

Dana Ward Bishopric

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Dear Dana Ward Family,

Over the last month Bishop Hale has asked the priesthood leaders to talk to the home teachers and ask them to be concerned with the families they home teach. He has asked that each home teacher observe each Sunday if their families are in attendance - if not - call them that day and check on them.

I would ask that each teacher in every organization do the same thing. Would you feel important if you were not at church and you received a call from your home teacher, visiting teacher, Sunday School teacher, Young Women or Young Men advisor? I think each of us would.

In last month's First Presidency Message in the Ensign, President Monson said, "The Lord emphasized the worth of each man or woman, youth or child when He declared:

"The worth of souls is great in the sight of God....

"And if it so be that you should labor all your days in crying repentance unto this people, and bring, save it be one soul unto me, how great shall be your joy with him in the kingdom of my Father!

"And now, if your joy will be great with one soul that you have brought unto me into the kingdom of my Father, how great will be your joy if you should bring many souls unto me!" (D&C 18:10, 15-16).

Remember that you are entitled to our Father's blessings in this work. He did not call you to your privileged post to walk alone, without guidance, trusting to luck. On the contrary, He knows your skill, He realizes your devotion, and He will convert your supposed inadequacies to recognized strengths. He has promised: "I will go before your face. I will be on your right hand and on your left, and my Spirit shall be in your hearts, and mine angels round about you, to bear you up" (D&C 84:88).

Primary leaders, do you know the children you are serving? Young Women leaders, do you know your young women? Aaronic Priesthood leaders, do you know the young men? Relief Society and

Melchizedek Priesthood leaders, do you know the women and men over whom you have been called to preside? Do you understand their problems and their perplexities, their yearnings, ambitions, and hopes? Do you know how far they have traveled, the troubles they have experienced, the burdens they have carried, the sorrows they have borne?

I encourage you to reach out to those you serve and to love them. When you really love those you serve, they will not find themselves in that dreaded "Never, Never Land"—*never* the object of concern, *never* the recipient of needed aid. It may not be your privilege to open gates of cities or doors of palaces, but true happiness and lasting joy will come to you and to each one you serve as you take a hand and reach a heart."

We have a choice to make; let us do as our church leaders have asked and

1. Be aware of our home teaching families each week at church. Speak to them, let them know you love them and are glad they are at church.
2. If they are not there, call them that day and check on them. Let them know they were missed.
3. Report to your priesthood leader any problems that may exist.

Are they just words or do we really believe them? What one of us does not have 5-10 minutes each Sunday to call those that were not in attendance and let them know they were missed. Let us not be "flash in the pan" workers, but consistent and dedicated in this responsibility and I ask, "Will it not make a difference in the lives we are responsible for?"

It is my prayer that we follow Bishop Hale's and President Monson's requests.

Love
Dwight Morris

Pueblo Stake Conference

Sept 18 – Stake Temple Day
September 19 & 20, 2009
10 am Session in Stake Building,
Sunday the 20th
Watch for more information.

Happy Birthday!

AUGUST 2009

3 Myrna Pace
 3 Emma McGraw
 4 Garrett Lans
 5 Jordan Gardiner
 5 Curtis Wm. Hewes
 6 Rylee Hird
 9 Kevin Ward
 10 Kaia Mehlberg
 11 Rod Boone
 11 Chris Martinez
 11 Grant Westfall
 12 Scott Driggs
 12 Marden Pace
 12 Salesi Morello
 13 Julie Eyring
 15 Miriam Douglass
 16 Bradd Waldman
 17 Camden Smelser
 19 Rita Gaytan
 20 Taylor Oliver
 23 Venetia Miller
 23 Elizabeth Rivera
 24 Mercedes Westfall
 24 Taye Hill
 26 Lonette Millican
 26 Johnathan Martinez
 29 Jarvis Carter
 29 Neal Chapman
 29 Tom Dastrup
 30 Arliss Ellsworth
 31 Helen Chapman
 31 Elma Felix

September 2009

1 Darren Eyring
 1 Miriam Martin
 2 Dwight Morris
 5 Bonnie Jackson
 7 Ben Standage
 8 Joyce Berry
 9 Hal Cluff
 9 Ken Coker
 9 Rebecca Bowling
 11 Heidi-Ann Blau
 12 Chelsea Brower
 13 Oscar Rivera
 14 Amber Blau
 14 Doris Smalley
 14 Claire Rogers
 14 Lillie Brower
 17 Lynette McGraw

