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Colonel John is a prolific writer and researcher who produced regular issues of this publication, "The Crest". They are filled with interesting topics, fascinating stories, and wonderful photos and images. Catch the sense of our wonderful heritage by logging on to our website and reading through these articles.





Colonel Verna is a detailed researcher and accessionist. As you wander

through the archives, and especially search through the system, you will see her name associated with thousands of items she accessioned, labelled, recorded and stored. And, of course, if you were to ever visit the archives, you would enjoy the tasty treats and tasteful ambiance that she created as the beautiful hostess that she is.

The stamp of their leadership will be forever etched in the history of the archives. The Canada and Bermuda Territory expresses deep gratitude to Colonels John and Verna for their tireless devotion and will be eternally grateful to them for their post-retirement service. From the team here at the Archives, and from all the volunteers and staff who served with them over the years, thank-you, and God bless you.



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> John Carew **Editor of The Crest** 1955



John Carew attended the Salvation Army College (High School) in St. John's, Newfoundland. In his graduation year he was editor of "The Crest", which was the year book that was produced annually by the students of the School. John was the Editor in his graduation year — 1955!

> **Colonel John Carew Editor of The Crest** 2004-2018



Almost 50 years later, this same John Carew, now appointed as Director of Archives for the Canada and Bermuda Territory, became the editor of the a very different publication with the same name — "The Crest." History does repeat itself!!

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NEWS AND VIEWS OF THE SALVATIONS ARMY **ARCHIVES CANADA AND BERMUDA TERRITORY**

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COLONELS JOHN AND VERNA CAREW

Whenever one thinks of the Salvation Army Archives in the Canada and Bermuda Territory, a mental picture of Colonels John and Vernal Carew immediately comes to mind. For the last 14 years, Colonel John has served as the Director of the Archives and Museum, and Colonel Verna has been the Accessionist and Researcher.



These have been remarkable and eventful years for the Heritage Center and Archives in the Canada and Ber-

muda Territory. During their term as leaders, the Archives undertook a major relocation from being the George Scott Railton Heritage Center located on the Training College property at 2130 Bayview Avenue to its present location at the Archives Canada and Bermuda Territory on 26 Howden Road. This was a major undertaking that involved the supervision and packing up of over 250,000 archival items including over 30,000 photographs, hundreds of file boxes of historic files, countless artifacts, large and small, immigration and shipping logs, and drawers full of historic Army memorabilia significant in the development of the Army in Canada and Bermuda. This huge accomplishment is a credit to their competence and commitment.

In 2004, the Carews oversaw the opening of the Museum housed on the main floor of THQ. The displays are artfully and creatively arranged, and we understand that the backgrounds murals for some of the displays were actually painted by Colonel John. This was another very significant accomplishment.

Over the next decade and more, the Carews developed and advanced the archives in significant ways. With the help of volunteers, almost 6,000 issues of the Canada and Bermuda Territory War Cry have been scanned and are open for all to see on the Archive Web Site. In addition, they initiated the digitization of the film series "The Living Word", which can be enjoyed by all who look them up on the internet. They implemented a computer program called InMagic that makes it possible to respond to search requests.









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...THE BEAT GOES ON!!!



Lisgar Street Corps Band — Toronto — 1893

From the very beginning, banding has been and still is an integral expression of Army worship and outreach. As Army corps sprung up in communities all over the Canada and Bermuda Territory, Salvationists formed all kinds of music combinations — especially brass bands. These groups practiced hard, played enthusiastically, and grew in skill and numbers significantly.

Over a century later, bands are still forming and performing and ministering. One such group is Heritage Brass which has just celebrated its thirtieth anniversary. Heritage Brass is made up of players from corps and communities in southern Ontario who are mostly retired from their occupations, but not from banding. So each Thursday morning, they gather at DHQ in Toronto for rehearsals, undertake concerts in various venues throughout the year, including a very active Christmas outreach schedule. The average age of the members is about 75.5 years, and there is a combined banding experience of about 2,400 in various places around the globe.

One member, Cliff Cummings, who has been in the band for over 25 years, has just celebrated a significant milestone — his 90th birthday. For Cliff, the beat still goes. After almost eight decades, he continues to take his place in the solo cornet section of Heritage Brass, and in his home corps band at Agincourt Community Church, where he has played since age seventeen.



Heritage Brass — Ontario Central Division October 2018



Following a rehearsal at his home corps, a special gathering was held to help Cliff and his family celebrate. For Cliff, the beat goes on .. and on ... and on ... and we are glad it does!!!

Blowing out the candles!







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Still playing his heart out at 90!!