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# **MOTHERS**

Mother has always been a generic term synonymous with love, devotion and sacrifice. There's always been something mystical and reverent about them.



A mother is a wonderful creature constructed almost entirely of love. Like snowflakes, no two mothers are alike, but they have many things in common.

A mother cares about and for almost everything. Motherhood is the symbol of love, in its highest and purest form.

Motherhood is eternal with Godhood, and there is no such thing as eternal or endless life without the eternal and endless continuation of motherhood.

We pay divine homage to God who stands supreme. But next to God, our parents are our greatest benefactors. And what could be more natural than to try to show honor and reverence to them to whom we owe our existence.

We don't always tell our mothers how much we love them or how much we wish the most wonderful things in the world will come to her because there are no words that express feelings so deep and sincere.

So on Mother's Day we honor our mother best by making some Mother's Day resolutions to know the truth, to love God and to obey the great commandment in which He said: "Honour thy father and mother that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." Exodus 20:12

Mark Rasmussen, 2nd Counselor



# Mission News

## Australia Sydney

March was a challenging month in the Australia Sydney Mission. Elder Pinegar made a tour of the mission which gave the work a big boost. Also, a round of zone conferences was held, and added to that was a project to do some remodeling in the home including new carpeting. Todd had a great time during his visit—surfing, sightseeing, visiting friends

in Brisbane, etc. Nick and Donna also enjoyed having other members of the family visit for three weeks in April, and it was very sad to see all of them leave on the 24th. They couldn't believe we were still getting snow--their fall weather has been beautiful.

Nick says the number of missionaries will have diminished from 156 when they arrived to 102 at the end of May, but baptisms have been holding fairly steady for the past three years. The members are getting very anxious about the temple, which, hopefully, will be completed in June. A committee is now working on plans for an Open House and for supporting the dedication programs.

"Please give our best to our neighbors and friends."

Love, Nick and Donna

### MTC - Provo

Two of our newest missionaries,
Wayne Clayton and Mark Scharman,
have spent three weeks at the
MTC and each boarded their
planes on May 2 to begin
serving at their appointed
destinations: Mark in South
Dakota and Wayne in Missouri.
Although neither of them cared
for the MTC food, they made good
friends which helped compensate
for their loss of weight.
The following day Greg Butters

began his studies at the MTC in preparation for his service in Taiwan. Our love and prayers go with each of these young men as they begin this important work. (addresses on page 7)

Columbia Bogota

Delwin's Mission President asked him to extend his mission for an extra three weeks. Therefore, Delwin was allowed to phone home to get permission to have this extension. It was great to talk with him. His new release date is May 18.

Nasta luego, Delwin-we are anxiously awaiting your return.

Mom Clawson Reporting



## Japan Osaka

"We took a Japanese Youth Missionary to a home at which we had sold Truth Restored and the Book of Mormon. She had prayed that we would return. She poured out her story and testimony. She said while she was reading Truth Restored (Joseph Smith's experience), the Holy Ghost flooded her body and she knew it was true.

She cried most of the time she read it and her husband thought something was wrong, but she told him she was crying because of her happiness at finding something she believed in. (Her eyes teared as she told us.) She had a harder time reading the Book of Mormon, so I told her I would make an easy reading schedule so she could get the principles of the Gospel. She kept saying a Japanese phrase that means, 'This is so.'

"I had the Youth Missionary teach her the 4 steps of prayer and give a blessing on the household. She then asked if they would come back to teach her and if it wouldn't be too much trouble, could her husband and 3 children listen, too! I explained that our church believed that families were most important because we can live together forever with them and it would be best if the whole family listened. She thanked us over and over for not forcing anything on them like other churches had. I explained that free dom of choice was also an important principle and that the missionaries only gave people the opportunity. After that, it was their decision.

"I walked out of that house feeling ten feet tall at such a strengthening experience. She may have helped me more than I helped her."