18 Christine Martin
 18 Savanah Thompson
 18 Dennis Hewes
 20 Michelle Unga
 21 Donna Smith
 21 Tyler Sandberg
 21 Trenton Parker
 23 Jackson Oliver
 24 Kerry Lengel
 25 Violet Rogers
 26 Luke Nichols
 29 Kimball Rogers

Missionary Mailbox

Elder Caleb T. Oldner
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Resistencia, Chaco
Argentina

The work continues to go great and we are excited about the support from the members. My companion and myself had the highest number of referrals from members in our mission. We got 21 references from the members and it really helps when we can knock on a door and tell them we were sent by one of their friends. We've had trouble finding a place to e-mail. Everything is closed down because of the Swine Flu or 'Pig Sickness' as we are calling it here. The Mission has advised us to use hand sanitizer and wash our hands often and not shake hands with people. But I feel I am in the service of the Lord so don't worry about it.

We are excited here in Belgrano to have a baptism. Lucas Aguirre was just baptized. He is 19 and the boyfriend of one of the daughters of a member family. Brother Moratto baptized him. Lucas is so excited and says he is planning on going on a mission. Cool, huh! He is the first baptism in our area in 6 months. We have another baptism lined up for early August.

I am now serving as District Leader and my companion and I are doing really well together. We have lots of fun sharing the gospel with others. We love each other and that is why we are so happy. The work is going well and we do better each day. At our last Zone Conf. we learned about the importance of keeping ourselves clean and our apartments too because of concern with the heavy outbreak of 'Pig Sickness' here. Our Mission Pres. and Pres. Monson is pushing all the missions to increase the mission numbers of baptisms. We are

working hard to find another one of God's children ready to accept baptism into the Kingdom. We rely heavily on prayer.

I was able to get a new pair of shoes and plan to have the old ones fixed as a back-up pair.

Love - Elder Oldner

Elder Mark E. Driggs
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Dear Dana Ward,
I am now working in three wards and any areas needing a deaf interpreter. If a member takes me, I can go all the way out to east Texas to teach someone. The Garland 3rd Ward is where I helped out this past week and will go back next week as well. There are over 30 deaf members in that ward and a lot of less actives. Transfers are in 8 days and I find out where I will be going on Saturday (Aug. 1st) and I bet it is the Garland 3rd Ward/5th Ward area. That is actually the north boundary to the area I'm in now.

All the deaf people are saying that even though I have not been signing much over the last 2 years, my sign is still pretty good! I understand it really well still and I can't wait to get better and start teaching deaf investigators!! How many missionaries get to teach in three different languages?

I'm SO excited to be an uncle! I have been waiting for that news! My niece's name is Laneah, like the girl from the Testaments, the church movie.

What an exciting week for our family. Grandma and Grandpa Driggs are now in Bolivia, for their fourth mission. Blake and Julie had their baby. My cousin David Flake had his farewell and will go into the MTC August 5th.

I'm excited/nervous and can't wait to find out where my new assignment will be with the coming transfers. Things are good in the Dallas Mission!

Love,
Elder Driggs

Elder Isaac Standage
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Greetings from Guam where the weather is humid, hot and rainy, but the rain doesn't last long and it dries up pretty fast. I don't really mind the weather and I'm truly enjoying Guam and it's people.

Our district missionaries got to tour the Air Force Base with Brother Gregory and we got pictures of all of us sitting in the pilot, co-pilot and gunner's seat of a B-52. Technically, I think we got much more than the usual tour and it was great! Bro. Gregory is so cool about going out with us on splits whenever we need him. We will miss him when his deployment in Guam ends in October.

I am so excited that I got to participate in my first baptism. Henry Villareal is a nine year old son in a less active family we've been working with. I got to baptize him on Saturday and confirmed him on Sunday. It also marked my 5 months as a missionary, which was kind of cool. It all went well and it was so neat to see Henry's excitement and enthusiasm about the event.

