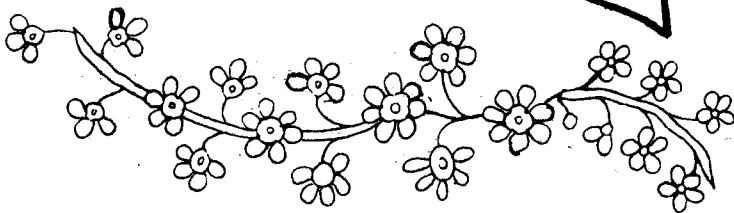


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The Lord made solemn promises to "all Saints who remember to keep and do these sayings, walking in obedience to the commandments. (D & C 89:18)

The Apostle Peter said, God has given to us "exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature... (2 Peter 1:4)

A story is told of a Girl Scout who made up a "Promise Book" of slips containing chores she would do to be helpful. These promises were sacred pledges. They were guaranteed by her determination that they would be honored in full.

The greatest promises have been made by our Father in Heaven himself. God has never given a commandment to which he did not attach the promise of a blessing. The value of the blessing always exceeds the amount of service given.

When we are baptized we promise God that we will be faithful. We make other promises when we obtain the Priesthood and partake of the sacrament.

Based on our actions during this life, God has promised us eternal life. Almost every important thing that we do is under some mutual agreement based on promises.

Several weeks ago during General Conference, we were spiritually fed. May we all put into action the messages presented by our Father in Heavens' special witnesses whose desire is for us all to attain eternal life.


Mark L. Rasmussen





Mission News

Australia Sydney



President and Sister Watts enjoyed being home for nearly a week to attend the special Mission President's Conference the first part of April, even though the time went too fast. Now they are busier than ever.

Because of the new methods of teaching the missionary lessons which are being introduced worldwide, they will have to make three more rounds of zone conferences before their release at the end of next month rather than the single round they were planning (in six zones)--in addition to getting ready for a transition to a new President!

Let's not forget them in our daily prayers as they undertake this tremendous task.

President & Sister M.L. Watts
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Australia

England Manchester

Two months ago Avery was relocated. Now he is in the Manchester Mission. The move came as a surprise. But we knew it was right when he received a letter signed by the prophet saying his talents were greatly needed in this mission. Since then he has been made District Leader again.

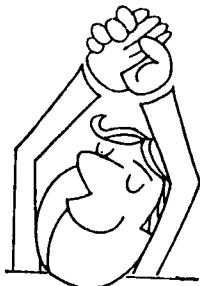
The area he is in has been known as a non-productive area--low teaching hours and such... But the Lord has blessed Avery and his companion. They have many investigators, four of which plan on joining the church this month.

In his last letter Avery was concerned when he didn't see a report on him in the ward paper. He said he wanted to know how he was doing.

Avery is doing GREAT!!!

Connie Houskeeper

Elder Avery Houskeeper
England Manchester Mission
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Manchester
England



Korea Seoul

Dean now feels comfortable with the Korean language and enjoys teaching even more now. As a result, he is having a harder time with English. He has enjoyed the hot food from the first day and it is finally catching up with him. The doctor says he has gastritis and has put him on a bland diet for awhile.

We received a letter from one of the girls in Dean's ward. Her name is Yi Eunjung, and she works for Samsung, one of the largest companies in Korea. She loves to cook for the missionaries and is very proud of her English. It was fun to hear from her.

April 5th was "Plant A Tree" day in Korea and the Chung Chun Ward and a neighboring ward planted flowers and

trees at the church. They had previously planned a picnic for the day, but when the bishop saw the missionaries working in the church yard to clean it up, they changed their plans.

In his letter dated April 1, Dean told us of his transfer to an island called Tan Ban (meaning Desolation) 30 miles off the coast of Korea where he only had contact with the mission office every other week and no telephone service. On the following page he told us "April Fools." Dean hasn't changed.

Mom Cloward

Elder Dean Cloward
Korea Seoul Mission
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Korea



Canada Montreal

Elder Blackhurst has been enjoying his experience at the MTC in Provo. He says the French language is a bit difficult to learn, but he's coming along with it. He also enjoys the opportunity to attend the temple each Friday. He is scheduled to leave for Montreal on May 19.

