

February 2010

Dana Ward Bishopric

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<i>2 Counselor</i>	<i>Mark Standage</i>	<i>964-1685</i>
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Dear Members of the Dana Ward,

These are trying times to say the least. It seems that if one does not have financial challenges, there are health issues, and if not health, then something else. So where do you look for guidance and comfort. Do you ever feel down and alone? Does depression set in like a monsoon rain? Do you ever get tired and feel like you need a rest from Church activities and responsibilities? I think everyone does. I know I do. Why don't we take time off from Church? All I need is a few weeks. But then a few weeks can become a few months and then a few years. If I stop doing what I know to be right, coming to Church, not wanting to home teach – all because “I am tired”, “I need a break” or “the Lord doesn't need my service right now” – I allow Satan to get his foot in the door and fairly soon I may find myself on the wrong side of the door. Trying to retrench into our good habits may not be as easy as one might think.

If you are feeling overwhelmed, if you are feeling tired, depressed and want a break, consider the counsel of King Benjamin: “And behold, I tell you these things that ye may learn wisdom; that ye may learn that when ye are in the service of your fellow beings ye are only in the service of your God. Behold, ye have called me your king; and if I, whom ye call your king, do labor to serve you, then ought not ye to labor to serve one another?

And behold also, if I, whom ye call your king, who has spent his days in your service, and yet has been in the service of God, do merit any thanks from you, O how you ought to thank your heavenly King!

I say unto you, my brethren, that if you should render all the thanks and praise which your whole soul has power to possess, to that God who has created you, and has kept and preserved you, and has caused that ye should rejoice, and has granted that ye should live in peace one with another—

I say unto you that if ye should serve him who has created you from the beginning, and is preserving

you from day to day, by lending you breath, that ye may live and move and do according to your own will, and even supporting you from one moment to another—I say, if ye should serve him with all your whole souls yet ye would be unprofitable servants.

And behold, all that he requires of you is to keep his commandments; and he has promised you that if ye would keep his commandments ye should prosper in the land; and he never doth vary from that which he hath said; therefore, if ye do keep his commandments he doth bless you and prosper you. And now, in the first place, he hath created you, and granted unto you your lives, for which ye are indebted unto him.

And secondly, he doth require that ye should do as he hath commanded you; for which if ye do, he doth immediately bless you; and therefore he hath paid you. And ye are still indebted unto him, and are, and will be, forever and ever; therefore, of what have ye to boast? “(Mosiah 2:18-24)

Two of our greatest examples of those who forged ahead through difficult times and trials and who were faithful to the end were Jesus Christ and Joseph Smith.

If we are struggling, we need to turn to Christ and make him our rock and as Helaman 5:12 says:

“And now, my sons, remember, remember that it is upon the rock of our Redeemer, who is Christ, the Son of God, that ye must build your foundation; that when the devil shall send forth his mighty winds, yea, his shafts in the whirlwind, yea, when all his hail and his mighty storm shall beat upon you, it shall have no power over you to drag you down to the gulf of misery and endless wo, because of the rock upon which ye are built, which is a sure foundation, a foundation whereon if men build they cannot fall.

May we be valiant, diligent in our callings and push on with faith in every footstep to the end of life, is my prayer.

Love,
Dwight Morris

Pueblo Stake Conference

Sat. Feb 20: 4pm- Priesthood Leadership
7pm-Adult Session

Sun. Feb 21 at 10:00 am at the Stake
Building

Sweetheart Night Out
Friday – February 12,
2010
6:00 PM
Cultural Hall
Adults Only
Dinner & Entertainment
Attire: Business-casual

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 HAPPY
 Birthday

February 2010

- 1 Melissa Standage
- 2 Ed Provence (80)
- 6 Lindsay Apple
- 6 William Newman
- 7 Carol Provence
- 8 Elijah Williams
- 12 Arlyce Reynolds
- 13 Viktor Miller
- 13 Jarom Hogue
- 13 Patricia Watts
- 14 Judy Cluff
- 14 Chris Montgomery
- 17 Mae Hogue
- 20 Josephine Nischan (85)
- 22 Josie Carter
- 22 Naomi Morales
- 22 Nereida Flores
- 26 Caitlyn Nichols
- 26 Ben Robishaw
- 27 Dustin Redd
- 29 Caroline Parchcorn

