

# WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2009

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

## BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

I have been uplifted by the many talks given the past year on keeping a positive attitude during trials and hard times. Just watching President Uchtdorf and his positive demeanor and words has helped to endure trials and given new resolve to be happy. A lesson I was taught and learned long ago is that when a trial comes your way and you need help...the answer seems counter-intuitive, but it is to help others! Since we ran out of time to include a recent conference talk in our newsletter I have included this inspiring talk from 5 months ago given by Bishop Edgley.

"My Brethren of the priesthood, in recent years we have witnessed many emergencies and natural disasters throughout the world. Among them have been hurricanes, wildfires, earthquakes and a devastating tsunami.

The Church has responded to these and many other disasters in marvelous ways. Groups of members have quickly mobilized to go and help those in need. They all felt good knowing they were blessing the lives of others through their service.

Often, individuals who are not of our faith—members of other churches, relief organizations, governments, and news media—comment on how quickly the Church is able to mobilize so many who are willing to help. They ask, "How do you do it?" The response to this question can be simply stated as we are prepared, we have organization, we have empathy and we have charity." It usually just takes a few phone calls from presiding authorities to local leaders to mobilize hundreds and sometimes thousands of individuals to go to the rescue of their fellow brothers and sisters in distress.

I wish to speak of another challenge to which we have opportunities to respond, and brethren, *this is your phone call*. This challenge is not one of natural causes; however, its effects are real and are being felt globally. And while we are optimistic about the future, we continue—as we have for decades—to espouse the fundamental principle that we are our brother's keeper.

Elder Robert D. Hales has recently observed; "The economic clouds that have long threatened the world are now fully upon us. The impact of this economic storm on our Heavenly Father's children requires a gospel vision of welfare today more than ever before" The unemployment and financial wakes of this storm are splashing over every stake and every ward throughout the Church. I suspect they have been felt in some way be each of us, whether personally—through members of our families or extended families—or through someone we know.

Brethren, there is no organization better able to respond to the challenges of humanity than the priesthood of the Most High God. We have the organization. Stake Presidents, bishops, elders quorum presidents, and high priests group leaders—we now call upon you to mobilize our priesthood quorums in response to the employment and financial challenges facing our members. *Consider this your personal phone call*. Now is the time to rally around, lift up, and help the families in our quorums who may be in distress.

Opportunities abound, and yours is the opportunity and responsibility of marshaling the Lord's resources. Among our quorum members, you will likely find those who know of job openings and others who are skilled at writing resumes or assisting in interview preparation. Regardless of titles or skills, you will find a brotherhood committed to bear one another's burdens.

President Monson tells the story of a retired executive named Ed who lived the example of a quorum member. On one occasion President Monson was speaking with Ed and asked him, "Ed, what are you doing in the Church?" He replied "I have the best assignment in the ward. My responsibility is to help men who are unemployed find permanent employment. This year I have helped 12 of my brethren who were out of work to obtain good jobs. I have never been happier in my entire life." President Monson continues, "Short in stature, 'Little Ed,' as we affectionately called him, stood tall that evening as his eyes glistened and his voice quavered. He showed his love by helping those in need. He restored human dignity. He opened doors for those who knew not how to do so themselves.

There are many ways bishops and quorum members can help to relieve the suffering and anxiety of the unemployed. Phil's Auto of Centerville, Utah, is a testament of what priesthood leadership and a quorum can accomplish. Phil was a member of an elders quorum and worked as a mechanic at a local automobile repair shop. Unfortunately, the repair shop where Phil worked experienced economic trouble and had to let Phil go from his job. He was devastated by this turn of events.

On hearing about Phil's job loss, his bishop, Leon Olson, and his elders quorum presidency prayerfully considered ways they could help Phil get back on his feet. After all, he was a fellow quorum member, a brother, and he needed help. They concluded that Phil had the skills to run his own business. One of the quorum members offered that he had an old barn that perhaps could be used as a repair shop. Other quorum members could help gather needed tools and supplies to equip the new shop. Almost everyone in the quorum could at least help clean the old barn.