Elder Lance Dean

## Denmark Copenhagen

Ronda has been transferred to the town of Odense where Hans Christian Anderson was born. They're living with investigators until they find something else.

Ronda is really having trouble with the Danish food--she loves everything! My brother warned her and said if she doesn't stop eating all that good stuff she will look like her mother. I have to agree.

She has to buy a bike and she is excited because when she rides a bike she can wear skirtpants which will be a bit more comfortable.

In Odense they have a lot of member 🕊 help with investigators and that really helps. She started her last letter, "It's been a great week for me here in wonderful Odense. I love it here. We are doing just great with investigators, too. They're crawling out from everywhere."

At an investigator's place where they had the T.V. on they saw "Fall Guy" in German with Danish suutitles. She said it was so funny to see Colt and Howie speak German.

The Danish Mission has had 19 baptisms so far this year, so it's going very slow, but she Elder John Gygi says they have a couple coming up soon in Odense Germany Frankfurt Mission so they're hoping to reach their goal of 209 by Ditmarstrasse 9 year's end. Mom Poulson Reporting West Germany

## Germany Frankfurt

John reports baptizing a Turkish woman. She had to be baptized three times because her elbow was sticking out of the water. Another investigator wanted to know why she had to be baptized again. It was explained that the body had to be completely immersed. The investigator said, "You mean her elbow is going to hell?"

Another one of their investigators is a Laotian man who will be returning to Laos which is a communist country. Being a church member could cause him problems there, so John is not sure whether the man should be baptized. A missionary's life is full of challenges.

The weather was really good all winter, so John and his companion started riding b b their bikes. Then it started raining!

John says his testimony is growing stronger, but he is looking forward to coming home in August. He would love to hear from those people writing to him again before he returns.

D-6000 Frankfurt/Main 90

Dad Gygi Reporting

### SENTENCES WHICH ACTUALLY APPEARED IN CHURCH BULLETINS

- \* This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends. \*
- \* Tuesday at 4:00 pm there will be an Ice Cream Social. All ladies giving milk, please come early. \*
- \* Wednesday the Ladies Literary Society will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing "Put Me In My Little Bed" accompanied by the Pastor. \*
- \* Thursday at 5:00 pm there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All wishing to become Little Mothers will please meet the minister in his study. \*
- \* This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mr. Johnson to come forward and lay an egg on the altar. \*
- \* The service will close with "Little Drops of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly and the rest of the congregation will join in. \*
- \* On Sunday a special collection will be taken for the defraying of our expenses for the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the carpet, please come forward and get a piece of paper. \*
- \* The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church auditorium. \*

## Relief Society

Last month the sisters enjoyed a big salad bar supper, a very special lesson by Sister Elfrieda Schulz, and hand-dipping their own chocolates (they were certainly worth all the gooey mess on our hands)!

This month's Homemaking Meeting will be this Tuesday evening, May 8th, at 7:00 pm. The miniclasses offered will be WOK cooking demonstration (\$1.50 each), crochet either a Navaho or square afghan, making an embroidery floss holder (or use it for a coupon organizer), ceramic painting, stoneware, or quilt tying.

There will also be a tasting table of foods that may be canned at the cannery. There are two foods that are coming up on May's canning schedule. Turkey will be canned on May 17 & 18 (16 oz. cans at \$32-38/case), and on the 23rd and 24th will be syrup (30 oz. cans at \$18-23/

per case). A \$5/case deposit is required 10 days before the canning date.



On April 17th the Young Men and Young Women took part in a service project to tie three quilts for one of the area hospitals. Many hands made light work, and afterward many hungry mouths made short work of over 100 French bread pizzas and 10 gallons of homemade root beer. We appreciate the help of all the youth and leaders in making the night a successful one.

### PRIMARY

On April 18th the Primary children went to a Nursing Home. It is a home where most of the patients are adults, but they are mentally handicapped.

