

March 20, 1995 Wyandotte Distinguished Graduate Inductee





Lois V. (Dermody) Duguay Class of 1945

Lois V. (Dermody) Duguay distinguished herself with a life-long commitment to the needs of others.

Following her graduation from Roosevelt High School in 1945, Lois earned a degree in speech and music from Wayne University. She was employed as a permanent substitute in Wyandotte. Lois worked on behalf of students with the Parent Teacher Association from 1958-1978. She served on numerous committees and held various offices from local President to District Director of Wayne County.

Lois was elected to the Wyandotte Board of Education and was involved in the 1970's Roosevelt High School renovation.

Other community service included membership on the YMCA Board of Management, Wyandotte Drug Commission, Wayne County Community College Advisory Committee and University of Michigan Community Council. Lois is a charter member of the Wyandotte Kiwanis Sunrise Club. She was elected the first female Lieutenant Governor of the Fifth Division of the Michigan District of Kiwanis International.

The Salvation Army has been a life-long commitment for Lois Duguay. She served The Salvation Army Downriver Advisory Board as a member and chairperson. As The Salvation Army Community Relations and Development Director, Lois was responsible for the Eastern half of the State of Michigan. Her responsibilities included appearances on many radio and television broadcasts while promoting the work of the "Army". As Christmas coordinator, Lois has worked since 1989 to coordinate the efforts of the Salvation Army to assist the needy of our community.

The service of Lois Duguay to Wyandotte Schools and the community has been recognized by numerous awards and honors. In 1971, Lois received the Distinguished PTA Service Award. In 1990, Lois was named "Life Member" of The Salvation Army Downriver Advisory Board, and in 1993, received the coveted Evangeline Booth Award in recognition of her many years of service to The Salvation Army.

Lois Duguay, through her years of service, has demonstrated her deep and genuine love for our community and its residents of all ages.