Dad Blackhurst

Elder Allan Blackhurst
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2005 North 900 East
Provo, UT 84604



☘ Ireland Dublin ☘

Easter was quiet for Ramona and her companion. They had dinner with a missionary couple.



The weather is getting warmer which helps on their 45-minute walk to church and walking around to find some people willing to listen to the gospel message. Ramona and her companion worked in one area for 3 months and now they are starting a new one. It is exciting to find some more people to teach. But Satan is working hard also and it is not always easy. But they don't give up.

Ramona's testimony and the relationship with her Heavenly Father is growing.

On one of their free days they had a zone tour through the country. It was beautiful, and Ramona was spiritually uplifted to see our Heavenly Father's creation. When she looked at the ocean, she thought of Lehi and his family going to the promised land on a ship.

Ramona loves Ireland, she loves to serve and she loves our Heavenly Father. She wants to give her love to all people in the ward.

Mom Schulz
Ramona Schulz
"Mill Grove" Well Road
Douglas Cork
Ireland

Wisconsin Milwaukee



Missionary work is far more productive in Beloit where Raymond has been transferred than it was in Milwaukee. They are finding more people that are interested in listening to the Gospel message.

Ray tells us of one member that is a tremendous fellowship. He wishes all members there could do the same good job. It sure would be good for new members to be fellowshipped with such love and devotion.

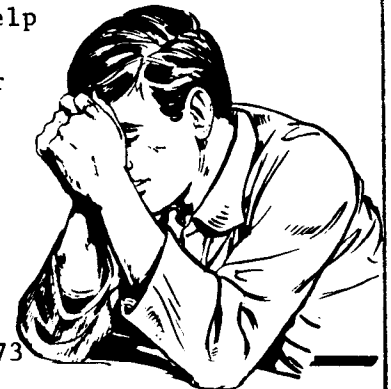
Ray is in a walking mission now and his legs and knees sure have been letting him know about it. But he just says, "Oh well, they'll get used to it sooner or later."

Mom Tea
Elder Raymond Tea
1960 Harrison Avenue
Beloit, WI 53511

Japan Osaka

Lance is about finished with a 30-day self-challenge. He said "The help I'm getting from Heavenly Father is almost visible. A perfect morning schedule includes exercise, scripture study, reading Madsen's "Spiritual Roots," "House of Israel" etc. and gives me a total of 9 points. At day 3, I was 3 points above perfect. This is how I did an extra point a day. Before I went to bed, I prayed for help to increase my integrity. I didn't ask God to miraculously wake me up at 6:30, just that He could maybe help me remember my goals in the morning as I shut my alarm clock off. The funniest thing happened in the morning. At 6 a.m., 30 minutes before I've ever awakened, I suddenly woke up. I was wide awake, I could hardly believe it. I looked at my clock and saw that it was 6 a.m. and I thought to myself, 'Oh good, I have 30 extra minutes to sleep before I get up.' But just as I was getting back into bed, I felt something saying to me, 'Lance, this is a test of your integrity. How bad do you want to develop good habits.?' I sat up and thought about the pros and cons of getting up and finally decided to get up. I went jogging and got back at 6:30, when I usually get up, and had already had my first victory of the day. I read 14 pages of the B of M, one chapter in "House of Israel" and one chapter in "Spiritual Roots..." That night I prayed for the same thing and sure enough I was zapped awake at 6 once again. It felt something like instantly being awakened from hypnotism. I knew I wasn't doing it myself, or if I was, it was only to the extent that I had faith Heavenly Father would help me. I decided to try something. The next night I intentionally didn't pray for help to get up. I intended on doing it, but was trying to see if I could do it myself. When morning came I wasn't zapped awake at 6 like before. As the 6:30 alarm went off, my bed felt like quicksand as it sucked me in. Luckily I remembered my goals and by myself, using sheer hard work, pulled myself out of bed. The morning was only half as good. So last night I prayed for the help again and sure as ever, I got up at 6 without an alarm. It was a testimony builder. It was almost visible help from above. And all it took was a sincere prayer to do it. It makes you see how close help really is to anyone who asks."