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They shared their ideas with Phil; then they shared their plan with the members of the quorum. The barn was cleaned and renovated, the tools were gathered, and all was put in order. Phil's Auto was a success and eventually moved to better and more permanent quarters—all because his quorum brothers offered help in a time of crisis. Priesthood quorums can and must make a difference.

Many wards and stakes have called employment specialists to provide bishops and quorum leaders with additional support. Do not hesitate to call upon them for help.

In many areas of the Church, we have established employment resource centers. The staff in these centers have been trained to assist you with your quorum, ward, and stake employment needs. Their close relationships with employers will be an asset with career development employment.

The Church's Deseret Industries thrift stores offer employment and education opportunities to people of all backgrounds. Those with special needs are given the opportunity for rehabilitation, training and job placement. Where available, Deseret Industries can be a valuable resource.

Bishops, the sisters have a role in this effort. Because of the economy, many others are finding it necessary to make budget and other living adjustments. Some are even finding it necessary to leave the home to find work. The Relief Society sisters, with their specially endowed, compassionate hearts, can help. They can help identify the needy. They can teach. They can babysit, console, comfort and encourage. They can make a difference.

Now let me say a few words to those of you who are currently unemployed. The responsibility for finding employment or improving your employment rests with you. Continued guidance comes from the Lord through regular fasting and prayer. Your quorum leaders, bishops, specialists and employment resource center staff will help in your efforts. We fear, however, that often priesthood leaders are unaware of your situation. Speak up! Let them know you are looking for work. And bishops, and priesthood leaders, rise up and let the brotherhood of the priesthood engage themselves in the wonderful opportunity to truly be a quorum, a brotherhood, a brother's keeper

President Gordon B. Hinckley, while a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, said: "I am satisfied, my brethren, that there is enough of expertise, of knowledge, of strength, of concern in every priesthood quorum to assist the troubled members of that quorum if these resources are properly administered.

"...it is the obligation of the priesthood quorum to set in motion those forces and facilities which will equip the needy member to provide on a continuing basis for himself and his family".

In October 1856, during a general conference, President Young learned that two handcart companies, the Martin company and the Willie company, were traveling late in the season and would face harsh winter weather on the plains of the western United States. He stood at the pulpit as a prophet of God and declared:

"Many of our brethren and sisters are on the plains with hand-carts... and they must be brought here, we must send assistance to them...This community is to send for them and bring them in.

"That is my religion; that is the dictation of the Holy Ghost that I possess, it is to save the people...

"I will tell you all that your faith, religion, and profession of religion will never save one soul of you in the celestial kingdom of our God, unless you carry out just such principles as I am now teaching you. Go and bring in those people now on the plains"

As a result of President Young's call to action, wagons with teams of mules, men to drive them, and flour and other supplies were immediately sent to rescue the people stranded on the plains.

Brethren, *this is your phone call. This is our phone call.* May the Lord bless us all with the same sense of urgency to answer the call today to bring in our people from these economic challenges as He did in the case of the handcart companies is my prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.



## RELIEF SOCIETY

Fall is in the air and so are many good things. We were just richly feed spiritually by our leaders. What a great way to start out the month. We would like to congratulate Kristin Sullivan on the arrival of her son on Monday October 5th.

The ward has an assignment to help weed the Draper Temple grounds on Monday October 19th from 8 am to 12 noon. If you can help with this, please contact Jerry Farr, Richard Clegg or Andrea Marx. What a wonderful way to bring the season of service we celebrate every year in remembrance of our Savior.

*Plan on attending the 1st Annual Relief Society R.S. Party. Get Ready for the Season by Relaxing and Socializing with the Really Super, Radical Sisters in our Ward*

*We will serve a light Supper of Rolled Sandwiches, Soup & Relishes. It would be Remarkably Sensational if you would bring an R or S Treat to share.*

*Remember to wear something that starts R or S, such as Robe & Slippers, Red & Silky, Retro Sixties, Rollers & Socks, Rugged & Sheepskin or Rather Silly. We look Straight Forward to Seeing you There!!*

In November we will be doing mints again on Saturday November 21st. More information will follow.

