B**rent closed his seasonal fruit market and dropped off the leftover produce at The Salvation Army. The officer thanked him and showed him around the corps. As Brent was leaving, the captain started unloading a van full of toys, so Brent helped and ended up volunteering throughout December.

Brent accepted an invitation to attend the New Year's Eve service, a distinct contrast to his customary celebration! In February, after many long conversations with the officers and soldiers, Brent committed his life to Christ. He began reading the Bible and loved it! The next year he was enrolled as a soldier. Now he and his wife serve as



officers themselves. But what if his first corps officer had just mailed a receipt for the donation instead of really "seeing" Brent?

Do we see the young boy aimlessly bouncing the ball against the corps building as Tony or just another neighborhood kid? Can we envision him as an adventure corps member, learning to play a guitar or horn, coming to know Jesus through Sunday school? Can we see him as a junior soldier next year? What about his 7-year-old sister, Mandy? Would we consider starting a program for Mandy and her friends which might evolve into a sunbeam troop? Might we be part of God's plan for Tony and Mandy to know Him?

We meet a woman on the street. She asks about the uniform and then shares some concerns with us. Do we think to invite her to the women's ministries program on parenting being held next Tuesday? Do we ask if she'd like to be notified of special corps programs? Do we jot down her name and phone number? Do we believe Christ is able to transform her life?

The man who sits in the eighth row

of the chapel became a believer last month at the adult rehabilitation center. Do we know his name, his favorite sports team, his hopes and dreams? Have we invited him to join the men's club or our Bible study or discipleship class? Can we imagine how we could support one another in our faith? Do we see him?

I remember a soldier in one of our corps who loved to greet visitors to the Sunday meeting, linking them to people in the corps with whom she discovered they had something in common. She added their names to a list she carried in her purse. She used this as a prayer list and to help her greet each person by name the next time they came. She saw them as potential friends, potential believers, potential fellow soldiers involved in ministry. She was a possibility thinker.

Jesus said to the disciples as they stood at the well at Sychar, "I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest." (John 4:35, NIV) The disciples looked up. They just saw a Samaritan woman leading a group of people toward them, but Jesus saw them as individuals wanting to know Him, ready to believe in Him because of the woman's testimony about Him. They were the "fields ripe for harvest."

Even Spring can be harvest season. Let's open our eyes in faith. Whom do you see?

## Army informs Missouri legislature



Photo by Bill Greenblatt

Representatives of The Salvation Army listen to State Representative Bryan Pratt as they meet with Missouri Governor Matt Blunt.

**N**early 60 officers, advisory board members and employees from the Midland and the Kansas and Western Missouri divisions recently joined forces to host the Army's annual legislative breakfast at the state capitol in Jefferson City, Mo. They also met with the governor and legislators concerning the state's housing crunch.

The event acquaints legislators with Salvation Army personnel, programs and services. Each received a folder containing contact names and numbers for corps and service extension units in their districts, as well as information about Army programs and services available in 153 locations throughout the state. Legislators also received a fact sheet requesting their support in expanding the Missouri Housing Trust Fund, which helps prevent homelessness by keeping families in their homes.

Last year the fund generated \$4.7 million through a \$3 fee when a person buys a home. Fund monies currently support 76 agencies, but there are requests from 197 agencies for

\$18.1 million. The proposed legislation asks for an incremental increase of the fee every two years over the next six years, along with a \$4 million increase in the Affordable Housing Assistance Program tax credit.

This information was shared directly with Governor Matt Blunt by Salvation Army representatives including divisional commanders Major Lonnel Richardson (Midland) and Lt. Colonel Theodore Dalberg (Kansas and Western Missouri). In the private meeting, the governor confirmed his high respect for The Salvation Army and its work by agreeing to create a standing appointment for an Army representative to the Governor's Committee to End Homelessness.

The breakfast was coordinated by Michael Klein, Kansas and Western Missouri divisional government relations liaison, and Dr. Edward MacAlmon, Midland divisional social services director.

Dr. MacAlmon noted, "Leadership in this effort by the Army is vital, especially during this housing downturn which has impacted the number of deeds being filed."

## Baileys return to South America

**M**ajors Bradford and Heidi Bailey, currently serving as command leaders of the Spain Command, are being appointed to the South America West Territory as chief secretary and territorial secretary for women's ministries, respectively. They will take up their new appointment on July 1, 2008, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. They served previously in South America West from 1988 - 2001.



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## This Army is worth joining!

by Captain Lisa Mueller

This Army is worth joining!" passionately declared Commissioner Eva Gaither, national president of women's organizations, during the keynote session of the Northern Divisional Officers' Councils.

How did I join the Army? When did I join the Army? Why did I join the Army? During officer gatherings, our stories often are taken for granted. But in the presence of National Commander Commissioner Israel L. Gaither and Commissioner Eva D. Gaither, officers from North Dakota and Minnesota celebrated their stories.

From a construction worker recruited at youth councils to a professional seeking volunteer opportunities to a family in crisis finding the Army through social services, officer testimonies were intertwined with the conviction and urgency expressed by the Gaithers to rethink, rework and renew our vision for this Army and our part in it.

After an earnest sharing of their hearts while addressing questions, the national commander relayed what He believes to be God's vision today for The Salvation Army.

During the three-day councils, officers were constantly and lovingly directed to become stronger, bet-



Photo by Captain Trudi Wyndham

ter, more faithful and dedicated in this great salvation war. Commissioner Israel Gaither pleaded for officers bold enough to stand together and declare their beliefs and commitment, to believe in a larger dream and to live victoriously for our Savior.

Commissioners Gaither may never fully realize the impact they've had on the lives and ministry of officers hungry for this leading, this vision, this anointing. As the national commander declared, "The Salvation Army is perfectly positioned to lead the way to spiritual renewal in America."

I felt, as much as heard, the strength and resolve rising up in the hearts of my comrades as we were convinced once again, yes, "this Army is worth joining!"

## Commissioned to captains

For newly commissioned Captains Raisi Zambrano and Kerry and Jil Kistler the path to officership was one of growth and enlightenment. Though they became involved in The Salvation Army for different reasons, God's calling on their lives was the



Photos by Michael Braver

"Since I wasn't a life-long Salvationist, there was so much I didn't know about the Army. The whole process of becoming an officer has stretched my faith and helped me find out how big and wonderful our Army really is," said Raisi.

Kerry and Jil became a part of the Army family when they left their home in upper New York to become territorial evangelists for the Central Territory. For years they knew God wanted them to use their gifts to spread the gospel; the path to officership was one more lesson on their journey to fulfill His call. They believe God has led them every step of the way and has done more than they could ask or imagine.

"We feel like we've been truly adopted into the Army family," said Kerry. "Being an officer means the Army has entrusted us with a significant responsibility, not just a title, and by accepting it we have agreed to live a life worthy of that responsibility."

same: ministry. At a recent Metropolitan Division meeting, they were each commissioned to full captain after completing the core competency program as auxiliary captains.

