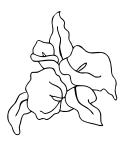
March & April 2011 Dana Ward Newsletter



Dana Ward Bishopric

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Dear Dana Ward,

As the Easter season approaches (Apr 24th), we can take joy and comfort in the message of hope and renewal embodied in the great sacrifice the Savior made for us. Our Heavenly Father's plan contains the ultimate expressions of true love. All that we hold dear, even our families, our friends, our joy, our knowledge, our testimonies, would vanish were it not for our Father and His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Among the most cherished thoughts and writings in this world is the divine statement of truth: "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

"The Savior's birth was foretold by the prophets of old; His entry upon the stage of life was announced by an angel. His life and His ministry have transformed the world. With the birth of the babe in Bethlehem, there emerged a great endowment, a power stronger than weapons, a wealth more lasting than the coins of Caesar. This child was to be the King of kings and Lord of lords, the Promised Messiah, even Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Born in a stable, cradled in a manger, He came forth from heaven to live on earth as mortal man and to establish the kingdom of God. During His earthly ministry, He taught men the higher law. His glorious gospel reshaped the thinking of the

world. He blessed the sick. He caused the lame to walk, the blind to see, the deaf to hear. He even raised the dead to life. He taught us to pray. He taught us to serve. He taught us to forgive. He taught us to love. He made the atoning sacrifice. He is our Mediator, our Redeemer, our Brother, our Advocate with the Father. He died for our sins and the sins of all mankind. He offered His life as a redeeming ransom for us all. Let us follow His teachings and recognize the divine and eternal purpose of His life." (Pres. Thomas S. Monson")

This precious Son, our Lord and Savior, atoned for our sins and the sins of all. That memorable night in Gethsemane His suffering was so great, His anguish so consuming that He pleaded, "Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt." (Matt 26:39) He died that we might live, and live everlastingly. Resurrection morning was preceded by pain, by suffering, in accordance with the divine plan of God. Before Easter, there had to be a cross. The world has witnessed no greater gift, nor has it known more lasting love." (Pres. Thomas S. Monson)

This coming April 2nd and 3rd, we have the opportunity to watch and listen to the words of wisdom of our Prophet and other church leaders. What better way to quench our spiritual thirst than to savor the counsel of our

leaders? We are all brothers and sisters in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Through modern communications, we are able to listen and partake of each conference session which allows us to be a part of these proceedings and lend our testimonies to those of our leaders.

Elder M. Russell Ballard of the Quorum of the Twelve, during the April 2001 general conference

promised; "If you will listen to the living prophet and the apostles and heed our counsel, you will not go astray."

The Dana Ward Bishopric loves you and we pray for your welfare and happiness. May you feast upon the coming conference messages and find joy and comfort in the coming Easter Season.

Love - Bishop Richard Hale

General Conference Schedule

Sat - Apr 2
9 AM, 1 PM & 5 PM

Sunday - Apr 3
9 AM & 1 PM

All sessions will be broadcast at the Stake Building and on BYU-TV Channel & Internet.

Happy Birthday

March 2011

- 01 Jonathan Nichols
- 01 Mayra Candelaria
- 02 Kelly Eyring
- 02 Cory Molina
- 03 Kyle Hassell
- 03 Molly Allen (8)
- 03 Shaun Brown
- 07 Rita Blackstad
- 08 Jerry Liles
- 09 Betsy Rogers
- 10 Pinki Hoeppner
- 10 Kim Hale
- 11 Wilma Emery
- 12 Landie Crum
- 13 Chris Carter
- 14 Anna O'Bryant
- 14 Chris Standage
- 16 Gary Tiffany
- 16 Harmony Beals
- 16 Tonya Whiting

- 20 Nick Hird
- 21 Evan Redd
- 22 Kamea Turner
- 28 Marilyn Mingione
- 30 Clyde Ransom

April 2011

- 01 Parker Hird
- 03 Elizabeth Stark
- 03 Justus Mason
- 03 Gwen Leiser
- 04 Tony Galindo
- 06 Lauren Eyring
- 07 Mark Standage
- 09 Corey Downs
- 09 Madison Carter
- 10 Douglas Rogers
- 11 Floy Johnson
- 12 Eloina Gaytan
- 12 Eden Carter (8)
- 12 Ebony Brown
- 12 Jacki McRae
- 15 Randee Gardiner
- 16 Ryan Young
- 19 Mark Robertson
- 21 Korben Mehlberg (8)
- 21 Jessica Rainwater
- 23 Jared Nichols
- 23 Paul Allen
- 26 Jessica Moat
- 27 Tyson Gardiner
- 27 Isaiah Killiebrew
- 28 Alyse Hill
- 29 Tammie Burklund
- 29 Isabel Petersen

Missionary Mailbox

Elder Isaac Standage (Micronesia Guam Mission)

PO Box 2203

Kolonia, FM 96941

Pohnpei

Since his last transfer, Isaac has



been working with and training a "greenie" elder. They get along so well and he's a good worker. His last couple of weeks are going to be really busy, but that's OK because he wants to finish off strong. The one thing he can't wait for is to get home and attend the temple. Two years is just too long to not go to the temple. Isaac is thankful for his 30-day extension and knows it will be hard to leave in 3 short weeks. The time has been racing by and he can't believe 2 years went so quickly.

