

WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD NEWSLETTER

JULY 2009

SACRIFICE AND OBEDIENCE

BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

Obedience and Sacrifice

The past couple of weeks many of our Young Men leaders have made some significant sacrifices of time, resources and effort by attending scout camps, not to mention the sacrifices made by wives at home holding down the fort. More sacrifice will come with girls' camp and trek later this summer.

Several Relief Society sisters in the ward sacrificed for a successful Super Saturday event.

Currently 8 people from the Willow Canyon 1st ward are serving the Lord full time in the work of saving souls. Families are making great sacrifices on their behalf.

A month ago a 5K race was sponsored by the Willow Canyon 1st ward. It was a great success due to the sacrifice of time and resources from many in the ward.

These are just a few examples of many sacrifices that our ward has made over its history, and this does not begin to account for some of the powerful spiritual blessings our ward has partaken of due to the sacrifices made on behalf of those who have had some incredible personal struggles.

Sacrifice is a very important aspect of the Lords plan for us. Pres. Hinckley said, "Without sacrifice there is no true worship of God." With the advent of the Savior the Law of Moses was fulfilled and blood sacrifices were no longer required. A new higher law was given. The Savior told the Nephites -

"And ye shall offer up unto me no more the shedding of blood; yea, your sacrifices and your burnt offerings shall be done away, for I will accept none of your sacrifices and your burnt offerings.

And ye shall offer for a sacrifice unto me a broken heart and a contrite spirit. And whoso cometh unto me with a broken heart and a contrite spirit, him will I baptize with fire and with the Holy Ghost, even as the Lamanites, because of their faith in me at the time of their conversion, were baptized with fire and with the Holy Ghost, and they knew it not."

(3 Nep. 9:19-20)

Elder Neal Maxwell said it well - "Real, personal sacrifice never was placing an animal on the altar. Instead, it is a willingness to put the animal in us upon the altar and letting it be consumed!" ("Deny Yourselves of All Ungodliness," *Ensign*, May 1995, 68).

When we are obedient to the Lord's ways and are willing to sacrifice our time, talents, and resources to building His kingdom, the plan works in our favor and we begin to understand how we can fulfill the full measure of our existence in this life and prepare to return to Heavenly Father with no regrets. Sacrifice allows us to obtain the inner strength we need to master ourselves. Elder Ballard in a talk to church educators related the following -

Brother Truman G. Madsen tells about a visit he made to Israel with President Hugh B. Brown, an Apostle of the Lord who served as both Second and First Counselor in the First Presidency. In a valley known as Hebron, where tradition has it that the tomb of Father Abraham is located, Brother Madsen asked President Brown, "What are the blessings of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob?" After a short moment of thought, President Brown answered, "Posterity."

Brother Madsen writes: "I almost burst out, 'Why, then, was Abraham commanded to go to Mount Moriah and offer his only hope of posterity?'

"It was clear that [President Brown], nearly ninety, had thought and prayed and wept over that question before. He finally said, 'Abraham needed to learn something about Abraham' " (*The Highest in Us* [1978], 49).

May we all be blessed with the spirit of obedience and sacrifice that will allow us to better understand ourselves and our relationship with the Savior. As we do so we will better understand what it means to offer a sacrifice of a "broken heart and contrite spirit."

Love,
Your Bishopric

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JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Jennifer Milne
- 5 Lothair Pendleton
- 6 Richard Clegg—Mariah Wells
- 7 Florence Petersen
- 10 Susan Alexander—Joey Tucker
- 11 Jaxon Olsen—Nancy Williams
- 12 Vicki Loveless
- 13 Carson Clegg
- 15 Robbie Morris
- 16 Kent Nunley
- 17 Marilyn Crapo
- 18 Larry Kershaw—Sabrina Forbes
- 19 Margie Guest
- 20 Brian Morris
- 23 Megan Pasker

- 25 Robert Rawlings
- 26 Jerry Farr
- 27 Craig Fritzsche—Brent Gardner
- 29 Jerry Visser—Monica Jensen
- 30 Brooke Tuft

Happy Birthday to all these people and any others I may have missed. Sorry! Please let me know if I missed you.

REMINDERS: Ward Family Reunion July 15th, Hidden Valley Park, Draper, Wasatch Blvd. Hamburgers and Hot dogs provided by the ward. Potluck, salads or desserts.

Temple Day July 10th. Go anytime during the day.

Book of Mormon challenge. By today we should be on page 305

Choir will not practice in July until the 19th at 10:15a.m.

Congratulations to Adrienne Nielsen and Jaron Dixon on their marriage July 8th. Gus is setting the example for the rest of her siblings.

WELCOME HOME to Sister Tiffany Ann Pasker from her mission

Congratulations to Kim Sanderson as he will be getting married on August 8th to Sharon McConkie from Moses Lake, WA. Sharon has six children the youngest being 13 years old. Kim is selling his home and moving and we will miss him but we wish Kim and Sharon much happiness.

Help! If any of you have taken pictures of any events in the ward in 2008-09 please contact Diane Clark. She needs them for the ward history....571-7857

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOOD STORAGE

This month we are offering a Garden in a Can Price \$24.00

What is better than you own home grown veggies? Includes peas, radishes, onions, spinach, cabbage, swiss chard, beets, carrots, lettuce, beans, corn, cucumbers, zucchini squash, peppers, winter squash, and tomatoes. Adequately dried seeds sealed in moisture barrier containers can be stored safely for 4 years at 65–70 degrees temperature and much longer at lower temperatures.

