

PARRAMATTERS

Parramatta Salvation Army

SUNDAY 3 JUNE 2018



TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL OF THE SALVATION ARMY ELECTED

2018 High Council Report 8

London, 24 May 2018/IHQ

On the day voting would begin to elect the 21st General of The Salvation Army, it was symbolic that the morning began with the worldwide prayer meeting. Led by the Chaplain (Commissioner Mark Tillsley, International Headquarters) the five zones into which the international Army is divided administratively became a focus for prayer, naming specific requests where appropriate. Each time the focus changed the members of the zone being lifted up to God were encircled by their fellow council members. These moments of prayer concluded with the chorus 'Bless them Now'. ...the speeches from the four candidates were then delivered without interruption and there followed no expression of approval or dissent. The drawing of lots again determined the order in which the candidates gave their speeches, which were received in silence. The council then adjourned. The Chaplain led the council in singing song 975 from *The Song Book of The Salvation Army*, 'Salvation! O the Joyful Sound!' before Commissioner Devon Haughton (Territorial Commander, Caribbean Territory) read from Acts 7:51-60. Drawing on these verses and directing his thoughts to the candidates, but suggesting they were for all present in the chamber, the Chaplain spoke of the need for holy boldness. In this story of Stephen he noted also the heavenly assurance he received and finally that, despite everything, Stephen continued to have a heartache for humanity. The council joined in the song 'To be Like Jesus', with its emphasis on 'His Spirit helping me ...' before prayer was offered by Commissioner Yvonne Westrupp (Territorial President of Women's Ministries, New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory.) Then followed the election process, undertaken in silence as a solemn and sacred duty, resulting in the election of Commissioner Brian Peddle as the 21st General of The Salvation Army. May God bless the General-Elect!

PRAYERPOINTS



Please pray for the family of Major John Donovan who was promoted to glory on 25 May 2018 at the age of 85 years.



Please pray for Fae and Auburn Gilbert and their daughter Janelle whose husband died of a heart attack on Sunday at the age of 52 years.



Please pray for the Youth Group 'LOCK-IN' Retreat that is happening on Friday 15 [sleepover] and Saturday 16 June. Pray for the special guests, John & Nicole Viles, as they prepare for the retreat.



Please remember those in our corps family who are still undergoing treatment or recovering from operations. Also for the families who are supporting their progress and facing the challenges that ill-health present.



Please pray for the newest leaders of The Salvation Army: Commissioners Brian and Rosalie Peddle.



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.

CORPSNEWS

YOUTH GROUP EQUIP FUNDRAISER

The Parra Youth would like to raise funds for Equip by taking part in the "Return & Earn" campaign. We would love for you all to save up your plastic, glass and aluminum bottles and cans and bring them in. Here are the details you need to know about:

Most 150ml to three litre drink containers will be eligible for a 10 cent refund at an approved NSW collection point. Containers should be empty, uncrushed, unbroken and have the original label attached. Wine, spirits, cordial and plain milk containers are generally not eligible.

The boys in the Youth Group will be happy to take your bottles and cans off your hands when you bring them to Church on a Sunday.

If you have any questions, please talk to our "Return & Earn" champion, Ryan Keast.



RED SHIELD THANK YOU

A big thank you to the awesome Parramatta team for all your efforts towards the Red Shield Appeal. We raised over \$27,000 with money still coming in. A special thank you to the Team Captains: Carissa Ainsworth, Peter West, Daniel Evans, Margaret Poore, Grant Sandercock-Brown, Marty Bust, Annette Duncan, Jon Griffin, George Sanders, Diya Patel, Vince Bignell and Betty Hazell. To Andrew Keast and his counting house team. To Barry Fischle and all the people who helped at a Community Collection Points on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. To Jeff Parker for putting up the banners. Also to Karen Stewart as our point administration person. Well done everyone!

COMINGEVENTS

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 6 JUNE 2018

'Celebrating Birthdays'

Leader: Beverley Mole

Morning tea starts at 10.00am and meeting at 10.30am. All welcome to attend!

1 June

7.30 to 8.30 PM



8 June



Ecuador

Galapagos Islands

Colombia

★ Quito
● Guayaquil

Pacific



NOVEMBER 2018
INTERNATIONAL MISSION EVENT
"to the ends of the earth"



INFORMATION NIGHT
6pm Sunday 3 June 2018
Ryde Salvation Army



Approval has been received from IHQ.

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ALL ABOUT JESUS



If you would like to give to the kingdom building activities in and through our Corps by transfer please use the following details: **BSB 032078; Account No. 000810288; Account Name - The Salvation Army, Parramatta.** Please include an applicable reference on the transfer so we can accurately record the gift.

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