

## *Dana Ward Family Newsletter*

### *May 2010*

### *Dana Ward Bishopric*

<i>Bishop</i>	<i>Richard Hale</i>	<i>834-3041</i>
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<i>2 Counselor</i>	<i>Mark Standage</i>	<i>964-1685</i>
<i>Exec Secretary</i>	<i>Paul Allen</i>	<i>241-9316</i>

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Dana Ward,

In many parts of the world, the second Sunday in May is dedicated to expressing appreciation for our Mothers. It would be entirely appropriate to devote many more days and many more expressions of gratitude as we contemplate the importance and contribution of mothers and women.

As Priesthood holders, we should strive each day to honor our wives, mothers and sisters. As fathers, grandfathers and priesthood holders we strive to teach our sons, grandsons and young men in the ward, the proper way to show respect to the women in our lives. Two of the purposes of the Aaronic Priesthood is to (1) Prepare to become worthy husbands and fathers and (2) Give proper respect to women, girls and children.

The important roles and responsibilities of fathers and mothers is spelled out in the "Family Proclamation". *'By divine design, fathers are to preside over their families in love and righteousness and are responsible to provide the necessities of life and protection for their families. Mothers are primarily responsible for the nurture of their children. In these sacred responsibilities, fathers and mothers are obligated to help one another as equal partners. Disability, death or other circumstances may necessitate individual adaptation. Extended families should lend support when needed.'* As 'ward family' we can also support and assist the single mothers and single sisters that reside within our ward boundaries.

President James E. Faust counseled us with these words; "I affirm my profound belief that God's greatest creation is womanhood. I also believe that there is no greater good in all the

world than motherhood. The influence of a mother in the lives of her children is beyond calculation. Single parents, most of whom are mothers, perform an especially heroic service."

It is my prayer that we, as priesthood leaders and fathers, by being good examples ourselves, will be able to influence the lives of our young men, to respect and honor the women in their lives. Each righteous choice we make is not only a tribute to our mothers, but also to our fathers and leaders.

A most Happy Mother's Day to the women of the Dana Ward.

Love,  
Dwight Morris

If you need an appointment with the Bishop, please call Paul Allen (Exec. Sec.) 241-9316. An incorrect phone number was included last month.

Remember that there will be no block meetings in our Ward/Stake Building on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Instead – All temple recommend holders age 8 and up are invited to attend a special broadcast of the Gila Valley Temple Dedication Services which will be viewed in our chapel. There will be three sessions broadcast at 9am, 12 Noon and 3pm. Please see a member of the Bishopric to get your special *Temple Dedication Recommend* interview.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

### **May 2010**

- 1 Samantha Rivera
- 2 Melvin Beals  
Andrea Tiffany  
Spencer Bury
- 3 Kevin Hale
- 4 Karen Rivera
- 5 Quinn Norris
- 6 Courtney Eyring  
Ruby Redd  
Cheryl Lans
- 7 Spencer Young

- 8 Jade Williams
- 9 Ryan Miechle
- 10 Harvey Mosley
- 12 Steele Filhart
- 13 Cherish Beals
- 14 Dale Rogers
- 15 Lana Hunt
- Josh Montgomery
- 16 Raymond Luddington
- 17 Grace Halliday
- Martha Morgan
- 20 Ezra Zepeda
- 21 Ernest Halliday
- Wally Burgess
- Joseph Stark
- Robert Jorgensen
- 22 Antonieta Mendez
- 24 Robert Turner
- Audrey Redd
- 25 Lou Hunt
- 27 Anthony Kaberry
- 28 Holly Romero
- Alfred Berry (89)
- 29 Cheeri Redd
- Johnny Martinez
- Kelsey Crandell
- 30 Shelby Standage
- Tamera Turner
- Yolanda Zepeda

### June 2010

- 2 Larissa Hunt
- Darcy Allen
- 3 Judy Ahlberg
- Laura Rosenkrans
- 5 Samantha Raboin

## Missionary Mailbox

Elder Caleb T. Oldner  
(Argentina, Resistencia Mission)  
AV. Rivadavia 323  
Resistencia, Chaco  
Argentina

Dear Dana Ward

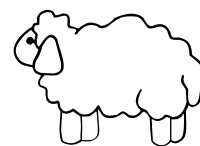


I am really enjoying my time here in Formosa. I'm so glad I was sent here after their summer weather as it was hotter here than it ever gets in Arizona. The people here are very nice and are willing to help in any way they can. The members are amazing and of course, I enjoy the lunch appointments! One of my goals was to lose 100 # while on my mission. That goal is almost impossible because of all the food the members give us. They insist that you eat 3 or 4 plates of food and then they serve dessert. It would be rude and may offend them if we refused it, so we force ourselves to eat everything they give us!

