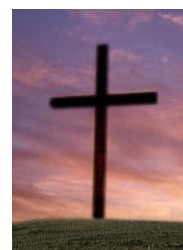
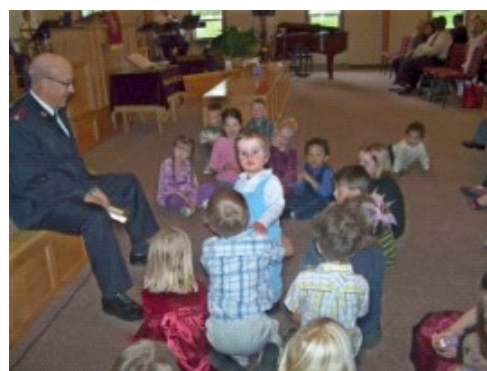




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Getting Together



The Cross Makes the Difference.

Home League Round-up Time



### Congratulations to Glen Walters



Glen won a Gold Medal for bowling at the Nationals Special Olympics held in July at Mount Pearl. He also won a trophy for the most spirited participant in his group.

Great work Glen!



# The Signal

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Conception Bay South Corps and Community

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Pastoral Letter from our Corps Officers

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331 CBS Highway

## PERSPECTIVE

The new house is completed. There is the sense of achievement and satisfaction from the well manicured walk-way, the spacious entrance hall to the delicately chosen modern décor. The sunken living area, the walk-in closets and the high tech kitchen gadgets beg your attention and admiration.

But is it a home? What makes the difference? Remember the words “a house is made of walls and beams; a home is built with love and dreams”.

An unknown author penned “What makes a house? I asked my little boy and this is what he said....I think it's home because we love each other”.

That is the difference. Love is there. A house is a home when comfort, understanding, encouragement and acceptance is freely given and received. If every house were a home, how would it affect our community, our church and the lives of our children?

Major Cora Dodge

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Greetings in the lovely Name of Jesus:

Happy children who are told they belong, adults warmly greeting each other, programs being developed to help in spiritual growth, and positive people assembling together to worship, this is what you will see at The Conception Bay South Corps. I am glad to say we are a growing Church. Young families and retirees are making CBS their home and many of them are finding their spiritual needs met at the Corps.

My boast is in the Lord. He is doing a great work in our Corps and we have every expectation for greater things. Let me tell you that finances have improved, attendance is up and the love among the brethren is a Great Big Blessing! It is fun to be a member of the CBS Corps.

Did you ever stop to think that God has something good in mind for you, for your children and for your whole life? I am sure I don't need to tell you about the traps, distortions and despicable things that the evil one puts before you every day. The things that destroy dignity, life, respectability, the things that enslave and steal every joy God intended you to experience.

You pay to go to a movie, hockey game or a concert. We make an investment, it costs for singing or music lessons. It is often expensive to enjoy the things of the world. Most already know that, except for the momentary happiness, there is no lasting joy or peace of mind to be had from most of what we have or do.

Did you ever stop to think that God has something good in mind for you, for your children and for your whole life? Are you prepared to make the investment required? Yes it will mean getting up a little bit earlier on Sunday, it will mean taking some existing 'first things' and making them unimportant. I encourage the reader to walk closer to the Lord. God does have something good in mind for you.

Thank you for your support. We would be blessed to have you join us this Sunday and every Sunday for worship. Good music, great singing, happy people and a warm welcome await you at The Salvation Army.

To the Glory of our coming King,

**Did you ever stop to think that God has something good in mind for you, for your children and for your whole life?**



**Mrs. Ethel Perrin—Promoted to Glory**



When The Salvation Army was established in Long Pond in 1908, Ethel Clarke was just a toddler in Paradise NL. In 1914, following the death of her father, her mother remarried and eventually there were 11 children to care for. Ethel went to live with her grandparents. At 16, she began three years of work at the Sanatorium and later she worked as a waitress.

Following her marriage to John Perrin in 1927, she started to attend The Salvation Army and was enrolled as a soldier in 1932.

Always a hard worker and desirous of helping the needy, Mrs. Perrin opened her home to foster children. Later she was approached by the Waterford Hospital officials who were anxious that mentally challenged adults be cared for in her home. Reportedly, this was the first such venture in North America. Never daunted by a

difficult task, Mrs. Perrin, after raising her own three boys, supervised the renovations and adjustments and the ‘big house’, as her home was referred to, eventually accommodated 64 individuals. With the help of staff, Mrs. Perrin herself cleaned, cooked, sewed, baked and even spun wool for knitting.