They were so glad to see us. The children sang several songs for the people. They joined in on some of the songs and clapped and enjoyed them. We asked the children to bring a piece of fruit. We filled two fruit baskets and gave them to the people. I was very proud of the children that day. They conducted themselves very well. I hope the children got the spirit of giving of themselves. We are proud of all the children in Primary.

We will be practicing our Mother's Day songs for the program in May.

Kathy Clayton, Primary President



## Scouts

The Scouts worked on two merit badges together last month. Jay Bishoff helped with the Lifesaving merit badge at the spa, and Cliff Beattie taught them about Photography each Wednesday night at the ward. He helped them make pinhole cameras, which is sort of a homemade camera; and for the last lesson, he took them to the Whitmore Library and showed them how to make pictures in the darkroom.

Ten members of our Troop 311, including five Blazers, attended the Brighton District Camp-o-ree on April 27 and 28.

During a campfire activity Friday night, the boys were treated to a spectacle in the sky, appearing to be a giant meteor, burning and disintegrating as it fell to the earth. Also during the campfire, conducted by the Order of the Arrow, Brett Barker was "tapped" or nominated to become a member of that organization. Congratulations to him.

On the morning of the 28th the patrols competed in the following: Triangle (lashings), Lifesaving Techniques, First Aid methods, Physical Fitness tests, Map Reading, and Shelter Building, etc. Of the 50 patrols from the District in attendance, the Angelope Patrol of our Troop took third place in competition for shelter building. Attending were Brett Barker, Brett Scharman, Brian Cloward, Eric Glad and Drew Glad from the Scout group and from the Blazers,

Scott Rowe, Jared Landvatter, Craig Russell, Ryan Kartchner, and Rand Barker. Scoutmaster Lynn Rowe and Bro. Ray Kartchner kept watch on the group.

# Cub Scouts

The latest Cub Pack Meeting was held on April 24 at the church parking lot. We got everything set up to roast hot dogs, then the wind started blowing hard and threatened to rain. Fortunately, the rain held off and everyone was able to enjoy their hot dogs, potato salad, Jello salads, chips, and drinks before going inside for the award presentations.

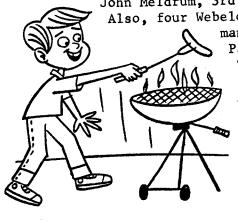
Five boys were given awards for doing well in pizza sales. Scott Scharman was the most ambitious salesman again this year with a total of 65 pizzas; 2nd prize went to John Meldrum, 3rd to Rand Barker, 4th to Brian Rowe, and 5th to Daren Beattie.

Also, four Webelos earned new achievements: Brian Rowe, Citizenship and Sports-

man; Benjamin Larisch, Scientist, Geologist, Outdoorsman, Bear Patch, one gold arrow and six silver arrows; John Meldrum, Traveler; and Scott Scharman, Sportsman and Scholar.

The final event of the evening (in the dusk) was a bicycle rodeo, and although they weren't competing, the boys did their best in driving through a slalom course, throwing newspapers while on bikes, and slow driving.

Thanks to Dick Barker, Rosalyn Ostler, and Dick Scharman for the leadership with the Cubs.



# Getting Acquainted....

### The Two Of Us

Mark Rasmussen, who is Bishop Butters' 2nd Counselor, and his wife, Claudia, have lived in forty of the fifty states. their home at 2862 Pamela Drive for nearly 30 years; so most of us have known them for quite a while. Still, it's always interesting to learn new things about old friends.

Mark was born in a small town--now a ghost town--six miles north of Roosevelt, Utah. He grew up on a farm, the middle child, number six in a family of eleven children.

Claudia was born and grew up in Salt Lake, attending East High and L.D.S. Business College.

They first met on the grounds of Temple Square at April Conference in 1951. Their first date was on the 4th of July at which time they went row boating and watched the fireworks at Liberty Park.

> Less than 6 months later they were married in the Salt Lake Temple. The first year of their marriage brought both the excitement of an expected baby and the sadness of Mark being drafted into the Army during the Korean War.

