

July 2011 Dana Ward Newsletter

Dana Ward Bishopric

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Look at the "Big" picture

The other day I had the "pleasure" of going down to the motor vehicle dept. I took a # and realized it was going to be a long wait, so I decided to go to Discount Tire to get my tires rotated. They said there was only one car ahead of me and they could take care of it quickly. It didn't happen; it appeared to me the guys in the bay had a different agenda than getting me out fast. I rushed back to MVD to find my # was already passed, so I had to take a new #. I was frustrated, but early on I made the choice not to let the circumstance make me have a bad day. I used my time to read in the Book of Mormon on my phone to keep up with STOMP and I also thought of my blessings and circumstances. "Count your many Blessings" 1. I have a car. 2. It has good tires. 3. I also have a home to go to. 4. On that hot day I counted the blessing of A/C in my cars and home. 4. I knew I would have a cooked meal that night and the blessing of not worrying about food day after day. 5. I would go home to my wife and family that love me. In this month may we all remember the blessing of freedom, of "one nation under God", the blessing of the Gospel in our lives, and the blessing of the pioneers that sacrificed for what we enjoy today.

Love,
Brother Kyle Hassell

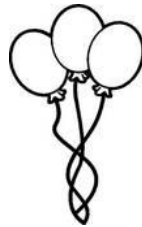
"You who are my brothers in arms...might be surprised that the statue on top of our temples, the angel Moroni, is a statue of a soldier. I believe there is considerable significance that of all the righteous men whom the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ might have chosen to abridge the records of the Nephite civilization into the Book of Mormon, which has great relevance to today's world, he chose Mormon

and Moroni, two soldiers, for that sacred work. ... They were soldiers because they had to be, because their people needed them, because it was the right thing to do. Each of you may have the same sweet assurance that the Lord knows of your service and your motives.

Moroni, captain of the Nephite forces said, 'If all men had been, and were, and ever would be, like unto him, behold the very powers of hell would have been shaken forever, yea the devil would never have power over the hearts of the children of men.' Alma 48:17."

The Title of Liberty in the Book of Mormon and many other scriptural instances make it clear that there are times and circumstances when nations are justified - and, in fact, obligated - to fight for liberty and family against tyranny and oppression. "As citizens, we are all under the direction of our respective national leaders. Those in the armed services, are under obligation to their respective governments to execute the will of their leaders. Perhaps the most important lessons you will be able to teach as you are among foreign people, in dangerous locations, are to support the courage to do what is right, advance independent thinking and create a desire to stand up for moral values and freedom of religion that will transcend local traditions and nations' history. Members of our armed forces reach out to many countries and encounter those that are friendly or hostile. We must remember that wherever we go, we always go as brothers and sisters to those whom we are going to meet. All human beings on this beautiful planet Earth are spirit children of the same Father in Heaven. The soldier in the field and the family at home have different places of action but a common goal of supporting each other through daily prayer and through faithfulness wherever you are. Through your love for each other, you provide a spiritual lifeline and a source of strength for each other." Pres. Dieter F. Uchtdorf

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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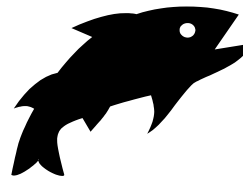
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 15 Nancy Lalliss
 16 Lilyann Merkley
 17 Denlynn Brown
 17 Ele Ahia
 19 Kaeden Blau
 19 Gideon Filhart
 19 Bailey Young
 19 Brenden Merkley
 19 Sara Sheeler
 21 Dylan Merkley
 21 Dallas Petersen
 22 Anne Berryman
 22 Denean Beals
 22 Tanner Layton
 23 Tyson Hill
 23 Sean Gleason
 24 Ryn Brown
 25 Alec Turner
 26 Keith Merkley
 27 Kevin Schnepf
 28 Dawn Southwick
 28 Nazario Mendez
 29 Renle Hird
 29 Susan Jackson
 31 Emmett Hawks
 31 Amber Merkley

31 Kent Batty
 31 Veldon Dodge

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1 Tanya Smith
 3 Myrna Pace
 3 Emma McGraw
 3 Peyton Young
 4 Robert Jorgensen
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Missionary Mailbox