Raisi and her husband, Luis, who is already a commissioned captain, started attending the Oakbrook Terrace, Ill., Corps while looking for Christian youth programs for their son. Before joining the Army the Zambranos were part-time interim pastors in a church. The more they got involved with the Army, the stronger God's call to fulltime ministry became. Then Lt. Colonel David Grindle, Metropolitan divisional commander, talked to them about becoming auxiliary captains and leading the Aurora, Ill., Corps Hispanic ministry.

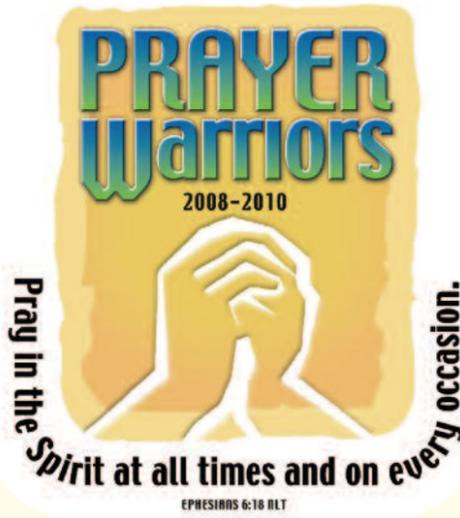
## Newest accepted candidate

Linda McCormick

Jacksonville, Ill.  
Midland Division

While attending a Christian concert with a girlfriend, Linda was moved by the words spoken during an altar call. That night she knelt at the altar and accepted Jesus as her Savior.

Though only a teenager she soon felt God calling her to officership. To Linda it was "always a quiet voice constantly calling me." For many years, however, she shut out that "quiet voice" and chose to go her own way. God continued to speak to Linda and gradually her heart softened. "It is my hope and prayer that I will finally be able to answer it," said Linda. She is happy to serve with a whole heart, to follow in the foot-



steps of her grandparents, Brigadier and Mrs. Archibald McCormick, who were officers in the Eastern Territory.

The constant, quiet voice now resonates in Linda as she responds by entering the College for Officer Training (CFOT) as a member of the Prayer Warriors session. She

will be coming to CFOT from the Jacksonville, Ill., Corps where her corps officers are Captains Amos and Cynthia Shiels.



24/7/13

Territorial Commander Commissioner Ken Baillie felt a strong burden to start 2008 off with a 13-week-long, territorial-wide initiative of 24-hour, seven-day-a-week prayer. Following are just a few reports of the prayer experiences.

### Bathed in prayer

The Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division reported the 24/7/13 prayer initiative was very well received by corps. Each day of the week designated to the division was covered by one or more corps, which decided how the day would be constantly bathed in prayer by officers, attendees, employees and friends. Divisional headquarters employee Major Sandra Line reported that the corps she attends, Waukesha, had more than one person signed up for each time slot during the entire 24 hours assigned to the corps.

### Passion for prayer

Major Jim Beardsley, Heartland divisional secretary, reported that many corps in the division were already fervent in their passion for prayer. Several already had prayer rooms before the territorial initiative had even been announced. The Decatur, Ill., Corps' prayer room offers meditative music, scripture recordings and plenty of Bibles.

### Hunger for prayer

Corps in the Metropolitan Division have seen increased hunger for prayer, learned how to pray and listen for God's answers

and experienced power of prayer according to reports from corps officers. Captain Raisi Zambrano, Aurora, Ill., associate corps officer, commented, "Our day was a wonderful and special time with the Lord. The last two hours featured intense prayer by adults and young people together. As the Holy Spirit worked among us, people were crying, hugging, asking for forgiveness. We will do this again as a congregation because this experience enriched our faith."

### Answers to prayer

The week of prayer in the Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Division, themed "Thankful Hearts," started with corps participating in a Concert of Prayer. The division began preparing for this important focus last year: recruiting people to pray for a day, establishing prayer rooms and prayer walls for the posting of requests and answers, conducting prayer meetings and preparing sermon series. Praise reports poured in from across the division. For instance, prayer for shelter was answered for a homeless mother and her three children who came to the Lansing Citadel prayer time. Many corps made their prayer rooms permanent and plan to continue the effort throughout the year.



## What should we do?

by Karen Young

The status quo was about to change; God was doing a new thing. Confronted and convicted by John the Baptist's call to repent, the people asked him, "What shall we do then?" John's reply hinged on how they related to others.

Rev. Dr. Brenda Salter McNeil raised similar questions at the recent leadership training seminar sponsored by the territorial multicultural ministries bureau.

- What shall we do in a world which has become increasingly diverse?
- What shall we do with untapped opportunities for ministry with people of racial and ethnic backgrounds different from our own?
- How do Christians meet these new realities? *What shall we do?*

"We are called to be culturally competent," declared Brenda.

Through discussion, reflection on scripture and small group interaction, she taught the group how to engage individuals, groups and congregations in cross-cultural ministries. She introduced eight habits of inter-culturally competent leaders, followed by a discussion on "Embracing Our True Selves" from a book she co-authored, *The Heart of Racial Justice: How Soul Change Leads to Social Change*. Participants were challenged to examine the "false selves" that compromise relationships and keep people from embracing their true ethnic identity.

"If you don't know your true self, how can you engage with others in meaningful ways? It's impossible to affirm in others what you can't affirm in yourself. All of our cultures were created by God, and each of us holds a piece of the puzzle that reveals His full expression," Brenda proclaimed.



(L-r) Captain Marcelo Orbe, Multicultural Ministries Bureau Director Major Mary Hammerly, Rev. Dr. Brenda Salter McNeil, Alfredo Martinez.

## One body, stronger!

by Craig Dirkes and Major Jan Hendrickson

Two corps that had been located a block apart for 10 years merged recently, a convergence that has yielded one of the most diverse congregations in the Twin Cities.



Sunday services at the newly remodeled and expanded Central Corps in northeast Minneapolis now include a healthy population of Laotians who have transferred from the Tabernacle Corps. The Central Corps is now run by Captains Don and Heather LaMar and Captains Vong and Ting Luangkhamdeng, former Tabernacle corps officers.

Captain Don LaMar said any language barriers that occur during sermons at Central Corps are easily overcome because the language of God's love is universal.

"Even though we don't always understand the words we're saying, we still seem to understand each other," he said, adding that some services are attended by nearly 150 people and include scripture readings in English, Spanish, Thai and Laotian. "The biggest benefit of merging," he continued, "is that we're seeing the larger picture of the body of Christ. We're working together more."

Among the new members at Central are Pom and Von Souk, who

first came to America in the early 1980s after fleeing the chaos and political unrest of Laos. The couple survived prison, refugee camps and being shot at while escaping across a river.

"Everything so exciting! Pom so happy," Von said.

"Laotian people look to leaders they can trust," Pom said. "We very comfortable with Captains Don and Heather and Captains Vong and Ting. We come to worship, we have uniform. We don't stand in corner. We serve all kind of people!"

When plans first began for the merger, some thought it best to have a separate service for the Laotians. But the merger began with a united service and the entire congregation can't imagine it any differently.