Mom Dean
Elder Lance Dean
Japan Osaka Mission
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Hirakata Shi-Osaka-Fu 573
Japan



Uruguay Montevideo

Bret changed companions this last month which is always difficult as you share so many wonderful experiences with each companion. He is excited about his new companion. He said they both share one major thing--"we are both here to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ."

They are teaching a wonderful black family. He said the Lord guided them right to this family as they live about one mile out of the neighborhood they usually teach in. Bret said they have been teaching lots of complete families and that makes missionary work wonderful.

He said winter is starting to creep up on them and the "long Johns" have been dusted off and are on active duty again.

He said he is "so thankful to be in Uruguay in the mission field. When you come right down to it, people are the most important thing in the world. What a great satisfaction one can find in helping another individual, no matter how small the help offered may be. How happy I am to be a son of God, to know He loves us and wants us to succeed, and succeed we will!"

Mom Cammans

Elder Bret Reich
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Uruguay



Taipei Taiwan

Gregory has been busy trying to share the gospel in Taiwan. He is enjoying a family from Canada that is now living there, but they don't seem to want to become members. He also writes about many young people who are members that are bringing their friends to church to learn about the gospel. He enjoys getting to know them as well. He and his companion are trying every day to find someone wanting the Gospel.

He was happy to receive his birthday package. It even arrived early (his Christmas package was way late, so his parents were relieved when his birthday arrived early). In fact, we always kid about how slow a "slow boat to China" can be. Especially when we have sent a package on it for him.

He has passed all the tests for efficiency--or that he is a certified missionary. He was pleased to have accomplished that.



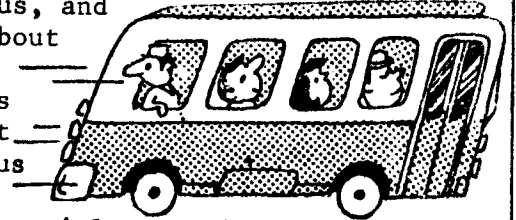
He is still extremely enthusiastic about everything he is doing--loves the work and reminds us that the "Gospel is true!"

Mom Butters

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Taiwan

Missouri Independence

On March 28 Wayne received a call from his Mission President and was transferred to Wichita, Kansas. After spending 11 months in Omaha, which is about the northern limit of the mission, he traveled three hundred miles to Wichita, which is the far southern boundary of the mission. He traveled by bus, and the trip took about 10 hours. Most of the way the bus was empty except for he and the bus driver.



Wayne had a special treat last week. Brother Cal and Sister Donna Taylor were in Wichita to see their son Arthur who lives there. The Taylors took time from their busy schedule to stop and spend some time with Wayne. And we received from them a very good first-hand report concerning our missionary son, the work he is doing, and now he is. We were very pleased to get their report of Wayne and most grateful to them for visiting our son.

Wayne is still assigned as Zone Leader, and is enjoying the work as he teaches investigators and works with the missionaries in his zone. He and his companion were called to the mission headquarters in Independence last week for a special meeting to learn from President Barker some of the things he received during the special Mission President's meetings held here during the week before General Conference.

Wayne reports the work is coming along and baptisms don't occur as often sometimes as the missionaries would want, but with continuous hard work and trust in the Lord, the missionaries are successful.

Wayne sends his love and "Hello" to all of the ward members.

Dad Clayton

Elder Wayne Clayton
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South Dakota Rapid City

It's been a very busy month for Mark--first it was his Zone Conference, then there was Stake Conference in which he had to give a talk, and just after General Conference he had to travel to Rapid City for a special Zone Leader Conference with President Greenwood to learn about the new missionary teaching plans of the church. That trip was very special. Besides getting all the new information from the church, Mark had the opportunity to renew friendships with Elder Longman (his M.T.C. companion) and Elder Bland (Mark's long-time Bemidji companion) who were also at that Zone Leader Conference.

The Petersons, Mark's "adopted family" from Bemidji, was in Fargo and Mark got the chance to visit with them for about an hour. They told him that 3 of the people he and his companion had been working with were going to be baptized. That really made his day.