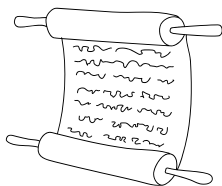
Elder Matthew G. Eyring
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While I was serving in Buhl, we lived right by the Snake River. The river was over flowing from the snow runoff and we took big nets and were able to scoop out about a two foot trout. The fish were so easy to get. We fried it up for lunch. It was so awesome! We had some good work going in Buhl. I really loved being in that area. We didn't do much knocking on doors because we have lots of members to work with. Now, I have been transferred to Boise and have been called to serve as Zone leader. I just love Idaho! The weather is starting to warm up. It is really nice. We are teaching a guy who is now scheduled for baptism. He has made some big changes in his life and he wants to keep the commandments. It is amazing to see what the gospel of Jesus Christ can do. The Boise temple will be closing soon for renovation. We are working hard teaching people the gospel. We have been getting a lot of teaching opportunities because of the recent 'Book of Mormon Musical'. It seems to be making people curious about the Church, so that is a plus. I

love the gospel! I love being a missionary and just doing missionary work!

CTR,
Elder Eyring

Elder John Pace
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Hey Everyone,

Things are going really well here in our mission. We just had a baptism two weeks ago. Her name is Lupita and I baptized her. It was such a great experience. She is 15. I have had two new companions during this past month. One of them is from Guatemala and the other is from Utah. They are both good missionaries. I am pretty sure I will be getting transferred on Sat. the 25th, but don't know where I will be assigned. Even though this is such a small town, the work in this area is going well. We can always find people to teach.

I was excited to learn that my cousin Jared Pace has been called to serve in this same mission. Two Elder Paces in the same mission is crazy! It will be fun to see if we are ever assigned to the same area.

I love missionary work so much and things are really moving along here in very positive ways. I look forward to hearing from people from home.

Love – Elder Pace

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Dear Dana Ward –

This past week is definitely the best yet of my mission! Andy was baptized by his father and so many people came out to support him. I barely was able to get through leading the music because of tears of joy. His younger brother who is not a member, said the closing prayer and included the words, "I know that Andy is doing the right thing and now help me to know if this is right for me." How awesome is that? Adrian later told us that he felt a really powerful feeling during his prayer. I told him he was feeling the spirit of the Holy Ghost. Andy has gone from not even believing in God and not wanting anything to do with the church to becoming this awesome young man with a strong testimony and wanting to choose the right. It has been such a spiritual experience to be a part of helping him learn

and grow. We are continuing to teach his siblings and they are progressing wonderfully.

Carlos, our other baptism, went great as well. Both boys looked radiant after being baptized and receiving the Holy Ghost.

Mike, another investigator, had his baptism interview and is planning to be baptized this next Saturday.

My companion Sister Heywood has completed her mission and went home this week, so I need a new companion. President has asked me to train a brand new missionary. I feel like I just got here myself and still feel like I barely know what I'm doing, but it will be neat to work with her. I want to do my best so that she will have a good experience and perform her best for the rest of her mission.

My new companion is supposed to arrive on Wed., so I'm partnering with the Sheridan, Wyo. Sisters until that happens. Hope you are also doing well.
Love, Sister Hunt



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We had a guest speaker come to our class this week named Senor Macias. He is the Director of Religious Affairs for the Mexican Government. He came with armed security and visited just our District. I think he is the gov. official that ultimately decides if the LDS missionaries get visas to preach in Mexico. He was so awesome! He asked us where we were going and we said Monterrey and he got super excited and told us that's where he lives. Long story short, he answered a few questions like what we have to do there and where to eat and what to eat, like Carne Asada. Apparently Monterrey is known for the best meat dishes that are served anywhere in all of Mexico. We took a picture with him and he said if anyone tries to mess with us to show them the picture and say we are his friends and they will leave us alone because he's respected that much! He's kind of a big deal in Monterrey. He told us that if we ever need anything we can talk to him and he will take care of us. Pretty nuts!

