

PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 23 JULY 2017

Parramatta Salvation Army

Welcome to family and friends here today to celebrate Elsie Evans and witness her dedication.

Talitha and Daniel would like to invite everyone to join them in the Function Centre for morning tea after the dedication.

WORSHIP TODAY

9AM Easy English Worship

10.30AM Family Worship
Join us for Morning Tea after worship, served in the Function Centre.

NEXT:

SUNDAY 30 JULY
Worship led by Lt Nicola Poore

AUGUST BIBLE FOCUS

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST:

Jesus the hero

SUNDAY 13 AUGUST:

Jesus our Saviour

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST:

Jesus our friend

SUNDAY 27 AUGUST:

Jesus our guide

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 26 JULY

'How we can lighten the load'

with Major Beverley.

10am for morning tea and
10.30am for the meeting. All are
welcome to come and join in!

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:

'Christmas in July'

Saturday 29th July

Geranium Cottage Dural

3 course set meal. \$40 per
person. Everyone welcome!
Bookings with payment by Sunday
23th July.

Please RSVP to Janet Muir

PRAYERPOINTS

We are praying for the Evans family as today they bring their daughter to be dedicated back to God.



Your prayer support would be greatly appreciated by Tom and Lorraine Kelly. Tom spent time this week in the Sunshine Coast University Hospital where there were great concerns for his health. They are hoping to fly home on Thursday or Friday.



Pray for our youth as they gather for their Term 3 Youth Service this Friday night.



Pray that Grant and Sharon have a restful time whilst on furlough for two weeks.



Please remember those in our corps family who are undergoing treatment or recovering from operations.



*If you would like us to pray for you or your loved ones, contact either **Marty Bust** or **Dot Griffin** for it to be included in the newsletter and Prayer Network.*

CORPSNEWS

GOLDEN YEARS

On the 11th of July the Golden Years Fellowship and the Ladies Fellowship groups came together for an exceptional morning with The Village Singers. This vocal quartet has the knack of engaging with everyone through bright, happy music from decades past. They made us laugh, remember and managed to be effectively interactive with such a large group. We were singing and dancing - and our toes were tapping! Certainly we went home with our spirits lifted. Please feel warmly invited to attend our monthly gatherings. On Tuesday 8th August, the Sydney Veteran's Band will be 'in concert'. Please come along and enjoy another happy morning where you will be both blessed and entertained at the same time. Come at 10am for morning tea in the Function Centre and then the concert at 10.30am in the Citadel.



School Holiday Program Report

On Monday, we had a family picnic day at the Armory Park at Silverwater. The youth group went for a walk along the old train tracks. We had fun playing a game of build-up tips with the siblings and enjoyed swinging on the giant rope swing. We had lots of fun enjoying the nice weather!!

On Tuesday, we had a movie day at Auburn cinemas. When we arrived, we got an early lunch from Maccas before we drove to the cinema. The movies we had to choose from were Despicable Me 3 and Wonder Woman. I enjoyed watching Despicable Me 3. On the way back to church, we had a singing competition with lots of 'good' singing; however the winner was Abraham for his funny singing and dancing.

On Thursday, 3 youth members and I did a day of work experience. We went around to corps folk houses and mowed their lawns, did some weeding, washed cars, swept floors and much more. The small group of us (Kofi, Abraham, Scarlett and me) had a good day serving members of our church.

On Friday, the youth group jumped on the bus for a road trip to The Entrance! Carissa created a challenge for us - if we put our phone in a box for a certain amount of time, we would get a chocolate. At our morning tea stopover, we walked around the Mount Penang Gardens before getting back on the bus to go to The Entrance. When we arrived, we got KFC for lunch before we walked along the beach and the girls took 'tumblrs' while the boys continued walking. After about 1.5 hours we got back on the bus to go back to church.

We all had a great time at Youth Week and would like to thank Major Grant and Alison Parker for volunteering their time to come and assist Carissa as a leader. We would also like to give a big thanks to Carissa for organising Youth Week and putting up with the noisy youth group for 4 days!!