"Things have come together really well," said Ronald Davidson, who has attended the Central Corps since 1993. "Having one service and using two dominant languages has been exciting and will build strength. It has enhanced my prayer life. We are brothers and sisters in Christ, our love for God makes us one."



## Kidz Blitz hits Kansas

When's the last time you watched a youth event where you secretly wanted to wade into the middle of it all and become a kid again? Kidz Blitz is that kind of an event!

Kidz Blitz is a national traveling evangelistic youth ministry that promises crazy, creative fun through witty, competitive events (a la Nickelodeon style) accompanied by wild presenters—all in support of a powerful gospel message. Just visiting the Kidz Blitz web site is a blast ([www.kidzblitz.org](http://www.kidzblitz.org)).

The Kansas and Western Missouri Division was the first to experience Kidz Blitz earlier this year when Divisional Youth Secretaries Major Cornell and Captain Candace Voeller booked Kidz Blitz meetings in Wichita, Kan., and Kansas City, Mo.

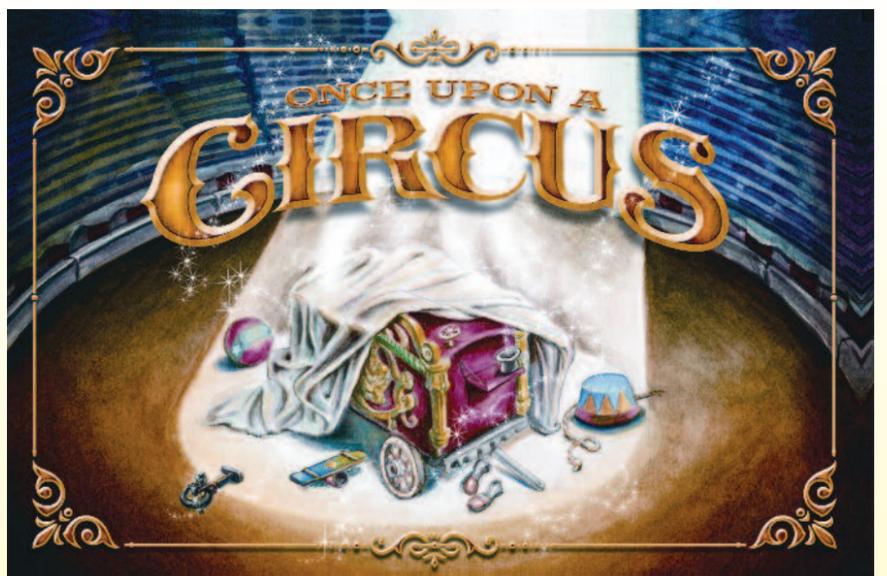
The Voellers asked corps in each city to bring children and families from Sunday school, SONday/SCOOOL and other youth programs to this outreach event, which was designed for people who



don't normally attend church. One corps brought 50 children who were new to its youth programming. With over 500 attending the two events, Kidz Blitz was a great success, and 30 young people under age 14 prayed to accept Christ.

The Voellers stay in contact with participating corps as they follow up with youth and families. The Kidz Blitz registration materials allowed corps to collect the names and addresses of all who attended. The corps also will follow up with invitations to participate in corps activities and provide spiritual direction for those who were seekers.

The division is placing a particular emphasis on growth in Sunday school and junior soldiers.

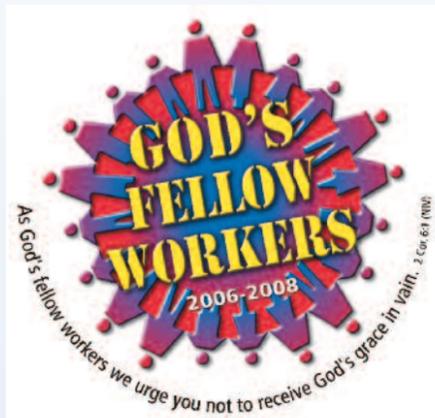


Ladies and gentlemen—children of all ages—step right up and enter the Center Ring Theatre, where truth is presented in the pleasant disguise of illusion! To find out where you can next witness or to book territorial evangelists Captains Kerry and Jil Kistlers' latest evangelistic shows which center around the Big Top, visit [usc.salvationarmy.org](http://usc.salvationarmy.org), click on services and then Kistler Family Ministry.



# Get plugged in!

This year's Commissioning and iConnect weekend is jam-packed with exciting events, inspirational speakers and outstanding performance groups. Here's a taste of what the weekend will offer. So get plugged in and get ready for the mission ahead.



### God's Fellow Workers

Anticipation and exhilaration are mounting as members of the God's Fellow Workers session prepare for their commissioning weekend. You'll witness the beginning of a lifelong adventure for the cadets during Sunday morning's reverent commissioning and ordination service. The Star Plaza Theater will receive an adrenaline boost Sunday afternoon as rousing cheers echo when the new lieutenants receive their first appointments.



### Joe Castillo

Internationally recognized artist, pastor and storyteller Joe Castillo will inspire delegates with his God-given talent Saturday morning. His simple, beautiful line drawing of The Face of Christ has touched lives around the world. "In a way I cannot explain, God has used this simple drawing to change hearts, open closed doors, bring living water to those that were thirsty and set people free through the Gospel of Jesus Christ," said Joe.

### Chicago Staff Band

The world-renowned Chicago Staff Band will enhance Sunday morning's inspiring worship and Sunday afternoon's exuberance. Don't miss your chance to enjoy the sounds of the "band with the sacred message."



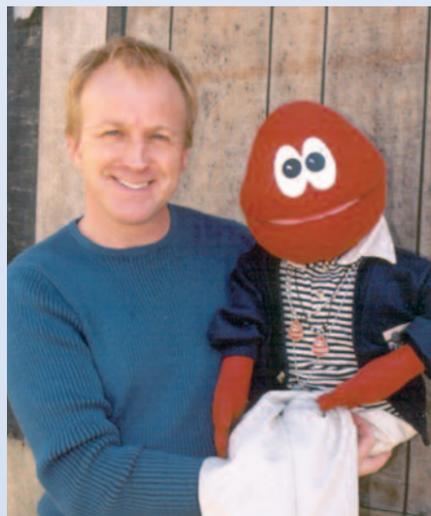
### Dr. Bill Ury

Delegates will be challenged on Friday night and Saturday through the Spirit-filled words of Dr. Bill Ury (right), recognized holiness teacher and speaker. A professor of systematic and historical theology at Wesley Biblical Seminary in Jackson, Miss., his calling and personal desire is to incorporate sound, rigorous Christian theological thinking with pastoral care and personal compassion.



### Bill Booth Theater Company

Inventive and imaginative, the Bill Booth Theater Company has been bringing God's truth to audiences through drama and music since 2001. This popular group, comprised of Central Territory Salvationists, has been featured at numerous special events around the territory and across the nation.



### Ronnie Caldwell and Peaceable Kingdom Ministries, Inc.

Weekend guests also include outstanding children's ministry teams like Ronnie Caldwell and Peaceable Kingdom Ministries, Inc. The group performs organized creative church programs for children of all ages. The crusaders not only put on a fun and exciting show, but powerfully present the Word of God.