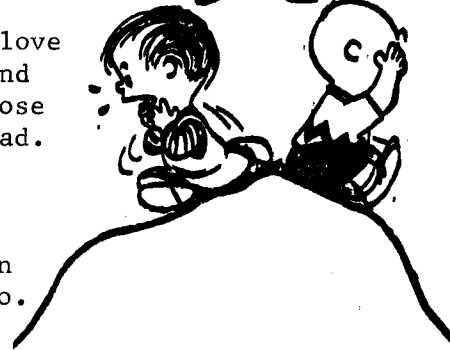
April 12th was "Hump Day" for Mark--he has 1 year behind him and it's been a very rewarding one.

Mark sends his love to all the ward--and his sympathy to those whose hearts are sad.

Mom & Dad Scharman

Elder Mark Scharman
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Oh Good Grief!
Hump Day Already!



MISSION CALL

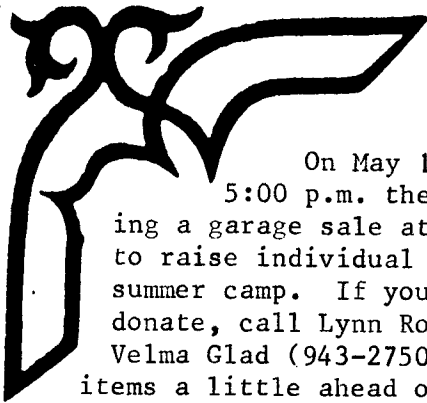
Congratulations to David Larisch who has been called to serve in the Atlanta Georgia Mission. David's farewell will be on May 26.

WELCOME HOME Ronda!



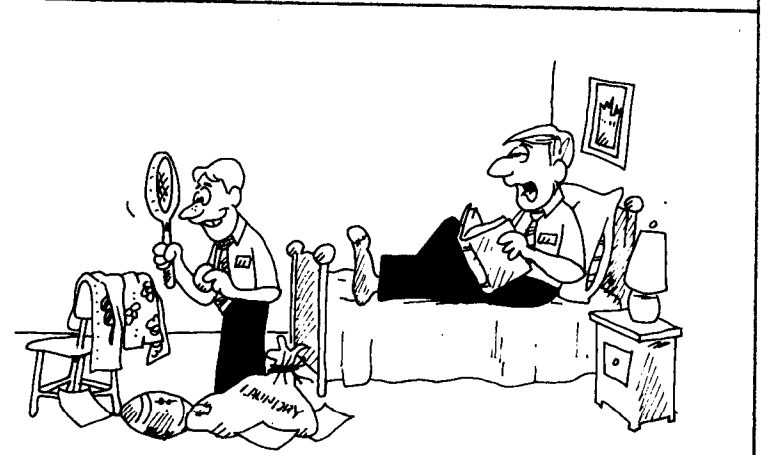
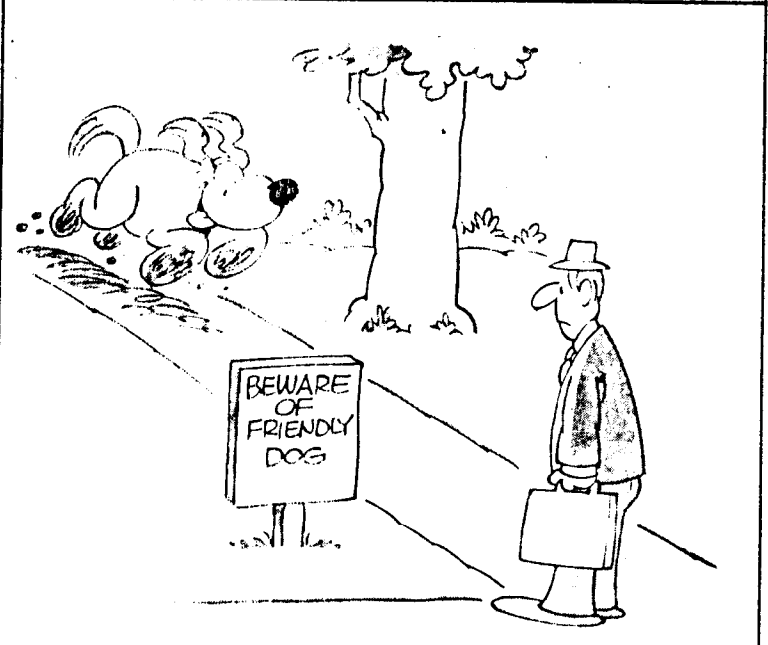
Scouts

TROOP 311



On May 18 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the Scouts will be having a garage sale at 2531 E. Nantucket to raise individual funds for their summer camp. If you have items you can donate, call Lynn Rowe (942-3105) or Velma Glad (943-2750). We will need the items a little ahead of that date to prepare them for the sale. Listen for further announcements.