A number of years later, following the death of her husband, Mrs. Perrin, at 71, planned to retire. The business continued and she decided to build a smaller home nearby for herself and her elderly mother. However, before too long, she was asked again to provide housing for 16 men needing psychiatric care. She couldn’t say ‘no’ and proceeded to purchase an older home and under her supervision, had it restored and modernized. She provided a pleasant comfortable home for these men until she was 85. Then she officially retired.

In 1988, she moved to PEI with her son John and family. He had already established a Family-Run Senior’s Care Facility in Clinton.

Her remaining years there were happy ones and she was an inspiration to staff and residents alike. They often went to her for advice and encouragement. In her years at the home, she continued to sponsor children in Third World countries and her hands were always busy making attractive hand made goods which were donated to a number of charities.

Mrs. Perrin had a sharp memory and right up to the time of her passing, she could converse and debate about any current events.

On July, 28, 2009, as she was surrounded by family, in her dying moments, Mrs. Perrin raised her hand, prayed with her family and then passed peacefully into Eternity.

Her faith in God continued through the years, amidst trials, difficulties and disappointments. At the Corps, she was honored with a Home League Life Membership Certificate.

CBS Corps salutes Mrs. Ethel Perrin, our oldest soldier, who has been Promoted to Glory. May her legacy live on in the lives of her many family members.

**Happy 59th Wedding Anniversary**



Victor & Evelyn Howlett  
married September 12, 1950

**Happy 56th. Wedding Anniversary**



Lon & Sylvia Baird  
married September 15th, 1953

**A Life of Service**



On Easter Sunday, 1990, Zita Butler was enrolled as a soldier of the CBS Corps. Little did she realize then how many lives she would impact in the following years.

Zita’s home is only a few steps from the present Corps building, but it took her quite a few years to take that short walk.

In 1987, Zita was first diagnosed with breast cancer. Surgery followed and during her recovery days, Major and Mrs. Les Barrow ministered to her and encouraged her to attend Church, which she did. As a result, she became a Christian.

In March, 1989, she was diagnosed with lung cancer. The situation sounded bleak indeed. Her doctor suggested she may live only for one year. However, God had other plans and in April, Zita testifies that God miraculously healed her, as she knelt to pray. The doctor was astounded when he viewed her x-rays the following week, noting her lungs were ‘clear as crystal’. Her husband Gilbert, who passed away in 2001, assured the doctor that God had healed her lungs. Despite the affects of treatments, she never missed a church service on Sundays.

She also experienced a second breast surgery in November, 1998. Amazingly, in the midst of her illnesses, Zita’s energy and her desire to serve God never waned. Over the past 20 years, She has been involved in a number of Corps ministries:

- Home League Secretary for 13 years
- Community Care Ministries Secretary for 5 ½ years
- Red Shield Coordinator for 12 years. Initially, this meant dividing the communities (from Seal Cove to Paradise) into zones and appointing zone leaders.
- Emergency Response Team member for 5 years
- Coordinator for St. George’s School Breakfast Program for 4 years
- Christmas Cheer Kettle Coordinator for 18 years.

Zita has volunteered for door-to-door canvassing for the Red Cross, Cancer Association and the Arthritis Association. She has also volunteered for the Canadian Bible Society. In 2006, she was named Citizen of the Year for the town of CBS. Zita has also given over 40 years to guiding, and is a Life Member of the Girl Guides of Canada serving as Camp Adviser, Divisional Commissioner and was the first Area Commissioner for CBS.

In making the presentation, CSM Woodrow Snow expressed appreciation to Zita for her dedication and faithfulness to the CBS Corps.

Recently, Zita was recognized for her outstanding leadership through the various ministries at the Corps. At her retirement, Major & Mrs. Green expressed their appreciation for her dedication and faithfulness to CBS Corps. Zita is well respected by the Corps family as well as the community leaders. No doubt, she will continue to serve.



**Appreciation**



In July, CBS Corps bid a fond farewell to Woodrow and Eileen Snow. They have been faithful soldiers since 1971, and have won the respect of the Corps family and the community. Woodrow, a retired school teacher, has served as a bandsman, Sunday School teacher, Corps Secretary, Corps Sergeant Major and gave leadership to the Men’s Fellowship a number of times. Eileen has worked with the Junior Soldiers, Sunday School, and is a faithful Home League Member.

They will soon be moving into their new home in Carbonear. Major and Mrs. Green presented them with a painting in appreciation of their faithfulness and commitment to CBS Corps. They will be greatly missed.

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