### The Singing Company

Bust open those red Song Books because The Singing Company is coming to town. With updated arrangements this talented group of Salvationists has been inspiring people across the territory to dust off their Song Books and discover the immense truth and deep theology in its pages. Their newest album, "The Mercy Seat Sessions," will be released during the weekend. Don't miss out!



### Caedmon's Call

Popular Christian artists Caedmon's Call will bring its organic, acoustic-driven sound to the stage of the Star Plaza Theater. This ever-evolving group helped bring a renaissance of acoustic music to the Christian pop scene. The band is a promoter of missional living, motivating their fans to impact a hurting world. They will perform during the Saturday evening meeting followed by a full concert later that night.

### Kidz Blitz Live

This high-octane Christian event is targeted at elementary age kids but is engaging for the whole family. The primary message is to illustrate with sight and sound the power of God and the goodness of His Word. The gospel message is proclaimed through games, challenges and using objects. Their mission is to make a positive, spiritual impact on kids and parents.



Great Lakes Ministries, comprised of two bands and a vocal ensemble, has recorded two CDs. The Great Lakes Brass Band will be on duty Friday and Saturday. A special Saturday afternoon concert in the Radisson atrium will feature both bands, the Great

Lakes Chorus and the heart-pumping rhythms of the percussion ensemble. Their diverse repertoire includes the stirring work by Peter Graham, "Gaelforce," as well as the favorite, "The Final Countdown," complete with a rockin' guitar solo.



# College Days

*A journey of faith and formation*

by Captain Robert deGeorge

700 W. Brompton Ave., Chicago, Ill. For 22 months, cadets call it home.

Every summer men and women come from across the 11 central states to answer the call of God to fulltime ministry, to train to become Salvation Army officers. It is a place that represents sacredness of a holy calling. It is a place that marks the beginning of a life given to others. It is a place where passion for souls is shaped by preparation for mission. The truth of the matter is this. Others may see it as only a short stint in a lifetime of service, but for cadets who make their way here to the College for Officer Training (CFOT), it's more than an individual experience. It's community.

The CFOT is unlike any other college experience. Here everyone has come with a single focus, a

single mission. But purpose is not the only thing they hold in common. At the CFOT, everything is shared from meals to morning worship, from chores to classes to copy machines. Days are filled with instruction, worship, ministry outreach, teambuilding, growth and fellowship. Every day holds new opportunities to immerse oneself in a learning and living example of the body of Christ.

Each year begins with a campus welcome and fall retreat to lay a foundation for relationship and worship for the year to come. Cadets and officers soon find themselves serving dinner for 600 guests in the fall, shoveling snow together on early winter mornings, and decorating the campus at Christmas. One only has to come to the CFOT during the holiday sea-

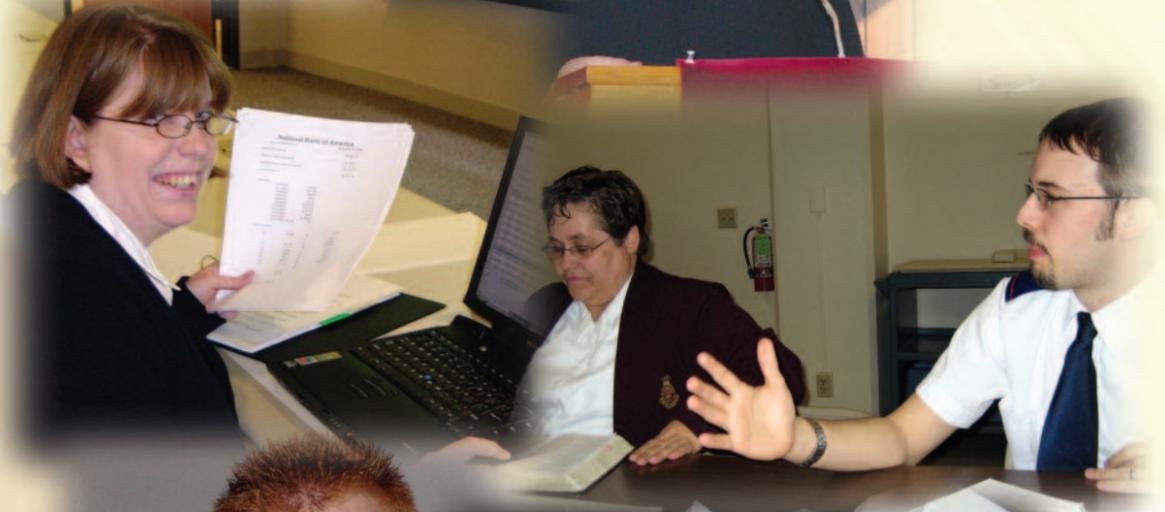
son to see the synergy of cadets and officer staff in almost symphonic movement in the annual community Christmas teas.

And, as they turn the page on a new year, spring brings the hope of many more new experiences, and preparation for them quickly begins. In late winter, brigades of cadets strategize how to bring the salvation mission to communities in the Central Territory for a full week near Easter. Upon their return, the college receives a well-needed spring cleaning from the entire campus community in preparation for their commissioning and ordination.

Living, working and growing together in community comes in many forms. Cadets and officers meet in weekly discipleship groups and morning prayers three times a week, the focal point that keeps the campus in right relationship with God and each other. Taking the time to pray, sing and seek God's face together is the

bond of this community. In addition, weekly brigade meetings are conducted where cadets plan and prepare for their weekly training in leadership for corps ministry.

"In Sundays" (on-campus worship) and Sunday school classes, International Self-Denial World Mission Fund committees, Cadet Council, residence meetings, weekly bake sales, basketball, volleyball or monthly movie nights in the gym are further opportunity for camaraderie. Study groups (sometimes referred to as extended fellowship), exercise groups and monthly potlucks bring to life the meaning of community. The community of the CFOT is even carried into the world of cyberspace on a campus discussion board where cadets keep in touch with each other when they've been away on Christmas or summer assignment, or even just a few hours after dinner to lend a listening ear... The list of these kinds of experiences goes on.





As well as fellowship, CFOT is a learning community. The rigor of instruction and enlargement of personal skills for officership is an indispensable component of the training experience.

Rooted in our Wesleyan heritage, cadets establish a foundation for officership and biblical Christian ministry as they enroll in courses in doctrine, biblical studies and Christian leadership. They begin to find and fashion their ministry skills as they engage a multiplicity of methods including preaching, teaching, evangelism, social ministry and congregational ministry.

Each cadet is equipped from a biblical perspective to advance

the salvation mission in a diverse, global community.

Cadets are not lacking for opportunities to stretch their understanding of sacrifice and commitment necessary to fulfill the calling of Christ. These college days present opportunities and challenges that help each cadet, under the guidance of instructors, brigade officers, mentors and the training principal, to further develop their knowledge and skills for service.