We are attending a devotional in 2 hours, with the Prophet and some of his apostles. I'm super stoked! We are singing in the choir so we have guaranteed prime seats in the gym where it will be held.

Half my training time at the MTC has now been spent. I should be heading to Monterrey somewhere around Aug 3rd. Four elders from my district left on Wed. for the Peru MTC, to complete their training. It was pretty sad to have to say 'good-by' but our class room has so much more space now. Some of our trainers play the role of investigators and one of them has set July 15 to be baptized! I don't know how, because my Spanish is so bad, but he says he likes what he hears and even though I know it is pretend, it is such a good feeling!

We, as a district, quote the movie 'Nacho Libre' often, for a little daily humor. We work hard and put in long hours. On Fast Sunday, our testimony meeting was in Spanish. I wish my Spanish would improve faster, but I'm working on it.

My regards to the Dana Ward at home!
Elder Stark.

Trevor Schnepf will be reporting to the Provo MTC on July 13, 2011 to prepare for his **Ecuador Guayaquil Mission** (Spanish speaking).

FYI: Full-time Missionaries; **Elder Dickinson** and **Elder Seymour** ; They may be reached at 495-8138. They live at 1634 E. Nielson Ave.

Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Edwina Dastrup and her children wish to express gratitude to the ward members who helped with arrangements and food for the funeral services of their husband and father, Tom Dastrup. You are such a wonderful ward family. Edwina has since developed a bad case of pneumonia and is recuperating slowly from it's effects.

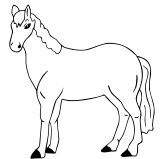
Joe Dickson has spent an extended time in the hospital dealing with problems associated with his heart condition. He is home now but not feeling too well. **Joe and Johnnie's son Kent**, had an

accident on the job and has shattered his hip and leg in a fall from a ladder. They are very concerned about his recovery. Please remember them in your prayers!

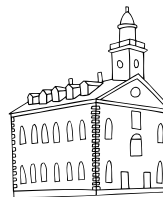
David and Jessica Hawks finally got their new little boy on Saturday, June 11th at 1:08 pm. He weighed in at 8# 8 oz. They have named him **Fisher Harston Hawks**. All are doing well!

Wes and Mary Filhart and family are planning a cross-country trip to include visits to Church History sites.

The **Brian Mehlberg family** are visiting Missouri this summer, spending time at Jennifer's parent's farm and local Church History sites.



Marilyn Durfee spent 3 weeks in Hawaii waiting for and then helping with a brand new grandson. His Daddy has been deployed to Iraq. Mommy and baby and siblings are doing well.



Sharon McCartney plans to spend a week visiting her mother and sisters in Kirtland, Ohio, where she grew up. Nice chance to catch up with family events and happenings.

We have a new Elder's Quorum Presidency:

Pres: David Hawks

1st Counselor: Mac Rainwater

2nd Counselor: Tyler Stradling

Sec: Tyson Hill

These men will be missed in the Young Men's Program where most of them have been serving for some time! We look forward to their service in this new calling!

The **Joe Stark Family** have a celebrity in their family tree. Daughter **Cassie's** husband, **John Ross**, has written and had published, a series of children's books on gospel principles. The first is called "The Elf in the Big Brown

Boots" about repentance. They are written in prose, beautifully illustrated and available at www.BigBrownBoots.net

Kevin Hale represented Mesa at Boys State which was held at NAU. Congratulations Kevin on filling the requirements and being selected for such a great honor. Lots of hard work on Kevin's part!



Arlyce Reynolds hiked the Grand Canyon from the North rim to the South Rim in a 5 day adventure with five members of her family. **Billy** wisely chose to stay home and go fishing! He has developed a new 'favorite' fishing hole along one of the local SRP canals. He is catching some huge fish. Arlyce got toe blisters the first day of her hike and heel blisters after that, but was well prepared. They drank from the Bright Angel Creek along the way and back packed all their food and camping equipment. We are impressed with her 'survival'. **Denean Beals** was inspired and talked **Mel** into a walk around their block. **Mickey O'Barr** was impressed with the walk around the block and may be motivated to get **Joe** to take her on a 'similar excursion'! (Overheard in RS 'Good News' time!)

