



MARCH 2005

FAMILY HOME EVENING

# WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD

## BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

In 1978 the First Presidency promised, "As you faithfully plan and hold quality family home evenings, you will gain strength to withstand the temptations of the world and will receive many blessings which will help qualify you to enjoy your families through eternity in the Celestial Kingdom."

There is very little we will take with us when we pass from this mortal life into the eternities. We know that we will retain the knowledge we have gained, but most important, we will through the sealing power of the temple, keep our family relationships. What a blessing it is to be placed here upon the earth in family units where we can grow together, nurture and bless each other's lives.

When a family gathers together weekly to pray and learn together, then there is an invitation for the Spirit of the Lord to be in your homes. That sacred learning time should not be taken lightly as a parent in Zion in these latter days. Don't underestimate the power of those few minutes shared

together under the direction of our prophet. You will be blessed for it in abundance as children grow and progress to make important life decisions in their future.

Elder Robert D. Hales of the Quorum of the Twelve said, "An eternal bond doesn't just happen as a result of sealing covenants we make in the temple. How we conduct ourselves in this life will determine what we will be in the eternities to come. To receive the blessings of the sealing that our Heavenly Father has given to us, we have to keep the commandments and conduct ourselves in such a way that our families will want to live with us in the eternities."

Family Home Evening is a great place to start building ties that bind within our individual families. Let us exercise our faith and apply this important principle of the gospel in our homes with added diligence and commitment.

Your Bishopric

**The Edwards family has moved from our ward. We are sorry to see them go. \*\*\*\*\***

We are so sorry that our neighbor Bill Hutchings passed away Feb. 11th.. Bill lived on EastPoint Dr. Deanna Nielsen is collecting money for a remembrance for Bill's sister.

And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus

-2 Timothy 3:15

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*Read to your children from the scriptures. They will not understand all that you read, but they will have a feeling in their hearts of something good and true and precious.*

Gordon B. Hinckley

☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ **Please be reminded that if you would like something in the newsletter, it should be sent to Marilyn Crapo { NO LATER THAN}, March 22nd.. As Fast Sunday for April will be March 27th, because of General Conference April 2nd & 3rd. You can email me at [marilyn@toplinepromotion.com](mailto:marilyn@toplinepromotion.com) or call me at 571-2114. Leave message on machine if I am not there.**

- Since the Theme for March is Family Home Evening, the Bishopric is encouraging families to invite another family (in or out of the ward—members or not) to join them for a Family Home Evening during the month.

SISTERS:



WOMENS CONFERENCE

COMING UP ON March 17th for Sisters 16 & older. 7:00pm

SPEAKERS will be

SHERI DEW &

PRES. GREG DAHL

Make preparations now to attend and be spiritually filled.

**WARD TEMPLE DAY**

March 18th, Friday, we will go on the 6:20 pm session.

### SERVICEMAN

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### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3 Erika Weight  
 5 Bertha Jensen  
 7 Kyle Guest  
 10 Maren Schmitt  
 14 Susan Johnson—  
 Beverly Perry  
 16 Courtney Oldroyd  
 18 Richard Rawlings  
 19 Betty Dunn  
 20 Debra Smith  
 22 Rebecca McLain  
 23 Kristy Jones  
 24 Kevin Pasker

26 Allison Milne  
 28 Brandon Pasker  
 29 Susan Milne  
 Barbara Pasker  
 Stanley Simpson  
 30 Jackie Bartholomew  
 Happy Birthday to you!



### YOUNG WOMEN

2nd Cooking Activity—Stir Fry 7pm  
 9th Class activity  
 16th Combined YMYW 7pm  
 23rd Personal Progress Party  
 30th Pioneer Craft  
 26th YW Broadcast 6pm Stake Center

Reminder to Youth to get your shoes now for the Pioneer Trek so you can get them broken in before the Trek. Which is July 28-29-30.

### FAMILY HISTORY

#### TO DO LIST:

- Study the blessings that come from your lineage revealed to you in your patriarchal blessing.
- Work to be, and stay, worthy of a recommend and attend the temple often.
- Don't be afraid to share the gospel with living family members. As you make contact with distant cousins, through this work, tell them whom you are and why this work is important.
- Teach your children the importance of this work, show them what has been done, show them what still needs to be done; involve them in the work.

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

After talking about Health during February, our ward is going to try to have a periodic "WALK TO CHURCH SUNDAY". This will be an optional participation event for the whole family, so if your health or other reasons prevent you from walking don't let that keep you from coming to church that day. The Ward Council has chosen Easter Sunday, March 27th, to be our first "WALK TO CHURCH SUNDAY". Remember to plan for the extra time it will take to get to church.