These college days are more than simply a classroom experience. It is the experience of family. Cadets enjoy the fellowship of other Christians and their children. The children are bursting with the vitality of life and are a living reminder of the hope we have in



Christ. In them we see joy, faith and trust. They reveal a world that is filled with hope and promise. And they inspire us to be not only an example for them but in many ways more like them as children of God. Cadet and officer children attend school and worship together, share holidays and parties, and even venture out into the city together (under adult supervision, of course!). The fellowship the children build strengthens this community as they teach cadets and officers to embrace the unexpected that comes with a life in Christ.

Yet, in the days and months from the time drivers licenses are changed and children are introduced to new classmates in a nearby school, something happens here at 700 W. Brompton Ave.—change. Change not only comes in addresses, exchanging homes and towns for the CFOT, but it happens in very personal ways that only come from the adventure they've embarked upon by saying yes to the call of Christ.

It is in this environment of change that lives are shaped more closely into the image of Christ through experiences of challenge,

adversity and overcoming, as well as in group commitment and accountability. Cadets share each other's burdens when tragedy comes to families unexpectedly and each other's joys when their sessionmates become new parents or achieve new growth in Christ.

The CFOT is a place where cadets not only learn how to live with others, but where they learn to love others more deeply and with greater compassion. It's a great lesson for the ministry in which they'll engage in the future. It is in this context that these college days become a journey of faith and formation, more than simply a countdown of days to commissioning.

If you believe that God is calling you to be an officer, please talk to your corps officer and visit the candidates' web pages through a link on Get Connected.



## Soldier sent to "Animal House"

by Captain Alex Norton

What if God asked you to do something off the wall? Would you?

Drew Creal, who attends the DeKalb, Ill., Corps and is soon to be enrolled as a soldier, was asked to do that very thing. At a Campus Crusade meeting at Northern Illinois University (NIU), the speaker challenged the crowd to find ways to be more incarnational with their faith. In particular, he challenged students to join a fraternity and live out their faith in that atmosphere. Though scenes from the movie "Animal House" came to mind, Drew felt that God was possibly calling him to this witness.

It didn't take long for Drew to decide that the fraternity house was where he needed to live. He knew he would need to hold on to his morals though he would be challenged. This did not stop him. He signed up with the fraternity Sigma Nu. To his surprise he found another Salvation Army friend who had joined, Eric Gilbert.

Drew realized that God was in control of his life and that his prejudice was mostly rooted in fear. With God's help, his fraternity could be won for the Kingdom of God.

Drew recounts some of his first impressions of fraternity life. "It wasn't as bad as I thought. I just found

my room and started living my life."

Since joining the Sigma Nu house, he and Eric have started Bible studies that focus on the core values of being a fraternity brother. Drew explains, "We just saw a great chance. We needed to find a way to talk about what it meant to be Sigma Nu. Why not use the Bible?"

Drew is not completely sure what God is going to do with his time at the fraternity, but so far young men are being touched by God's presence through this simple act of incarnational ministry.

It's clear to the DeKalb Corps that one of Drew's greatest ministries has been to share God's peace with his brothers as they deal with the loss at NIU after the campus shooting this winter which claimed six lives. Drew's prayer and his willingness to listen has provided a new awareness that God really does care about human suffering. Other students see it lived out in the life of this missionary sent to the fraternity house of Sigma Nu.



## Fishers of teens

by Captain Allen Hanton

You want to do *what?*" responded the Alma, Mich., Corps Council to my proposal last year that vacation Bible school (VBS) would just be for teens. My wife, Karen, and I love the younger kids, but we didn't want to be part of the usual "VBS circuit" in the neighborhood.

So, under the leadership of Karen plus Steve and Melissa Denman, young people's sergeant-majors (YPSM), this unusual approach effectively reached—and retained—teens from our community.

The Alma Corps already had a healthy teen group, but we knew more



could be done. A guest speaker presented "Living Clean in a Dirty World," plus there was plenty of time for fun, including a baseball game outing, viewing a movie with a message and offering time to just "hang out." Since then, our teen Sunday school class and midweek teen fellowship have seen new faces.

Steve Denman said, "The secret is finding out what they like and working from there."

A wide variety of teen activities have been held at the corps, including sleep-over nights, fundraising events and service projects. However, the main component is the spiritual emphasis. From Bible studies to devotionals, the Word of God is presented in a way so teens "get" what the scripture is saying.



## Warsaw enrolls 15 soldiers!

The battle cry "Come Join Our Army" is sounding off, and in Warsaw, Ind., people are answering. Recently, three senior and 12 junior soldiers were enrolled.

The focus on soldiership grew from the vital signs process; they decided to make a concentrated effort to develop soldiers.

"So often we have so many things we're trying to do and accomplish that we lose our way and nothing gets done. Vital signs really helped us to focus on a few things. One of them was soldiership development, and this [enrollment] is the result," said Captain Jody Dalberg, corps officer.

Jody and his wife, Amy, are rejoicing



Celebrating the enrollment of new junior soldiers. Back row (l to r) Captain Amy Dalberg, Zach Stamper, Brielle Harvey, Tiffany Riddle, Kelly Riddle, Melissa Wirsing, Cheyanne Lamb, and Captain Jody Dalberg; Front Row (l to r): Emma Bowyer, Nikki Bowyer, Tabitha Ousley, Oakley Wagoner, Quinn Arriola, Sharon Ousley.

as some of the younger corps members lead the way in recruiting others to join their Army. Recently enrolled senior soldier Josh Boyer, 14, was instrumental in getting the soldiership recruits classes started. Having been raised in the Army, he was ready to make this personal faith commitment public and wanted to do so by becoming a soldier.

The corps is continuing to cultivate growth and discipleship. Sunday nights center on discipleship and leadership development. Junior soldiers, corps cadets and adult Bible study are held simultaneously, so all age groups are actively engaged.

"This is a sign of growth not only in numbers, but spiritual maturity at our corps," said Jody. "We're taking it from surface, sitting on the sidelines to active participation. By becoming soldiers, people are saying, 'This is my church; this is where I belong.'"



Captains Jody and Amy Dalberg with new senior soldiers Thea and Eric Wagoner and Joshua Bowyer and Norma Baker who taught the recruits class.

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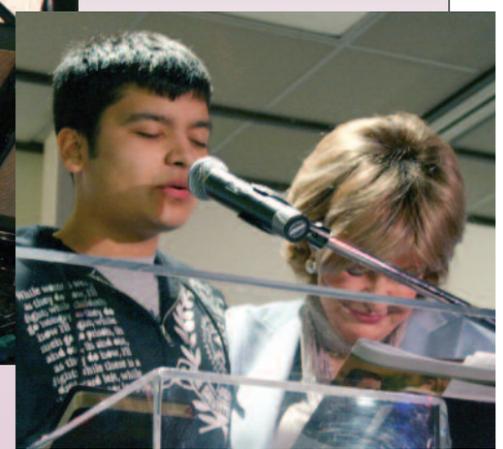
searching for, and I gained a newfound confidence in myself and my relationship with God," said delegate Christine Boyer of the Northern Division.

Sunday morning Commissioner Christine MacMillan, international director of social justice, spoke on the importance of justice and how Salvationists are called to be carriers of God's light.