Also, we are asking you to bring your old newspapers and put them in the "Boy Scout" dumpster in the corner of the upper parking lot. Our Scouts sell that newsprint to a local company to help with camp and equipment expense also. Throw it in anytime!



You're the only Elder I know who has a preparation day to prepare for preparation day.

Relief Society

An informative cancer clinic was held in April for the sisters in our ward. The message given was that early detection will cure much cancer and save lives. We saw three films about different kinds of cancer. Three ladies each talked about her personal fight against cancer, and each one testified that early detection and medical treatment were the reason they won their fight against this dreaded disease. (We have extra cancer handouts if anyone wants one.)



Also in April the Visiting Teachers of the Stake were honored with a lovely program. They enjoyed the beautiful singing of the Allegro Chorus. This was special for the Third Ward because Ira & Edna Butler's daughter, Beverly, is one of their talented accompanists. After the music, Sister Johanna Flynn gave a delightful talk about Visiting Teaching. She had everyone in stitches with her cute sense of humor and catching Southern accent. Servings of poppy-seed bread and punch were the final touch to a perfect program.

Looking ahead: June 5th at 7:00 PM, an evening for mothers and daughters (over 12). We will have a light supper and craft for all.

Earlene Spencer, Homemaking Counselor

Young Women

by Sarah Weenig

We are very proud to be the winners of 3 awards and also being runner-up for first place in the roadshow! Thanx, Judi, for the great job you did!

The month of April started out the right way--spring vacation from school: On Wednesday, the 17th, the mutual had a progressive dinner. We all started out at Bywater Park with the salads and a sack race. It was a "holey" experience. Next was Antzak Park where we cracked the fun right open with an egg toss. The hoagies calmed everyone down. Last, but not least, we went to Lynn Barker's house for s'mores. I'm sure everyone that went slept well that night--especially with full stomachs!

Happy Birthday to: Sherri Allen, Elyse VanFleet, and Lynn Barker

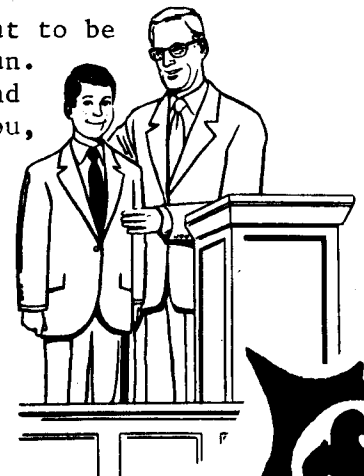
PRIMARY

The Primary is going along very well. The children are each and every one very special to us.

We had an Activity Day at the end of March which turned out to be a real success. The children really seemed to have lots of fun. Each of them that brought a kite got a blue ribbon. Also, Rand Barker turned 12 and has gone into the Priesthood. We miss you, Rand. Good luck. Nathan Cloward turned 8 on March 4th and was baptized on the 30th. He seemed to be very well prepared for membership in Heavenly Father's church.

Our birthdays in Primary were: March - Rand Barker, Heather Butters, Nathan Cloward, and Jed Berhold; April - Suzi and Tim Ostler, Charlotte Glad, Brenda Fletcher, and Sister Jacobson. Happy Birthday!

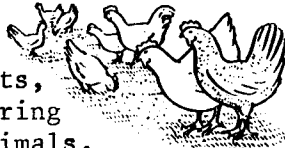
Florence Jacobson, Primary President



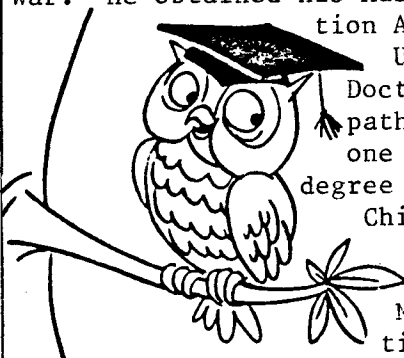
Getting Acquainted.....