He's not looking forward to coming home to cold weather. He can't remember a day in the tropics that he hasn't sweated in the whole 2 years. He's not sure if he'll be able to handle any cold - if it's still here when he gets home. Maybe he'll bring a little warm weather with him when he comes.

Isaac should be arriving home on March 18, 2011, after completing his Micronesia Guam Mission, with the majority of his time spent teaching on the island of Pohnpei in the Pacific. Well Done Elder Standage!



Elder Matthew G. Eyring Idaho Boise Mission 1111 S. Cole Rd. Boise, ID 83709-1869

The work in Buhl, Idaho is going great. The members in this area are on fire. We have a lot of appointments because of the members. We have 5 baptism dates set. My companion and I were able to teach a man the gospel that was very sick with cancer. He accepted the gospel and was baptized. He died two days after his baptism. It was a very spiritual experience. The people that we live with own a pizza and sub restaurant. They let us eat there whenever we want. It is so awesome. There is some good trout here, too. My companion and I are in a car because we live way down in the canyon by the river. The mission is great. I love the people. I love teaching the gospel. We got to go to the Twin Falls temple on P-day. Love, Elder Eyring

Elder John Pace Idaho Pocatello Mission 1246 Yellowstone Ave Ste F3 Pocatello, ld 83201-4374

Hey Dana Ward, The package that the mutual kids sent me was so great! The cookies were so good and the letters were awesome!

Right now we have 2 baptism dates and it's a really great family! I recently went back to Idaho Falls for a baptism! His name is Robert Granados and he is 9 years old. it was amazing! The incredible thing was that he was really sick and right before he walked into the church, he threw up. Everyone was telling him he didn't have to do the baptism and that he could postpone it, but he still wanted to be baptized. Right after he was baptized he felt better and was smiling. It was great!

Here in this area things are a bit slower since the area got split with 2 more Spanish speaking missionaries. Oh yeah--I'm still in touch with the Vasquez family, the first ones I baptized! I cant wait til the day I can go through the temple with them. What a joyous day that will be! I love all you guys! Love.

Elder Pace

Sister Marinda Hunt South Dakota Rapid City Mission 2525 W. Main, Suite 311 Rapid City, So. Dakota 57702



Dear Dana Ward – I reported to the Provo MTC Jan. 26th and completed my training and flew to S. Dakota Feb. 14th. I was the group leader over 5 Elders and another Sister and myself. My bags barely made the weight limit, so I didn't have to pay extra. It was a little embarrassing however, because when I dragged my bags out of the baggage claim area, there were large red tags on them that said "HEAVY", for all the world to see! Pres. Layton and his wife met us with warm smiles and huge hugs. The first thing I noticed is that it is sooo flat! There are no mountains! It was super windy and I thought it was really cold but I was assured it was a 'nice' day and that we were lucky because the temps are usually in the 'negatives' this time of year. We spent the first 2 days in the Mission Home with lots of instructions and even went out tracting with some Rapid City Sisters, that afternoon. It was an amazing opportunity to get to teach people about Christ, right off, and to wear a

There are 12 sister missionaries in our mission and they serve either in Rapid City or in Wyoming so they won't be spread out all over S. Dakota. I am serving in Gillette, Wyoming with two other sisters for my first assignment. We will be in a threesome. Sr. Olenslager is from Washington and Sr. Heywood is from Salt Lake. We are going to get along well. They are really fun and they

name badge with his name on it.

already have a lot of investigators, which is awesome! We go once a week to a nursing home and paint the lady's fingernails, as a service project. It's pretty cold here and the wind never seems to stop blowing. Gillette is kind of a 'country' town and there are lots of cowboys here. Everyone seems to have at least one dog, but preferably 2 or 3 and they all like to jump/lick/tackle people. Because of the cold winters, the dogs are allowed to stay inside. I'm starting to get used to a local custom. When you are invited inside, you are always expected to remove your shoes because of the snow and mud. I'm having to learn to pay attention to be sure I don't leave home with holes in my stockings!

We live with the Jensen family, who are members. They are really nice. We three Sisters share a rather small room, but we all fit comfortably. When the members feed us dinner, they feed 5 extra people. Besides we 3 sisters, they also feed the 2 Spanish speaking Elders who are serving a little (not quite) branch, of about 10 people. It is awesome that the members are so willing.

