



# The Signal

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## A GOLDEN NUGGET

I have just finished a brief conversation with the Editor of the Signal. I sensed warmth and satisfaction in his voice. During a recent visit to the grocery store he met one of the volunteers who attended the Appreciation Dinner, held last Friday at our Corps. It was a great evening and I am sure that Zita Butler must have been very pleased with the excellent turnout.

What made my friend, Winston so pleased? The profound expression of thanks from one of the workers. Sincere and simply stated. Eloquent in language and emotion. Oh yes, before I forget, what was said?

Simply this, "Thank you folks, Friday evening was the icing on the cake - I can't wait until next year".

Yes, and may I add because of the work of a great number of people, the generosity of the good people of CBS, it was "The food on the table for some needy people this Christmas past". God Bless You!

*Lt. Colonel Ralph Stanley*

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The year 2008 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Salvation Army in Conception Bay South.

From very humble beginnings, with the support of 6 or 7 families, Mr. and Mrs. John (Elizabeth) Eason were instrumental in bringing the Army to our town. In a short time, a simple building was constructed. Mr. Eason became the first Corps Sergeant Major and conducted Sunday services.

The first officer, Lt. Langdon, was soon appointed to command this new Corps. Local supporters proudly cared for their new property.

A short time later, the building provided services as a school, as well, and quite often the Corps Officer was also the regular day school teacher.

In 1959, under the leadership of Captain and Mrs. Harold Duffett, a new building was opened. Much of the work was carried out by members of the local congregation and the Captain himself. By this time, a new school, Ebsary Elementary, was also constructed.

In 1985, the present building was opened to accommodate the growing congregation. Today, the Corps is made up of over 200 families. Over 120 Corps Officers have come and gone through these 100 years, and to date, 27 young people have been commissioned as Officers from our Corps.

Ministries in the Corps have grown to meet the needs of all ages with varied youth activities, a vibrant Men's Fellowship, various Women's Ministries, including the Home League and a number of Bible Study programs.

Throughout this year, special guests will be featured on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. August 10-17 will be a week long celebration, with the anniversary dinner on Thursday, August 14.



Special leaders for the weekend will be Lt. Colonels David and Margaret Hiscock from Territorial Headquarters.

Former Officers, soldiers and friends are expected to attend these gatherings. Why not plan your vacation for that time and come and share with us?



## A WORD TO THE WISE



With the advances in communication and technology skills, it is amazing what the possibilities are. However, we need to be aware of the dangers involved as well as the advantages.

In recent days, the news media have reported some shocking incidents where unsuspecting individuals, especially seniors have been the target of some type of scam. The result has been loss of money, valuables, and even personal identification. Quite often people find themselves in dangerous situations.

Constable Darryl Nixon of the RNC Community Services shares some helpful suggestions which may help to avoid such frustrating dilemmas.

As a precaution, he suggests that under no circumstances, should you give out any personal information either by phone, mail or on the internet, to an unknown source. This includes bank account numbers, credit card numbers, your SIN number and your name or address.

If you should receive a phone call (which is happening quite often) suggesting that you have won a prize, and they need an account number or credit card number in order to claim your prize, hang up the phone immediately.

Often we receive in the mail, applications for credit cards, and if we are not interested, we simply throw them away. **Caution!** Totally destroy these papers if your name and address are clearly shown. It is possible for someone to use this application and receive a credit card in your name.

When planning home renovations of any kind, proceed with caution. Carefully choose a reputable person or company, preferably recommended by someone you know and trust. Never pay in advance the full cost of the work before completion. It is advisable to get in writing an estimate of the detailed work procedure.

Parents of younger children, **Beware!** Monitor the computer sites your child is using and

inform them of proper guidelines. If possible set up the computer in an open easy accessible area, so that you can see at a glance what is happening.

In most instances, common sense is the deciding factor. As the saying goes *'when in doubt, leave it out'*. Don't be afraid to ask questions and seek help before making any major decisions.

Our thanks to Constable Nixon for his timely words of advice.

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### Melting down the Saints

Old England had a shortage'  
This time it wasn't gold.  
They were running short of silver  
Their solution was quite bold.  
Investigators were sent out,  
Their stock to bring back up.  
Mr. Cromwell had decided  
That Old England stay on top.

The problem it was serious  
No silver for their coin.  
Without it, money would be scarce  
Impossible to find.  
They had to have the pure stuff  
No sign of any taint.  
And then reports came back to them,  
There's silver in the saints.