March 2010

- 1 Jon Nichols
- 2 Kelly Eyring
- 3 Kyle Hassell
- 3 Molly Allen

- 3 Shaun Brown
- 3 Suean Stewart
- 3 Josh Miller
- 7 Rita Blackstad
- 7 Jordyn Mayo
- 7 Kelsey Hammond

Missionary Mailbox

Elder Caleb T. Oldner
(Argentina, Resistencia Mission)
AV. Rivadavia 323
Resistencia, Chaco
Argentina

Dear Dana Ward – We feel like the work is going very well here in spite of the intense summer heat. We had 2 baptisms on Saturday and increased our investigator's pool to 34. Our 2 baptisms were children of Celina Aquino. Her other 3 children are already members. We are so happy that almost the entire family is now baptized. We are still teaching the father and hope he will soon be baptized as well. We get solid support from our ward here and we are grateful that all of our recent converts so far, have remained active in participation. I enjoy having lessons in the homes of local members. We had 24 different ward members go with us to teach lessons to our investigators this past week and that is incredible. We found a family of 5 this week and have taught 2 of them already and have an appointment to teach the other 3 next week. The first 2 seem so humble and cried when we were explaining to them about the Book of Mormon. It was amazing, the feeling of the Spirit in that lesson. My companion is great. He is really funny and has a good spirit about things. He is a hard worker. I only have four more months to serve in the mission field and I'm trying to make the most of that little time! I won't miss the summer heat, but it does help to melt away some extra pounds!

Love – Elder Oldner

Elder Mark E. Driggs
(Dallas Texas Mission)
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Dallas, TX 75240-4497

Elder Driggs has written home that he is training a new “Greenie” Elder and enjoying the experience. He has decided to take a picture of himself and compare it against his mirror in about 6 weeks to check his hairline which he is pretty sure is ‘going south’!

“Dear Bro. and Sister Driggs,

Your son, Elder Driggs, has just been called to be a District Leader in the Dallas Mission because he has shown by his example, the willingness to assist his fellow missionaries in moving the work forward. He will be responsible to help every missionary in his district to be the best missionary they can be and to perform to the best of their ability. He will conduct district meetings each week and go on 24 hour exchanges with each of the elders in his district during the transfer as he sees fit. This will be a great opportunity for him to learn, grow and serve his fellow missionaries. Thank you for your support and prayers. We appreciate the sacrifice you are making to allow your son to serve in this mission. May the Lord bless you with his choicest blessings as your son serves to build up His kingdom. Sincerely –
Pres. Barry M. Smith
Texas Dallas Mission”

We have included this letter because we thought it explained the duties of a Dist. Leader so well.

Elder Isaac Standage
(Micronesia Guam Mission)
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Pohnpei

Dear Family & Ward –

Things are generally pretty great here in Pohnpei. The new language is coming pretty good. I have the first of the 4 part stages passed off and am able to teach a little bit, which feels

good. The members are such a great help. One of them asked me yesterday, if I needed help with anything at all. It is so nice to have their support! Things are good in that department! We got transfer calls last night and I am staying here in Mand with Elder Larson and I learned that Elder Parker, my old companion from Mesa, is being assigned to our district also. That will be fun!

A couple of weeks ago, we were able to baptize Weltrick Tihpen, my first baptism in Pohnpei. Because he had attended so many Sacrament Meetings, he was able to be baptized a week earlier than had first been planned. He is from a part-member family. A few of his brothers are members but they are all less active and don't seem to have much interest in the Church right now. We found Weltrick when we were out tracting one day and it was so neat when he told us he had an answer to his study and prayers and has progressed rapidly in his understanding. He was ordained into the priesthood this last week. We also had a baptism back in Dec. and he is so happy and changed since receiving the Holy Ghost. On Saturday, I baptized someone for the sister missionaries. This was a unique experience because the baptism took place in a river. We all felt the Spirit very strong.

Seeing how hard it is for our local members to attend the temple with the long distance involved, I often think of the blessings of our temple so close there in Mesa. I think that going to the temple will be one of the first things I want to do when I return home. I hope you are all attending the temple regularly.