After 6 months, Claudia and the new baby, Ken, were able to join Mark at Fort Ord for the next 18 months. They made many won-Jay graduated from the "U" in December and was derful friends as Mark would bring homesick recruits home on weekends for home cooked meals, a touch of family life and sightseeing of Monterey and Carmel, California. Marcia was

When & they returned to civilian life, Mark ) found employment at Beau Brummel Restaurant where two men who were experts in the restaurant business trained him. At this same time, in December of 1954, they bought their home in Steffensen Heights. They were the 4th family to move into the area.

At that time there was only the Butler The boundaries went from the mountains on the East to 1300 East on the West. 6 months later the ward was divided and our area remained in Butler 1st with Alvin Thomas as Bishop. Mark was called to ue Elders Quorum President. Since we were all so young back then and there were so many Elders, there were two Elders Quorums in the ward.

Both Mark and Claudia have served in all of the auxiliaries of the church. Some of their best friends are former boy scouts that Mark worked with as scoutmaster for 8 years.

The Rasmussens love to travel and have tried to see the history and beauties of the U.S. and Canada in whatever part of the country Mark's summer convention is held. They have visited

Mark has been the Director of Dormitory Dining Services at the "U" for 28 years. He is responsible for the supervision of 3,000 meals per day. He has fed the football team for many years. Needless to say, they are avid "U" fans and seldom miss a game. Mark has been honored for his accomplishments in his profession many times. He has served as Regional President twice and as Program Chairman for the national convention held in Salt Lake in 1981.

Claudia has worked for Jordan School District as a secretary for 21 years, helping to open Butler Junior High in 1965. She has enjoyed working with you and your children in this capacity.

They are the parents of four

children and eight grandchildren-their pride and joy. Ken teaches biology at Taylorsville High and coaches basketball and football. He served a Toronto, Canada mission and has 3 children. Marcia is an appraiser for State Farm along with raising her 2 children. Her husband is a State Farm agent. Denise lives in Seattle where her husband will receive his dental degree in June. They are the parents of 2 commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army. He is presently stationed in Oklahoma and will be leaving for Germany this summer for 3 years. He served in the Melbourne, Australia Mission. He born at Fort Ord just before Mark was discharged and Jane are the parents of 7-month-old Jordan.

The Rasmussens said that the past 30 years in the Butler area have brought them many wonderful friends, cherished memories, and has been a great place to establish their home and raise their family. We know they have helped to make it that way!

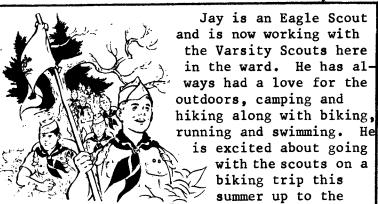
Jay T. Bishoff was born on February 26, 1962, in the LDS Hospital in Idaho Falls, Idaho. He was 3 years old when his family moved to S.L.C., and when he was 11 they moved to their current home at 2867 Carole Drive. He attended Morning side Elementary, Canyon View Elementary, Butler Middle, and graduated from Brighton High School Jay was on the Brighton High swim team, and also took some college classes while at Brighton.

After a year at the University of Utah, Jay left to serve a mission in Paris, France. When he returned he continued his studies at the "U"

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where he is a pre-med student. He has also been elected as the student representative for the School of Pharmacy for the coming school year, 1984-85. Jay has a very high interest in medicine and is looking forward to being able to graduate from med school

some day and start a practice of his own, in helping people. He is teaching a C.P.R. class down at the Spa for the boys earning their Life- Jackson Hole area. saving merit badge, and was also the coach for the group swim team down at the Spa where he really enjoyed working with the kids, several of whom are in our ward. Before he left for his mission, Jay was a certified Emergency Medical Technician, and has since renewed his license. He is looking for a job in a hospital where he can apply the things that he has learned as an EMT.



Jay and his family are very close and he has always been a good example and motivator to them. He always strives for excellence and encourages those around him to do likewise.