The Stake is also doing an Activity on November 5th. It will be from 9am to 9pm. We will be tying quilts to donate. They would like to do 100 (one hundred) The fabric for the quilts will be provided but they need donations of batting. If you would like to sew the quilt squares together, this is also needed. Please contact Toshina Rushton for information or to volunteer to help.

## Family History

*Many exciting changes are coming to FamilySearch. Are you ready to go? Merrill & Ronne Scott and Joyce Frederickson are waiting for you to call us. We can get you online with NewFamilySearch even before they let our stake members online. It can really be fun. We will be happy to meet with individuals and families during the week in your own home or ours or at the Buttercup Family History Center*

## YW/YM

We wish everyone a Happy Halloween and Emily Lloyd a very happy 16th Birthday on October 31st Yes our Emily is out driving.

October Schedule:

10/7 Service

10/14 Preparation

10/18 Regional Conference

10/18 Stake YW in Excellence 4:00pm at the Stake Center. Sister Cook, counselor in the General YW Presidency will be our guest speaker. This will be the culmination of our year working on the new virtue value. Parents we appreciate your support, helping your daughters work and complete their personal progress goals. This will be a special afternoon with Sister Cook.

10/21 Combined YM/YW Planning Night

10/28 "Scary" movie night 6:30pm. Bring treats if you would like to share.

10/10 & 10/31 Stake Baptisms

10/11 Combined YM & YW for Family Search

10/25 YW Sacrament Program

**FYI Stake Girls Camp for 2010 will be July 29-31.**

## PRIMARY

Yearly Theme: My Eternal Family

October Theme: Prophets teach me how to strengthen my family

October Scripture: D&C 1:38

"What I the Lord have spoken, I have spoken,,whether by mine own voice or by the voice of my servants, it is the same."

Well we have made it to the beginning of another new school year.

It has been a great summer. We had a

Great time at our clean-up activity last month. Thank you to all who helped and participated!

With the help of Sister Pasker we have been learning the music for our sacrament meeting and it sounds fantastic. We will be handing our CDs soon so you can practice at home too. You will also be getting your speaking part for the program soon. Please practice so you can be ready for the program on November 22.

Good luck to all of you returning to school! We hope

You will have a great new school year and enjoy all the new things you will learn!



## MUSIC



Know that the song of the righteous is a prayer unto the Lord. He said as much in Section 25 of the Doctrine and Covenants. We are not only singing the words of our hymns to add to the sound of the congregation, although this is important, we are actually offering a prayer and presenting our singing unto Him as a gift.

The theme for October is Spiritual Gifts So in reverse the use of hymns and music in our meetings and homes is really a gift that our Heavenly Father has given to us. That makes it a two way gift; our gift to Deity through their gift to us.

REMEMBER: STAKE CONFERENCE ON OCTOBER 18TH

## MISSIONARIES

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Elder Kirk Jay Arnold  
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- 10 Korina Rushton
  - 11 Stephen Horstmanshoff
  - 18 Bruce Sullivan—Monte Bye—J.J. Rigby
  - 19 Doug Milne—Elinor Williams
  - 21 Amy Clegg
  - 22 Brent Parsons
  - 23 Ariana Pendleton
  - 28 Darlene Visser
  - 30 Ashley Thompson
  - 31 Nelson Leshner—Emily Lloyd
- Please let me know if I missed your day.

Elder Brian R. Morris  
Washington Everett Mission  
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### WALK FOR FUN AND FITNESS RESULTS

This year our ward family walked a total of 4,419 miles. Many individuals have mentioned that they walked but "didn't fill our a slip of paper." so our total would have been higher than that! Here is how the totals came out:

<b>OUR WINNERS: YM/YW</b>	<b>1,723 MILES</b>
1ST Place Ray Bierman	446
2nd Place Bishop Todd Lloyd	225
3rd Place Joel Weight	161
<b>RELIEF SOCIETY</b>	<b>1,221 MILES</b>
1st Place Crystal Weight	325
2nd Place Dorothy Schmidt	155
3rd Place Yvette Donosso	129
<b>PRIMARY</b>	<b>1,032</b>
1ST Place Julie Bawden	298
2nd Place Georgann Lloyd	207
3rd Place Alec Jones	69
4th Place Glayde Wells	63

<b>Priesthood</b>	<b>443</b>
1st Place Stefan Wells	215
2nd Place Jack Thompson	100
3rd Place Bob Frederickson	60

Thanks to everyone for participating...I'm sure you all feel a little Healthier. Those who did not participate are out of breath just looking at the mileage of these healthy people. Do we get credit for just thinking we are walking?