"Jesus Christ understands the hunger of today's world, and He wants justice. Justice is the invitation of the gospel of Jesus Christ," she said.

Delegates were challenged to maintain their newfound fervor for the Bible. It is hoped that they will hunger for God's Word and it will translate into love and service.

Kay Arthur summed it up well, "I'm so convinced that God's Word is truth that I'm willing to die for it, but more importantly, I'm willing to live by it."



# Sponsorship: impacting our world

According to the United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) it is estimated that 10 million female babies have been aborted in India over the past 20 years by families attempting to secure a male heir. Though the Indian government has started a "Save the Girl Child" campaign, the reality remains that girls are seen as liabilities and are less desirable than boys.

Amidst this dark cloud a ray of hope beams bright as The Salvation Army offers education and opportunity to Indian girls from all economic levels. A shimmering example is the Eluru Girls' Hostel in the India Central Territory. This residential home provides educational opportunities to girls, age six and up, whose families live far from traditional schools. Much of this ministry is made possible through the sponsorship program.

Since the hostel is located on a compound with several other Salvation Army facilities, the girls are given much more than food, shelter and educational opportuni-

ties. By participating in Bible studies, daily devotionals, character-building programs and prayer time, they also are given confidence in knowing they are beloved children of God.

"It's a safe haven for girls who live in a culture that doesn't value females. I am so proud of the Army when I see places like Eluru," said Chris Shay, territorial world missions bureau director. "Due to financial restraints much of the property is worn and dated, so new bedding, art supplies and books would all be wonderful gifts to the hostel."

Financial and space limitations only allow Eluru to house 60 girls which often results in a waiting list. Though their living quarters is one large room, where the girls sleep on bunk beds, their smiles and joyous laughter would



SMT member Helena Brooksbank with girls at the Eluru Girls Hostel.

make you think it's a palace. "The girls showed us their beds and every possession they owned which basically included prizes we had just given them and a few articles of clothing," said Helena Brooksbank, a 2006 India Central Summer Mission Team member

who visited the home. "They were precious girls who basically had nothing, but the joy in their faces was an incredible testament of having Jesus in their hearts." You can make a difference. For information on how to become a sponsor visit [www.centralmissions.org](http://www.centralmissions.org)

## Get a new perspective

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## Growth spurts

Command status has been granted to two countries located on the opposite coasts of south-central Africa. On the east coast, the Mozambique Command has been elevated from "region" status within the Southern Africa Territory.

Similarly, the new Angola Command has been separated from the Congo (Kinshasa) and Angola Territory, which is now the Congo (Kinshasa) Territory.

These changes were announced by General Shaw Clifton from International Headquarters in London, England, after prayerful consultation with the International Management Council.



You know The Salvation Army has an official presence in 113 countries around the world, but have you ever wondered how we're making a difference? Looking for ways Centralites are changing the world for Christ and how you can get involved? The territorial world missions bureau recently has created Perspectives, a newsletter that will answer these questions and more.

"Our desire is to bring a greater awareness to our readers of what is happening in the world, particularly within The Salvation Army," said Chris Shay, world missions bureau director.

Newsletter highlights include information about Salvation Army

programs and ministries making an impact on communities around the world (see story above on Eluru Girls' Hostel) and give a glimpse of the work our partners in mission territories are doing to build the Kingdom. It also gives updates on Central Territory overseas personnel and ideas on how you can think globally and get involved.

A variety of people, including all sponsors, receive the quarterly newsletter. You, too, are encouraged to gain a new perspective by subscribing. The newsletter can be sent to you through the U.S. mail or via e-mail. It also is available on the world missions bureau webpage.

To subscribe visit [www.centralmissions.org](http://www.centralmissions.org)

# SATERN 20 years and growing

*It's amazing to think that ham radio operators have had such a remarkable impact on the world thanks to SATERN (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network). The lives saved, families reunited and vital information relayed by this international fellowship of amateurs are beyond measure. Time and again, these volunteers are often the only link to the outside world during a disaster.*



## June 1988

SATERN is the brainchild of Captain Patrick McPherson, emergency disaster services (EDS) coordinator for central Illinois and eastern Iowa in the Heartland Division. SATERN's first network consists of Pat, EDS volunteer Arthur Evans and two Canadian Salvationists.

The possibility that the fledgling network could accommodate international emergencies begins to dawn on its founders.

## September 1988

Two months after its inception, SATERN's first international response occurs. Hurricane Gilbert batters the Caribbean for nine days, killing 341 people. Pat and Art work with radio operators in Atlanta and Jamaica to relay information.

## 1990

Major Pat McPherson is named the Metropolitan Division's EDS director.

Patricia Duce becomes the division's first radio liaison. A week later, a horrific F5 tornado hits Plainfield, Ill., killing 29 people and causing \$200 million in damages. The network requires 64 operators daily for 11 days. Other operators get on the air to help the SATERN volunteers.

## 1992

Art Evans opens the door for SATERN's evolution into a high-profile global response network by contacting international networks.

The Metropolitan Division holds the first of several disaster seminars; SATERN members from across America attend.



## 1993

A thousand miles of Mississippi River flooding require a multi-state SATERN network.

The SATERN website is launched thanks to a member's grandson.

## 1994

SATERN responds to the American Eagle airline crash in Indiana; 68 lives are claimed.

## 1995

A SATERN operator and canteen are sent to earthquake-stricken Kobe, Japan. Measuring 6.9, the quake is among Japan's most devastating—5,500 are dead, 26,000 injured.

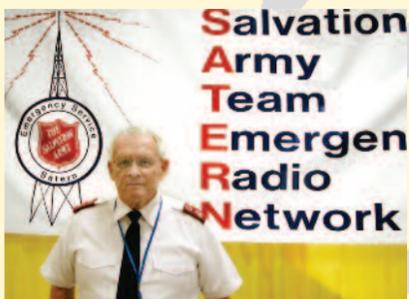
## 1997

SATERN responds to the extensive Grand Forks flooding in North Dakota and Minnesota.

## 1998

During Hurricane Mitch, the Atlantic's second deadliest, the FCC designates SATERN's radio frequency for official emergency use. Honduras and Nicaragua report 11,000 dead and 8,000 missing. SATERN begins using the internet for missing person requests.

SATERN is named an official Salvation Army program and receives funding. Major Patrick McPherson is officially appointed national director.



## 1999

A quake measuring 7.9 strikes Turkey. Over 300 aftershocks leave 14,000 dead and 200,000 homeless. Operator Dick Montgomery, who made the first voice contact into Turkey on another band, asks SATERN if he can help relay information. Dick later joins SATERN and is now its Eastern Territory coordinator.

## 2001

SATERN springs into action September 11th. Operators coordinate emergency responses, including linking a California blood bank to one near Ground Zero. A SATERN North America Command is set up at Central Territorial Headquarters. Australian and German stations check in to help with "Stand by for America."

SATERN facilitates divisional EDS responses as wildfires engulf portions of western states. Afterwards, the SATERN Western States Net is established.

The National Association for Amateur Radio produces a video narrated by Walter Cronkite highlighting the work of The Salvation Army and SATERN.

