



# WILLOW CANYON

## FIRST WARD

*Family Home Evening*



### BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

September 2006

Tools are great. They are useful. You can make things with them; you can fix things with them. They can help to simplify our lives. New and creative tools are always being introduced to make our lives better. Some of the older tools know to man continue to do a great job, like the hammer, it still smashes fingers just as well today as it did hundreds of years ago. Where would we be without all our wonderful tools? Maybe we could ask the same question about all the wonderful tools of the Gospel. One of those tools has proven to be very effective for many who have used it faithfully through the years. Family Home Evening, Elder Wirthlin said in a conference address from April of 1993:

“The ideal way to transform your home into a house of learning is to hold family home evening faithfully. The Church has reserved Monday evening for that purpose. In 1915, the First Presidency instructed local leaders and parents to inaugurate a home evening, a time when parents should teach their families the principles of the gospel. The Presidency wrote; “If the Saints obey this counsel, we promise that great blessings will result. Love at home and obedience to parents will increase. Faith will be developed in the hearts of the youth of Israel, and they will gain power

to combat the evil influence and temptations which beset them.” President David O. McKay gave the same promise in 1965 and added that the youth will gain power “to choose righteousness and peace, and be assured an eternal place in the family circle of our Father.” In 1976, the Presidency reaffirmed that “regular participation in family home evening will develop increased personal worth, family unity, love for our fellow men, and trust in our Father in Heaven.”

Pretty great promises for using the “Family home evening tool.” Tools are only as good as the effort put forth to use them. Some may be more expert than others but as you begin to use it faithfully and use it often you will soon feel quite comfortable and confident in using it and making it work properly for you.

Family home evenings can be difficult. Not everyone in the family may look at it as a great tool of our time. But as we persevere and make consistent effort that eventually becomes routine, we find out how effective this tool can become for our families, just as the first presidency has counseled us for the past 91 years. Just like any other tool that the gospel offers, faith must always play a vital role to make it work properly (unlike when I hit my finger with a hammer). Nephi had it figured when he said;”But the Lord knoweth all things from the beginning; wherefore

he prepareth a way to accomplish all his works among the children of men; for behold, he hath all power unto the fulfilling of all his words. And thus it is, Amen”.

May we all be blessed as we exercise our faith by following the plan, and successfully make the “tools” of the gospel effective in our homes.

Love, Your Bishopric

### *Gospel Doctrine*

Sep 3 Proverbs and Ecclesiastes

Sep10 Job 1-2; 13; 19; 27;42

Sep 17 Jonah 1-4; Micah 2:4-7

Sep24 Hosea 1-3; 11; 13-14

Oct 1 General Conference

RELIEF SOCIETY

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the Summer Social. We appreciate all the help from those who played host to the Chinese Performers, to everyone who brought food to share, and to the wonderful committee who set-up, clean-up and spent many hours getting ready for this event. We especially appreciate everyone's willingness to switch plans just one week before the event and make everything fall into place without a hitch. Thanks ever so much

Thank you to Becky Easton for serving on the Enrichment Committee, we appreciate your dedication and service. We want to welcome Laura Woodhouse to the Enrichment Committee, we look forward to learning from you.

Thanks to our guest teachers this month, Natalie Nielson-Riep and Samantha Milne, we appreciate the time you took to teach us with the Spirit.

"The Power of an Hour" Stake Relief Society service project will be held Thursday, Sept. 14th 7-9:00pm. Come spend as much time as you can. Services to be done are : quilt tying, assembling sewing kits or family home evening kits, and you may donate school supplies to the inner-city schools. Please come and spend an hour and realize what a difference an hour can make in our lives.

**FOOD STORAGE:** Our opportunity to use the Dry Pack Cannery will be Wednesday September 20th, From 5 to 9pm. You may sign up in Relief Society or call Gina Messerly 572-3581 or just come down to the Cannery at 615 East 8400 South at the North East entrance and get your own food storage built up or can some good food for Christmas gifts to college students or young marrieds. . With the price of gasoline threatening to go even higher, the price of food will likely go up too, so this is a great chance to get a supply of food for our families. Don't miss this chance. It is only 5 minutes and 2 miles away and an hour of two of your precious time, well spent.