I was assigned in a 'threesome' for a couple of weeks as my companion, Elder Frogget was transferred back to Kosre Island. My new companion is Elder Parker who was transferred in here to my area from Phonpei Island (pronounced 'pon-pay'). The really neat part is that Elder Parker is the older brother of one of Ben's friends. His home is about 2 miles from our Mesa house and he went to Mesa High. He is really a good guy. He is my first companion who has actually served on a different island than Guam. I have learned lots of words from just about every language from the different islands that make up our mission so maybe I will pick up some more from Elder Parker.

President Dowdle told us we are getting some new missionaries from the Philippines on our next transfers and indicated we in our zone will likely be training them. We are all excited about that prospect. Transfers, by the way, are every 6 weeks and that is when we find out if we will be staying in our present location or will be sent to a new area or even island, which at least in my mission, means a plane flight to a distant island, and a new language.

It has been such a busy summer schedule for our family of 11 we were working with that we were unable to teach them for almost 2 months, but they were still very receptive to our message, even after their long break. They are so great! They always tell us we cannot teach them unless we agree to stay for dinner after the lessons which is not a 'hardship' for us! Their family, as far as we can tell, actually consists of only 7 members but there are always other relatives and friends so there is a consistent group of 11 and a few extras each week. Guam is definitely as family oriented as Tonga and Samoa. Their culture and the family run really deep. We have

also found a family of 4 or 5 that seem really promising. The work is definitely picking up here in the Yigo North area.
Love, Elder Standage

Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Rick Rogers has been working this summer in Alaska. While there, he got engaged to **Holly Boyle**, who actually grew up in Chandler, but is spending the summer with her family who have moved to Alaska. Holly is a returned missionary, having served in the California, San Fernando Valley. Holly and Rick plan to attend MCC for the 2009 fall session and are planning an October wedding. We'll have to wait for Rick's return to learn more about their plans for the future! Congratulations!

Cheryl Lans was baptized Sat. July 25th. We have considered Cheryl part of the ward family for a long time, but now it is official and we are so happy for her and her son Garrett! Cheryl was baptized by Darren Eyring and confirmed by Kyle Hassell.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of **Sister Helen Fort** on July 22nd. She was an amazing lady and served in many capacities, for many years, in our ward. Her sister, **Myrna Abel**, who used to be a member of the 19th ward, also passed away on July 2nd. We loved these two sisters and will miss them.

Barbara Anne Shreve, the mother of **Miriam Douglass** and sister of **Chris Martin**, is gravely ill with cancer. Although not a member of the Dana Ward, we offer our prayers and comfort to their family at this time.

We are all cheering for Luis Rivera who was called back to work after a temporary layoff.
HOORAY!

We are sad that **Derrick and Darci Schneider** have moved from the ward boundaries but wish them well in their new home. **Gary and Lori Towne** and their family are also moving. Gary was our ward choir director for several years. We will miss the Townes and wish them happiness in their new home. **Jonatan and Nadia Morello** and family are 'sortof' moving but are hoping to find a home within the ward boundaries. We will all help you look!

Congratulations to Tyler and Bryna Isaacson who have a brand new baby boy at their house! Robert Cole Isaacson (to be known as 'Cole') will be blessed in Sierra Vista so they can share family Priesthood who will be gathering for the blessing of Cole and his brand new cousin.

Tom Dastrup will not actually turn 80 until August 29th, but all 5 of his children and his grandchildren were all together for a family reunion on the 18th of July, so the kids held a really fun 'Birthday Bash' for him! They put together his life story in pictures on Power Point and put on a cute Dastrup rendition of "Wizard of Oz"! Tom was the 'Tin Man'. It was fun family time together for all of the Dastrups. Thanks to Ed. Provence who provided an oxygen tank since the affair was in high mountain country. And thanks to Joyce Berry who outdid herself with a humorous poem in Tom's honor. Congratulations Tom and many more birthdays to you!

Jeff Hoeppner has been having some health problems. He has been in the process of losing his voice for several weeks and thought he might have laryngitis. He had some scary tests as his doctors eliminated more serious possibilities but was declared to have passed all his tests and does NOT have some of the scarier options. They are thinking he has some kind of a strange viral throat condition. We are all grateful and wish Jeff a speedy recovery.

It's nice to see Audrey Burklund recovering nicely from her knee replacement. Laura is making slow progress with her foot. We wondered if her doctor had nailed her special shoe to her foot but Laura says it isn't permanent, no matter what anyone says! Tammie is making some progress with her back problems and hoping this will soon be a problem of the past!

