50TH Anniversary

MINNEAPOLIS CENTRAL

SALVATION ARMY
2625 CENTRAL AVE. N.E.



APRIL 17-18-19



MINNEAPOLIS CENTRAL AVENUE
CORPS BUILDING

DIVISIONAL LEADERS





LT. COLONEL AND MRS. S. W. FRANZEN

YOUTH LEADERS





MAJOR AND MRS. ALVIN NELSON

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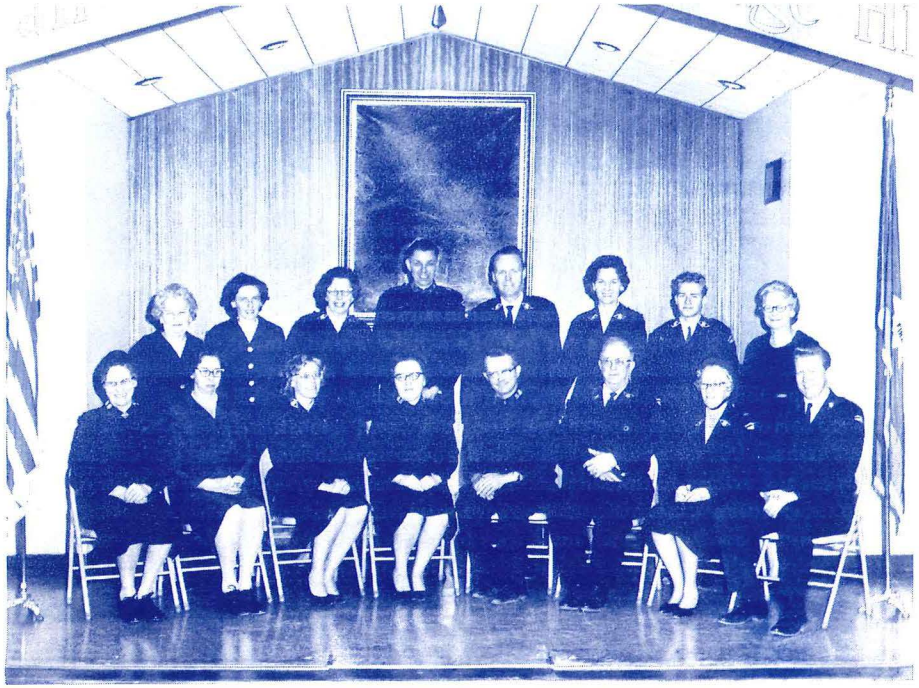


MAJOR AND MRS. EHLERT WALLIN

PRESENTING.....



THE BRASS BAND



THE LOCAL OFFICERS



THE STRINGBAND



THE SONGSTERS

PROGRAM

ANNIVERSARY BANQUET
FRIDAY, APRIL 17 – 6:30 P. M.
Elim Baptist Church

M/C Captain Robert Hallquist

AN INTERESTING PROGRAM WILL BE PRESENTED

JUBILEE FESTIVAL
SATURDAY, APRIL 18 – 7:30 P. M.
Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen presiding

SONG (Tune: 386) ..... **Congregation**

Hark, hark, my soul,
What warlike songs are swelling
Through all the land
And on from door to door
How grand the truths those
Burning strains are telling
Of that great war
Til sin shall be no more.

Conquerors at last,
Though long the fight and dreary
Bright days shall dawn
And sin's dark night be past,
Our battle's end
In saving sinners weary
And Satan's kingdom
Down shall fall at last.

Salvation Army, Army of God
Onward to conquer the world
with fire and blood.

SCRIPTURE READING AND PRAYER ..... **Lt. Colonel T. V. Gates**

STRINGBAND . . . . "Our Golden Jubilee" By S/Major Kaleb Johnson
Glen Olsen, Director

GREETING ..... **Rev. Paul Stohlberg**

BRASS BAND . . . . . "Joy of Salvation" ..... **By Dean Goffin**
John Hulteen, Bandmaster

GREETING ..... **Major Gladys Anderson**

VOCAL DUET ..... **Captain and Mrs. R. Alfveby**

LETTERS AND MESSAGES ..... **Major Alvin Nelson**

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS ..... **Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen**

SONGSTERS ..... **Selected**
Charles Shodin, Director

OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... **Major Ehlert Wallin**

OFFERTORY ..... **Brass Band**

"THROUGH THE YEARS IN HIS STEPS"
by Mrs. Jack Anderson

REMARKS ..... **Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen**

BENEDICTION ..... **Mrs. Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen**

REFRESHMENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

9:45 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL
Y.P.S.M. Vernie Mitchell in charge

11:00 a.m. HOLINESS MEETING
Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen, leading
Major Chester Sundman, speaking

3:00 p.m. YOUTH RALLY
Major and Mrs. Alvin Nelson in charge
Program by Youth groups
Refreshments

7:00 p.m. OPEN AIR MEETING – Lowry and Central

7:30 p.m. SALVATION AND PRAISE MEETING
Captain Robert Alfveby, leading
Lt. Colonel S. W. Franzen, speaking
Soldiers Enrollment
Band – Stringband – Duets

Minneapolis Central Avenue Corps History

One winter afternoon, 50 years ago, a little girl, returning home from school, spied a man in uniform coming down the street. She ran to him on flying feet and exclaimed excitedly, "You're the Salvation Army, aren't you?" He admitted that he was an officer in the Salvation Army and was opening up a new corps. He was looking for a scrub pail and a seamstress to sew some curtains for the hall windows. The little girl said, "Oh, you come home with me. We have a scrub pail I'm sure my mother will let you use, and I know a woman who sews."