I celebrated my 21st birthday last week! I can't believe it! We had transfers last week also and neither my companion, Elder Hyde, or myself was transferred. We really enjoy working together. He has been out for 5 months now and is a hard worker. I will complete my mission service here in Formosa. I am trying to keep up my usual pace and not let down these last few weeks. We are having lots of fun. Elder Vargas goes home this week, to Antofagasta, Chile. He has become such a good friend of mine and I will miss him dearly.

On our last P-day, we got to play basketball with a famous basketball team from Argentina. A local member hooked us up. Three of the players are from the States; from New York, Kentucky and Maryland. They are cool guys. It was a fun experience!

We had a bit of a comedy experience a couple of weeks ago. We were invited to teach a lesson at Tamara's house and after the lesson, she invited us to go out in her back yard to see her sheep. Something scared the sheep and they bolted and took off running. They broke down the front yard fence and escaped into and down the street. We ran after them, trying to help. A bunch of the neighborhood dogs joined in the chase and in all the yelling, noise and confusion, the dogs attacked the sheep and some of them were hurt. We felt bad about the sheep getting hurt, but later, the humor of the total picture did make us laugh (but not till we got home).



Elder Hyde and I were so pleased that we had 8 investigators at Church on Sunday. I was working exchanges with my Zone Leader, Elder Andrews, and we tried visiting many of our investigators but no one was home. So we decided to contact. The very first door we knocked on was the Grance Family. They are a GOLDEN Family! They consist of a father and mother and 4 girls ages 13, 11, 7 and 4. We invited them to read the pamphlet about the Restoration of the Gospel and they not only read it but discussed it as a family. We invited them to attend Church on Sunday and they agreed to come but said we didn't need to come by as they could

find their way to the chapel. However, Sunday morning, it was raining pretty hard so we decided to go by for them and we managed to get a taxi and went to their house. We knocked and knocked on their door but got no answer so we got back in the taxi and were just pulling away from the curb when my cell phone rang. It was the family father. He said he tried to stop us but couldn't get to us fast enough and asked if we would come back for them. We turned around and went back. The mother and 2 of the girls rode in the taxi with us and the Dad and the other 2 little girls rode on his motorcycle. When we arrived at the church, two more investigators were waiting, giving us a total of 8 investigators at church this week. Their little girl Sofie, has some health issues and towards the end of Sac. Meeting, she got sick. With the parent's permission, we gave her a blessing and she felt fine afterwards. The Lord's blessings are tremendous and after 2 years in the mission field, I can see the little miracles we are allowed to participate in every day.

A mission is an eye opening experience. Comforts that would be considered ordinary and normal at home are very expensive and often non-existent here. I'm so glad to have been called to serve in Argentina. I have met so many new people and experienced a new culture. I won't take so many things for granted once I'm back home. I love it! It has been a good experience for so many reasons.

Please remember me in your prayers. I love you all - Elder Oldner

**NOTE: Elder Oldner returns home May 10th after faithfully completing his mission service.**

Elder Mark E. Driggs  
(Dallas Texas Mission)  
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**Elder Isaac Standage**  
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Pohnpei



We finally baptized Johnny Johnny. Elder Clark baptized him on Saturday and I confirmed and blessed him with the gift of the Holy Ghost on Sunday. He is doing really good. Pohnpeians don't usually do anything when it rains and when it rains on Sundays church attendance really suffers. For example, there were 7 people total at church this Sunday and that included the missionaries, the branch president and his wife and kid, the only

teacher and one of his sisters. They all live practically next door to the building. So it wasn't looking promising that Johnny was going to make it for his confirmation. He lives at least a 20 minute walk away and it was raining pretty hard. Before we finished the opening hymn, Johnny showed up. So everything worked out. Things are good with me. We are now looking for the next person in the area who might be prepared for the gospel at this time.

We got to watch conference on the 17th and 18th of April. It's a week later than they get it on Guam but hey, at least we got it. . It came in Pohnpeian. However, we also got an English DVD and we watched it at home during lunch and dinner. There were a few talks that really stand out to me; Elder Bradley D. Foster's talk, President Eyring's talk on Saturday morning, Elder Holland's talk and Brother Beck's talk from the Priesthood session.