Joseph had asked how to say, “I’m stronger than a shark”, in the local language. It’s “Kelil san pako”. Good luck pronouncing that!

I am trying to avoid looking like a tourist but I am taking lots of pictures. I want to be able to remember so many things when I come home. I have been looking for an English/Pohnpei dictionary. So far, no success! Would one of those be available in Mesa? I heard that Arizona had a huge rain storm. As I remember those, it's like a normal rainy day here and then after it stops raining it dries up in about 20 minutes, max!

Love, Elder Standage

Elder Matthew G. Eyring
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Hello,

I am in Kuna, Idaho. I actually live in Meridian, Idaho, but our area is in Kuna. It is a fun place and there are a lot of nice people. There isn't any snow yet but I think it is kind of cold. We have been tracting a lot and I really like it. We placed a Book of Mormon and we are going back this week to see if they read it and hopefully we will be able to teach them. It is so exciting when I can see the spirit work on people. We were teaching a family about the plan of salvation and I could tell that the mother was touched. I felt impressed to bear my testimony of life after death. This lady's mother had died a few months ago and she was struggling with that. I am glad I listened to the promptings of the spirit and could help this lady find comfort and peace. The church is true. Love,
Elder Eyring

FYI: **Elder Passenelli** is a new missionary assigned to work with the Dana Ward. He is from Evanston, Wyoming and has been in the mission field for 22 months. He is serving with **Elder Harral** from Pocatello, Idaho who has been here 4 months. They remind us that we are encouraged, in Luke 22:32 "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." The full time missionaries may be reached at 495-8138.

NOTE: Elder Passenelli has let us know that Elder Harral celebrated his 20th birthday the last week of Jan. and any

'donations' of birthday cake or cookies would be much appreciated!



Getting to Know You!

Ryan and Rebecca Young have bought a home at 2226 E. Alpine Ave, just south of Main St. Ryan is an Elder and is self-employed in marketing. He sells computer programs that assist with services related to the law profession. He was converted to the church at age 12, when his family was living in Ohio. Rebecca is a stay-at-home mom. She was born and grew up in Mesa. She is the youngest in her family of 12 kids, who often entertained as the "Durfee Family Singers". The Youngs lived in Maryland for a year and then moved back to Mesa. Ryan is now pretty much recovered from 2 broken arms he earned in Maryland while playing on a scooter with his kids.

Ryan has formerly served as Elder's Quorum Pres., and in the Young Men's Presidency and Rebecca has served in the Primary, and Young Women's and was also the Ward Choirister. Both of them enjoy singing in the ward choir! (Did you get that Bro. Blau?)

The Young family consists of the following children: **Sarah**, who is 12 and a 7th grader at Taylor Jr. High. **Nathan** is 10 and a 5th grader at Franklin East. **Bailey** is 6 and she is a first grader at Robson. **Spencer** is 4 and a great helper to Mom, at home, right now. **Peyton** is 3 and Spencer's assistant! She won't be the baby of the family too much longer as they are expecting a new little brother or sister in July!

We welcome the Young's to the Dana Ward Family and are happy to have them on board! Their phone number is 734-1445.

Devin Boulter and his wife have moved into 44 S. Barkley #16. We welcome them to the ward.

Nancy Lalliss (Joe Stark's mom) and her daughter, **Shelly Stark**, have moved into the 'Stark' apt. at 1840 E. Jarvis. Shelly recently had some very serious health issues and is doing better now. We are happy to have Nancy and Shelly back in the ward.

Kristopher Tiffany has moved into the home his sister, Karissa and Sven Budge used to live in at 2011 E. Aspen Ave. (600-2063) The Budges are former members of the Dana Ward. Kris is single and an elder. We welcome him into the Dana Ward Family.

Craig Elwood, 36, was baptized by his uncle, **Jeff Hoeppner**, Sat, Feb 6th. He will be confirmed Sunday, the 7th. Craig was born in Michigan but has lived in Arizona for 30 years. His Mom still lives in Michigan. He is an electrician (part-time right now). Welcome, Welcome to Craig!

Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Cassandra Rivera has been notified that she has been granted a FULL SCHOLARSHIP (tuition, room & board) to the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque beginning with the fall semester 2010. Her scholarship was granted on her good grades and comes through a National Hispanic Scholarship program. Cassandra plans to earn a degree in Electro-Mechanical Engineering. AWESOME!

Samantha Montgomery was baptized and confirmed on her eighth birthday, January 12th, by her uncle David Hemstreet. Congratulations Samantha.

Kelsey Crandell's Westwood cheer squad took second place in their cheer competition held in Jan. The squad also won the All-Around Champion's Award. Wahoo!

Danielle Driggs and **Jessica Hale** both made the Regional Honor Choir which will be performing on February 20th. AWESOME!

Kylie Hassell, daughter of **Janet and Kyle Hassell** and a student at NAU, is now engaged to J.T. Pond who is from Flagstaff. He is a cousin of Darren Eyring. They are planning a wedding in May after this school semester ends! Congratulations Kylie!

Jess Root is looking forward to the dedication of the Gila Valley Temple in Pima, coming up May 23rd. Brother Root grew up in the Pima area and in high school, was seriously involved in music. He was a member of a male quartet that entertained and performed in the Gila Valley area. Their accompanist was another young man and good friend from Pima, named **Spencer W. Kimball**. Brother Root is the last surviving member of the first graduating class of the Gila Jr. College. His family is working on making arrangements for him to attend the new temple dedication so he can participate in yet another milestone for his home town.

Tyler Sandberg has joined the Air Force and left for basic training on Jan. 18th. We know he will do a good job for the Air Force!

Alyce and Tyson Hill had their baby boy, Cruz, Dec 28th. He weighed in at 7# and 4 oz. Alyce had a C Section delivery which slowed down her recovery a bit, but Mom and baby are doing well now. Congratulations to the entire Hill family!

Nancy Tiffany has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She has worked her way through several surgeries and anticipates some chemo treatments soon. She would appreciate our prayers in her behalf. We love you Nancy and support you in any way we can!

Bill Reynolds finally had his chest incision closed up on Tues, Feb. 2nd. It will be nice for him to not have to deal with that anymore!

Ray Crandell has been in the hospital with cellulitis which is an inflammation of the skin cells in one of his legs. Hopefully, he will be able to overcome this problem and return to good health rapidly. Our prayers are with him!

Loni and Michelle Unga are moving. This will take them out of our Dana Ward Family. This move will help speed up Loni's push to complete his pre-law degree at ASU. Good luck! We will miss the Unga's but wish them well in their "Life Journey"!

The **Melvin & Denean Beals Family** has completed a family goal to read the Book of Mormon together! SUPER!

Cheryl Lans' non-member aunt has caught the 'Genealogy Bug' and after completing Cheryl's 4 generations for her, wasn't satisfied and has completed 2 more generations. Cheryl is keeping busy making arrangements for their

temple work! Good for you Cheryl! We need to rub Cheryl's lucky elbow to catch the spirit!

Seven year old **Samantha Rivera** won a spelling bee held for 2nd and 3rd graders at Burk Basic School. She 'nailed' her win by correctly spelling the word 'headache'.
BRAVO!

Jessica Hale has won a part in the Mesa High Musical, 'Guys & Dolls', which will be presented later this spring.

Jeff Moore worked for a short time in Missouri where he had secured employment with a local hardware store. Cheryl and the kids were getting ready to move back with him when Lowe's opened a new super store right across the street. The smaller hardware store had to close because of the competition. Jeff says now that he is home again in Arizona, and 'thawed out', he is grateful to be warm again and out of the cold Missouri weather where his tires, gears, windshield wipers and door locks all had to be thawed out before he could 'slip and slide' on the icy freeways, to work each morning. Once home again, he was helping a friend repair his leaking roof and fell through, hit a beam and cracked 3 ribs. He needs a few weeks to heal from his 'service project' and says he is more comfortable standing right now, than sitting or laying down. It's good to have you home Jeff and hope you heal as fast as possible!

Carmen Newman has learned that she is to be a new grandmother - TWICE! Babies are due this year at the homes of both her daughter and her son. Congratulations Carmen!