As a ward, may we show our appreciation to Jay for his devoted service to our future leaders by giving our full support towards their summer expedition.

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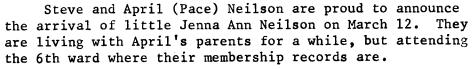
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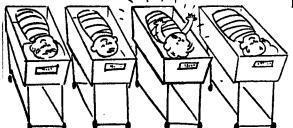
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## Nursery



Amanda Jo Lindquist was born on April 3 to Cory and Jolyn Lindquist. Brian and his parents are just about as proud and happy about their baby as are her grandparents, Al and Glenda!



On March 31, little Ashlee Crump was sealed to her parents, Kevin and Peggy, in the Jordan River Temple.

The following day her daddy gave her a beautiful father's blessing in Fast and Testimony Meeting. members of the family witnessed and took part in this special and sacred occasion with the Crumps.

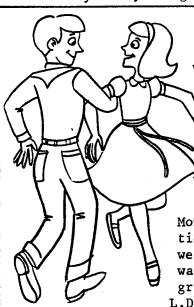
# News Briefs

Ward members recently released:

Del Wood, A.P. Young Men's Secretary Becky Rosander, Young Women's Counselor

Ward members recently sustained:

Robert Ostler, A.P. Young Men's Secretary Darcianne Johnson, Girl's Camp Youth Counselor Karen Fletcher, Ward Youth Council Rep. Derek Butters, Ward Youth Council Rep. Brett Barker, advanced to Teacher David Cloward, advanced to Priest Norma Montgomery, Asst. Girl's Camp Director Steve Hansen, Sr. Softball Coach Kevin Crump, Asst. Sr. Softball Coach John Houskeeper, Jr. Softball Coach Todd Kartchner, Asst. Jr. Softball Coach Judy Rowe, Young Women's Counselor



### DANCE FESTIVAL SPECTACULAR

Several members of our ward took part in the recent regional dance festival: Eric Poulson, Darcianne Johnson, Roy Schulz, Marie Poulson, Julie Bishoff, and Joyce McKinney all danced with the group in our stake.

Also, Kris and Kim Montgomery and their International Junior Folk Dance Group were invited to perform. was a special honor since the group isn't sponsored by the L.D.S. Church.

#### CONGRATULATIONS ALSO TO:

- ...Heidee Wilson, who won \$100 as a runner-up in the Sterling Scholarship contest in Homemaking.
- ... Darcianne Johnson, for taking first place in the state debate tournament.
- ... to Trevin Beattie, for first place in business math at the state FBLA contest. Trevin will compete in the national contest this summer in Atlanta.

#### PLAN AHEAD FOR:

Stake Production of "Cinderella" - June 7, 8, & 9 Youth Conference at Snow College - July 5, 6, & 7 Father's and Son's Annual Outing - August 3 & 4



Another former ward member has returned with his young family to live with his parents temporarily until their new home is built. We are happy to have Mark and Robin Cram and their children, Jamie Lynn (5), Mark Sherman (3), and Heidee Jo (2) with us for a few months.

We are especially delighted to welcome our newest young family who have bought the Rosander's home at 7887 Nantucket, Chuck and Leslie Boulton, as well as Nicholas Charles (3) and Brianna Lee (1). We hope you will like living here!

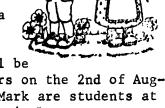
## <u> Engagement</u>

Two of our young women have announced their engagement and have set wedding dates at the Salt Lake Temple.

Jacque Hansen and Kurt DeHart, who is a BYU student, will be married on July 29.

Lisa Mayfield will be sealed to Mark Buttars on the 2nd of August. Both Lisa and Mark are students at Utah State University in Logan.

Congratulations!



### Symnathy

Our sincere love and prayers are extended to Marlene Wretburg upon the recent death of her father.

We're sorry **loving** we'll have to say goodbye to Neil and

Tori Glad as well as little Tiffany since they'll be leaving in a week or so. Neil will begin his basics in the Nat'l Guard.