Unfortunately, Bristla, another investigator, has kinda fallen off the map. She ditched an appointment and we haven't really seen her since. It's disappointing but things like that happen.

I got the dictionary you sent and it was just what I needed. I am doing well with the language goals.

They have something here called a "nos" that interests me. It's really useful and they use it to provide shade for parked cars, socialize, drink and make sokow (which is against the word of wisdom), and do pretty much everything. They're really cool.

We drive a car now and use it to get into the main village once a week - on P-days. The sister missionaries backed into a parked car and a brick wall, despite the use of a backer, so for some reason the mission decided to give them our bikes and give us their car. When we had bikes, other missionaries would come and pick us up and we would do our errands that way. We are able to do laundry, email, shopping, etc. now, with the car. I guess the best description of where we live would be called a village. I think in the local language it is called a 'kosop'.

Since coming to Pohnpei I have been doing pretty good and have had some good experiences. I still wear my glasses and have not had any further problems with my eyes.

Thanks for your support and the love that you show me all the time.

Love – Elder Isaac Standage

Elder Matthew G. Eyring  
Idaho Boise Mission  
1111 S. Cole Rd.

Boise, ID 83709-1869

Greetings from Idaho -

We played football and other games for our zone activity and enjoyed some good food at a park. It was lots of fun. My zone leader is Elder West. He is from Mesa and knows Buddy Larsen. We had fun talking about Mesa and the people we both know. I had an emergency transfer to Boise. An Elder had to go home for medical reasons. It was a crazy transfer. I am a full time bike rider now. We started teaching a lady who told us right out that she doesn't believe in Joseph Smith. I just kept on talking and sharing the gospel message with her. I tried to explain things so she would feel the spirit. I could see a change coming over her and she finally accepted a Book of Mormon. Wow, that was so awesome! We have a few other people we are teaching too. Remember to CTR. Love, Elder Eyring

FYI: Our full time Missionaries **Elder Harral and Elder Kearns** may be reached at 495-8138.



**Tyler Sandberg** has completed his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio and is at

Shepherd AFB in Wichita Falls, Texas training to become a Crew Chief. He is learning everything there is to know about the maintenance of the B1 and B2 bombers. His Mom is glad he is no longer in the EOD (Explosive Ordinance Disposal) training. You may text Tyler at 480-392-9087. His e-mail address is [tylersandberg90@gmail.com](mailto:tylersandberg90@gmail.com). Tyler would love to hear from friends and ward members here at 'home'.

## New Faces in Dana Ward Places

**Jacki McRae** and her two daughters and grandson have moved into our ward from Queen Creek. They live at 106 S. Forest. (204-8111). Jacki is employed as a sand-

blaster with Applied Materials, a company that cleans and refurbishes micro-chips and related materials for Intel. She is also a licensed massage therapist. Her daughter **Brooke**, graduated from Payson High School where she was active in sports, especially softball. She attended MCC where she played on the women's softball team. She is planning to start classes in the fall at E.V.I.T., hoping to become certified as a Surgical Technician. Brooke has a 3 year old son, **Ezekiel**.



**Sheigh** is a 19 year old daughter who graduated from Queen Creek High School. She is enrolled at Chandler/Gilbert Com. College and plays on the women's volleyball team.

**Chris Carter's "little" brother Kirby**, has purchased the Walter Johnson home at 1714 E. Jarvis across the street from Chris and Jennifer. Kirby is 26 and single. He is a member of our stake's Young Singles Ward.

**Fred and Caroline Crum and their children Landie and Owen** have moved into 1827 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave (602-677-6729).



Fred graduated from Mtn. View and filled a mission to Winnipeg, Canada. He has taken classes at MCC, ASU and is currently enrolled in business classes at the Univ. of Phoenix. He is also employed at the U of Phoenix. He enjoys golf and Caroline says he is a very handy 'fix-it' guy to have



around the house. Caroline graduated from Mogollon High School in Heber, Az. She is currently enrolled in



Chandler/Gilbert Com. College, taking classes in Applied Sciences. She works summers as a dental assistant. Landin, their 2 year old daughter and Owen, their 5 month

old son, complete their family at present. Fred and Caroline were introduced by Caroline's roommate. They double dated to a movie. They were married in 2006. Caroline has served as a Primary teacher to the 9 year olds, planned and supervised activity days for the 10 - 11 yr. old girls and most recently served as the Beehive Advisor. She was excited to be able to get her temple endowments last July.

## Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Kylie Hassell, daughter of Kyle and Janet, will marry T.J. Pond, son of Troy and DeeDee Pond of Flagstaff, in the Mesa Temple on May 15<sup>th</sup>.