Scott and Ann Driggs are grandparents for the first time. Son Blake, and wife Julie had a baby girl on July 21. They have named her **Laneah Roxie Driggs**. **Danielle** was at camp and missed the big event of becoming an "aunt", but is making up for lost "auntie" time since she got home.

Joe and Elizabeth Stark are grandparents for the 3rd time. Their daughter, Tiera and her husband Rick Frost are the happy parents of their first child and son, born July 9th. They have named him Gauge Olen. Elizabeth is still marveling that they had 4 daughters before son, Joseph, joined their family and now they have 3 grandsons and no grand daughters. Some things are just a mystery Liz!

Leah Morales was baptized in Utah while her family were visiting grandparents. Dad, **David**, performed the ordinance. Congratulations Leah!

The Filhart family are so excited and grateful to have their kitchen back after an extended remodeling job!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Ward Temple Night

August 20, 2009 @ 6 pm
(or whichever session you are able to attend)

Save **August 28 and 29** on your family calendar for the **Ward Family Campout**. Plans are underway! Watch for details in your Sunday Bulletin. **DON'T MISS ANY OF THE FUN!**

In case you were vacationing on the moon – **SCHOOL STARTS Wed, August 12th**. Sorry Kids – but then you're ready to go back aren't you? Summer was fun, but it's always exciting to get back with friends and fun school activities and we know we have the smartest kids in town and we can hardly wait to see what fantastic things you learn and accomplish this new school year! **ENJOY!**

We are in for a double treat! Mark your Calendars for Friday, Aug 7, 6:30 pm, to attend a **"Food Storage Potluck Adults Only Dinner"** followed by some presentations. The next day, Sat. Aug 8th, 10 am - 2 pm, bring your whole family and attend a **Family Preparedness Fair** in the Cultural Hall. There will be demos, presentations, samples, hourly drawings, a Clothing Exchange and lots of FUN! Bring clean clothes and any other items that are still useful, but not to your family. Leave them and take home any items or clothes you find that you can use. You can't beat the prices as everything is FREE (that's why we call it an "Exchange"!)

The Stake is again offering classes to learn how to operate the **New Family Search** program. They will be held Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Stake High Council Room at our building.

- Aug 6: Intro to New Family Search
- Aug 13 - Viewing/Combining records (taught by Christine Martin)
- Aug 20 - Preparing names for Temple Ordinances (taught by Gary & Charlene Merrill)
- Aug 27 - Alternative Programs that help prepare names for temple ordinances (taught by Edith Haws)

There are also 'hands on' classes offered at the Family History Training Center across the street from the temple.

- Sept 3 - Registering and beginning work in New Family Search - help preparing names for ordinances - bring your member ID# and confirmation date or user name & password, family group records/pedigree. Instructor: John Hardy
- Sept 10 - Looking for duplicate records and preparing the family ordinance request.

Bring your family group records/
pedigree and username and password.
Instructor: Christine Martin.

Aug. 7th begins the next scheduled
"Strengthening Marriage Class". It will run
every Friday evening for 8 consecutive weeks.
If you would like to attend, please contact the
instructors, Bro. and Sis. Mason @ 835-0360, or
the Stake RS Pres. Jill Schnepf at (480) 890-
8934.

Just a reminder that the **Stake Employment
Center** is open every Tuesday evening at 7:30
pm. There are individuals there that can help
you hone your employment skills, write
resumes, etc. to help you with your job search.
Location: NE corner of the Ward/Stake Bldg.

Dry Pack items available for August: potato
flakes, fruit drink mix, sugar, black beans, rice,
quick oats. (Order due Aug 2, canning on Aug
27.) **Sept:** white beans, refried beans, cocoa,
flour, onions, red wheat. (Order due 30 Aug,
canning on Sept 24.) **Oct:** milk, regular oats,
macaroni, carrots, apples, pinto beans. (Order
due 27 Sept, canning on Oct 22.) Canning time
is always 1 pm. Call Rosa Rodriguez for further
information 644-0128.

Relief Society

Pres. Cris Rogers 695-4370
1 Couns Melissa Standage 964-1685
2 Couns MaryAnn Kaberry 835-3973
Sec Kim Brown 223-3773

General Relief Society Broadcast
Saturday – Sept 26, 2009
Watch for more Details!

