

WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD NEWSLETTER

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HUMILITY

BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

Joseph Smith had qualities of kindness and humility that are identified in the following story related by William F. Cahoon, Joseph Smith's seventeen-year-old home teacher. .

"I was called and ordained to act as a teacher to visit the families of the Saints. I got along very well till I found that I was obliged to call and pay a visit to the Prophet. Being young, only about seventeen years of age, I felt my weakness in visiting the Prophet and his family in the capacity of a teacher. I almost felt like shrinking from duty. Finally I went to his door and knocked, and in a minute the Prophet came to the door. I stood there trembling, and said to him:

" 'Brother Joseph, I have come to visit you in the capacity of a teacher, if it is convenient for you.'

"He said, 'Brother William, come right in, I am glad to see you; sit down in that chair there and I will go and call my family in.'

"They soon came in and took seats. He then said, 'Brother William, I submit myself and family into your hands,' and then took his seat. 'Now, Brother William,' said he, 'ask all the questions you feel like.'

"By this time all my fears and trembling had ceased, and I said, 'Brother Joseph, are you trying to live your religion?'

"He answered, 'Yes.'

"I then said, 'Do you pray in your family?'

"He said, 'Yes.'

" 'Do you teach your family the principles of the gospel?'

"He replied, 'Yes, I am trying to do it.'

" 'Do you ask a blessing on your food?'

"He answered, 'Yes.'

" 'Are you trying to live in peace and harmony with all your family?'

"He said that he was.

"I then turned to Sister Emma, his wife, and said, 'Sister Emma, are you trying to live your religion? Do you teach your children to obey their parents? Do you try to teach them to pray?'

"To all these questions she answered, 'Yes, I am trying to do so.'

"I then turned to Joseph and said, 'I am now through with my questions as a teacher; and now if you have any instructions to give, I shall be happy to receive them.'

"He said, 'God bless you, Brother William; and if you are humble and faithful, you shall have power to settle all difficulties that may come before you in the capacity of a teacher.'

"I then left a parting blessing upon him and his family, as a teacher, and took my departure" ("Recollections of the Prophet Joseph Smith," *Juvenile Instructor*, 15 Aug. 1892, pp. 492-93).

The following comes from Preach My Gospel. These are beautiful words and worth reading more than once:

Humility is willingness to submit to the will of the Lord and to give the Lord the honor for what is accomplished. It includes gratitude for His blessings and acknowledgment of your constant need for His divine help. Humility is not a sign of weakness; it is a sign of spiritual strength. When you humbly trust Him and acknowledge His power and mercy, you can have the assurance that His commandments are for your good. You are confident that you can do whatever the Lord requires of you if you rely on Him. You are also willing to trust His chosen servants and follow their counsel. Humility will help you as you strive to be obedient, to work hard, and serve selflessly.

The opposite of humility is pride, which is condemned in the scriptures. To be prideful means to put greater trust in oneself than in God or in His servants. It also means to put the things of the world above the things of God. Prideful people take honor to themselves rather than giving God the glory. Pride is competitive; those who are prideful seek to have more and presume they are better than other people. Pride usually results in feelings of anger and hatred, and it is a great stumbling block.

We love our ward family. Our prayers go out for all of you.
The Bishopric.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

MAR. 29 SUSAN MILNE—
BARBARA PASKER—
STANLEY SIMPSON

APR 1 JIM HANSON
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SPENCER ELLIS

3 NATHANIEL WELLS
DRESDEN CURTIS
DOUG JENSEN

4 LAURA WOODHOUSE
5 JILL RIBGY

6 VIOLET KOEHN
8 CRAIG FAIRCLOUGH

13 FRED MERRILL

14 BILL ALLEN—ILLEANA
BURRUP

15 WALLY STEVENS—MAT-
THEW MILES—RICHARD
ALEXANDER

16 TAMARA OLSEN—RAIN
TANNER

18 RONEE SCOTT—LOGAN
CURTIS

19 SARAH JONES

25 ROBERT FREDERICK-
SON

26 PARKER LLOYD

27 SALLIE SCHMITT—JANA
TUCKER

28 DEBBIE BIERMAN

29 VIRGINIA TIMMONS

MAY 1 JEFFERY BEAL
2 RON HANSEN

GET CONNECTED WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD WEBSITE

YOU WILL NEED TWO PIECES OF INFORMATION TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT ON THE 1ST WARD WEBSITE

1. Your membership record number which is found on your temple recommend or from Scott Williams (571-8567)
2. Your confirmation date. Also available from Scott Williams