Craig Rogers, son of Dale and Violet Rogers will marry his sweetheart, Paloma Días Brito de Medeiros, in the Mesa Temple on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Keith Hunt, son of Kevin and Lou, is engaged to Kayla Creson, daughter of Mark and April Creson. Keith and Kayla met a year ago at a YSA dance where they did country dancing together. They got engaged on the 1 yr. anniversary of their 1<sup>st</sup> date. Keith is a full time student at ASU, majoring in Mechanical Engineering/Industrial Design and works full time as an installer for Dish Network. Kayla is a student at MCC and a teacher's aide at the elementary school she attended as a child. They are planning a summer wedding in the Mesa Temple. They plan to live in Mesa and are looking for a small,



inexpensive house to rent.



"Young" **David Morales** celebrated his 12<sup>th</sup> birthday April 1<sup>st</sup> and was ordained to the office of a Deacon. We are proud of David and his choices and service rendered.

**Craig Elwood**, nephew of **Jeff Hoepfner**, has moved to his mother's home (over on Country Club Drive) to help take care of her. Craig, a recent convert, will remain a part of the Dana Ward Family.

**Ryan and Rebecca Young** and family have moved to a different address within the ward. Their new address is: 1733 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.



**Parker Hird** was baptized by his father, after his April 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. Congratulations Parker!

**Lauren Eyring** turned 12 on April 6<sup>th</sup> and has graduated from Primary and is our newest Beehive in the YW organization. She has earned her "Faith in God Award". Lauren, you are special!



**Carmen Newman** is a 1<sup>st</sup> time Grandmother. Son, Frank (Frankie) Osegueda and his wife, have a new baby girl in Virginia where they are going to school at SVU.

**Chris Martin** has 2 grandsons currently serving in the Mission Field in Argentina and Portugal.

**Linette and Dwight Morris** have a son-in-law safely home from an enlistment in the Army. He was able to surprise his kids with his arrival. HOORAH!

**Johnny and Pat Martinez** have decided to adopt 6 year old Mercedes, a grand-daughter. Don't you know that the houseful of Martinez boys are going to have fun spoiling her rotten?  
BRAVO!

Five year old **Claire Rogers** is a member of the "Sunbeam Chorus" that will be performing at the Gammage Auditorium at ASU on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm. "O America", a musical patriotic program of favorite folk songs and anthems will include numbers by 5 LDS choirs and symphony orchestra. The program begins at 7pm and tickets can be purchased from [www.evmco.org](http://www.evmco.org).



**"Elder Greg Dickson"**, who was **Jeff Hoepfner's** final missionary in his conversion process, dropped by to visit Jeff and Pinki last week. They played some basketball together and he stayed to spend the night while they caught up with happenings for each other. Greg has been attending BYU-Idaho the past 2 years and plans to transfer to ASU in August. He is concentrating on "Judicial Studies" and hopes to one day work for the FBI or CIA. He's still single and a fine young man!

**Kimball Rogers** has met all of the requirements for his Priesthood Duty to God Award while still a Deacon. He has been presented his award under the old program. The structure of the program will be changing in June. Congratulations Kimball!

**George and Ann Cherrington** have completed their 5 yr. mission as assistant directors at the Mesa Humanitarian Center. They plan to return from their Cedar City home and resume service at the Humanitarian Center as volunteers in the fall.

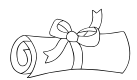
**Joe and Mickey O'Barr** have been reassigned as missionaries to the Mesa Family History Center after serving previously for 3.5 years. Joe is working on a

new collection of favorite stories and jokes to share! He also does an excellent job on Family Research and Mickey enjoys her time spent with the "Call Center" which serves as a global out-reach for LDS Church genealogical resources.

**Lance and Lynette McGraw** and family will be working in Texas this summer. A cousin will be house-sitting for them until they return.

While looking at the Gospel Art picture of Nephi, his father and brothers building the ship, Joe O'Barr's 4 year old grandson asked, "Where's Sariah in the picture?" Joe told him, "It's just the men." After a moment, the child replied; "All the girls must be back in Jerusalem having a 'Girls' Night Out'!"

**Kim and Shaun Brown** have learned that they are expecting their 3<sup>rd</sup> little girl this summer. **Dawna and Spencer Bury** are expecting a little brother for Jaidyn to play with. Congratulations!