Sunday, August 2nd, we bid farewell to the
outgoing Relief Society Presidency (see above)
and welcomed a brand new Relief Society
Presidency as follows:

Pres. Tima Hird 282-8479

1st Couns: Mary Filhart 277-1924
2nd Couns: Naomi Morales 218-5887
Sec: Dawna Bury 298-0562

Welcome, Welcome and congratulations to
these new callings. We support you!

August RS Lesson Schedule

Aug 2- TBA
Aug 9: -#39 Relief Society: Divine Organization of
Women
Aug 16 -#40 How Glorious Are Faithful, Just and
True Friends
Aug 23: "Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ" – Elder
Steven Pearson, May 2009 Ensign, pg 38
Aug 30: Joint class with the Priesthood

Don't forget to bring your family and attend the
Stake Service Project, Tues, Aug 4, from 7 to 9
pm at our ward building. If you can - Bring any
school supplies (on the yellow hand-out list), and
gently used (or new) children's shoes and backpacks.
We will also be making baby quilts and assembling
hygiene kits. This is always a fun activity and
provides a lot of needed service items.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Senior Single Sister's FHE In the process of
reorganizing.

Temple Session Thurs, Aug 20, 10am session,
lunch after in the temple cafeteria.

Book Group-Day On Summer Recess

Book Group-Night Thurs, Aug 20 @ 7pm in the
YW room at the Church. Like to read? Join us!

Kid's Play Group Cancelled until cooler weather in
the Fall.

Gardening Class Thursday, Aug 6 @ 7 pm at the
Mehlberg home (1735 E. 1st Ave).

Cooking Tues, Aug 18, @ 7 pm @ Cris Roger's
home.

Canning Tues, Aug 18 @ 7 pm in YW room

Scrapbooking & UFO Tues, Aug 18 @ 7 pm in the
Primary Room. Watch for more details!

Young Women

Pres. Kim Hale 834-3041
 1st Counselor Miriam Martin 313-7194
 2nd Counselor Jen Oliver 219-8443
 Secretary Elizabeth Stark 964-7754

August 5, 2009 - Beehive
 Standards Night

August 19, 2009 - 7 pm
 Stake YW Standards Night

Kylie Hassell earned her Young Womanhood Recognition Award some time ago and was recently given her award. Congratulations to Kylie who spent a lot of time and effort meeting all the requirements for this prestigious award!

Camp was exciting for all the girls who attended July 21 thru 25. Carol Ransom should get some kind of 'Double Duty' award. She has attended camp 12 times in the past 6 years because she is enjoying the best of the 2 wards she attends. Her 'other' ward is in Scottsdale. "That's Commitment, Carol!" Way to go Dana Ward Girls - We hear fantastic things about your activities at Camp LoMIA!

Every YW in our ward went. Cabin moms were, **Kim Hale, Elizabeth Stark, Andrea Tiffany, Jen Mehlberg and Janet Hassell. Brother and Sister Hunt** were 4th year leaders. Camp cooks were **Jill Schnepf and Julie Eyring. Darren Eyring** was Priesthood, hike leader, photographer, cook and mouse/snake aka lizard tamer. Friday afternoon **Bros. Ransom, Tiffany, Schnepf**

and Hassell came to rescue a sunken canoe in the lake. **Bishop Hale** came up on Friday night and brought his daughter, **Anjuli** and **Miriam Martin**. He also brought Krispy Kreme donuts for all of us, since we didn't have enough food at camp!

Lots of enthusiasm for the brand new YW class presidencies as follows:

Beehives: Pres - Summer Smalley (She's the only Beehive in the ward at present and although class president, she is attending the Mia Maid classes. She's our 'Lone Ranger' and does a good job representing the Bee Hive program.)

Mia Maids:

Pres - Elise Turner
1st Couns - Harmony Beals
2nd Couns - Courtney Eyring
Sec - Mariah Morales.

Laurels: Pres - Lana Hunt
(Still in the process of reorganizing)

Jolene Emerick will be baptized on Saturday the 29th of August! Awesome!

Cherish Beals is raising funds to go to Washington D.C. if you have babysitting jobs, or need help around the house, call her @ 602-690-0962.

All the girls are requesting babysitting jobs.....they love the young children of our ward!

