

Montgomery County Corps

September 2018

Summer Smiles

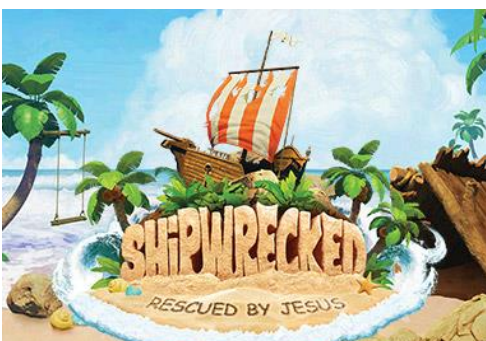
The Summer of 2018 for Montgomery County, Maryland Corps, began with a change in Corps Officers.

Lieutenants Shane and Carmen Owens received their appointment during the Commissioning and Ordination celebration in June. They have two daughters, Katelyn and Rosie.



The Corps had a summer filled with activities including camping adventures at Camp Happyland. Children and Teens participated in Music Conservatory, Character Building, Junior Soldier, and Sports Camps. Those who were not at Camp Happyland alternated between swimming and summer movies weekly.

Summer ended with a week of Vacation Bible School where participants learned that "Jesus Rescues" us. Food, FUN, and Friendly Fellowship were had by all!



Sizzling Summer

The Summer of 2018 was filled with some unusually hot days. When the Heat Index reached over 100 degrees, The Salvation Army of Montgomery County hit the pavement to distribute water to those stuck out in the heat at the local Metro Transit Center. Corps members and volunteers provided a refreshing respite to those in need.



Volunteer Kenny had fun providing water and popsicles to children and adults.

Special Sundays

Sunday School Update:

As of Sunday, September 23rd, there are four separate Sunday School classes: Nursery, Elementary, Teen, and Adults. These classes begin at 10am.

Worship Committee Update:

The Montgomery County Corps has recently established a Worship Committee comprised of Lts. Owens, David Delaney (Bandmaster), Kathleen Jensen (Songsters Leader), Maxine Edwards (CSM), and Peg Hofler (pianist). The committee has met twice during the month of September to work together and plan the Sunday Holiness Meeting and Worship Service.

Corps Council Update:

Sunday, October 7th at 1pm will be the initial meeting of the Montgomery County Corps Council. Representatives include all Local Officers, two Youth, and several Corps members.

Soldiers Meeting Update:

Sunday, October 14th at 1pm will be a "Souper" Soldiers Meeting. All Soldiers are invited to attend and encouraged to provide their favorite soup to share for a communal lunch.

NCAC Soldiers Rally:

The Rally will be held Sunday, September 30th at 5pm at MoCo.

Salvation Army Pride

Bandmembers from around the NCAC helped The Salvation Army Montgomery County Corps participate and perform in the Gaithersburg Labor Day Parade.



Marching with smiles, the young and the “older” of the Army shared the joy of Jesus.



Spotted Around Town

August 7th was the National Night Out. This event is designed to bring together the community and members of various forms of Public Safety.



We all love to “Monkey around” and have fun (especially with Monkey Joe and Officer Dixon), but showing appreciation to Law Enforcement Officers, EMS, and Firefighters is serious business in Montgomery County. On Tuesday, September 11th, the participants in Tuesday Night Character Building Youth Programs showed their appreciation to the Germantown Fire Station.



Social Services

The Salvation Army of Montgomery County, Maryland is excited to be a part of the implementation of the Pathway of Hope Initiative.

With this implementation, The Army is working with various other agencies to break the cycle of generational poverty. At MoCo, we are striving to provide educational opportunities and resources to help with this process. It is our hope and plan in January 2019 to provide the following to our POH participants and local community members:



Tuesday Nights- Parenting Classes with childcare provided through our Tuesday Night Character Building Programs

Thursday Nights – Financial Peace Univerisity with music classes available for participants’ children.