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOOD STORAGE**  
Sandy Dry Pack

Fri. Oct 2nd 9:00am to 1:00pm  
Thurs. Dec 3rd 1:00 to 5:00pm

**CHOIR "Sing Praise to Him!"** The Choir has begun practicing for Christmas. We need more people to start coming. If you enjoy singing Christmas music, come and join us. We practice every Sunday at 9:45 am in the Relief Society room and then we move to the Chapel when 6th ward is finished with Sacrament Meeting

Please go to the Temple on **Stake Temple Day, October 13th.**

Empty Nesters will meet on October 12, at 7:00pm at Gary and Susan Johnson's home.

Newsletter information Please submit to [marilyn@toplinepromotions.com](mailto:marilyn@toplinepromotions.com) by **Tuesday October 27th.** Thank you for your cooperation and input.

FYI Ruth Clegg is home after her Heart surgery. Her heart is doing well but she is having trouble with her eye ; as there was pressure on the nerve and she is having a lot of pain in her eye. **We will continue to pray for her and others in the ward who are facing many trials. We should all count our many blessings.**

**Community Events:**  
Willow Canyon Community Council meets on Wednesday October 28th at 7:00pm at the Buttercup Library. The public is invited attend.

**HAVE A FUN AND A SAFE HALLOWEEN**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> •Canyons School District Fall Recess •Stake interviews by appointment	<b>2</b> •Canyons School District Fall Recess •9:00 AM Dry pack canning	<b>3</b> • <b>General Conference</b> •8:00 AM Area YSA Conference Breakfast
<b>4</b> • <b>General Conference</b>	<b>5</b> •FHE	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> •YM/YW Activity Night	<b>8</b> •Stake interviews by appointment •7:30 PM Scouting Roundtable - Stake Center	<b>9</b> •Jordan Seminary Tailgate Party	<b>10</b> •Stake Baptism •Varsity Scouting Turkey Shoot •9:00 AM Music Leading / Conducting Class
<b>11</b> •Fast Sunday •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	<b>12</b> •Columbus Day •FHE	<b>13</b> •Employment Services - Education Open House •Stake Temple Day - Draper Temple	<b>14</b> •Stake YWIE •YM/YW Activity Night	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> •9:00 AM Priesthood Leadership -- Conference Center •9:00 AM Music Leading / Conducting Class
<b>18</b> •10:00 AM Stake Conference (broadcast) •2:15 PM Bishop's Youth Council •4:00 PM Stake Young Women's Fireside	<b>19</b> •FHE •8:00 AM Draper Temple Groundskeeping Assignment	<b>20</b> •8:00 AM Draper Temple Groundskeeping Assignment	<b>21</b> •YM/YW Combined Activity •8:00 AM Draper Temple Groundskeeping Assignment •3:00 PM Stake Blood Drive	<b>22</b> •Stake interviews by appointment •8:00 AM Draper Temple Groundskeeping Assignment	<b>23</b> •6:00 AM Jordan Seminary Morningside •8:00 AM Draper Temple Groundskeeping Assignment	<b>24</b> •Multi-Stake YSA Octoberfest Activity •Stake Emergency Communications Test •YW/YM Regional Dance •9:00 AM Music Leading / Conducting Class
<b>25</b> •8:30 AM Ward Council Mtg. •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	<b>26</b> •FHE	<b>27</b> •7:00 PM LDS Church and Scouting Relationships Conference	<b>28</b> •YM/YW Activity Night	<b>29</b> •7:30 PM Auxiliary Training	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> •Halloween •Stake Baptism

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