We are teaching Amber, who has a less-active husband and the cutest little girl. Amber is progressing slowly, but is positive. We are also teaching Warren, and his nephew, Andy, whose dad is a member. Warren is really studying the gospel but is a little hesitant to accept the baptism commitment.

I love this gospel. It is so rewarding when people want to listen.

Love, Sister Hunt

(NOTE:Sister Hunt was featured in an interview at the MTC by KSL-TV. An expanded version of a program highlighting 50 years of the Provo MTC will be broadcast between the Gen Conf sessions on Sunday, Apr 3rd between 11am and 1 pm Az. time.)

Joseph Stark has been called to serve two years in the Mexico Monterrey Mission (Spanish Speaking). Elder Stark reports to the Provo MTC on June 1st.

FYI: We have 2 new full-time Missionaries; Elder Dickinson is brand new to the Mission Field and is from Lexington, Ky. Elder Derenthal is from Cincinnati, Ohio. They may be reached at 495-8138. They live at 1634 E. Nielson Ave. They would welcome opportunities to work with any friends or neighbors that may have an interest in learning about the Gospel and have extended an offer to help in any way they can!

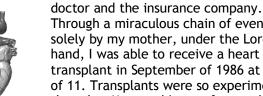
Getting Better Acquainted

There's a lot of excitement going on at the Martin Home. Conley, Miriam and Chris have mastered and completed their intensive training on the procedure of dialysis and can now do all of Conley's dialysis treatments in the convenience of their own home. But before we get into that, Conley has agreed to share his amazing life story that has brought him to this point.

Conley's story

I was born in Mesa in June of 1975. Soon afterward, I was diagnosed with a rare infant disease called Endocardial Fibroelastosis (EFE). Basically, it means the outside heart tissue was slowly losing its elasticity and hardening. If left untreated, the heart would beat at a dangerous speed and eventually fail. I was treated with the drug Digitalis and closely monitored by the doctor for the next 6 years. The pediatric cardiologist at that time told Mom that if you didn't know my medical history you would never know I ever had a problem and he took me off the medication. We moved into the 19th Ward in 1980.

In the winter of 1985-86 I had a paper route that I absolutely loved, but it physically became harder and harder to do. I started to feel lethargic with flu-like symptoms that I just couldn't shake. Over the next 8-9 months I felt like I slipped down a chute to death's door. The doctors during this time were having a hard time diagnosing the problem because my symptoms were not common to heart disease. Once they were sure it was the heart, I was too far gone to be treated by medication and a heart transplant was the only option left to us. This was a long shot as it had to be approved by both the



Mesa Tribune in several news articles.

Through a miraculous chain of events, led solely by my mother, under the Lord's hand, I was able to receive a heart transplant in September of 1986 at the age of 11. Transplants were so experimental then that Mom and I were featured in the

About a year later, I went to Camp Geronimo where, away from Mom and doctors and a need to be 'one of the boys', I decided to stop taking my medication. I suffered a massive rejection that permanently crippled my first transplanted heart. However, I was still able to survive on that first heart for the next 5 years. I was again trans-planted in March of 1991 at the age of 15.

In the spring of 1993 I graduated from Mesa High. That July, I went with my family to Mexico to celebrate the 4th. I got a sun-burn and was feeling terrible and sick to my stomach. I don't know to this day if those symptoms were from the sunburn or from the food and water I drank while in Mexico. After coming home, the symptoms persisted and they just wouldn't go away. What I didn't realize at the time was that my medication was going right through me and not being absorbed properly. This again triggered a massive rejection. I received my 3rd transplant in December of 1993. I was now 18. **Miriam's story**

I was born in Florida in September of 1979, three days before Hurricane David. My father was in the Navy and we moved around guite a bit until I was 5 at which time my family moved to Washington State. When my Dad was discharged from the Navy, we moved to Portland, Ore. My grandparents lived across the street and my cousins were just down the street. It was ideal! At the age of 12, my family moved to Casa Grande, Az. I was devastated! I didn't know anyone in AZ! We drove from Oregon to Arizona and I can remember thinking the only good thing about Arizona was that it was not cold like Oregon. I have since learned to appreciate and love the colors of the desert and I still love the heat, except when it gets around 120 degrees.