YOUNG MEN

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799
 1st Couns. Wes Filhart 277-1924
 2nd Couns. Lance McGraw 699-0723
 Sec. Conley Martin 313-7194

"On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight." The Scout Oath

The Scouts and Teachers attended the "PIMAREE" held at Mt. Lemon above Tucson, at Camp Lawton.

PIMAREE is a biennial scouting program between the Scouts of Southern Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. It is a camporee-style event where Scouts from both countries compete and share Scouting and cultural traditions. Each country alternates in hosting PIMAREE. The Asociacion de Scouts de Mexico, will host the following PIMAREE in 2011. This program was started in 1960 by Alfonso Alvarez and is the oldest scouting activity of its type in the country. The different activities were designed to help facilitate working together and getting to know people from a different country. The boys who participated from our ward were **Kevin Hale, Brandon Boone, Alex Shope, Joseph Standage, Kaler Melberg, Christopher Martinez and Alec Turner**. Ward leaders were **Lance McGraw and Mark Standage**.

Kimball Rogers has been working double-time this summer on his Scout Hiking Merit Badge. After surviving an earlier summer 20 mile hike with his Uncle's Troop, he joined them in July for the final 50 mile hike which was spread out over 5 days. Kimball completed all of his requirements to receive his merit badge. He was with 50 Scouts from the Eager, Az. Stake and they did this final hike in the Blue River area on the border of Eastern Arizona and New Mexico. Kimball said over the 5 days, the hardest parts were uphill but he quite enjoyed the few downhill parts where it was steep enough he could do it on the seat of his pants! Congratulations Kimball for a lot of hard work!

The new **Deacon's Quorum Presidency** is:

President - **Kimball Rogers**

1st Counselor - **Chris Martinez**

2nd Counselor - **Joseph Standage**

Secretary - **Kaler Mehlberg**

The new **Teacher's Quorum Presidency** is:

President – **Jacob Standage**

1st Counselor – **Kevin Hale**

2nd Counselor - **Alex Shope**

July 16 - 18, the Priests/Venture Scouts participated in an awesome super activity on Sunrise Mtn. east of Pinetop which consisted of

shooting guns, extreme downhill bicycling and camping. The first night, they stayed in a cabin belonging to a member of Bishop Hale's extended family, and that night, they enjoyed a spiritual discussion. The next day they had a chance to do some target practicing with shotguns and Brandon Eyring took first place with a score of 9/10 (some reports said 19/20). Since there was no snow - they rented downhill bikes. They rode the ski lifts up the mountain and rode the bikes down. It hailed so bad early in the afternoon, they had to close the ski lifts. Rumors have it that the Bishop was only allowed to go if he promised NOT to ride his bike down the 'big' jump! All the boys and leaders rode down the trail, however, Jonathan Martinez had no restrictions placed on him and survived his ride all the way to the bottom, even jumping the "Bishop Hale Flameout Hill" without any trouble! All the boys slept in one tent, but they had decided not to bother with putting up the rain fly on it. They returned after the hail and drenching rain storm to find most of their belongings were soaked! In spite of the rain, the boys agreed that it was one of the funnest campouts they had ever been on. Participants were **Joseph Stark, Trevor Schnepf, Conner Morgan, Jonathan Martinez, Sheldon Hassell, Ben Pace (T-Bone), and Brandon Eyring**. Leaders were **Bishop Hale, Darren Eyring and Kyle Hassell**. **Ben Standage, Eddy Rodriguez and Tyler Sandberg** were unable to attend.

(Thanks to Ben Pace for contributing information.)

The Venture Scouts also participated in the BSA Council Golf Tournament in July which was held at the golf courses at Signal Butte and Baseline. The golf fees are donated by a large Mesa Builder and each participant brought money to cover lunch afterwards. Sixteen people from the Dana Ward attended. Although it was from 7 to 10 am, it was very hot, but a ton of fun!

YM Softball starts soon! YAHOO!

Overheard in Sunday Meetings: Q: Why are the scouts so dizzy? A: Because they do so many 'good turns'! (Thanks to **Kaler Mehlberg** for that one.)

PRIMARY

President Jennifer Mehlberg 279-2790

1st Couns Cheerl Redd 834-7788

2nd Couns Darcy Allen 733-4339

Secretary Janet Hassell 969-4276

We heard that everyone that attended the **Primary Activity Day** on Aug 1st got very wet and enjoyed every minute of it! The kids, leaders, teachers and parents had a blast!