Scott Bakker, fiancé of **Donna Smith**, went to the temple in January. Scott, a former Dana Ward member and in the Lazona Ward now, has been working on this special project for a long time and we are proud of him for his accomplishments.

Jeanine Crum's son, Shane, was married Jan. 7th to Shauna Ariellas. The new couple have made their home in northwest Mesa. Congratulations!

George and Ann Cherrington came 'home' from their Cedar City, Utah home the 1st of Jan, only to return for their granddaughter's wedding in the Manti temple on the 8th of Jan. They are back now from the Utah cold and hope they are finished with cold weather for this season. It's always nice to have them here with us in Mesa.

Mary and Arlan Dilworth have taken advantage of an opportunity to play "Snowbirds" for part of this winter. They have come to sunny Arizona and the Dana Ward to escape the deep snow and winter cold of their home in Canrey, Idaho. They have to go home when it is time to plant their spring garden. Oh yes - they happen to be the parents of our own (now) **Ferrell Dilworth and his wife, Susan**. Arlan is also Ferrell's uncle. Arlan and Mary were married some years after both of their spouses had passed away. We don't think anyone is their own grandpa, but we are still checking on those details! Welcome Snowbirds!

By the way - Ferrell and Susan now have an Arizona phone number: 636-7985.

Our condolences to **Pinki Hoepfner**. Her father, Bob Hurt, passed away Feb. 3rd. He was a member of the Olive Ward, by the temple, and had been a long time temple worker. We love you Pinki.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pres. Monson announced 1-25-10 that a **new temple will be built in Payson, Utah** at 930 W 1590 S in a developing area just off Rt. 198, about 6 blocks from the Payson High School. Payson has a population of 17,500 and is 14 miles south of Provo, which has one of the busiest temples in the Church. This is temple #152 and the 3rd in Utah County (Provo and Mt. Timpanogos). A temple was announced to be built in Brigham City, Ut. last Oct.

Just a Word of Caution: There have been several break-ins of the homes and vehicles of ward members. Be sure your vehicles are locked when left in your driveway or a parking lot and take precautions with your homes both when at home and not. Caution your children what to do and not do when home alone.

The Bishop is calling ward members to attend a Sunday School Class that will begin in Feb., to learn about how to use the New Family History Program. It will be taught in a series of 7 week classes and then be repeated for the next class of students.

Ward Temple night will be Feb 19th, 2010, in combination with the Stake Temple Night. If you can, attend the 4 pm session or if not, which ever session you can attend.



Pueblo Stake Finance Classes held at 24th St. Building Thursdays at 7pm. Attend all or whichever you choose. They are free!

Feb 11: Tax Basics for home and small businesses by Pres. Fleming and Ron Huber.

Feb 18: Understanding Insurance - health, life, homeowners, auto, term life, whole life, etc. By Eric Pyles

Feb 25: Living on a Budget and Provident Living Part 2. by Allen Weston

March 11: College Funding - scholarship information, government programs, etc. Instructor to be announced.

March 25: Why do I need a will? Estate planning, wills, trusts, power of attorney etc. by Bishop Ray Johnson.
A nursery is provided each week if needed.

Church Pageants to be held in 2010

Castle Valley Pageant in Castle Dale, Utah. July 29-31 and Aug 3-7.

Clarkston Pageant "Martin Harris, the Man Who Knew", in Clarkston, Utah. **Will NOT be presented in 2010.**

Hill Cumorah Pageant in Palmyra, N.Y. July 9-10, 13-17.

Manti Pageant "Mormon Miracle" in Manti, Utah. June 17-19, 22-26.

Mesa Easter Pageant "Jesus the Christ" in Mesa, Az. March 26,27 (in Spanish), (English will be Mar 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and Apr 1, 2, 3) on north lawn of the temple.

Nauvoo Pageant in Nauvoo, Ill. July 6-31. For more information go to www.lds.org and click on 'Places to Visit' under the link, 'About the Church'.

The **Humanitarian Center** over on 2nd Ave, behind Mesa Jr. High, is in great need of **YARN!** Someone tell Joe O'Barr that this means the kind we knit with, not 'Tall Tales'! If you have any extra yarn you don't need, please consider donating it to the Humanitarian Center! Gracias!