At the age of 14 we moved to the tiny town of Maricopa where there were about 45 students in my high school class. I missed the city but I made new friends and I loved my Young Women leaders. I was called to be the Young Women Secretary. We all had callings and served where we could since our ward was so small. I really gained my love of the Young Women's program and camp while living in Maricopa. I graduated from Maricopa High in 1996. Conley and Miriam -

Conley and Miriam met in the Summer of 1998 when his sister set them up on a blind date. It was instant chemistry. Miriam, who had never been shy in her life, was fascinated by Conley's quietness. Conley started an internship that summer at an Engineering firm doing computer aided drafting while Miriam worked as a secretary for a shipping company. They were married in the Mesa, AZ

temple in September of 1998. Conley was hired full time at the Engineering firm, a few months after they got married. He worked at that firm for several years before deciding to go to school full-time to get his bachelors in engineering. Due to

the restrictions placed on Conley by his health, he

and Miriam moved into his mom's home while Conley was going to school. By 2002 Conley was going to ASU and under a lot of pressure to complete his schooling. That year Conley had a medical test done called a heart catheterization and the doctors found a 40% blockage in one of the four major arteries around the heart. This is actually rather common in transplanted hearts as the organ tends to collect plaque in the arteries much quicker. The doctors were not that worried but wanted to keep a close eye on Conley. Additional medications were required to help reduce the plaque formation and thus he was able to continue with school.

By the Spring of 2003, the pressure of school was getting more intense. Conley took the summer off and felt refreshed enough to start classes again in the fall. In a short time, he was struggling to even lug his back pack between classes. Miriam and Conley knew something was wrong and contacted the transplant doctors. A heart cath and biopsy found an incredible amount of plague buildup in the arteries. Two of the 4 coronary arteries were 100% blocked and the other 2 were between 90-100% blocked. It was a scary time!! A stent was installed, but it only bought him time as the real problem blockage was in the capillaries of the heart which couldn't be bypassed or stented completely. There was no doubt Conley would need another transplant, but getting him one before he had a heart attack was the trick. His cardiologist made him guit school and eliminated all strenuous activities. Adding insult to injury as the doctors did their 'transplant work-up tests' they found that his kidneys were in bad shape and additional medication would be required. Conley was transplanted in December of 2004 and this fourth and final surgery shut down the last of his kidney function. 20 years of toxic anti-rejection medication and multiple major and minor surgeries finally caught up with him and dialysis would be required thereafter.

Conley -

"Over the next six months I slowly slipped into a depression unlike anything I have ever experienced. Dialysis now only took the toxins and excess fluid off



but took a toll on me physically, mentally and spiritually. I was in a bad place. About this time Dwight Morris talked to me and asked if I would like a priesthood blessing. He was prompted and felt I needed some help and guidance from the

Lord. I agreed, and he and a friend came over to administer that blessing. The blessing changed my



life!! Overnight I regained my acknowledgment of the truthfulness of the gospel. My spirit was renewed and touched like no other time in my life. I felt a peace and reassurance that God lives, that He knows me personally and most importantly to me at the time, that my life and these trials are not in vain, that He has a plan for me and I KNOW IT to be true!!

I had been on dialysis for 5 years when the dialysis company had a man touring the country doing demonstrations of a new form of home dialysis. The dialysis center asked for people who would like to see a demonstration. I was rather interested and amazed at how easy it was. I wanted to learn how to do it right away. I had a catheter in my chest which eliminated my eligibility. I was bummed, but understood. Three months ago, my doctor went to a seminar on the new machine. He found out then that catheter patients were actually lasting longer using this machine. I was approached to see if this was something I still wanted to do and I told them to sign me up!

During the next month, we transformed one of the rooms upstairs into a dialysis lab. We have dubbed the room the MTC (Martin Torture Chamber). Gary Tiffany, Norman Mamani, Reed Tiffany, Jeff Hoeppner, Kyle Hassell, Anthony Kaberry and Darwin Chapman, helped to replumb, rewire and remodel the room to meet the requirements necessary to run and operate all the equipment required to do dialysis.

We started training and it went smoothly. Our trainer was great and during the training process there is a lot of time to sit and chat. As we talked about our lives and trials we were able to give a small testimony of the gospel and Mom even gave our trainer a copy of the Family Proclamation. It was an amazing experience!

I am completely on home dialysis now and it has been great so far. It takes about 20 hours a week but I have seen much improvement in how I feel. I have more energy and haven't had any hypoglycemic (low blood sugar) episodes like I did at least 1-3 times a week, before. Over the past 6 years I have been slowly losing weight and haven't been able to gain it back because of a poor appetite. I've been on this new machine for a month now and have already seen a huge improvement in my appetite and an increase in my weight. I am so thankful to have this blessing! I am also grateful to my family that have done so much for me. My Mom and Miriam have been so great through this entire process and given me the strength I've needed to keep going from day to

day." YAHOO for our very own Conley and his team of 'Miracle Workers'!

Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Our Prayers and thoughts are with **Sister Sharon McCartney** and her family. Her 25 year old son,
Ben Robishaw, died in a motorcycle accident in
February. Many family and friends were able to
come from Michigan for the services for Ben.
Sharon's other son Brandon, and his family, are
members of the Lazona
Ward of Pueblo Stake.