By Adam Bust

THE SYDNEY STAFF SONGSTERS VISIT TO THE PARRAMATTA CORPS 15-16 JULY 2017 BY TANNIE KWONG



Last weekend the corps was treated with a special weekend visit by the Salvation Army Sydney Staff Songsters. The group, with members from around Sydney and as far and wide as the Shoalhaven and Southern Highlands, is administered by the Territorial Headquarters and regularly visit corps from around the territory. They are charged with bringing inspiring music and worship experiences locally, domestically and around the world.

Last weekend's visit started with a workshop jointly hosted by the Sydney Staff Songsters and the Parramatta Songsters. The workshop was attended by over 50 people. It was great to see so many singers from around the corps attend; particularly the young people that came, many of whom sang at the workshop alongside Mum and/or Dad.



The Saturday night concert transformed the main citadel into a modern café setting as the pews were all taken away from the main hall and the space was lined with tables and chairs with coffee and cake. Around 150 people attended the evening concert and the atmosphere was great! Our local barista Tim (from Bad Manner Thymes on Horwood Place) served over 150 cups of coffee on Saturday night, which together with the music must have kept a few people up from sleeping late that night. Those who attended the workshop had the opportunity to perform the pieces which we rehearsed earlier in the day. The concert was live streamed and watched by people from all around the world.



On Sunday morning, the Staff Songsters participated at the Willows' 9am Chapel Service before they led the 10:30am morning meeting at the hall. The hall was literally packed with people. The Staff Songsters might know how to sing but during Kids Time the kids definitely showed some of them how to dance. Staff Songsters Executive Officer Glenn Whittaker challenged the congregation to "be authentic" in every aspect of life.

The Staff Songsters are grateful to have seven current members in it from the Parramatta Corps (Staff Songster Leader Graham Ainsworth, Kim Entwistle, Andrew Keast, Peter Kelly, Tannie Kwong, Graham Lang and Chris Plumridge) and the weekend was an opportunity for the Staff Songsters to say thank you to the corps for allowing our corps' members to participate in such great ministry opportunities.

A big thank you to Loretta Carger and her catering team for their hospitality over the weekend. We are also very grateful to those who helped with moving our very heavy church pews to and from the back hall before and after the Saturday night concert. That was a mammoth task indeed.

A great weekend with great music and great fellowship. Glory be to God.



THANK YOU

Elwyn and Margaret Humbley wish to thank all of our Corps family for their Prayers, messages and phone calls for our son John over his recent major heart operation. He is recovering each day and we thank God for His Healing Power over the past days.

UPCOMINGEVENTS

YEAR of GATHERING @ TABLES

YOU ARE INVITED

TO GATHER

AROUND A TABLE WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS
TO LEARN, TO SHARE, TO BUILD EACH OTHER UP
BIBLE STUDIES & CONVERSATION CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL GATHERINGS

ALL PEOPLE, ALL NATIONS, ALL GENERATIONS... IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

AUGUST

Just Men 2017
THE SALVATION ARMY CONFERENCE

Collaroy, NSW
4TH-6TH August

Alexandra Headland, QLD
11th-13th August

Guest speaker: David Murrow

"EQUIP HIS PEOPLE" EP4:12

AXIOS

SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER

Parramatta Salvos - June 4 2017

JUST MEN CONFERENCE

To register or for more information, please click :<http://tinyurl.com/justmenQLD2017>.

SALVO ACADEMY

OUR SHARED HISTORY:
STORIES OF THE SALVATION ARMY & INDIGENOUS MINISTRIES

TUESDAY 25TH JULY, 7PM, THQ REDFERN

28 July

lights camera... action!

Kokoda Reflection
75th Anniversary

On the 75th anniversary of the battle for the Kokoda Track, The Salvation Army Historical Society invites you to join with them in remembering those Australians who put their lives on the line.

Guest speaker, Peter FitzSimons, Author of Kokoda.

Sunday 30 July
2:30 PM

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11 Pilliga PL
Bangor

- Hurstville Salvation Army Band
- Soloist: Mandy Williams
- A contemporary look at The Kokoda Track
- Afternoon tea

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