**NEWSLETTER:**

Get all information to Marilyn by October 3rd

- E-mail: [marilyn@toplinepromotions.com](mailto:marilyn@toplinepromotions.com). Please notify me of any news in your neighborhood. Thank you for your help. Remember the date - **TUESDAY October 3rd**.
- **General Conference is Oct 1- 2. Fast Sunday Oct 8th**
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**PARENTS OF MISSIONARIES**

PLEASE CONTACT: DOROTHY SCHMIDT WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW MISSIONARY ADDRESS. 571-0616 FOR THE BULLETIN BOARD, AND MARILYN CRAPO 571-2114 FOR THE NEWSLETTER. THANK YOU!

*Reminder: Going to the temple often, will make your life happier and increase your spirituality. No organized Ward Temple day is planned this month but we are encouraged to go early in the day on Fridays. Call your neighbor and go. Someone is patiently waiting for you to do their work.*  
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*"The temple is concerned with things of immortality. It is a bridge between this life and the next. All of the ordinances that take place in the house of the Lord are expressions of our belief in the immortality of the human soul."*

Gordon B. Hinckley

Empty Nesters will be having a Bar-b-que at the home of Merrill & Ronee Scott on September 11 at 6:00pm. Bring your own meat and a salad or dessert to share. The lesson will be at 7:00pm. If you haven't come before you are welcome to start coming now.

"The best antidote I know for worry, is work ..

The best medicine for despair, is service....

The best cure for weariness, is the challenge of helping someone who is even more tired." G. b. Hinckley

**PRIMARY**

The Primary theme for the month of September is: The promises in the scriptures give me comfort and courage.

The scripture for the month is "*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?*" (Psalms 27:1) Families are encouraged to help their children memorize these scriptures. As they do this their testimonies are strengthened. Children remember to bring your scriptures to Primary.

Thank you to Brother Drew and Sister Stefanie Kimball and Brother Greg Miles and their classes for sharing time this month. Jr. Primary had fun learning about the treasures of the gospel through a presentation with presents and songs. Sr. Primary had a great lesson about keeping the Sabbath day holy. The children learned, as they role played different situations, what was and wasn't appropriate to do on the Sabbath. The Primary leaders joined in and certainly gave the children an opportunity to see the less serious side of the leaders. It was a fun day for everyone.

Circle Tuesday September 19th on your calendar. This is the date of a special Primary Activity Day. The theme will be "Children Around the World." It will be held at the Church at 3:45pm.

School is back in session so please drive carefully. The speed limit is 25 mph but children move 50 mph. Give them their space and drive slow.

"Cling to the Church. If you will do so it will become as an anchor in the midst of a stormy sea. It will be a light to your lives and a foundation upon which to build them."  
Gordon B. Hinckley

**YOUNG WOMEN**

We would like to thank all of the Dads who were such great sports at our annual Daddy/Daughter Party. We started the night playing one of the girls favorite games "Do you love your neighbor". I think it's fair to say that the girls ruled— the Dads were never fast enough to beat their daughters. Next we served our Dads a five star-dinner which included Chicken salad on a croissant, a beautiful fruit platter, and sliced tomatoes. To top it all off Vicki made her famous fresh peach pie. Following dinner the real fun began. The girls treated their Dad's to a soothing home made facial made up of raw eggs, honey and oatmeal. Let's not forget the cucumber slices that we put on their tired, puffy eyes. The Dad's were then treated to a manicure, including finger nail painting, and a personalized new hair style (well those that had hair). Boy did we end up with some "GORGEOUS" Dads. It was a fun evening and a wonderful way to strengthen our relationships with our fathers. As the girls begin a new school year, we would like to encourage everyone to reach out to our young women and show our love and appreciation for them. May we always remember that the Mantle of Leadership: is not the "Cloak of Comfort" but rather the "Robe of Responsibility". Have a great month.