We are also offering a Kitchen Sprouter Set \$ 15.00. This easy to use Kitchen sprouter will have you in alfalfa sprouts with only a minute or two of set-up and a three to five day growing time. Enjoy a fresh harvest of nutritious alfalfa sprouts in your own kitchen without soil.

FOOD & POWER PREPAREDNESS EXPO 2009

Date: Saturday August 15th
Time: 9:00am to 12:00pm
Location: Sandy East Stake Center 9636 S. 1700 E. Sandy, Ut
For: All Sandy Residents: (Sandy Utah East Stake)
Cost: FREE!! FREE!! FREE!!

**SANDY EAST STAKE
DRY PACK CANNERY**
July 31st Fri 9:00 am. —1:00pm

RELIEF SOCIETY

Our Super Saturday last week was successful and we thank : Margie Guest for her excellent presentation on Emergency Preparedness food preparation, to Charlene Farr, Kristy Butler, Lori Hanson and Debbie Bierman, Allyn Thompson and the ladies who worked on and finished a humanitarian quilt service project.

Summer Play Group is Wednesday at 10:00am. Meet at the church. If interested or need further information call Terri Neiswender

Everyone keep walking and keep track of your miles.

Our Prayers go out to Ray Bye, Audrey Haight and any others who are not able to be with us because of sickness.

YW/YM

Activities: July 1 Family History and Making candy grams

Girls Camp August 11-14. Cost for girls is \$50.00 and you start turning in your money now.

July 8 Camp Activities

July 15 Ward Reunion 6:00 pm potluck

July 22 Service tying a quilt

July 29 No activity getting ready for TREK

Stake Baptism at Draper Temple July 15

'Summerary" July 20—23 11:00—12:30 at Jordan High Seminary

Stake TREK July 30, 31 and Aug. 1

Watch for updates about camp from Kaylin and Vanessa. We are really excited.

Happy Birthday to Megan Pasker July 23 and Monica Jensen July 29

Family History

The Family History Center will be closed in July but If you need help please call Scotts or Joyce Frederickson and they will come to your home to help you.

New Family Search will be online for our area in 90 days, so if you would like to get a jump on that and learn how to do it call the Scotts or Joyce to get started.

Primary

Yearly Theme: My Eternal Family

July Theme: I will strengthen my family

July Scripture: Mosiah 4:13

"And ye will not have a mind to injure one another, but to live peaceably."

We are excited to have another baptism. Mariah Wells will be baptized this month. It has been so fun to have so many baptisms this year. We are thrilled to see all of these kids choosing to be baptized and are grateful to be a part of their lives.

We want to thank all of our wonderful teachers. We appreciate all of their hard work and effort. We have had many willing substitutes this month as well. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help in primary as teachers and music helpers. We also want to welcome our new Sunbeam teachers Ali Milne and Charity Wilcox. We look forward to working with you.

Remember to help your children with the Bishop's Book of Mormon challenge!

SPECIAL EVENT

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY A PERFORMING ARTS GROUP FROM CHINA THE EVENING OF MONDAY, JULY 13TH AT FAIRCLOUGH'S HOME AT 7PM. THIS IS IN APPRECIATION OF THE WONDERFUL EXPERIENCES THAT WERE PROVIDED NUMEROUS YOUTH FROM CHINA BY FAMILIES IN OUR WARD AND NEIGHBORHOOD. IT WILL BE A WORTHWHILE ACTIVITY FOR FAMILIES

Newsletter information Please submit to marilyn@toplinepromotions.com by TUESDAY July 28th. Thank you for your cooperation and input.

MUSIC



July is the patriotic and pioneer month. The songs are about our country and also the state we love. We will sing about the "exiled saints" and the wilderness they faced. Also we'll sing about our beautiful mountains with snow on the peaks and our tempeled cities. We love our home here with all its worth and beauty.

Is there such a song that describes these things? The Wintry Day on page 37 is the one, but it in the third and fourth verses.

You will hear it every week as a prelude before we wing it on July 26th. Look at the words throughout the month in preparation to sing it. It has a beautiful melody as well as beautiful words.



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Willow Canyon 1st Ward Calendar

July 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 •YM/YW Activity Night	2 •Stake interviews by appointment	3	4 •Independence Day
5 •Fast Sunday •7:30 AM Missionary Preparation Class	6 •FHE	7	8 •YM/YW Activity Night	9 •Scouting Roundtable (Cubs only) - Stake Center •Stake interviews by appointment	10 <i>Temple Day</i>	11 •Stake Baptism
12 •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	13 •FHE <i>Chinese Performing Arts 7:30 PM Faircloughs</i>	14	15 •6:00 PM Ward Summer Social	16	17 •Ma & Pa Mini Trek •Stake Lagoon Day •7:30 PM MT Pioneer Day Commemoration Concert (Live)	18 •Ma & Pa Mini Trek •Pioneer Day Commemoration Concert Broadcast •Varsity Scouting On-Target
19 •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	20 •FHE	21	22 •YM/YW Activity Night	23 •Stake interviews by appointment	24 •Pioneer Day	25
26 •8:30 AM Ward Council Mtg. •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	27 •FHE	28 <i>Newsletter Items Due</i>	29	30 •Stake Youth Conference (Trek)	31 •Stake Youth Conference (Trek) •9:00 AM Dry pack canning	