Primary Girl's Softball starts soon!

Sunday Assignments

Aug Theme: Temple blessings unite families.

Aug Scripture: "I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matthew 16:19)

9th Article of Faith: "We believe all that God has revealed, all that He does now reveal; and we believe that He will yet reveal many great and important things pertaining to the Kingdom of God."

Aug 2:

O. Prayer: Jordyn Mayo

Scripture: David Morales

Talk: Spencer Nichols

Art of Faith #9 Ben Shope

C. Prayer: Chris Montgomery

Aug 9:

O. Prayer: Kaitlin Gardiner

Scripture: Morgan Oliver

Talk: Ronan Blau

Art of Faith #9 Emma McGraw

C. Prayer: Corey Downs

Aug 16:

O. Prayer: Luke Nichols

Scripture: Sophi Allen

Talk: Rhett Hird

Art of Faith #9 Bryson Patenge

C. Prayer: Mariah Rogers

Aug 23:

O. Prayer: Evan Redd

Scripture: Elizabeth Rivera

Talk: Kali Parker

Art of Faith #9 Josh Montgomery

C. Prayer: Rylee Hird

Jr. Primary Sharing Time: CTR 7 class

Sr. Primary Sharing Time: Valiant 10 class

Aug 30:

O. Prayer: Molly Allen

Scripture: Eden Carter

Talk: Korben Mehlberg

Art of Faith #9 Jocelyn Gardiner

C. Prayer: Kelly Eyring

Margin Notes:

"I testify that the tender mercies of the Lord are real and that they do not occur randomly or merely by coincidence...I believe I have come to better understand that the Lord's tender mercies are the very personal and individualized blessings, strength, protection, assurances, guidance, loving kindnesses, consolations, support and spiritual gifts which we receive from and because of and through the Lord Jesus Christ." David A. Bednar

"Friendship is a sacred possession. As air, water and sunshine to flowers, trees, and grass, so smiles, sympathy and love of friends to the daily life of man." Pres. David O. McKay

God, my wants sometimes outstrip my possibilities. Help me to keep a perspective between what I want and what I really need.

Dear God, help me to remember that the nameless, homeless and the hungry are also my neighbors.

Help me to measure life not by its disappointments but by its possibilities.

"The Gift of Eternal Life with God does not come without effort, but is the result of a lifetime of righteous actions and an accumulation of wise choices." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

By small and simple things are great things brought to pass. Alma 37:6

"Don't take yourself too seriously. Life can be very funny indeed. Humor is the balm of life, so apply it liberally." Elder Steven E. Snow, Presidency of the 70

“Therefore, I would that you should be steadfast and immovable, always abounding in good works...”
Mosiah 5:15

“Wherefore, be of good cheer, and do not fear, for I the Lord am with you...” D&C 68:6

And worlds without number have I created; and I also created them for mine own purpose; and by the Son I created them, which is mine Only Begotten.”
Moses 1:33

You have a testimony; SHARE IT!
You know the truth; LIVE IT!
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

But ye will teach them to walk in the ways of truth and soberness; ye will teach them to love one another, and to serve one another. Mosiah 4:15

“What we need now is the greatest generation of missionaries in the history of the Church. We need worthy, qualified, spiritually energized missionaries.” Elder M. Russell Ballard

“My brothers and sisters, our time here is so precious and so short. All too soon, our time is finished. While we can-while we have the time to complete our work-let us walk in the right direction, taking one step after another.
That is easy enough. We don’t have to be perfect today. We don’t have to be better than someone else. All we have to do is to be the very best we can.” Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin

Today, first-generation members constitute more than half of the Church’s membership. You add a great strength to the Church when you use your testimony, talents, abilities, strengths and energy to build the kingdom in your wards and branches...So much of what is done in the Church today could not be done without your efforts. Elder Paul B. Pieper

First generation members are the key to open the Lord’s blessings to family members who died without hearing the gospel and receiving saving ordinances. Elder Paul B. Pieper

Past and future generations will honor you. But most important, God will honor you for being faithful in the first generation. Elder Paul B. Pieper

“We should never forget that we are, or should be, distinctly Latter-day Saints, wherever our lot in life might be cast.” Joseph F. Smith

There may be many trial marriages, but there’s no such thing as a trial child!