## 2003

Bermuda corps officer and radio operator Major Rick Shirran relays data to SATERN from the midst of Hurricane Fabian.

The Metropolitan Division opens a leading-edge EDS facility containing a high-tech communications center for the SATERN North American Command.



## 2004

Four hurricanes blast Florida and the Bahamas. SATERN is nationally heralded for its missing person operations (over 1,000 requests). As a Bahamian operator transmits from her docked sailboat, other operators hear the wind howling.

## 2005

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita hit the Gulf Coast leaving 1,800 dead and \$81 billion in damages. International SATERN runs full force for 20 days. Using all available modes of communication, operators save lives during the flooding by directing emergency personnel to people trapped in houses or on rooftops. Over 61,000 missing person requests come in at a rate of 20 per second; amazingly, SATERN locates 25,508 people!

Major Pat McPherson comments, "It appeared the entire amateur radio population of the United States pitched in to assist, including 50 operators from the Texas National Guard." SATERN acquires 600 new members.

For the first time, an emergency call sign on a federal frequency is assigned to SATERN.

## 2007

The Department of Homeland Security assigns call signs to three SATERN members: Major Patrick McPherson, Dick Montgomery and Joseph Fratto.

With a membership of 3,700 trained operators, SATERN stands ready at a moment's notice to serve The Salvation Army and the world. Over 40 net meetings are held weekly, along with frequent training classes, which are listened to by thousands more around the globe.



## Celebrity culinary event benefits The Salvation Army in Twin Cities

by Craig Dirkes

Legendary Minnesota Vikings linebacker Matt Blair threw a fundraiser for the Twin Cities Salvation Army that featured auctions, fellow celebrities and some of the best food in the Twin Cities.

It was the fourth time since 2003 that Blair has thrown Taste of the Town, a \$110-per-plate benefit boasting the best local chefs cooking their fare alongside big-time local celebrities. The event was sponsored by Blair's company, Matt Blair's Celebrity Promotions Inc., and held in Minneapolis at Kitchen Window, a cooking school and retail outlet. About \$10,000 was raised.

Minnesota Timberwolves basketball center/forward Al Jefferson cooked salmon delicacies with Rick Kimmes, executive chef of the Oceanaire Seafood Room in Minneapolis. A kitchen full of nearly 80 guests marveled at their culinary talent.

"This is scrumptious," said Major



Pictured from left: Major Rebecca Sjögren, Carl Eller, Major Dan Sjögren, Matt Blair.

Dan Sjögren, Northern divisional commander, as he savored the salmon snacks made by Jefferson and Kimmes. Major Sjögren was joined by his wife, Major Rebecca Sjögren, plus Twin Cities Commander Major Paul Fleeman.



Other celebrities included Paul Douglas, WCCO-TV chief meteorologist; Terri Gruca, WCCO-TV anchor; Chris Wright, Timberwolves president; Shjon Podein, former Colorado Avalanche hockey player; and Carl Eller, a former Minnesota Vikings defensive end and six-time Pro Bowl selection.

"You are truly helping to make a difference, helping to provide a thing we take for granted to people who are less fortunate across the city, state, country and world," noted Blair, whose Taste of the Town event has raised about \$50,000 since 2003.

Additional chefs included: JD Fratzke, executive chef/owner, The Strip Club Meat and Fish; Christian Ticarro, corporate executive chef, Canyon Grille; and Josh Thoma, managing partner, Solera & La Belle Vie.

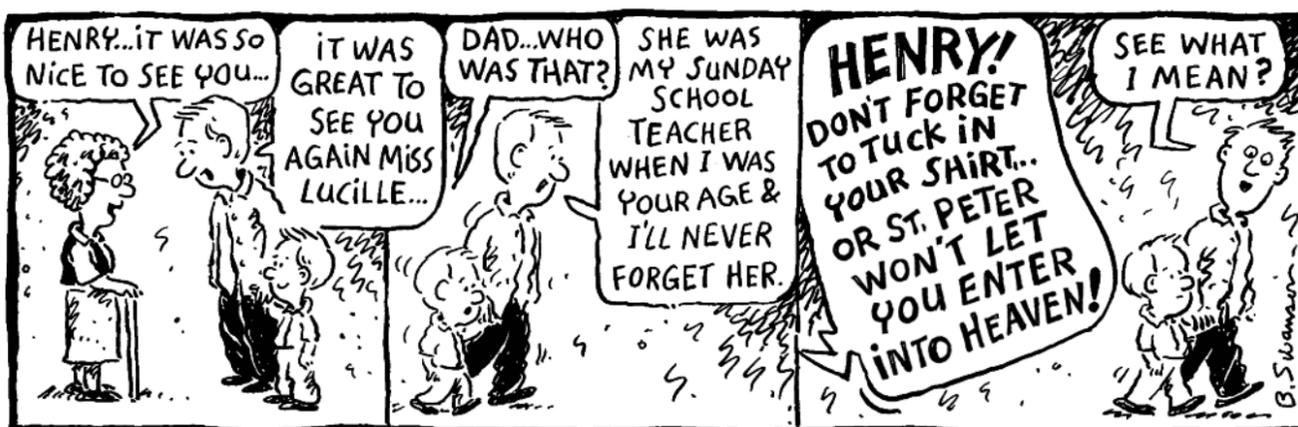


## Get the word out!



**W**hat does The Salvation Army do? The Salvation Army is a church? What do you do when the red kettles are put away? Heard these questions a few times? During this year's National Salvation Army Week, May 12-18, get the word out about the life-changing ministry our Salvation Army provides and invite people to Come Join our Army!

--Mustard Seeds--



MAY 2008

PRAY FOR:

- 1 Federal, state and local governments on this National Day of Prayer
- 2 Youth councils in four divisions this weekend
- 3 Majors Brad & Heidi Bailey
- 4 Ministries to the incarcerated on this Correctional Services Sunday
- 5 SATERN ham radio operators around the world
- 6 Lt. Colonels William and Susan Harfoot
- 7 The Territorial Business Seminar
- 8 The Eluru Girls' Home in the India Central Territory
- 9 The Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division's "War College" this weekend
- 10 The Salvation Army in Springfield, Ill.
- 11 Mothers throughout the territory
- 12 Candidates called by God to serve as Salvation Army officers
- 13 Ways to do the most good during this National Salvation Army Week
- 14 Salvationists enrolled in the Salvation Army Continuing Education Program at Olivet Nazarene University (SACEP)
- 15 The Territorial Information Technology Seminar
- 16 Women's ministries camps in four divisions this weekend
- 17 The ministry of the Chicago Staff Band in Porter County, Ind.
- 18 The evangelistic ministry of the Kistler family in Williston, N.D.
- 19 A lasting effect from the Eastern Michigan Divisional Men's Camp
- 20 Godly leaders helping to shape the lives of young people
- 21 Character-building programs
- 22 The Minneapolis Central Corps
- 23 The Holy Spirit to touch youth in programs at your corps
- 24 The Warsaw, Ind., Corps
- 25 The Kistler family's evangelistic ministry in Minot, N.D.
- 26 The families of loved ones who gave their lives in the military
- 27 The new Mozambique and Angola commands
- 28 Follow-up efforts to Kidz Blitz in the Kansas and Western Missouri Division
- 29 The Divisional and General Secretaries Seminar
- 30 Men and women in our United States armed forces
- 31 The Western Michigan and Northern Indiana Divisional Junior Soldier Rally

## Catching their enthusiasm

Since he was a young boy Major Gary Van Hoesen, Milwaukee Citadel, Wis., corps officer, has been interested in collecting things. As an adult this desire has turned into a passion to preserve and share Salvation Army history.