We love you Sharon!

Conner Morgan is playing the part of a shepherd in the Temple Easter Pageant this year. We'll be looking for you Conner!

Marilyn Durfee has a son living in Hawaii. Marilyn and Richard plan to visit him and his family before his deployment to Afghanistan.

Elaine Beech is going to get to visit grand children in Minnesota, Texas and Maryland in the next little bit. Give them hugs from us Elaine!

Clark and Patsy Huber (old 19th ward members and past Pres. of the Stake) have been called to serve missions in the Guatemala Temple. Their call is for May but the temple president (Brother Mask, a former seminary teacher at Taylor Jr. High) has asked them to come in April. Pres. Huber had surgery that has cured his stomach problems, making him able to serve a mission. Patsy is working with him on a 'crash course' to learn the Spanish language. Patsy grew up in Guatemala and is fluent in Spanish but Pres. Huber only speaks English and Canadian from his mission to Canada, years ago.

Sisters, Laura Rosenkrans and Tammie Burklund took on their own service project of crocheting hats for Veterans. They took them to a 'Fair for Services to Veterans' which was recently held in the Glendale Arena and gave out the 213 they had made. There were so many more Vets in attendance, so they have decided to make 600 to give away next year. Fellow workers at the MVD have been donating yarn to their project to help defray expenses. Laura & Tammie would appreciate any donations of dark colored yarn (manly colors).

You girls are AWESOME!

Amber Blau, a 10th grader at Heritage Academy, was just inducted into the National Honor Society. HOORAY for Amber!

Renle Hird is a 7th grader at
Taylor Jr. Hi and a member of the
NAL (National Academic League) team
(speech and debate). They won the City
Championship and are competing in the
National Competition this week! YAHOO!

Kaylea Hunt and her 2 sons have moved to Reno, Nevada. Bryson is enrolled in kindergarten and loves it. He and Brodey are mostly enjoying the snow that has fallen since they arrived there. We wish them much happiness in their new home.

Ferrell and Susan Dilworth and family, have had some changes come up that set in motion some new plans and directions for their lives. After considering several options, they have decided to turn in their papers to serve a full time mission. They are hoping to sell their Mesa home soon and are moving their things to Blackfoot, Idaho and will wait for their mission call from there. Daughter, Rosa, will stay in Mesa for awhile, but is planning to move to Logan, Utah sometime over the summer. Susan has been serving as our ward Relief Society president and we will

miss them but are grateful for

the joys they brought to our ward family and the service they have given during their year in the Dana Ward. We will miss them but wish them well in their new opportunities and adventures.

George and Ann Cherrington have had a mission calling change. Since the Humanitarian Center has been 'retired', they have been reassigned to do missionary service at the Mesa Deseret Industries. New adventures for the Cherringtons!

Danielle Driggs performed at a Regional Choir Concert held at Central High School the 19th of February.

The cast of MHS 'Joseph &
the Amazing Technicolor
Dreamcoat' have been
notified that they did not
place in the top category of
the National Competition but
we want them (especially our
own Danielle Driggs and
Courtney Eyring) to know
that they were all 'WINNERS'
in our opinions! It was a
high quality production in
every aspect!

Harmony Beals just got her driver's license and emphasizes she is much better at driving cars than riding bikes! Congratulations Harmony! Kyndra Hassell, Larissa Hunt and Courtney Eyring just got their driving

permits and have advised the ward members to "Stay off the sidewalks for awhile!"

(Our prayers are with your parents, girls!)



Jonathan Martinez is in Laramie, Wyo. now attending a Technical Institute to earn a degree in Automotive Repairs. We are so proud of Jonathan and wish him well.

Dawn Nichols let slip that she is still working on her YW goal of making a braided rag rug. Her sons however, may have their Eagle Awards before she finishes! She says it may end up being a 'hot pad'! Sometimes life requires us to adjust our goals!

And that's not always bad!

Kelcie Schnepf is engaged to Steven Barney of the Kimball Stake. They are planning a May 7th wedding in the Mesa Temple. They met at an Institute class and then did lunch at Taco Bell. There's lots more to the story, but you will have to ask Kelcie for details.

Lana Hunt is engaged to

Spencer Allred of Idaho Falls, Idaho and they are planning a May 14th wedding in the Mesa Temple.



Courtney Eyring and Larissa Hunt are on the MHS Tennis Team! 'You GO Girls!' (Darren Eyring has posted pictures of MHS Sports Participants on www.mesarabbits.com.)

Danielle and Mark Driggs have both been accepted for the fall semester at BYU-Idaho! YAHOO for this brother and sister DUO!

Daline Maddern continues to recover from her various health and mobility problems. She has expressed gratitude to the many ward members who have brought in meals and helped her with needed assistance in her home. She is so grateful for the love and concern that has been shown to her.