Erika Crandall is the grand daughter of **Ernest and Grace Halliday** and is working hard to assist a Benefit Concert that will be held Thurs. Feb 18th, in the Mesa High Auditorium. The Benefit is to help Emma and Taylor Bailey, conjoined twins sharing one heart and liver. The evening of entertainment already includes performances by the Dutton Family from Branson, Mo, Linsey and Tyler Maxson, The Urban Quartet and others. Tickets are only \$5 and the proceeds will help meet medical costs of the Bailey twins. Tickets for open seating may be purchased online at www.2sisters1heart.com. This is a worthy cause and a great evening of entertainment for only \$5.

Canning Schedule for the Home Storage Center

Canning time is always 1:00 pm for each month for 2010. Quick oats and Pinto Beans can still be ordered but are now sold only by a case of 6 cans.

Feb: potato flakes, fruit drink mix, sugar, black beans, rice. (Orders due 17 Jan, canning Feb 10.)

Mar: refried beans, cocoa, flour, onions, wheat. (Orders due 14 Feb, canning 10 Mar.)

Apr: milk, regular oats, macaroni, carrots, apples. (Orders due Mar 21, canning Apr 14).

NOTE: Products, order forms and prices have changed. Call the cannery (480-214-9114) or Rosa Rodriguez 644-0128 for further information. Current prices can always be checked at www.providentliving.org (click on "Home Storage Order" form)

The Church has launched a new internet site oriented towards the youth. It addresses the youth from all over the world and is designed to strengthen youth and provide a chance to share their testimonies. It is available in English (10 other languages soon). Youth can find messages for youth from Church leaders, share stories of youth from around the world who follow Jesus Christ in their everyday lives and view 10 high-quality, beautiful videos that have been put together for the youth. Much like a 'blog' youth will be asked a question pertaining to a message posted from one of the Church leaders and they, in turn, have opportunity to respond. The new site can be found at **www.youth.lds.org** Content will change

regularly, so visit often and share your testimony!

Special Boy Scout Troop 2010 was organized recently of 300 Eagle Scouts selected from essays submitted by the boys from Orange County, Los Angeles Area and the San Gabriel Valley councils. The 300 Scouts of this troop walked the 5.5 mile Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade route. Seven members of this special troop are L.D.S.

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Some of you may remember the **Manuel and Denise Cerdhe family** that used to live in the Dana Ward. They moved to Casa Grande and recently their Casa Grande, Az. Stake was reorganized. Brother Cerdhe is now a counselor in their Stake Presidency.

Relief Society

Pres. Tima Hird	282-8479
1 Couns Mary Filhart	452-8618
2 Couns Naomi Morales	218-5887
Sec Dawna Bury	298-0562

February RS Lesson Schedule

Feb 7: Tima Hird
Feb 14: #4 'Freedom to Choose' - Lou Hunt
Feb 21: STAKE CONFERENCE
Feb 28: "Helping Others Recognize the Whisperings of the Spirit" by Vicki F. Matsumori - **Melissa Crandell**

RELIEF SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

Kid's Play Group Every Wed, 10am at Silvergate Park (S of Pueblo on Briar)

Single Older Sisters FHE & Potluck Mon, Feb 15, 5:30pm, home of Audrey Burklund.

Temple Session Thurs, Feb 18, 10am session. Lunch after in the temple cafeteria.

Book Group Mon, Feb 22, 11am, @ home of Lynette McGraw. "What Color is Conservative?" by J.C. Watts, Jr.



NOTE: If there is an interest in starting an evening Book Group, please contact a member of the RS Presidency.

Gardening Thurs, Mar 4, 7pm at the Mehlberg home.

Natalia Sapien has been called to serve as the Compassionate Service Leader.

Susan Dilworth has been called as the Enrichment Activities Leader.
Thank You for serving Sisters!

Young Women

Pres. Kim Hale 834-3041
1st Counselor Miriam Martin 313-7194
2nd Counselor MaryAnn Kaberry 835-5149
Secretary Elizabeth Stark 964-7754

YEAH! **Mariah Rogers** is no longer the "Lone Ranger" in the Beehive class. **Sarah Young** has moved into our ward, with the rest of her family, and joins Mariah as the DUEL member of the Beehive Class! What an awesome DUO!