We are trying to organize an Empty Nesters Family Home Evening Group. This is for adults who no longer have children at home and especially includes single adults. We would meet on a regular basis in someone's home. Interest will determine if we have more than one group or if we will meet monthly or every other month. We will try to hold these on Monday evenings. Contact Merrill or Ronee Scott 571-4952 if you are interested. We need your feed back.

### MISSIONARIES

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## RELIEF SOCIETY

Enrichment for February was a great success. Thank you to Jacki Bartholomew for teaching us some fun Holiday Decorating ideas. Thank you to Nan Teerlink for teaching us some easy tips to Organizing our homes.

Stake Women's Conference is March 17th at 7:00pm. Sheri Dew is speaking, so don't miss out. This will be our enrichment night, please make it a priority to come.

Relief Society Temple Days will be Thursday, March 24th at 9:00am for an Endowment Session (carpool with Gina and Saturday February 19th at 6:30am for Initiatories (carpool with Kristy & Kary).

## PRIMARY

All Primary children and their teachers are invited to our "Sp-EGG-tacular" Primary Activity on Saturday, March 12th at 10am—11:15am in the Primary Room. Amy McMullin, our new Activity Day leader, has a very fun activity planned for all the children. We hope all the children will plan on attending. We will have an "EGG-cellent" time.

We want to thank Brother Mark Fairclough, Sisters Brittany Hanson, Kim Leshner and Lynn Jensen and their class members for their wonderful class presentation this month. Great Job! In addition we express our appreciation to Ray and Debbie Bierman for their efforts planning the Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet. We are grateful and very blessed to have such dedicated Primary teachers and board members. The children in our ward are blessed by these great men and women.

Our theme for March is "Jesus Christ came to earth and is our Savior." We look forward to discussing with the children our Savior's roll in Heavenly Father's plan for us during the month. Have you heard your children sing "I Will Follow God's Plan For Me" or "A Child's Prayer? Sister Lori Hanson has taught these two wonderful songs to your children. Ask your children to share these songs with you during Family Home Evening. Each year the children learn a Hymn. This month they will be learning "I Believe in Christ".

Congratulations to Charity Tuft and Donovan Wilcox on their marriage on Feb 12 and also to Andy Clark and Heidi Kocherhans. They will be married March 12. Our best wishes to all of you.

## PERSONAL AND FAMILY PREPAREDNESS

Where will you and your family be when disaster strikes? Disaster can strike quickly and without warning. It can force you to evacuate or confine you to your home. You can cope by being prepared and knowing what to do. Here is a Family Disaster Checklist that might help you be better prepared. 1. Find out about the types of disasters that can occur in your area and what to do in each case. (I will be giving you information on this in the next few newsletters, so you may want to clip the info out and keep it handy.) 2. Determine two escape routes from each room in your home. 3. Pick two places to meet: \*One right outside your home in case of sudden emergency, like fire. \*One outside your neighborhood in case you can't return home. Everyone should know the address & phone number. 4. Ask an out-of-state friend to be your family contact. After a disaster it is easier to call long distance. 5. Create a Disaster supply kit (72 hour kit) 6. discuss what to do in an evacuation 7. Teach your children how and when to call 911 and other emergency numbers. Post the numbers near all your phones. 8. Show each responsible family member how and when to turn off utilities at the main switches. Turn off utilities ONLY if you suspect damage or if you are told to do so. 9. Show family members how to use a fire extinguisher (ABC-type) and where it is kept. 10. Make sure your insurance coverage is adequate.

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## FAMILY HOME EVENING

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 7PM Scouting Relations committee SIBA	4	5 REGION YM BB STAKE BAPTISM
6 SUNDAY --- 7:30 am Mission Prep Class -- 6pm CES FIRESIDE SIBA	7 FHE	8	9	10 SIBA	11	12 REGION YM BB ANDY CLARK WEDDING 6:30- 9:PM
13 7AM Stk pec. 4:15pm Missionary Correl. 4:30 pm Youth Conf. Committee mtg. SIBA	14 FHE	15	16 SIBA	17 STAKE WOMENS CONFERENCE 7PM	18 WARD TEMPLE DAY 6:20 PM SESSION	19 REGION YM BB YW BASKETBALL (BUTTERCUP)
20 7AM Stake Bishop's mtg. 7:30am Mission Prep Class SIBA	21 FHE	22 REMEMBER THIS IS THE DAY TO SUBMIT ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER	23	24 SIBA	25	26 YM BASKETBALL (BUTTERCUP) 6PM GENERAL YW MEETING
27 EASTER FAST SUNDAY WALK TO CHURCH SUNDAY SIBA	28 FHE	29	30	31 SIBA	APRIL 3RD DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SET CLOCK AHEAD 1 HOUR.	SIBA= Stake Interviews by Appointment 576-2991