Lawanna Talmadge recently had some surgery and is getting better. We wish her well with her recovery.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Sunday, March 13th, the world changes to Daylight

Savings Time. Arizona does

NOT change time. Do NOT change your clocks!

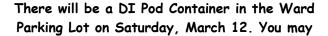
Arizona will be the same time as California, instead of Utah.

The Mesa Temple Easter Pageant, "Jesus the Christ" will be held on the North Lawn at 8pm each evening of the Pageant.

BYU Theatre Ballet will be performing "Fairy Tales and Fantasy" on Thursday, Mar 10 at 7pm at the Mesa Arts Center. The dancers will perform favorite scenes from Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty and other famous fairy tales. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased through the box office by calling 480-644-6500 or online at www.mesaartscenter.com. There will be a complimentary "Prince & Princess Party" before the show in the courtyard near the lobby of the theater from 6 to 6:30pm. Children can meet the dancers and have refreshments before the show! If you have questions, please call Tamara Chamberlain at 480-220-1573.

The first temple to be built in El Salvador will be dedicated Sunday, Aug 21, 2011. The temple is located in San Salvador, the capital city.

Missionaries first arrived in that Central American Country in 1949. Today there are 105,000 Latterday Saint members there now, with 17 stakes and 114 wards. El Salvador is bordered by Guatemala, Honduras and the Pacific Ocean.



bring your donations of usable items and clothes to the Ward parking lot from 8 am to Noon.

YEAH! School is out for Spring Break March 14 - 18. (Think kind thoughts for vour tired teachers.)

Dana Ward still has some young and limber Elders. They will be playing basketball Mar 24 & 31, and Apr 7, 14 & 21! All games played on Thursday Nights. Mar 24, play Acacia, 6 pm Mar 31, play Liahona, 8 pm Apr 7, play Kingsboro Park, 7 pm Apr 14, play Lazona, 8 pm Apr 21, Silvergate Park, 6 pm

Time for some "Fun & Fellowship"!



The Dana Ward has the responsibility to clean the ward building thru April, each Saturday morning at 8am.

Please bring any of your family that are old enough to help

with the cleaning. If you find that you cannot help on your assigned Saturday, please arrange to trade with someone else. It's well organized and only takes about 1 hour. If you have questions or need information, call

Ann Driggs at 962-8710.

Mar 12

Johnny & Pat Martinez Sharon McCartney Lance & Lynette McGraw Brooke, Jacki & Sheigh McRae Brian & Jennifer Mehlberg Keith & Amber Merkley Marilyn Mingione

Mar 19 Bryan, Cory & Yvonne Molina Marie Montgomery Martha Morgan Dwight & Linette Morris Harvey & Edith Mosley Carmen Newman Jonathan & Dawn Nichols

Michael Nielson Anna O'Bryant Marden & Myrna Pace Lavonne Perkins Dallas & Helen Petersen Ed & Carol Provence Mac & Jessica Rainwater Clyde Ransom Dustin & Cheeri Redd Apr 2 (Gen Conf-Stake Meets in our Bldg) Billy & Arlyce Reynolds Efrain & Rosa Rodriguez Dale & Violet Rogers Pat & Cris Rogers Karen Schnebly Kevin & Jill Schnepf Kaylea Hunt Alex Shope Summer Smalley Apr 9 Donna Smith Ray & Dawn Southwick Mark & Melissa Standage Tjanna Standage Joseph & Elizabeth Stark Tyler & Karlie Stradling Tammy Taylor Gary & Nancy Tiffany Kristopher Tiffany Apr 16 Reed & Andrea Tiffany Semisi & Wendy Tonga Rob & Tamera Turner Patricia Watts Ryan & Rebecca Young Dan & Yolanda Zepeda Apr 23 - Ward Young Women Apr 30 - Ward Young Men

Mar 26

Ward Temple Night is Thursday, Mar 24th 6 pm session. There will be a social at the



Hoeppner home (1633 E. Jarvis) afterwards. April 28th, at the 6 pm session with a social after at the Morris home (2434 E. Broadway). If you cannot attend at 6:00, please attend another session & always feel free to come to the socials and visit with ward friends.

FYI: Apr 12 thru Apr 23, the temple will close after the 1:30 PM sessions because of the Easter Pageant Performances.

If you need help searching for your Ancestors, preparing Temple Ordinance Cards, or finding family histories, call our ward Family History Consultant, Sister Christine Martin 835-6396.