## High School Graduates

**Carol Ransom** is graduating from Horizon High School in Scottsdale and also 4<sup>th</sup> year seminary. She is looking for a summer job and plans to attend a local Jr. College majoring in Graphic Design.

**Jessica Hale** is one of the Top 20 Academic Graduates of her MHS Class. She has been awarded a Presidential scholarship and plans to attend ASU with a major in Education. She is also graduating from seminary and is hoping to find a job this summer.

**Cassandra Rivera** will receive the National Hispanic Scholarship award and plans to attend the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. She has also been given the "Amigo Scholarship" which voids her out-of-state tuition, saving her quite a bit of expense. Cassandra plans to major in Mechanical Engineering. This summer, she will help with the care of her grandmother here in Mesa.

**Lana Hunt** will graduate from Seminary & MHS 12 days after her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and plans to attend Snow College in Ephriam, Utah, where her mother Lou, and four older sisters attended. Ephriam is just north of Manti. She is hoping to be roommates with...

**Kelsey Crandell** who also plans to attend Snow College and room with Lana Hunt. Kelsey is graduating from Westwood and Seminary and she is a member of Honor Society. She has been working at Ned's Sub Shop to earn the money to pay her school expenses. Kelsey visited Snow College last week to try out for the school 'Cheer Squad'. Although she did not win one of the 3 available positions, she enjoyed meeting the other 30 girls who also came to try out. She and her Mom got to tour the campus. Kelsey plans to earn a teaching degree and to participate in intra-mural sports at Snow.

**Jennifer Sapien and Jolene Emerick** graduated in 2009, but with the other Laurels listed here, will be transitioning into Relief Society in May.

**Rosa Dilworth**, 18 year old daughter of Ferrill and Susan Dilworth, graduated from her Pullman (Washington) High School Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, where she was staying with her sister. Rosa is now back with her parents but has transferred her membership record to the Stake Singles Ward. She is enrolled in some

summer classes already and is planning on taking some Institute classes and some classes at a local Jr. College in the fall. Welcome to Arizona, Rosa, and we still consider you part of our Dana Ward Family.

**Ben Pace (T-Bone)** attends 6:20am seminary class (will graduate in May), works a 40 hour week for a Tempe company, assembling computer parts, still attends MHS Senior classes. Hopes to attend classes at MCC for one semester and is planning on serving a mission as soon as possible after his January birthday. He is saving his money for his mission fund!

**Trevor Schnepf (MHS)** plans to attend MCC for one year before serving a mission. Trevor plans on eventually earning either a Mechanical or Industrial Engineering degree.

**Eddy Rodriguez** is a Sr. at Heritage High School and will also graduate from Seminary. His first goal is to get a job this summer, then enroll in classes in the fall at MCC. Ultimately, he would like to complete his education to become a Pediatric Physician. Eddie will turn 19 in July of 2011 when he is planning on turning in his papers to serve a mission.

**Jonathan Martinez** is attending Seminary and works for Albertsons Grocery Store in addition to his Sr. Classes. He is planning to take some classes at MCC in the fall and would eventually like to earn an engineering degree. He is saving for and planning to serve a mission.

**Joseph Stark** is graduating from 4 yrs of seminary, receiving "The Honor for Excellence in Service Learning" award, plans to enroll in the EMT program at MCC this



summer and hoping to get his EMT license so he can work as an EMT for a year before his mission. Joseph has enjoyed working with the full time missionaries this past year. He is also trying to arrange a summer trip to visit Australia.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Many Thanks to **Audrey Burklund** and her daughters **Tammie** and **Laura**, for organizing, printing and assembling the little ward directory booklets that were handed out to families in April. They are soooooo handy!

Ward Temple night will be Thursday, May 13th, 2010, the 6pm session, or whichever session you can attend.



### Canning Schedule for the Home Storage Center

Canning time is always 1:00 pm for each month for 2010. **May:** Black Beans, sugar, fruit drink mix, potato flakes. (Orders due Apr 18, canning May 12). **June:** refried beans, cocoa, flour, onions. (Orders due May 16, canning June 9) **July:** Apples, carrots, macaroni, milk, regular oats (Orders due Jun 20, canning July 14) Call the cannery (480-214-9114) or Rosa Rodriguez 644-0128 for further information. Current prices can always be checked at [www.providentliving.org](http://www.providentliving.org) (click on "Home Storage Order" form) **NOTE:** From now on, pinto beans, rice, quick oats and hard red wheat is always available at the cannery. You just go there, pay for it and take it home. These 4 items will no longer appear on the monthly canning list.