Tyler Stradling was active in soccer and tennis in high school, but in the past year, has been participating in long distance running with his Dad. In Feb he was a member of a relay team that ran in a race from Wickenburg to Tempe (200 miles). Last week-end, he ran with a 12 member family team in a Ragnar Marathon, 34 hour run from Logan, Utah to Park City. In Sept, he is planning to participate in a marathon in the San Francisco area. **Karlie** is his 'cheering section'! Wahoo for the physical activities and participation of our Dana Ward Family members! Keep up the good work!

Haskell Reynolds and his wife **Valerie** (past members of our ward and son of **Bill** and **Arlyce Reynolds**) have been active participants in

several night run competitions around the state. As a result of a need they saw for safety for the night runners, they have designed a belt for runners that will provide 'headlights' in front and 'tail-lights' in back. They are hoping to get a patent for their design soon and commercially produce their product. Arlyce was one of the family involved in the production of the first prototypes. Information on the belts is available at www.nightrunnerlightbelt.com

Bishop and Kim Hale added a new grandson to their 'collection' of grand children, the week after the arrival of the 2nd pair of Hale twins. Congratulations!



Payzlee Hird has turned 12 and graduated from Primary. She is now in YW and the newest member of the Beehive Class.

Nathan Young has turned 12, graduated from Primary and been ordained a Deacon.

Brandon Boone turned 16 and has been ordained to the office of a Priest.

Larissa Hunt also turned 16 and has received her Certificate of Progress and joined the Laurel Class in YW.

FYI: The Church News tentatively plans to run an article on a member of our Dana Ward in their July 2nd edition.

Mountain Man Rendezvous

(info taken from 'The Beehive Newspaper')

The Dana Ward Varsity Scouts participated in the Mesa District Mogollon Rendezvous held in March at the R-C Scout Ranch in Payson. A total of 850 Varsity Scouts and more than 300 leaders participated in 48 hours of games, learning and spiritual growth. **Adrian Ochoa**, 2nd

Counselor in the YM General Presidency , **Mark Dietlein**, member of the YM General Board and **David LeSueur** Area Seventy over the North

America Southwest Area attended, were speakers and participated in many activities with the boys. Scouts from 140 Valley troops and a few from Yuma and Texas attended. The rendezvous is held every 2 years for 14 to 16 year old Varsity Scouts. It is a high adventure, sports-oriented activity with a Mountain Man theme incorporating mountain man trading games, demonstrations of strength and manliness, competition and classes.

The scouts learned how to shoot black powder rifles, bull-riding on a 50 gallon drum, blacksmithing, making ropes, making arrows, bead and leatherwork, primitive music, survival skills, knife throwing, archery, blow guns, primitive fishing, tracking, trapping and game calling. Members of the Order

of the Arrow dressed in Indian regalia and demonstrated traditional ceremonies of Native Americans.

There was good food and a Dutch oven cook-off. Participants slept in teepees or lean-to style tents. The

boys were encouraged to dress the part, make and wear their frontier knife and parka-type shirts known as 'capotes'. Groups were judged on their authentic style clothing, mountain man style hats, medicine pouches, moccasins and leggin's and mtn. man type bags. No backpacks or fanny packs were allowed. The Mtn. Man era spanned from about 1820 to 1859 and included men like John Colter, Jedediah Smith and Kit Carson. Some of the Mtn. Men served as guides

for the early Mormon pioneers as they were moving west into Utah and Arizona Territories.

The boys also got to participate in jousting, a rope climb, log hoist and cutting logs with two-men bucksaws and the Saturday "John Colter Run". **Pres. Ochoa** not only demonstrated his superior knife throwing and roping abilities during the day, but at the Friday night fireside, he also shared his faith and testimony with the young men. **Sheldon Hassell** participated in this rendezvous as a member of the staff. He helped with the geo-caching where they used GPS coordinates to do a treasure hunting



game. Sheldon was impressed with the many things he learned at the event. He was particularly impressed with the phrase, "First the powder, then the ball" related to loading a black powder rifle. It was taught as a reminder of priesthood responsibilities and the importance of doing things in order. **Kevin Hale and his Dad, Bishop Hale**, were also on the staff and helped with the GPS activities. This was the 5th Rendezvous for **Pat Rogers** who attended with his son, **Kimball**. **Gary Tiffany** also went along as a ward leader.