Thus was Captain Martin Olofson introduced to one of his future junior soldiers, Mrs. Corinne Freesene Ohlson, wife of our Sr. Sergeant Major.

The first corps hall was located at 1900 Central Ave. N.E. on the second floor. It was dedicated as the Minneapolis No. 3 Corps in February, 1914, with Captain Olofson and Lt. David Westergren, officers in charge. Mrs. Corinne Ohlson and Mr. Axel Carlson were in the first soldier's enrollment. Activities included a Band of Love, Y.P. Legion, and a brass band of six members. Mr. Axel Carlson was one of the bandsmen.

The Corps changed halls six times during the first two years, but during the time of Captain and Mrs. Joseph Anderson, the Corps moved to 2414 Central Ave. where it remained for twelve years. These officers organized the Home League which has ever since been a strong and useful organization within the corps. Mrs. Thorvald Kamp is the present Home League Secretary. They also started the well-remembered afternoon meetings which were held for years at what was then known as Norwegian Hill at 31st and Fillmore St. N.E.

During the two years, August '24 to August '26, when Captain David Asp was stationed at the Corps, the Girl's Ukelele band was organized. This band was made up of teen-age girls. Ensign Newman combined the ukelele girls with senior members of the Corps and organized the stringband with Fritz Ohlson as its leader. He was succeeded by Mr. Herman Carlson and Mr. Glen Olsen.

In 1927, the building at 2524-26 Central Ave. was purchased. Captain Carl Eklund and Lt. Oscar Anderson were the officers in charge at the time of the dedication. During their appointment, the Boy Scout troop was inaugerated, with Fritz Ohlson as scoutmaster and Einar Gren, assistant scoutmaster. This was the first troop to be inaugerated in the city.

Ensign Beckman started the first confirmation class, but was transferred soon afterward, and Ensign Sadie Peterson succeeded him. A class of five was confirmed in the spring of 1930. The present Songster leader, Charles Shodin, was a member of this class.

The brass band was organized by Ensign Peterson in 1931, with Fritz Adler as bandmaster. It was at this time that we made the first trip to the Baptist Church at Webster, Wisconsin, of which Rev. K.C. Meyers was the pastor. This became an annual event for the band and the stringband. Richard James succeeded Fritz Adler as bandmaster. Ensign Sadie Peterson also started the Girl Guards under the leadership of Viola Johnson and Mae Horning.

"The Army Echoes", was first edited in 1932, functioning as a young people's publication. It was revived in 1942 as a corps paper by Mrs. Donna Olsen.

Mr. Matt Anderson was instrumental in forming the Men's Club in 1943, during Major Kaleb Johnson's time. The club has been of great benefit to the Corps in sponsoring special meetings and giving financial aid. Mr. Walter Johnson is president.

During the appointment of Major and Mrs. Alvin Nelson, our building at 2526 Central Ave. was sold, a lot was purchased at 2625 Central, and a new Corps building erected there. While this was in process, we met on 22nd and Central above the Johnson Sisters Department Store for about ten months. July 1951 was a red-letter month for our Corps, for it was then that we moved into our new place of worship and had the dedication, with Lt. Col. H. Rostett officiating.

In the 13 years that we have been in our present location, a Songster Brigade has been organized with Charles Shodin as its present leader. We also have reorganized the Guards and Sunbeams with Mrs. Jack Anderson and Mrs. Judy Vosburg as the respective leaders; also the band with Mr. John Hulteen as the present bandmaster.

The Company Meeting (S.S.) has always been a strong, active part of the Corps. During 36 of the 50 years, two of our rank held the job of Y.P.S.M., namely Fritz Ohlson for 17 years and Vernie Mitchell for the past 19 years.

One of the newest groups is the Dorcas Club, which is a branch of the Home League. They meet in the evenings enabling those who cannot attend during the afternoon Home League meetings to participate.

At the present time, there are four graduate Corps Cadets: Mae Horning, Viola Johnson, Mrs. Lt. Barbara Swart Reasoner, and Cadet Dale Leslie.

Four soldiers from the Corps have been commissioned as Officers: Major John Beckman, Mrs. Major David Asp, both of whom have been promoted to Glory, and Mrs. Lt. Barbara Reasoner, now stationed in Faribault, and Mrs. Judy Simpson Vosburg. Cadet Dale Leslie is now attending his first year of training at the Chicago School for Officer's Training.

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405 Central Ave. S.E.

COMPLIMENTS

Mr. & Mrs. Lynn Anderson
Mr. & Mrs. Matt Anderson
Mr. & Mrs. Marion Brindley
Mr. Axel Carlson
Mrs. Mildred Dahlgren
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Miss Viola Johnson
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Mr. & Mrs. Charles Shodin
Mrs. Josephine Soderman
Mrs. Judy Vosburg
Mrs. Mae Walker
Major & Mrs. Ehlert Wallin

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

SUNDAY:

9:45 a.m. Holiness Meeting
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
5:00 p.m. Songsters
7:15 p.m. Prayer
7:30 p.m. Salvation Meeting

MONDAY:

8:00 p.m. Dorcas Club (3rd)

TUESDAY:

3:45 p.m. Sunbeams & Directory Class
8:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

2:00 p.m. Home League (2nd)
6:30 p.m. Corps Cadets
7:30 p.m. Senior Band

THURSDAY:

6:30 p.m. Girl Guards
7:30 p.m. Young People's Meeting
7:30 p.m. Men's Club } alternate
8:00 p.m. Stringband }

SATURDAY:

10:00 a.m. Junior Band
7:30 p.m. Special Programs
Home League (3rd)
Men's Club (4th)

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the various committees and to all who worked to make this anniversary celebration a success.

Major and Mrs. Ehlert Wallin