NEW BEGINNINGS

The Young Women are looking forward to their annual "New Beginnings" program which will be held Feb. 24th. All girls in the Young Women Organization and their parents are invited to attend! Brand new materials for the Personal Progress Program for 2010 will be discussed and handed out that evening.

"Life's journey is not traveled on a freeway devoid of obstacles, pitfalls, and snares. Rather, it is a pathway marked by forks and turnings. Decisions are constantly before us. To

make them wisely, courage is needed; the courage to say, "No," the courage to say, "Yes." Decisions do determine destiny."
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"Make every decision pass the test: "What does it do to me?" And let your code emphasize not "What will others think?" but rather, "What will I think of myself?"
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

YOUNG MEN

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799

1st Couns. Wes Filhart 277-1924

2nd Couns. Pat Rogers 695-7616

Sec. Conley Martin 313-7194

Steele Crandell turned 16 in January and was ordained to the office of a Priest.

Ben Pace and **Ben Standage** have been called to serve as Ward Missionaries. *Awesome!*

Sheldon Hassell has completed the requirements and been presented with his Eagle Scout Award. Congratulations Sheldon for a job well done!

Deacons: Duty To God Assignment

February 2010	1 - 7	F1:	2 Nephi: 7 - 15
			CATCH UP WEEK!!!
	8 - 14	F1:	2 Nephi: 16 - 26
		F3a:	Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson
	15 - 21	F1:	2 Nephi: 27 - 33
		Q7:	Write a half-page explanation of the purpose of the sacrament. Refer to Matthew 26:26, D & C 20:75-79, or TG
	22 - 28	F1:	Jacob: 1 - 7
		S10	Write down skills you need to become a good missionary. Discuss w/ parent (leader) how you can learn these skills.

Teachers: Duty To God Assignment

January 2010	1 - 7	F1:	Alma: 43 - 51
			CATCH UP WEEK!!!
	8 - 14	F1:	Alma: 52 - 63
		F4a & F5a:	F4a: Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson and F5: Memorize and learn a hymn in 2/4 time and conduct at FHE.
	15 - 21	F1:	Helaman: 1 - 10
		C9:	Develop a list of music, movies, television programs, and printed materials that are in harmony with the gospel standards.
22 - 28		F1:	Helaman: 11 - 3 Nephi: 5
		S6:	Complete a family group record for each of your grandparents. Suggestion: contact ward family history specialist (Sis. Martin).

Priests: Duty To God Assignment

February 2010	1 - 7	E7:	Write in your journal.
			CATCH UP WEEK! REVIEW PERSONAL CHOICE PLAN!!
		F1:	Read Book of Mormon. 2 Nephi 1-5
	8 - 14	E7:	Write in your journal.
		F4: F5a & F4:	Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson on F4: Read and teach 2 topics listed in the DTG booklet in True to the Faith or Gospel Principles.
		F1:	Read Book of Mormon. 2 Nephi 6-10
	15 - 21	E7:	Write in your journal.
		C1 & C4:	For Mutual (Combined Priest and Laial Activity) : Plan panel discussion with married couples to discuss marriage and dating.
		F1:	Read Book of Mormon. 2 Nephi 11-21
	22 - 28	E7:	Write in your journal.
		E5:	Learn how to find a job. Prepare a resume, and hold a practice interview with one or both of your parents or priesthood leader.
		F1:	Read Book of Mormon. 2 Nephi 22-27

The Boy Scouts of America is 100 years old on February 8th. Celebrate!

Lance McGraw was released as the YM 2nd Counselor. **Pat Rogers** is the new Scout Master/Deacon's Quorum Advisor and 2nd Counselor in the Young Men's Program of our ward. **Jarom Hogue** and **Gary Tiffany** are the Assistant Scout Masters.

Wes Filhart is the Teacher's Quorum/Varsity Scout Advisor, Varsity and 1st Counselor in the YM organization. The assistant Quorum Advisor and coach is **Mac Rainwater**.

Darren Eyring is the Young Men's President, Priest Quorum Advisor/Venture Advisor. Assistant Quorum Advisors are **Dallas Hammond** and **Quinn Norris**.