GETTING CONNECTED COULD NOT BE EASIER

1. Go to www.lds.org
2. Find a link on right side of page called "Stake and Ward Websites" and click
3. If you are new to the site click on "Obtain an Account"
4. Complete all the information and click on "Submit" at bottom of page. Make sure you include your most used email address so you can obtain the most up to date information as it is emailed out to the ward.
5. Once you have set up an account each time you return just log in using your username and password. The ward website is updated almost daily as information is submitted. This is by far the most accurate and timely way to stay in touch with news, calendars, lesson schedules, information and much more about what is going on in the Ward. If you have questions please contact Russ Messerly 572-3581 or russ-messerly@msn.com. We will continue to have a hard copy of the newsletter even though you can access it on website.

EMPTY NESTERS WILL MEET ON April 13th at Gary & Susan Johnson's home at 7pm. We welcome all Empty Nesters to join us. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month



Have a beautiful Easter

Newsletter information Please submit to marilyn@toplinepromotions.com by TUESDAY the 28th of APRIL I really need this information before Thursday so I can get it to the Printer on Friday. Thank you for your cooperation and input.

The open house and Temple Dedication was a thrilling event and such a privilege to be able to have a temple in our area. Many thanks to all those in our Ward and Stake who spent endless hours in making preparations and plans for these events to run smoothly, as they did. Thank you to all of you who volunteered to serve in these capacities. You will be blessed for serving in whatever area you were in from bus hosts to parking lot attendant to Ushers in the Celestial room. Each position was just as important as any other in order for everything to run smoothly as it did. Now it is our great privilege to be able to go to the temple and help those who are waiting for our service.. Go to the Temple this month as often and whenever you can and enjoy the beautiful spirit that is there.

YW / WM

.YW activity nights will be April 8th & 9th at Buttercup to practice for the Draper Temple Celebration at the Conference Center on May 29th. We will pick up your girls, stay with them, learning the dance and then bring them home. The theme is "Come up to the Mountain of the Lord". We are excited to be able to participate in this Special Celebration with the Youth.

We welcome Vanessa Pendleton as Assistant Camp Director. We are looking forward to girls camp Aug. 10 thru 14.

Happy Birthday to Sarah Jones April 19

Mar. 29 Parents, youth and leaders are invited to a Fireside to kick off the Temple Celebration at the Stake Center 7-8pm.

Apr. 28 YM/YW Sandy Garden 6 to 8pm.

RELIEF SOCIETY

A Stake Relief Society Enrichment Meeting is coming up on April 25th 9am to noon. Let's plan to attend and be blessed in doing Service Projects, and in do so, support our Stake Relief Society Presidency for all their time and effort in helping up.

Sisters, let's put forth our best efforts this month to do our visiting teaching. We are representing our Savior as we go into the homes of our neighbors and friends. We need to help lift them up and bring a spiritual message to them to brighten their day. Let's ask ourselves "What would Jesus do?" This is our Stewardship

We are looking forward to visiting teaching inter-view coming up in May. Watch for the sign-up sheets in the folders. Please participate.

If there is anything we can do for you, please let us know. Thanks for all you do. May the Lord bless you.

Your Relief Society Presidency,
Andrea, Deanna, Allyn and Taralynn

*Happiness keeps you sweet
Trials keep you strong
Sorrows keep you human
Life keeps you humble
Success keeps you glowing
But only friends keep you going.*

DRAPER TEMPLE INFORMATION The number to call to make an appointment is 801-576-4240

The chances of getting on a session are very good if you just show up. Sessions are every hour. You can call as far ahead as you like or even one hour ahead. Last week it was quite slow in the morning.

FAMILY HISTORY

"Our effort is not to compel everyone to do everything, but to encourage everyone to do something"

"There are many different things our members can do to help in the redeeming of the dead, in temple and family history work. Some involve callings. Others are personal. All are expressions of devotion and discipleship. All present opportunities for sacrifice and service." Elder Dallin Oaks

"Family History: In Wisdom and Order" (Ensign, Jan 1989, 6-8)

If your interest is in learning how to find family names to take to the temple call your Family History Consultants, Merrill & Ronee Scott or Joyce Frederickson.

Primary

Yearly Theme: My Eternal Family

March Theme: Jesus Christ made it possible for me to live with Heavenly Father again

March Scripture: (John 14: 6)

"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man can enter unto the Father, but by me."