### ANNOUNCED UPCOMING TEMPLE DEDICATIONS

Vancouver B.C., Canada

Open House: 9 Apr – 24 Apr Dedication: 2 May 2010  
**Gila Valley, Arizona**  
 Open House: 23 Apr – 15 May Dedication: 23 May 2010  
**Kyiv Ukraine**  
 Open House: 7 Aug – 21 Aug Dedication: 29 Aug 2010  
 First temple in Eastern Europe, 11<sup>th</sup> on the European Continent. NOTE: No Open Houses held on Sunday for Any of the temples.

## Relief Society



Pres Tima Hird	282-8479
1 Couns Mary Filhart	452-8618
2 Couns Naomi Morales	218-5887
Sec Dawna Bury	298-0562

A special welcome to **Linette Morris** who has been called to serve as a RS Teacher. We welcome her to the RS Staff.

There are some changes being handed out for the **Visiting Teaching beats**. Thanks for working with us as we juggle beats to accommodate sisters moving in and out of the ward boundaries. **YOU ARE SO GREAT!**

### RELIEF SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

**Kid's Play Group** Every Wed, 10am at Silvergate Park (S of Pueblo on Briar)

**Single Older Sisters Potluck** Mon, May 17, 5:30pm, home of Audrey Burklund.

**Temple Session** Thurs, May 20, 10am session. Lunch after in the temple cafeteria.

**Book Group** Mon, May 24, 11am TBA

**Gardening** Thurs, June 3, 7pm at the Mehlberg home.



Motherhood is not what was left over after our Father blessed His sons with priesthood ordination. It was the most ennobling endowment He could give His daughters, a sacred trust that gave women an unparalleled role in helping His children keep their second estate.

Sheri Dew

For reasons known to the Lord, some women are required to wait to have children. This delay is not easy for any righteous woman. But the Lord's timetable for each of us does not negate our nature. Some of us, then, must simply find other ways to mother. And all around us are those who need to be loved and led.

Sheri Dew



## Young Women

Pres Kim Hale 834-30411st  
Couns Miriam Martin 313-7194  
2nd Couns MaryAnn Kaberry 835-5149  
Sec Elizabeth Stark 964-7754



The 5 stake "Mormon Prom" held Apr. 16<sup>th</sup> was a big success. The cultural hall was decorated with a 20 ft. tall Eiffel Tower in lights, to carry out the theme, "A Night in Paris". There were fountains, post lights, park benches and a French Café to help set a special mood. On a large screen on the stage, slides of Paris were projected in rotation throughout the evening. A special dinner was held before the dance for the Dana Ward kids, at the Hawks home. Fortunately, the Hawks family do not have a furnished front room as yet, so



it was transformed into a very "POSH" restaurant decorated with beautiful tables and chair covers, candles and elegant centerpieces. The participants enjoyed Italian sodas and appetizers, served by Kyndra Hassell. The Bishop, in photographer mode, took photos of each couple and group. Salad and baguettes were served, followed by an entrée of parmesan chicken, glazed carrots and roasted potatoes. Martha Morgan rented a limousine and son Connor, and his date, shared the limo with the other ward kids for rides to the Stake Center. The corsages and boutonnieres were made Thurs. evening, by the Young Men and Young Women, at a special workshop directed by Bro. Hunt. It was a nice 'ice breaker' for the prom couples. Although there was a bit of reluctance on the part of the YM, at first, to get involved, they quickly warmed to the project and excellent mentoring that was provided by the Bishopric and youth leaders. The decorations were as beautiful as any elaborate wedding reception or special occasion could be. Refreshments at the dance included cake, punch, cream puffs and other goodies. The DJ was excellent and used creative activities to get everyone participating. He complimented the youth for their participation and said it was the best dance he had ever done. Once the kids got caught up in the enthusiasm for the event, there was a lot of texting going on by the youth to find out who was going, who had not been asked yet, and the same was going on by the ward bishops as everyone worked to help the youth of the 5 stakes, with the preliminary arrangements. The kids loved the atmosphere, the music, the large number of participants and the extraordinary efforts of all the adults who did such a fantastic job to make such a fun evening possible. The Youth and the Adults who got involved are all to be congratulated for a SUPER JOB WELL DONE! We obviously have the most beautiful young women and polite and handsome young men in our Dana Ward Family!



The Young Women and Young Men  
(ages 12 - 18)

will attend the

Gila Valley Temple Open House

Saturday - May the 15<sup>th</sup>

Appointment Reservation is 9:15 AM

Meet at the ward bldg. at 5 am.