"The Salvation Army has such a rich history, and you can really see the dynamics through historical items," said Gary. "We can learn so much by catching the enthusiasm of those who have gone before us and learn from their victories and mistakes."

Currently, his collection has close to 28,000 items that includes badges, sheet music, envelopes, posters, clothing, even an autograph of General William Booth. It has grown through purchases he's made, but often the most interesting items are given to him by friends, family, soldiers and fellow officers. One of his favorite items is a large black feather found in a bonnet box an officer had given him. He'd heard the stories of how when women would kneel at the altar people would come and cut the feathers off their bonnets, a symbol of giving up worldly sins.

"I never knew if that was true, but I came across an old magazine with a sketch of people praying at an altar and a clothesline behind it full of feathers. It was so great to have these confirmations of those sto-



ries," said Gary.

Gary is a member of the territorial historical commission. Items from his collection have been used by the territorial historical museum, were part of the historical display at the International Millennial Congress in Atlanta, Ga., and most recently promoted National Salvation Army Week in local Milwaukee libraries.

"I really want my collection to emphasize the salvation part of our Army. The displays become evangelistic opportunities where I can share not only the amazing things The Salvation Army has done through history but the God we serve," said Gary.

## More than a second chance

While lunching with Bennet Krause, a potential advisory board member, Dave MacDonna, Springfield, Ill., capital campaign director, watched as God took a seemingly insignificant circumstance and used it to transform hundreds of lives.

"He [Bennet] was working for the Illinois Department of Employment Services. I told him we were really good at providing food, clothing and shelter to our homeless beneficiaries, but we were having a hard time finding them jobs. He looked at me and said, 'Well, that's what we do!' And the Job Skills Match program was born," Dave explained.

Within a month five computers containing the Illinois job match program were donated and installed at the shelter. Residents are instructed on how to use the program, put together a resume, learn interview techniques and appropriate attire. The Army even helps them establish free e-mail accounts.

"Another wonderful benefit is that many residents who didn't have the funds to contact their families were



Major Paul Logan announces a new School for Cooks program for shelter and adult rehabilitation center residents. Also pictured are Dr. Charlotte Warren, president of Lincoln Land Community College, and Springfield, Ill., Mayor Tim Davlin.

able to find them online and reconnect through e-mail," said Dave.

Sixty-five percent of people who come to the shelter take advantage of the program. In two years over 275 people have found jobs and are self sufficient. And, it's being used by 12 corps throughout Illinois.

"Most of the residents are so appreciative this resource is in the shelter so they don't have to find transportation to the employment office," said Dave.

Dave was especially moved by one gentleman who had recently been released from prison.

"When I told him he had a job he began crying and said, 'You're the first people to give me a second chance.' That's what this is all about," said Dave.

Often, the shelter gets calls from employers looking for more employees because they're impressed with the work the residents are doing.

Finding that a person with culinary skills gets twice as many job responses, they've started a culinary training program with the help of a community college and the adult rehabilitation center.



Major Paul Logan, Springfield, Ill., corps officer, and Archie Ford, shelter director.

## Promoted to Glory

### Major Moyné Darnell

Major Moyné Darnell was promoted to Glory on February 12, 2008.

Moyné was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, on May 5, 1915. She began attending The Salvation Army as a child and by age 11 was already a leader in the corps. After high school Moyné moved to Mason City, Iowa, to become the corps assistant. She entered the College for Officer Training in 1943.

She was commissioned in 1944 to assist at the Fargo, N.D., Corps. Throughout her officership Moyné's exuberance and dedication to Christ was evident as she ministered in

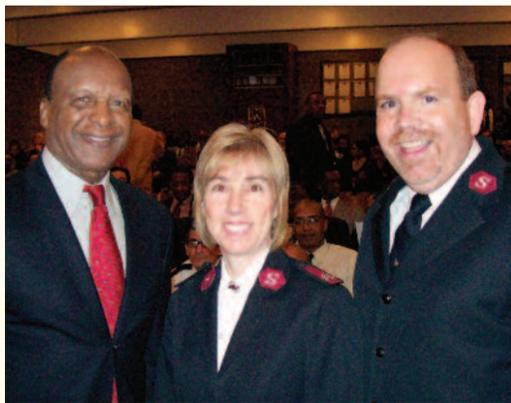


corps across North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa. Moyné was beloved by people in communities where she served. She was the first woman to pray before the North Dakota Senate and, while serving in South Dakota, was recognized for her work with Native American women and children. Moyné retired in June 1979 after overseeing senior programs in Des Moines, Iowa.

She returned to her hometown, Marshalltown, and was active in the corps and community where she was lovingly called "Miss Salvation Army." She ministered at the local veterans' administration hospital, bringing music and laughter into halls often filled with sadness and fear.

Major Darnell is survived by a brother, Wilbur, and a dear friend, A/Captain Jean Mercandante.

## Around the Territory



Jesse White is pictured with Majors Mark and Susan Anderson.

CHICAGO, ILL.—The annual banquet honoring graduates of the Chicago Central Adult Rehabilitation Center (ARC) featured Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White. ARC Administrator Major Mark Anderson reported that Mr. White inspired the 273 guests with his message. Also present was Chicago 27th Ward Alderman Walter Burnett and his wife, who consistently support the ARC throughout the year. Abstinence certificates were presented, and musical guests "TSA Madison" from the Chicago Temple Corps raised the rafters with their enthusiastic singing.

## Join us in remembering

In honor of those who have gone before us, The Salvation Army will hold its traditional memorial service in The Salvation Army section of Glen Oak Cemetery *one week before* the Memorial Day weekend.

**Sunday, May 18th**  
**3:00 p.m.**

Glen Oak Cemetery  
4301 W. Roosevelt Rd.  
Hillside, Ill. 60162  
(708) 344-5600



SOUTHFIELD, MICH.—Ninety-five people attended the Eastern Michigan Division's 11th annual character-building leaders' appreciation weekend. Majors Norman and Diane Marshall, divisional leaders, kicked off the event by leading participants in a rousing game of "Family Feud." Throughout the weekend special guest Laura Murphy from Real Families, Inc., spoke about love and logic. A highlight was a Saturday evening reception where leaders were honored for their dedication and service including Gloria Bonds, Detroit Brightmoor, Mich., Corps sunbeam leader, who received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Pictured (l to r) are Penny Gruel, Major Norman Marshall, Caroline Poore, Virginia Ellingson, Gloria Bonds and Jill Johnson, divisional character-building director, representing 94 years of volunteer service.