Brother Rogers was impressed with all the fun as well as spiritual experiences the boys had. Pat worked with Bishop Dixon of the Acacia Ward to assign the boys their 'medicine names' which were revealed at a campfire ceremony.

The names were based on something the boys did in camp or their personalities. **Kimball** was named "Screaming Night Eagle", **Sheldon Hassell** was given the name "Deep Pockets" and **Kevin Hale** was "Road Rash". These names inspire a lot of speculation as to their origins. We will have to ask the boys individually to share the inspiration of their names. The

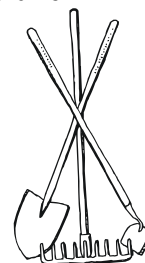
Dana Ward Varsity boys attending were:

Brenden Merkley (Skinny Tree), **Brandon Boone** (Sir Talks-a-lot), **Chris Martinez** (Powder), **Alec Turner** (Sinking Fish), **Ethan Merkley** (Teacher's Pet), and **Joseph Standage** (Invisible Wolf).



New Faces in Dana Ward Places

John and Lois Chapman are living at 62 S. Barkley #5 (602-909-7735). The Chapmans come to us from the San Tan Valley, Castlegate Ward and raised their family of 4 sons and 3 daughters in the Lazona Ward. Brother Chapman also served in the Bishopric of the Lazona Ward and several years on the Pueblo Stake High Council. John grew up in Mesa and graduated from Mesa High. He filled a mission in Calgary, Canada, graduated from MCC and drives an 18 wheeler for a local trucking company. He loves



gardening and is so good at it, that he actually wrote a weekly column for the Mesa Tribune for 15 years on the tricks and secrets of successful gardening in our valley.

Lois grew up in Bisbee and graduated from Bisbee High School and also ASU where she got a degree in teaching. She was a substitute teacher for MPS and taught 6 years at "Rancho Solano Private School" in Gilbert. Lois loves music, teaches piano lessons, and gardens with John. She has served in the YW, Primary and RS programs in her past wards, and has held many music positions in former wards. They both enjoy participating in the ward choir. They have 22 beautiful grandchildren. John is a 2nd cousin to Neal Chapman.

The Davis family are new ward members; Michelle, Pierce and Kiera Marie. Also welcome to Jana Florie and her 3 sons who have moved into 111 S. Barkley, Apt 2. Expect more information on these 2 families soon.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Scheduled Coming activities:

July 4: (Mon) Ward Pancake Breakfast.
7-8:30am. Flag raising ceremony and free pancakes.

July 5: Night Relief Society Meeting
6:30PM - "Bunko Services"

July 9: Ventures golf tournament

July 17-Aug 1: Mesa Temple closed.

July 27: YW "FREE" babysitting night

July 30-Aug 6: Scout Camp

Aug 3-6: Venture scouts-Havasupai Hike

Aug 10: Ward Swimming Party

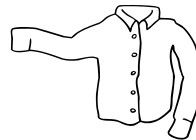
6:30 to 8:30pm at Brimhall Pool

(on Southern betw Greenfield and Higley Rd.) Potluck snacks & desserts - no watermelon please!

Come celebrate 'Back to School' for the ward kids!

Aug 10: (Wed) Mesa Schools start

Aug 13: Family History Extravaganza



The Mesa D.I. is sending out a plea for HELP! They need useable household

items to help fill the Bishop's Orders for many Church Members as well as Non-Members in our area. They are in great need of working and useful household items such as dishes, pots and pans, appliances, furniture, linens, clothing, etc. Donations may be dropped off at the "Donation Drive-Thru" in the back of the D.I. facility located at Broadway and Alma School Rd. They are open M - F from 7am to 6pm and Sat. from 7am to Noon.

