BLACKTOWN CITY CORPS NEWSLETTER



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6th November 2016

Corps Officers—Captain William & Susanne Geracia

TODAY:

10 am Prayer Meeting. All welcome. Junior Soldiers will be held during the Meeting.

Please stay for morning tea following the meeting.

COMING EVENTS—NOVEMBER:

10th Nov Corps Council Planning Meeting for 2017
26th Nov SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT. Invite your friends and plan to be here for a night of good fellowship, good music and good food. Our Special Guest for the night will be MARLISA—X Factor winner!!

The Sydney branch of The Salvation Army Historical Society will be holding a special public celebration, 'The Power of Song' - A celebration of the Song Book of The Salvation Army held at Hurstville Salvos on Sunday 13th Nov. at 2:30 pm.



YOUTH OFF THE STREETS WALK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
Tuesday 22nd November 2016—10:15 am registration. Walk
from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Lunch and presentations from 1:00-

2:30. Walk from Nurragingy Reserve to Alpha Park Blacktown.

CORPS CLEAN UP & DECORATING DAY—SAT. 19th Nov. from 9-

12 noon. Morning Tea provided. We would love to see a big group of Corps people here; helping to clean their church! Always proves to be a fun morning of cleaning & fellowship.

Please have a look at the list of jobs below and if you think you can help in any way; just turn up on the day!!!!!

Decorate Hall for Christmas. Clean Cadets Office.

Clean laundry cupboard outside; Dusting/Wiping/Sweeping
Gardening—mainly hedges, Vacuuming, Windows.

Christ-giving Corps Christmas Dinner—December 11th, 5:30 at the Corps. Sign up list will be going up in a few weeks—if you would like to attend you MUST write your name down. This is to ensure that we have the tables set up for the correct number of people. Small cost involved. The Christmas Dinner seating chart is up—please read the sheets carefully and follow the instructions.

Community and Corps Christmas Carols Night. December 18th in the Corps Car Park. Free sausage sizzle. Band playing. Open for the Corps to arrive at 5:30pm—carols will start at 6pm for an hour.

HOME LEAGUE SYLABUS.

November 8th Mystery Auction—Leaders Bill & John. Please support our fundraising day and bring along items to be auctioned.

November 15th Angels—Betty
November 22nd Major Mavis
November 29th Blacktown Band

November 29th Blacktown Band & Captain Bill Christmas Concert. Bring a plate for Christmas Morning tea. Our Christmas Break up lunch will follow the concert \$5.00



31st October Caitlin Howe



7th November Grahame & Christine Bellamy 8th November Preston & Kate Hardy

CHRISTMAS!!!



Well it's that time of year again and as you may know The Salvation Army is very busy. A few things for your calendar:

The band does lots of things this time of year within our Community—one of these is going to different neighbourhoods and playing. The actual locations will be out soon (or you can chat to Doug) but this year it will be Dec. 5th, 12th & 19th from around 7-8pm. Come and support the band; Hand out magazines, collect money and chat to the people! Let Doug know if you can help.

Les Crowder is the organiser for our Seven Hills shop collections. He would love to have some more volunteers to please fill the time slots. He does such an amazing job and if anyone can help him in any way please let him know and he can tell you what's involved.

WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate \$ 161.00 Generous Life \$ 1,625.00



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our Officers, Captain Bill & Susanne & their family as they minister to us.

Pray for Rena.

Keep Praying for Kath Paddison.

Pray for our Junior Soldiers and all our young people and their leaders. Pray for each of our sections & leader.

Pray for all those who once attended this Corps (or other place of worship) and who no longer worship anywhere. "Pray the prodigals home" they may not agree with us or like us but they are helpless against our prayers.



Pray for Michael, Katrina Jacob, Emmalyn & Isaac Hindle as they work towards the Commissioning of the "Joyful Intercessors 2015 –2016 at Edmund Rice Performing Arts

Centre, South Brisbane on Sunday 4th December at 10am & 2:30 pm.

Pray for Bob Rogan and his work & ministry at the Corps.

Pray for those who have finally finished their HSC. Pray for a time of relaxation and re-grouping as they consider their future.

This week pray especially for:

Doug Hardy, Preston, Kate, Lachlan & Claire Hardy, Bela & David Heard, Freda Hill, Maree & Kelvin Hill, Robyn Hobbs, Robert & Judy Holley, Vi Holman, Caitlin Howe.1

GIVE THANKS TO GOD for the answers to prayers and for the many blessings he gives us daily. Thank Him for JESUS and for the change it has made to our lives.

KIDS—Please find a worksheet just for you out the back!!! Fill it in: colour & decorate it!!

If you would like a prayer request or a News Item added to the Newsletter or you have a Praise Point or Answer to Prayer, please let Gail know so it can be recorded.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS have been made for

Please pray for Masala Laumua—Masala's younger sister has passed away in New Zealand and Masala is having an operation on the 3rd November.

PROMOTED TO GLORY—Murray Pearson passed away last Saturday. He was 82. Geoff passed away 3 or 4 years ago. Les Crowder used to pick Murray & Geoff up on the bus most Sundays to bring them to the meeting from a home for people with special needs. In recent times a carer brought them.

Elaine, keep praying for healing.

Johnny Vesley

Bruce Parker—is now in a nursing home in Marylands.

Please pray for Max Roorda who is not really well. He only lives across the road from the hall if you would like to visit—at 7 Lismore St, he finds it difficult to get to the meetings these days. Also pray for Natalia, his wife as she cares for him.

Luka Angel

Overseas Service Personnel Office is responsible for caring & providing support services to all Officers & personnel moving in and out of Australia for Appointments. A component of the office work is to provide a newsletter called "

"The Link" which shares stories from the many Territories our Officers represent. As you may be aware some time ago THQ lost IT data and in this loss our Missionary Fellowship data base was deleted, so we have been working hard to restore names & addresses of our members. Unfortunately this is a really slow & difficult process to work through. If you support the Overseas Ministry, please resubmit you name so that you can receive the 2 monthly newsletters! We certainly are looking for new people to join this fellowship as well. This ministry also provides information of prayer points and opportunity to engage with personnel while they are overseas. The subscription money contributes to production of the newsletter, postage & personal donations to our Overseas Personnel. See Captain Susanne for a Subscription Renewal Form for 2016.

YOU are a necessary part of the whole.

Dear Lord, thank You for the gifts You have given to me so that I might serve the body of Christ. Help me to be faithful to use my gifts to bring You glory.