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We welcome home some of our missionaries, **Malorie Ricks and James Neiswender** and wish them well in their schooling.

It was good to see **Bill Schmitt** as he was home on leave from Cyprus. Bill will return back to Idaho to the Air Force Base.

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS****Happy Birthday**

6 Reiko Hilton  
7 Ed McLain -  
Sandy Reynolds-  
Joseph Viehweg  
8 Tyler Evans  
9 Kyle Nydegger-  
Merrill Scott-  
Tori Weight  
10 Michael Jones-

Robert Marx -  
11 Lane Clark  
12 Perry Tucker  
13 Andrea Marx  
14 Chance Tolman  
16 Zamara Pendleton  
18 Clarence Welchers  
19 Paul Visser

20 Seth Wells  
22 Mary Deming -  
Mark Fairclough-  
Suzanne Morris-  
Vilma Sagebin  
25 Clair Webster  
27 Isaac Day

28 Mark Ray—Adam  
Schildmeyer—  
Rachelle Wells—  
Anthony Dalton  
29 Georgann Lloyd  
30 Shirstine Day

**October**

1 Natalie Nielsen-

Rebecca Easton—  
Samantha Milne  
2 Sandy Gao—Chet  
Sanders



# Willow Canyon 1st Ward Calendar

## September 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>3</b> •Fast Sunday •7:30 AM Mission Prep. Class	<b>4</b> •DI Drive •FHE •Labor Day •Welfare Assignment (Deseret Dairy)	<b>5</b> •DI Drive •7:00 PM Priest Activity - Duty to God night •7:00 PM Teachers - DTG - Service Project - Clean Yards	<b>6</b> •DI Drive	<b>7</b> •DI Drive •Stake Interviews by Appt.	<b>8</b> •DI Drive •Ward Temple Day	<b>9</b> •Stake Baptism •9:00 AM YM - Merit Badge Morning - Bshp Nydeggers •5:30 PM High Priest Social •8:00 PM "6 Stake" Youth Dance; 9880 S 3100 E.
<b>10</b> •CES Fireside for Young Adults	<b>11</b> •FHE •Welfare Assignment (Deseret Dairy)	<b>12</b> •7:00 PM Priest Activity - Music Appreciation Night •7:00 PM Teachers - Activity - Dodge Ball	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> •7:00 PM Stake RS Service Project - Buttercup Bldg •7:30 PM Scouting Roundtable - Stake Center •9:00 PM Stake Interviews by Appt.	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> •7:00 AM Stake Priesthood Leadership Mtg.	<b>18</b> •FHE •Friends of Scouting Campaign •Welfare Assignment (Deseret Dairy)	<b>19</b> •Friends of Scouting Campaign •Young Women Open House •7:00 PM YM-YW Combined Activity - Dating Panel	<b>20</b> •Friends of Scouting Campaign •Primary Open House •5:00 PM Dry Pack Canning	<b>21</b> •Friends of Scouting Campaign •Relief Society Open House •Stake Interviews by Appt.	<b>22</b> •Friends of Scouting Campaign	<b>23</b> •Friends of Scouting Campaign •General Relief Society Meeting •YW Volleyball (Buttercup) •6:00 PM General Relief Society Broadcast - NOT in Stake Center
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> •FHE •Welfare Assignment (Deseret Dairy)	<b>26</b> •Young Men Open House •Young Women Open House •7:00 PM Priest Activity - 6 mile run in 60 minutes •7:00 PM Teachers - Welfare Square Service	<b>27</b> •Young Men Open House •Primary Open House	<b>28</b> •Young Men Open House •Relief Society Open House •Stake Interviews by Appt. •3:00 PM MT Sunday School Open House	<b>29</b> •Young Men Open House	<b>30</b> •General Conference •6:00 PM General Priesthood Mtg.

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