"Seek & Ye Shall Find Extravaganza"

Is a summer challenge for members. From May 29 to



Aug 7, the Stake is challenging Adults to choose one or two of the following to work on our genealogy:

A-1 Write your Life History. A-2 Research the life of one ancestor or ancestral line. A-3 Pick a portion of

your family records and check it for any errors. A-4 Create a descendency Family History. A-5 Scrapbook your family history with your photos. Aug 13th, 2011 our stake will be having a "Celebration of Family History Extravaganza" and all are invited to display an item or project we have done this year. For more information, go to: https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/images/b/bc/Adu

lt Challenges.pdf



Canning Schedule for the Home Storage Center

Canning time is always 1:00 pm. March: Refried Beans, cocoa, flour, onions (Orders due 13 Feb, Canning Mar 9). April: Milk, Reg. Oats, macaroni, carrots, apples. (Orders due 20 Mar, Canning 13 Apr). May: black beans, sugar, fruit drink, white beans, potato flakes. (Orders due

17 Apr, Canning 11 May). The Cannery now takes Credit Cards. If you have any questions, call Sally Goodwin 444-8740. Sally also has some Food Storage Item "Deals" you may be interested in. Free Cooking Classes are held in the Wet Pack Training Room of the Mesa Cannery, Monday mornings from 9:30 to 11 am. No sign up or registration is necessary. The classes are based on the church pamphlet about building a three month supply of food.

Mar 7: Tortillas

Mar 14: Cooking with Kids

Mar 21: Breakfast

Mar 28: 'How to' and Substitutions

Apr 4: Long term Storage w/ 3 mo. Supply

Apr 11: Salads Apr 18: Main Dish Apr 25: Soups

If you are into **GARDENING**, this is the time & Climate, to be planting artichoke, bush beans, lima beans, beets, cantaloupe, carrots, cauliflower, celery, chard, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplants, leaf lettuce, okra, peppers, irish and sweet potatoes, radish, summer squash and watermelon. If you hurry, you can still set out tomato plants. For a Planting Guide for the Mesa Area, call Sally Goodwin, 444-8740



Relief Society

Pres Lou Hunt 1 Couns Julie Evring 835-1799 2 Couns Linette Morris 962-8221 Sec Nancy Tiffany 834-8494

Welcome to our new Relief Society Presidency as listed above. And many, many thanks to the past presidency! We appreciate the service and labors

of Susan Dilworth, Pres; Arlyce Reynolds and

Melissa Crandell as

Counselors and

Secretary, Wendy

Tonga. These sisters

have done a great job for our sisters and ward.

March RS Lesson Schedule

Mar 6: Lesson TBA, taught by Lou Hunt

Mar 13: # 28-"Service"

Mar 20: #29 - "The Lord's Law of Health"

Mar 27- "Reflections of a Consecrated Life" -Elder Christofferson - taught by Rosa

Rodriauez

Apr 3: GENERAL CONFERENCE

Apr 10: #30 "Charity"

Apr 17: #31 "Honesty"

Apr 24: "Stay on The Path"-Sister Wixom – taught by Rosa Rodriguez

Relief Society Night Meeting was held Mar. 1st and all the Sisters had a lot of fun with new casserole recipes and learning how to make quilts, rag rugs, soap, butter, honey candy and sampling the Ice Cream Bar. Josie Apina's homemade dinner rolls were to "die for"! Many special thanks to the Sisters who brought and shared casseroles and the sisters who did all the fun demonstrationsof Pioneer Skills that used to be common household chores!

Next Night Meeting, Tues, April 26th is scheduled by the Stake. Watch for details.

Please remember to report your Visiting Teaching to your Supervisor by at least the 10th of the following month. Thanks for being diligent in Visiting your sisters and checking on their welfare!



Young Women

Pres Kim Hale 834-3041 1st Couns Miriam Martin 313-7194 2nd Couns MaryAnn Kaberry 243-9762 Sec Elizabeth Stark 964-7754

The YW/YM Theme this year is

We Believe...

with emphasis on the Thirteenth Article of Faith: We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing

good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul-we believe all things, we hope all things, we have endured many things and hope to be able to endure all things. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.

The Young Women did Baptisms for the Dead last Wed. at 5 am. And then put in a full day at school!

Thank you Girls and Leaders!

The General YW Broadcast and Dinner will be held Sat. March 26th at 4:45 PM at the Stake Building. This is for all YW ages 12 and older and their Mothers! (No age limit on the Moms!)

The Young Women will be playing soccer on Wed, Apr. 20 & 27 @ Kingsboro Park @ 5:30pm



The Five Stake Formal Prom for the Priests and Laurels will be held April 22nd. Last year was so much fun and this year will be even greater! Mark your Calendars!

The Young Women are cleaning the ward building Sat. Apr 23 at 8 am.



Girl's Camp will be May 31st. The cost this year is \$50, to be paid by each girl. The girls are working and saving their money and excited about the Camp

Activities. The theme this year is "Becoming One" and a pre-camp clinic will be held Apr. 13th @ the Barkley Bldg @ 7 to 8:30 pm.