These saints were life-size statues  
Standing out of the way,  
In corners of cathedrals,  
There were plenty in that day.  
These churches needed prestige  
It was all they had to show.  
The government decided that  
These saints would have to go.

They melted them and shaped them  
Into shillings and in pounds.  
Now these saints were keeping company  
With people all around.  
And when you think about it,  
Is not this where saints should be,  
Instead of sitting on a couch  
Watching prime T.V.

This poem by Major Sidney Brace, is taken from his book of poems he recently had published, "Thoughts from a Grateful Heart". This booklet is available from Major Brace for \$5.00. Proceeds will go for Self Denial (Missionary Efforts).

## Happy Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary



When Lieut. Rachel Canning, a graduate of the Shepherds Session, of the Training College in St. John's moved to Green's Harbour in 1955, seeking the lost sheep for her Lord, she

could not have known that one of these would become her lifetime partner. We don't need to understand the way that God works in people's lives. We just need to follow where He leads, enjoy His presence on the journey and be the very expression of gratitude for it all.

Sid and Rachel have served God and The Salvation Army in appointments from Alberta to Newfoundland, including a term at the Long Pond Corps. Their four adult children are still serving God in the Army which is a testament of the consistent Christian influence that has been a priority in their home since the beginning.

Retiring in 1999, they are still active in prison ministry, monthly chapel services at Glenbrook Lodge and are available to Corps for specialising when called upon.

They both thank God for good health, a positive attitude and for the opportunities that have been theirs through our beloved Army.

Congratulations to the Braces from all your friends at the CBS Corps.

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## Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is an exciting self-development programme available to all young people, equipping them with life skills to make a difference to themselves, their communities and their country. Seen at right is Premier Danny Williams presenting to Glen Walters the Bronze Award. Congratulations Glen.



## Happy Birthday Mr. Bishop

Congratulations to Mr. Walter Bishop who celebrates his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday March 9<sup>th</sup>. Walter was always a Salvationist but didn't attend church regularly until he and Maisie were married.

He grew up in St. John's, and sometime following his marriage, he started working at Casey's Meat Market on New Gower Street, where he stayed for 28 years. He became famous for his expertise at 'sausage making'.

In 1959, Walter and Maisie bought their first home on Anchorage Road and began attending the CBS Corps. Eventually, Walter was enrolled as a soldier in 1964 by Major Louise Slade. Two years later, Maisie became a soldier as well and together they have given loyal service to the Corps.

Walter was commissioned as the Bass Drummer in 1986, a position he thoroughly enjoyed. He has also served as Property Sergeant and Flag Sergeant and particularly remembers the pleasure of proudly carrying the flag on the march of witness on Easter Sunday morning. Walter has also been actively involved in the Men's Fellowship, since its beginning.

Over the years, Walter has been a loyal friend to many and ever ready to lend a helping hand. Always pleasant by nature, he testifies to the fact that God has been good. No wonder his favorite song is "What a friend we have in Jesus".

His wife Maisie continues to support him and together they have raised 5 children. One daughter, Major Lorraine Shea is a Salvation Army Officer in Kingston, Ontario. They are also very proud of their 9 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

At the Corps, Walter is well respected by all and with a twinkle in his eye, he always has a funny story to share.

A cancer survivor, Walter has been blessed with good health and looks to the future with hope and confidence. His trust is in God, confirmed in the words of his favorite chorus "When my Pilot comes, I'll take a heavenward ride." Until then,



Walter intends to serve God to the best of his ability. **Best wishes on your birthday Mr. Bishop.**

**New Families Welcomed to our Corps  
The Denny Family**



**Back row: L to R: Annie Rose, Adam (Father),  
Mother, Dana with Daniel in her arms,  
Front Row: L to R: Noah and Ethan**

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**The Roberts Family**



**Jim & Nenia**

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**The first steps to happiness  
are the church steps.**

**The Roberts Family**



**L to R: Vida, Bethany and Glen**

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***Holy Week Services 2008***

**Lingering In the Shadow of the Cross**



**(All weeknight services—7:30 PM)  
Tuesday, March 18—Mount Pearl Corps  
Speaker: Major Wade Budgell**

**Wednesday, March 19—CBS Corps  
Speaker: Major Marlene George**

**Thursday, March 20—St. John's West Corps  
Speaker: Major Lavern Budgell**

**Good Friday, March 21  
CBS: Prayer Breakfast—8:30 AM**

**St. John's Temple—10:30 AM  
Speaker: Major Maxine Boyde  
St. John's Citadel—10:30 AM**

**All are Welcome**

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