## Sunday Dress is requested

The Gila Valley Temple Open House will be held Apr 23 thru May 15 (except Sundays). If you would like to get free, **required** reservation tickets to attend the open house, call 1-800-521-5105 Ext 27645.

You may also make reservations at  
[www.lds.org/reservations/](http://www.lds.org/reservations/)

The temple opens for ordinances Monday, May 24, 2010

## YOUNG MEN

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799

1<sup>st</sup> Couns. Wes Filhart 277-1924

2<sup>nd</sup> Couns. Pat Rogers 695-7616

Sec. Conley Martin 313-7194



The Teachers and Priests of the Dana Ward made up an "AWESOME" basketball team in April and swept the stake tournament with all wins and no losses. They beat Silvergate Park in the final playoff, 100 to 85. Yahoo!

### Deacons: Duty To God Assignment

May 2010	3 - 9		E1/E9:	E1: Learning Skills OR E9: Budget
			Q4:	Discuss with a priesthood leader the history and purpose of the Aaronic Priesthood and quorums.
	10 - 16		E1/E9:	E1: Learning Skills OR E9: Budget
			F3b:	Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson
	17 - 23		E1/E9:	E1: Learning Skills OR E9: Budget
			E5:	Learn treatments for electrical shock, near drowning, burns, broken bones, heat exhaustion, and serious falls.
	24 - 30		E1/E9:	E1: Learning Skills OR E9: Budget
			F7a:	Perform a service project for your family this week.
	31 - 6		E1/E9:	E1: Learning Skills OR E9: Budget
			F2:	Read in the For Strenght of Youth <u>Dress and Appearance</u> .

### Teachers: Duty To God Assignment

May 2010	3 - 9		F6:	Develop and follow a financial budget for 2 months.
			E2:	Improve reading skills by reading at least 6 articles of a church magazine. EX: Read 6 conference talks.
	10 - 16		F4b, F3b & F5b:	F4b: Give FHE lesson on F3b: 1 topics of your choice (faith, forgiveness, the Holy Ghost, obedience, the plan of salvation, prayer, prophets, repentance or revelation) that are in <i>True to the Faith</i> or <i>Gospel Principles</i> and F5b: Memorize and learn a hymn in 4/4 time and conduct at FHE.
	17 - 23		F6:	Develop and follow a financial budget for 2 months.
			P12:	Teach first aid skills to your family or quorum members.
	24 - 30		F6:	Develop and follow a financial budget for 2 months. Congratulations you finished your 2 month goal!!
			F3:	In True to the Faith or Gospel Principles read the topic, <u>Obedience</u> .
	31 - 6		F8 & S9	Start <u>2: 1 month goals</u> . F8: Plan and carry out 1 activity in which you and your family serve a nieghbor or relative. AND S9: Collect 12 recipes that a missionary can prepare quickly. Prepare at least 4 of them.

### Priests: Duty To God Assignment

May 2010	3 - 9		P1 & P3 OR P1 & P4	Start <u>3 month goal</u> . P1: Run (or swim) 10 kilometers or 6 miles in 60 minutes or less. P3: Run OR P4: Swim for 30 minutes 2 - 3 times a week for 3 months to prepare for the 60 minute run (swim) at the end of the 3 months.
			F1:	Read Book of Mormon. Alma 12-16
	10 - 16		P3/P4	Run or Swim for 30 min 2 - 3 times a week.
			S7:	Encourage and invite a less-active quorum member to participate in at least 1 quorum or ward activity.
			F1:	Read Book of Mormon. Alma 17-22
	17 - 23		P3/P4	Run or Swim for 30 min 2 - 3 times a week.
			E1:	Write a post-high school education plan. Include how your education might be financed. Explain how your plans will work with your goal of serving a full-time mission.
			F1:	Read Book of Mormon. Alma 23-27
	24 - 30		P3/P4	Run or Swim for 30 min 2 - 3 times a week.
			F4:	In True to the Faith or Gospel Principles read the topic, <u>God the Father</u> .
			F1:	Read Book of Mormon. Alma 28-32
	31 - 6		P3/P4	Run or Swim for 30 min 2 - 3 times a week.
			P10:	As a quorum, with each boy responsible for a part in the planning; organize and participate in this summers' Super Activity.
			F1:	Read Book of Mormon. STOMP

## PRIMARY

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**May Theme:** "Principles and Ordinances of the Gospel Lead me to Jesus Christ."