March was an eventful month in Primary! We had our first primary activity of the year and it was a great success. We enjoyed getting together for juice and muffins. We learned how to make paper flowers then visited with our friends at the care center. While we were there we sang songs and gave our flowers to the residents. We made many new friends and we are excited to visit them again. We also enjoyed having our Stake primary presidency teach us during ward conference.

This month we are looking forward to the class sharing time presentations given by the Valiant girls and the CTR 6 & 7 class. This is a great opportunity for the children to share what they are learning in class; and oh so much fun to watch

We love your children and are excited to see them each week in Primary

MUSIC

Third Nephi tells of a time when "the people did break forth, all as one, in singing" - - because their hearts were swollen with joy. The Lord had just delivered them from their enemies. They knew it was because they had repented and humbled themselves before him.

The qualities of repentance and humility can be found in the songs we sing in April. As the people in the scriptures did break forth in singing, all as one, we too can do the same each Sabbath day.

Does the old Christian hymn "Rock of Ages" suggest a person feeling of humility before our Lord?

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<u>1</u> •YM/YW Activity Night	<u>2</u> •7:00 PM YW - Volleyball 7PM (Buttercup)	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> •General Conference •8:00 AM Area YSA Conference Breakfast
<u>5</u> •General Conference	<u>6</u> •FHE	<u>7</u> •9:00 AM Dry pack canning	<u>8</u> •YM/YW Activity Night <i>Buttercup</i>	<u>9</u> •Jordan Sch. Dist. spring recess •Stake interviews by appointment •7:30 PM Scouting Roundtable - Stake Center	<u>10</u> •Jordan School District spring recess	<u>11</u>
<u>12</u> •Easter	<u>13</u> <i>EMPTY NESTERS</i> •FHE •Jordan School District spring recess	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> •YM/YW Activity Night	<u>16</u> •7:00 PM YW - Volleyball 7PM (Buttercup)	<u>17</u> •Jordan Church Ball	<u>18</u>
<u>19</u> •High Council speakers •6:00 AM Bishops' Welfare Mtg. •7:00 AM Stake Bishops' Mtg. •7:30 AM Missionary Preparation Class •2:15 PM Bishop's Youth Council	<u>20</u> •FHE •Sandy DI Drive Week	<u>21</u> •Sandy DI Drive Week	<u>22</u> •Sandy DI Drive Week •YM/YW Activity Night •7:00 PM DI Drive Pick Up - YM	<u>23</u> •Sandy DI Drive Week •Stake interviews by appointment •7:00 PM YW - Volleyball 7PM (Buttercup)	<u>24</u> •Sandy DI Drive Week	<u>25</u> •9:00 AM Stake Relief Society Enrichment
<u>26</u> •8:30 AM Ward Council Mtg. •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	<u>27</u> •FHE	<u>28</u> •6:00 PM Sandy Vegetable Garden - YM/YW Combined Activity •6:00 PM Sandy Vegetable Project assignment	<u>29</u> •7:30 PM Mission preparation activity	<u>30</u> •7:00 PM Auxiliary Training •7:00 PM YW - Volleyball 7PM (Buttercup)		

Just Do Something . . .

"It is better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret"

This month we are going to focus on having our important documents ready to go in a moments notice. Documents should be stored in a fire/water proof container, or bank safety deposit box or electronic format and kept with your 72-hour kit.

Copies of the Following Documents

- Bank & credit Card Account Numbers
 - Birth Certificates
 - Deeds
 - Drivers License (copy)
 - Emergency Contact List and Phone Numbers of friends and relatives
 - Immunization Records
 - Insurance Papers: Auto, Home Life Self-Business Insurance
 - Inventory of Household goods (may wish to include pictures)
 - Personal Identification
 - Cash and Coins
 - Credit Card(s) copies
- Extra set of house and car keys

This is just a short list of the many items you might want to have. We are going to have the complete list on the table by the Relief Society Room if you are interested.

**Also if you ordered any of the Lighting Supplies please get your check to Rex or Chyrrel Cook by March 31st. We'll get the items ordered and you can pick them up at our home. Thanks

Dry Pack Cannery
April 7th

GENERAL CONFERENCE

"I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright and in the Congregation." Psalm 111:1

" General conferences are held to strengthen our testimonies of this work, to fortify us against temptation and sin, to lift our sights, to receive instruction concerning the program of the Church and the pattern of our lives"

"Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation." Hebrews 13:7

" The procedure of sustaining is much more than a ritualistic raising of the hand. It is a commitment to uphold, support, to assist those Who have been selected. "

Gordon B. Hinckley