YOUNG MEN

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799

1st Couns. Dallas Petersen 219-1432

2nd Couns. Pat Rogers 695-7616

Sec. Conley Martin 313-7194



The Mountain Man Rendezvous for the Varsity Scouts will be held March 17th thru 19th. (That explains the beards for some of their leaders!)

YM Basketball Stake Tournament.
All games will be played on Wednesdays.
Mar 23, 6pm, play Acacia
Mar 30, 8 pm, play Liahona
Apr 6, 7 pm, play Kingsboro Park
Apr 13, 7 pm, play Lazona
Apr 20, 6 pm, play Silvergate Park
Tournament Playoffs will be Apr 23, Sat, at the
Barkley & Stake Buildings beginning at 7 am,
then 8:30 am, and the championship game: 10 am
in the Stake Building.

The YM did Baptisms for the Dead Tues, Mar 1st, at 5 am. We are proud of our youth for taking care of these special ordinances for our dead.

The Young Men are scheduled to clean the ward building Sat, April 30th at 8 am.



Primary

Pres Jennifer Mehlberg 279-2790 1st Couns Cheeri Redd 834-7788 2nd Couns Darcy Allen 241-9315 Secretary Janet Hassell 969-4276

Molly Allen will be baptized March 5th. Korben Mehlberg will be baptized Apr 21st. Eden Carter will be baptized Apr 23rd.



Congratulations to these special young Primary People!

We want to welcome the following new Primary Workers: Jill Schnepf as the 11 yr. old Activities Leader; and Melissa Crandell as the Nursery Leader. Many, Many thanks to Nancy Tiffany who was just released as the Nursry Leader and to Julie Eyring who has served as the Activity Day Leader for the past 7 years.

The Cub Scout "Scout-A-Rama" will be held April 9th and the ward Cub Scouts are selling family tickets for \$5. These funds help pay for the ward Cub activities for the year, especially costs to send our ward boys to Day Camp! Thanks for helping our Ward Cub Scouts!

Primary Boys Softball Mar 2,8,9,10 @ Silvergate Park @ 5 PM.



Margin Notes:

"Believe in Jesus Christ our Savior and our Redeemer, the Son of God, who came to earth and walked the dusty roads of Palestine as the Son of God - to teach us the way of truth and light and salvation and who, in one great and glorious act offered an atonement for each of us. He opened the way of salvation and exhaltation for each of us, under which we may go forward in the Church and Kingdom of God. Be not faithless but believe in the great and wonderful and marvelous blessings of the atonement." Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

But behold, the resurrection of Christ redeemeth mankind, yea, even all mankind, and bringeth them back into the presence of the Lord. Helaman 14:17

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have

tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. John 16:33

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

John 5:39

Therefore, let your hearts be comforted concerning Zion; for all flesh is in mine hands; be still and know that I am God. D&C 101:16

In some manner, actual and terribly real though to man incomprehensible, the Savior took upon Himself the burden of the sins of mankind from Adam to the end of the world.

Jesus the Christ, pg 613

Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. *Luke* 23:46

Why seek ye the living among the dead? Luke 24:5

He is not here.....he is risen, as he said. Matt 28:6

I am the resurrection, and the life. He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

John 11:25

As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1 Corinthians 15:22

And so, because our Savior lives, we do not use the symbol of His death as the symbol of our faith. He told us what that symbol should be when He said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments". *John 14:15*

I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. John 6:35

And, Io, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt 28:20

Behold my hands and my feet that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. Luke 24:39

What manner of men and women ought we to be? Verily I say unto you, even as I am. 3 Nephi 27:27

"Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Acts 9:6

"Come Follow Me." Matt 4:19

"Learn of me." Matt 11:29

"Drink of my water & eat of my bread." 1 Cor 11:24,25

"Love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34

"Cry repentance unto all people." Alma 29:1

"Christ's suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane epitomizes the most magnificent of all the attributes of Christ, His perfect love. Elder Earl C. Tingey

"The fall of Adam and Eve brought about physical & spiritual deaths. We are all subject to those deaths. The power of Christ's Atonement overcame both deaths." Elder Earl C. Tingey

"Of all the victories in human history, none is so great, none so universal in its effect, none so everlasting in its consequences as the victory of the crucified Lord, who came forth in the resurrection that first Easter morning." Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

And now, after the many testimonies which have been given of him, this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him: That he lives! D&C 76:22

"He Lives!" This is the knowledge that sustains. This is the truth that comforts. This is the assurance that guides those who are bowed down with grief – out of the shadows and into the light.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

We are reminded when we take the sacrament to "always remember him." D & C 20:77, 79

"We must know Christ better than we know Him; we must remember Him more often than we remember Him' we must serve Him more valiantly than we serve Him." Pres. Howard W. Hunter If it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will but as thou wilt.

Matt. 26:39