Hope everyone is following Bishop Hale's encouragement to (re)read the Book of Mormon over the summer, on the STOMP reading schedule. If you don't have one, you may get a schedule from any Priesthood or Relief Society leader. If you are on the STOMP schedule ...

7/3 - you should finish Alma, Ch. 27 <you are OVER 50% completed!

7/10 - Alma 47

7/17 - Helaman 4

7/24 - 3 Nephi 8 <you are past the 75% mark

7/31 - Mormon 1 <9 more days and you're done!



Remember that the Mesa

Temple is closed for maintenance from July 17 through Aug 1st. The temple reopens Tues Aug 2nd. Please feel free to attend the temple earlier in the month of July, before the closing. We will not have a formal ward temple night.



The Phoenix Az. Temple ground breaking services were held Sat., June 4th at 9 am.

Services were "By Invitation Only" but were broadcast live to the temple area meeting houses. Updates about the Phoenix Temple may be found on

www.phoenixmormontemple.com



Ward Family Camp-out
September 23rd & 24th
Coming to a cool, GREEN forest
near you!
Watch for details!



Mark your calendars for the
Family History Extravaganza
Saturday, August 13, 2011
2 to 5 pm at the Pueblo Stake
Center

(Set aside some time this summer to work on your life history, research one of your ancestors check/correct your family records or organize your family photos or do some family scrapbook pages.)

You will get to see displays and
Be able to attend interesting classes.
There will also be youth & kid's entertainment.
Bring your family, friends & neighbors!

Canning Schedule for the

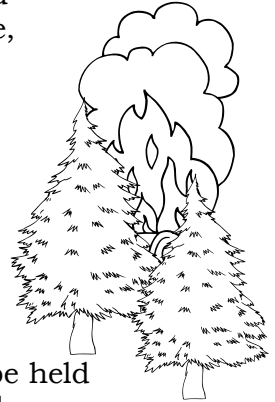


Home Storage Center

Canning time is always 1:00 pm.

July: Milk, Reg. Oats, macaroni, carrots, apples. (Orders due 19 June, Canning 13 July) **August:** black beans, sugar, fruit drink, white beans, potato flakes. (orders due 17 July, canning 10 Aug.). **Sept:** Refried Beans, cocoa, flour, onions (Orders due Aug 21, Canning Sept 14).

The Wallow fire that threatened the towns of Eager, Springerville, Alpine, Greer and Luna has destroyed over 50 homes. Missionaries serving in the danger areas were relocated to ShowLow. All Church members in the 9 affected wards and branches have been contacted and are safe. A 6 stake Dance Festival performance was scheduled to be held in the Round Valley Dome but the area was on 'stand-by' for evacuation depending on the direction of the fire and smoke. Although the dome filled with smoke the night before, officials were able to clear the smoke and the Dance Festival was held as scheduled with an audience of over 5,000. Three days later, Eager and Springerville were evacuated. No meeting houses have been damaged, however, the Church owned Camp Brentwood sustained some fire damage. The main building and cabins were spared but 3 trailers, a boat and some stereo equipment were destroyed. It is anticipated that the girls will be allowed to resume summer camp as soon as it is safe to go back in and general cleanup has been completed. During a fire in southeastern Arizona, the Bishop of one of the Douglas LDS wards, lost his home to the fire. We continue to pray for the safety and relief of the people affected by the wildfires burning in Arizona and New Mexico.



The First Presidency and Quorum of the Twelve have issued changes affecting **senior missionary service and housing policies** that will go into effect 1 Sept, 2011. Senior couples may now serve a mission outside their country

of residence for a shorter term of 6 or 12 months, but must pay for transportation costs to and from their field. Transportation costs for terms of 18 or 23 months will continue to be paid by the Church.

Local leaders responsible for senior missionaries will secure housing and pay all housing costs (including rent, utilities and furnishings). Missionary couples will then reimburse some or all of those housing costs up to the cap of \$1,400 per month. Missionaries from the US, Canada, Western Europe, Japan and Australia will be expected to reimburse the cost of housing up to the cap of \$1,400, or, if less, the actual amount for expenses. Those from all other countries will be expected to reimburse the costs up to their individual ability to pay, but not to exceed \$1,400 a month. All couples will continue to pay for food and other personal expenses.



