We are looking forward to our October meeting being held at the Marsh Road Temple Corps. We will welcome new officers there, Majors Pete and Cathy Costas along with Lieutenant Shamekia Kitchings who was also transferred in June. Since we are meeting at the Temple corps, I thought it might be interesting to find out a little about the origins of these terms and give some background on the activities at Marsh Road. Corps is the term used by The Salvation Army, in alignment with its military terminology, for church. The corps includes the church building and its members. Many corps are also known as temples or citadels. The corps is led by ordained officers who fulfill the roles of pastors or ministers. Generally these are lieutenants, captains or majors. The Salvation Army is a mainstream protestant church in its theology, and worship is important in the local corps. At Marsh Road Temple corps, weekly Sunday school and worship services are held, along with bible studies and other outreaches such as youth ministry and senior programs. There is also a School for Performing Arts (SPA) at Marsh Road where young church members, members of the Boys and Girls Club, and also community neighbors learn music. (SAWA helped to provide refreshments for the graduation last May). All are welcome to join in the weekly worship services.

The first Temple corps opened in Charlotte in 1904 on South Church St. It was part of the great expansion of the Salvation Army in the US begun in 1880 by Commissioner George Railton and seven Army “lassies”. The Temple corps moved to other locations in Charlotte, including North Poplar Street, before it came to Marsh Road.

In addition to the Temple corps, Marsh Road houses the Boys and Girls club. Boys clubs are part of the tradition of our local Salvation Army. The Red Shield Boys club was opened in 1934. This has expanded since then to become the partnership with Boys and Girls Clubs of America that we know today. This was opened at Marsh Road in 2000. We will be able to tour the facility and learn more about both the Temple corps and the work of the Boys and Girls club. We are excited about learning more about the Marsh Road location, and appreciate the hospitality of the Majors in welcoming us.

Nina Robertson
President, 2018-2020
Lunch Reservations for Members & Guests

Our next luncheon is on **Tuesday, October 15.** Cost is $10 for members.
**REMINDER THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT TEMPLE CORPS, 940 Marsh Rd.**

**PLEASE RSVP BY:** Friday, October 11  
**TO:** Dionna Andrews  
704-334-4731 or dionna.andrews@uss.salvationarmy.org

The Auxiliary Board meeting will take place just prior to the General Meeting on Tuesday, October 15th at 10:00 a.m. All Auxiliary officers and committee chairs, please plan to attend.

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**Birthdays**

Please wish the following members a very Happy Birthday and blessed day!

Rita Watts  
Dorothy Dickson  
Mildred Sturdivant  
Anne McMackin  
Carolyn Schneider  
Barbara Robertson  
Ruby Carter  
Gail Card  
Barbara Knowles  
Lucy Hudson  
Jane Truesdel

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**ARC**

Jewelry sorting will be on the last Tuesday of each month at 10am. at the Adult Rehabilitation Center on Central Ave. It is fun & all who participate have a good time. Please join us!

*Blessings,*  
*Nancy Puckett and Winnie Ayers, co-chairs*
**Scholarship Committee**

This has been a banner year for student participation in the SAWA scholarship program. With five new participants there are now twelve college students receiving funding. Eleven of these former Boys & Girls Club members are full-time students working toward a four-year degree. Two young men, Jordan Leaphart and Jonathan Ifedi, will graduate this year. We also have two juniors, one sophomore, and seven freshmen working toward their degrees. As mentors, members of the committee have individually met during the summer with the students to offer encouragement and establish a relationship that will continue during the academic year and throughout the college experience.

The list of colleges attended by our students is impressive, representing five historically black colleges, two out-of-state schools, and one in-state private university. Three students presently attend Central Piedmont Community College. Throughout the coming school year, the committee will provide updates on the progress of our scholarship students and spotlight individuals in POPLAR WORD.

*Diane Minsker,*  
*Scholarship Committe Chair*

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**Center of Hope**

September was a busy month for serving COH. Our chicken dinner was a huge hit & easy to serve! We also served lunch this month! Thank you to Rosella Bergen, Diane Minsker, Becky Herring & Cheryl Crawford who all saved the days by sharing their time!

We have an entire year of empty spots to fill, ladies. Thursday October 17, is our next opportunity to serve & we need you! Let me know if you can help out in the upcoming months.

Please don't forget to bring brownies (no nuts) to our meeting in October. We never have too many!!

*Blessings,*  
*Jennifer*
Boys and Girls Club

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank you, again, for all of the wonderful snack donations last month. Those children who have so little were surely thrilled with those treats. In addition, you’ll soon be asked to bring cupcakes for the Boys and Girls Clubs’ Halloween parties to our October auxiliary meeting. As always, your participation is appreciated.

Thank You,
Cheryl Crawford

Festival of Tables 2020

We have began our campaign for fund raising for FOT. These efforts will hopefully either pay for different expenses for the cost of the Festival or offer the chance of generous donations that would further our efforts to be productive for the Center of Hope and it’s programs.

Please give us your suggestions of companies or individuals that we might call on or if you would prefer to make the call we will assist you with materials and talking points.

Please remember that this our time and our funds so that we can “DoThe Most Good”. The Auxiliary has been so proactive in this event and we pray that this year will be a great success as well.

Thanks,
Brenda Rorie

Poplar Grove

Thank you, Charlotte Dunn, Betty Maxwell, Janet Muchnicki, Thomasena Drummond, Sally Moore, and Jane Truesdale for agreeing to be members of the Poplar Grove committee. We need more members, so please consider joining us. We assist with quarterly birthday parties for the residents by providing food, small gifts, door prizes, and entertainment for these parties as well as serving food at the Thanksgiving and Christmas parties. The birthday parties will occur at 1:30 on the third Wednesday of October, January, April, and July.

Thank you,
Dana Vaden and Kay Major