Lance McGraw has been called to the position of Ward Scout Committee Chairman to replace **Darren Shope** who was released. The Scout Committee members are: **Kevin Hunt**, **Scott Driggs**, **Rob Turner** and **Clyde Ransom**. The 11 year Old Scout Leader is **Jonathon Nichols** and the assistants are **Shawn Brown** and **Brian Mehlberg**. We appreciate the service of these brethren in their former callings and the service they have committed to in their new callings in the Young Men's Organization of our ward.

PRIMARY

President Jennifer Mehlberg 279-2790

1st Couns Cheerl Redd 834-7788

2nd Couns Darcy Allen 241-9315

Secretary Janet Hassell 969-4276

Feb Theme: Jesus Christ is my Savior and Redeemer

Feb Scripture: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

"We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgression."
(Art. Of Faith 1:2)

Feb 7:

O. Prayer: Samantha Rivera

Scripture: Lizzie Crandell

Talk: Jordan Gardiner

Art of Faith #2: Samantha Montgomery

C. Prayer: Shelby Standage

Feb 14:

O. Prayer: Jordyn Mayo

Scripture: Jared Nichols

Talk: Kamea Turner

Art of Faith #2: Emma McGraw

C. Prayer: Zach O'Bryant

Feb 21: STAKE CONFERENCE

Feb 28:

O. Prayer: Elijah Williams

Scripture: Denlynn Brown

Talk: Raizja Moore

Art of Faith # 2: Steele Filhart

C. Prayer: Jacqueline Mamani

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feb 24 & 25: Boys Primary Softball @ Robson Elementary fields @ 5PM.

Feb 27: Scout Day Camp @ Papago Park @ 7:30AM

Margin Notes:

Comment overheard in our High Priest Group Meeting: "One of the objections to the building of the new Phoenix temple is that the traffic and parking problems will really pick up when those Mormons start their 'canning season'!" Someone doesn't understand the difference between the temple and the Bishop's Storehouse!

Overheard from one of our ward 'Grandpas': A little girl ran to her grandpa and gave him a big hug. She ran her fingers along his balding head and down the sides of his wrinkled face, obviously in deep thought. "Did God make you Grandpa?" she asked. "Yes honey, he made me." She felt her own cheek and then asked, "Did God make me too?" "Yes honey, he made you too." "Well", she shrugged, "I think he's doing a better job now than he used to!"

"My beloved brothers and sisters, fear not. Be of good cheer. The future is as bright as your faith."
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

Remember that your patriarchal blessing is your passport to peace in this life. It is a liahona of light to guide you unerringly to your heavenly home."
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

As spirit children of our Heavenly Father, we do have the potential to incorporate Christlike attributes into our life and character.
Pres. Dieter F. Uchtdorf

To you who have embraced the gospel of our Lord and Savior, stand as a beacon on a hill to light the way for those who seek a happier, more fulfilling life.
L. Tom Perry

For whosoever will save his life, shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. Mark 8:35

"As the mists of darkness gather around us, we are only lost if we choose to let go of the iron rod, which is the word of God." David S. Baxter, 70

"The teachings of living prophets provide an anchor of eternal truth in a world of shifting values and help us avoid misery and sorrow." Preach My Gospel, p. 76

Be loyal to what you love, be true to the earth, fight your enemies with passion and laughter.
Edward Abbey

"Be Good! Do Good!" (Advice to his children)
- John Adams, 2nd President of the United States

And remember in all things the poor and the needy, the sick and the afflicted, for he that doeth not these things, the same is not my disciple. D&C 52:22

The supreme happiness of life is the conviction of being loved for yourself, or, more correctly, being loved in spite of yourself. Victor Hugo

And, if you keep my commandments and endure to the end you shall have eternal life, which gift is the greatest of all the gifts of God. D&C 14:7

I urge you to examine your life. Determine where you are and what you need to do to be the kind of person you want to be. Create inspiring, noble, and righteous goals that fire your imagination and create excitement in your heart. And then keep your eye

on them. Work consistently towards achieving them." Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin

The Savior invites us to learn His gospel by living His teachings. To follow Him is to apply correct principles and then witness for ourselves the blessings that follow. Pres. Dieter F. Uchtdorf