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 Ward Youth Conference was held this past week at the Elks Youth Camp near Young, Az. The YW/YM enjoyed classes and workshops taught by the ward youth leaders and benefited from many areas of the theme "Seek Ye Treasures" based on the 13th Article of Faith. Each participant was given a "Treasure Box" to fill and take home. The evening fireside programs and activities were especially fun and memorable. Many thanks to our FABULOUS Ward Leaders and the SPECIAL ward youth!



Relief Society

Pres Lou Hunt 833-4867
1 Couns Julie Eyring 835-1799
2 Couns Linette Morris 962-8221
Sec Nancy Tiffany 834-8494

July RS Lesson Schedule

July 3: "2 Lines of Communication" (Dallin H. Oaks)-
Rosa Rodriguez
July 10: # 36 "The Family Can Be Eternal" – Anna
O'Bryant
July 17: #37 "Family Responsibilities" – Lonnelle
Millican
July 24: TBA - taught by Rosa Rodriguez
July 31: Meet with the Priesthood - TBA

**The Next NIGHT Relief Society
Meeting will be held This Tues.
July 5th.**

**Back by Popular Demand - -
"Bunko" for Services Game night!**

See you at 6:30 PM

The Laurel Class has a new presidency:

Pres: **Amber Blau**
1 Couns: **Harmony Beals**
2 Couns: **Larissa Hunt**
Sec: **Courtney Eyring**

The Ward Young Women are offering a
"FREE BABY SITTING NIGHT" Wed., July
27th at the ward building from 5:30 to
7:30pm. The girls are offering a safe and
fun evening of movies and activities so
parents can have a date night, shopping
time, or free time of your choice!
THANK YOU GIRLS!

The girls from the Dana Ward
enjoyed **camp** very much,
including the visit from a
local bear who wandered
through camp! The bear was
impressed with the 'spirit



of the camp' and then moved on to check out other local sites! Many thanks to the adult leaders who went along to teach and mentor the girls and carry out a well planned program. **Kim Hale** and **Maryann Kaberry** were cabin Moms. Jr. Staff were **Jessica Hale, Danielle Driggs** and **Nikki Eaton** from a Missouri Ward. Nikki assisted her sister, **Jennifer Mehlberg**, the Beehive Cabin Mom; Ward campers were **Allyse Turner, Amber Blau, Cherish Beals, Courtney Eyring, Larissa Hunt, Kyndra Hassell, Renle and Payzlee Hird, Jacqueline Mamoni, Savannah Rodriguez, Lauren Eyring, Shelby Standage, Sarah Young, and Kaia Mehlberg.**

The ward Scouts are going to camp out in the mountains instead of Camp Geronimo this summer, July 30 thru Aug 6. Lots of scouting activities are being planned.

The 16-17 year old Venture Scouts will be hiking down into the Grand Canyon and camping at Havasupai Aug 3 thru 6! Because Bro. Eyring is a Scout Leader, APS, his employer, gives the Ward some grant money each year. They have saved their grant money for several years and have opted to use it to cover the cost for all of the boys and leaders to 'helicopter' out of the canyon together. This will spare them the long and hard hike up out of the canyon on those steep switch-back trails.
THANK YOU Brother Eyring and APS!

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HOW SMART ARE YOU ON AMERICAN AND ARIZONA CIVIC TOPICS?

(True or False)

1. The president is called the commander in chief because he is in charge of the military.
2. The vice president is the only person in the president's Cabinet.
3. After 8 years in office the president and vice president can run for office again.
4. The president can declare war.

(Fill in the Blanks)

5. The only court the Constitution creates is _____.
6. Two kinds of legal cases are _____.
7. A trial with no jury is a _____.
8. Congress was created by the _____.
9. Name the 2 parts of Congress. _____.
10. Number of senators each state gets is _____.

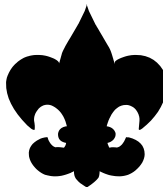
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11. How many justices in the Supreme Court ____.