**May Scripture:** "We believe that the first principles and ordinances of the Gospel are: first, Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; second Repentance; third, Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins, fourth, Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost." (Articles of Faith 1:4)

**5<sup>th</sup> Art. Of Faith:** "We believe that a man must be called of God, by prophecy and by the laying on of hands by those who are in authority, to preach the Gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof."

### **May 2:**

O. Prayer Peyton Young

Scripture: Samantha Montgomery

Talk: Lizzie Crandell

Art of Faith #5: Zach O'Bryant

C. Prayer:

### **May 9:**

O. Prayer: Lauryn Tiffany

Scripture: Leah Morales

Talk: Audrey Redd

Art of Faith #5 Kelton Moore

C. Prayer: Parker Hird

### **May 16:**

O. Prayer: Denlynn Brown

Scripture: Oscar Rivera

Talk: Steele Filhart

Art of Faith #5: Aiden Kaberry

C. Prayer: Kamea Turner

**May 23: No Regular Meetings Today**  
**GV Temple Dedication Broadcast**

### **May 30:**

O. Prayer: Spencer Young

Scripture: Jared Nichols

Talk: Jacqueline Mamani

Art of Faith #5: Kaia Mehlberg

C. Prayer: Raizja Moore

## Primary Mother's Day picnic

Saturday - May 8<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 to 11 am

At the Ward Building

**For All Primary Kids & Their Moms**

**Each Family please bring a blanket.**

Please join us for a fun morning. There will be pedicures, a Picnic Lunch and fun "Kids & Moms" games! Watch for more information!

### **Margin Notes:**

"Whatever part you choose to play on the world stage, keep in mind that life is like a candid camera; it does not wait for you to pose."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"No one has learned the meaning of living until he has surrendered his ego to the service of his fellow man. Service to others is akin to duty, the fulfillment of which brings true joy."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"There is no dividing line between our prosperity and our neighbor's wretchedness. Try as some of us may, we cannot escape the influence our lives have upon the lives of others. Ours is the opportunity to build, to lift, to inspire and to lead."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

The past is behind; learn from it. The future is ahead; prepare for it. The present is here; live in it.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"You will continue learning after you leave college, for to cease learning is to cease existing."

President Thomas S. Monson

In spite of what God knows about us (and that is more than we know about ourselves), He loves us.

"When you want to talk to God, pray; and when you want God to talk to you, read the scriptures."

Elder Elias Miller

It's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

Maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

Sometimes when I'm angry - I have the right to be angry - But that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

Somebody said it takes about 6 weeks to get back to normal after you've had a baby...somebody doesn't know that once you're a mother, "normal" is history!

Somebody said you can't love the 2nd child as much as you love the first...somebody doesn't have 2 children.

Somebody said the hardest part of being a mother is labor and delivery...somebody never watched her 'baby' get on the bus the first day of kindergarten...or watched her child marry...or said good-bye as a son left for his mission.

Somebody said you don't need an education to be a mother...somebody never helped a 4<sup>th</sup> grader with fractions!

Somebody said a mother can do her job with her eyes closed and one hand tied behind her back...somebody never organized 7 Cub Scouts painting birdhouses on her kitchen table.

Somebody said a mother's job is done when her last child gets married...somebody doesn't know that marriage adds a new son or daughter-in-law to a mother's heartstrings.

Somebody said your mother knows you love her, so you don't need to tell her...somebody isn't a mother!

Credentials on the wall don't make you a decent human being.

"I think we as parents should determine our success when our children are age 25 - not by how much they liked us along the way."  
Dr. William J. Doherty, family therapist

Heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

My brethren and sisters, you have in your veins, either by descent or adoption, the blood of heroes.  
Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

But I have commanded you to bring up your children in light and truth. D&C 93:40

Somebody said you learn how to be a mother by instinct...somebody never took a 3 yr. old shopping.

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything - they just make the most of everything they have.

Even when you think you have no more to give - when your child cries out- you will find the strength to help.

We are responsible for what we do no matter how we feel.

"Many of us in the modern world are prodigal sons. We have not only left home, we have forgotten it and the Father who still waits to unfold to us not only 'all that I have' but also, 'all that I am.'"  
Truman G. Madsen

Yea, blessed are they who shall believe in your words, and come down into the depths of humility and be baptized... 3 Nephi 12:2

"Joy and happiness come from living the way the Lord wants you to live and from service to God and others." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

And now, verily, verily, I say unto thee, put your trust in that Spirit which leadeth to do good - yea, to do justly, to walk humbly, to judge righteously; and this is my Spirit. D&C 11:12