12. Number of members in the House of Representatives ____.

(Bonus question: How many representatives does Arizona have?)

13. Fraction of Congress needed to override a veto.

14. Who was the youngest president?

15. Who wrote the Pledge of Allegiance?

16. "E Pluribus Unum" appears on the Great Seal of the U.S. and our currency. What does it mean?

17. Why is the White House painted white?

18. Arizona was admitted to the Union as which numbered state?

19. What are the official state colors of Arizona?

20. What is Arizona's state bird?

Answers to quiz: 1-true, 2-false, 3-false, 4-false, 5-the Supreme Court, 6-Criminal & Civil, 7-Bench trial, 8-US Constitution, 9-House & Senate, 10-two, 11-nine, 12-435, BONUS-8, 13-two-thirds, 14-Theodore Roosevelt at age 42. He became pres. because of the assassination of Pres. Wm. McKinley. John F. Kennedy was the youngest **elected** president at age 42, 15-Francis Bellamy, a Baptist minister in 1892, 16-Latin: 'out of many is one' or 'from many comes one', 17-Originally to cover the scorch marks when the British set it on fire in the War of 1812, 18-48, 19-blue & gold, 20-cactus wren.

Margin Notes:

"The Savior is not a silent observer. He Himself knows personally and infinitely the pain we face... There is a physician. The Atonement of Jesus Christ covers all these conditions and purposes of mortality." Elder Kent F. Richards

"The example of making covenants comes from the Savior Himself. He was baptized to fulfill all righteousness by one with proper authority. It was through making a baptismal covenant that the Savior witnessed unto the Father that He would be obedient in keeping all of the Father's commandments." Elder Walter F. Gonzalez

"The authority and gift of the Holy Ghost, which is conferred upon all members of the Church after baptism, sets us apart from other churches."
President Boyd K. Packer

"The work of the Church today is performed by ordinary men and women called and sustained to preside, to teach and to administer. It is by the power of revelation and the gift of the Holy Ghost that those called are guided to know the Lord's will." President Boyd K. Packer

"If we pray with an eternal perspective, we need not wonder if our most tearful and heartfelt pleadings are heard. Your heartfelt pleadings are important to Him. God's holy angels are ever on call to help us." Elder Russell M. Nelson

"Difficult days are ahead. Rarely in the future will it be easy or popular to be a faithful Latter-day Saint. Each of us will be tested." Elder Russell M. Nelson

"Strength comes when you remember that you have a divine nature, an inheritance of infinite worth."
Elder Russell M. Nelson

"Everyone has worth because we are all children of God." Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"We must understand that the 'mighty change of heart' described in the scriptures often happens gradually rather than instantaneously."
Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"We must learn to trust the things that we believe in or know, to sustain us in times of uncertainty."
Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"As Alma taught, gaining a testimony is usually a progression along the continuum of hoping, believing and finally knowing the truth."
Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"Teaching someone else what we know strengthens our own testimony." Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"We should not have higher standards for others than we do for ourselves." Elder Cecil O. Samuelson

"We must always be clear that the Atonement of Christ is fully and continuously operative for each of us when we allow it to be so." Cecil O. Samuelson

“We are all tempted to desire that worldly quartet of property, prominence, pride and power. We might desire these, but we should not fix them as our highest priorities.” Elder Dallin H. Oaks

Many of us believe a wrong isn't a wrong if it's done by nice people like ourselves.

Surely the greatest of those things required of fathers will be to have done all they could for the happiness and spiritual safety of the children they are to nurture. Elder Jeffrey R. Holland

God, I need to remember that yesterday is past. Help me to learn from it and not let it spoil today.

“While there is much that is wrong in the world today, there are many things that are right and good. There are marriages that make it, parents who love their children and sacrifice for them, friends who care about us and help us, teachers who teach. Our lives are blessed in countless ways.” Pres. Thomas S. Monson

“Those things which provide deep and lasting happiness and gratitude are the things which money cannot buy: our families, the gospel, good friends, our health, our abilities, the love we receive from those around us.”
Pres. Thomas S. Monson

By the power of the Holy Ghost ye may know the truth of all things. Moroni 10:3-5