Stan and Margie Malstrom have lived at 7700 Steffensen Drive for 31 years--the 4th family to move into the subdivision, and another one of the stalwarts who have given Butler Third Ward it's stability and strength.

Stan was born in Salt Lake City. He lived at the Whitmore Oxygen Plant at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon where his father, Dale Poulson, was employed, until he was three years old. When his father was killed in an explosion at the plant, his mother took her two children to Salt Lake City where they lived for two years. His mother then married Elmer Malstrom who later adopted Stan and his sister. They lived on a farm in West Jordan where Stan had to work hard helping to grow sugar beets, alfalfa, milking cows, and caring for the chickens and other animals.



Stan played football, track, won a boxing championship, and was in several plays at Jordan High School. While he was a senior, he joined the Signal Corps during World War II. After graduation he transferred to the Air Force and served four years, two of which he served as a Forward Observer for artillery in the Korean War. He obtained his Master's Degree in Education Administration from the University of Utah, a Doctor's Degree in Naturopathy in Phoenix, Arizona, one in Mexico City, and a degree in Message Therapy in Chicago. At the present time he has an office and health store in Midvale where he practices. He has had various jobs in the church and is presently an ordinance worker in the Jordan River Temple and has been since the temple opened to the public three and a half years ago.



Margie was born in Bingham Canyon, Utah. She grew up in Murray from the time she was two years old and graduated from Murray High School during which time she met Stan. While a senior she worked at the Murray Telephone Office. She has one sister. Her father died when she was twelve years old. The family was small, but during the depression it was a struggle for them.

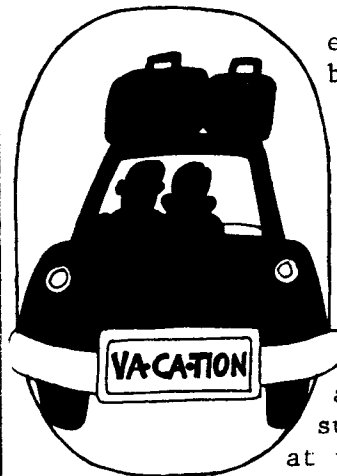
The Malstroms were married 42 years ago in Sacramento, California, while Stan was stationed at Camp Koler next to McClellan Air Force Base. Margie was not a member of the



church at the time. Six weeks after marriage they came back to Utah. Stan baptized and confirmed Marg in West Jordan, and a short time later they were married in the Salt Lake Temple. They have lived in several states because of the service and jobs.

Stan and Margie have four children and had a foster Indian son for six years. Rockey, their oldest and a return missionary who graduated from the U of U, lives in Denver where he has his own business as a Physical Therapist. Margene has been the Relief Society President in her ward for the past four years and has five teenagers, two boys and three girls--two are twins. Her oldest, who is Stan and Margie's oldest grandson, is preparing for a mission. Kendel, their third child, is a graduate of the U. of U. as well as of Washington University in Washington, D.C. He also has his own business as an Anthropologist and lives in Mill Valley, California. Bart, the youngest, is a Scoutmaster in his ward in Fairview, Utah, and also has his own business. He has three little boys. George Silversmith, their Indian son, lives in Lupton, Arizona, and has two little girls and a son who they named after Stan. They come up for a visit at least once a year.

Both Stan and Margie enjoy traveling, camping, boating, dancing, clogging, and racquetball. Marg also enjoys sewing, handcrafts, and being a temple worker in the Jordan River Temple. As friends and neighbors, we appreciate Stan and Margie sharing their story as well as the good example they have set for all of us. The joys and successes they are enjoying at this time in their lives point out the fact that Heavenly Father is happy to bless his children who are faithful to him.



Father is happy to bless his children who are faithful to him.

"Happy Mother's Day."



News Briefs

Ward members recently sustained:

Darryl DiMaggio, Asst. Fast Offering Clerk
 Wanda Leeman, Girls Softball Coach
 Edyie Allen, Asst. Webelo Leader
 Catherine DiMaggio, R.S. New Baby Gifts
 Paul Perry, Asst. Ward Clerk
 Richard Cloward, Y.M. Softball Coach
 Rick Barker, Y.M. Youth Council Rep.
 Margaret Glad, Y.W. Youth Council Rep.
 Eric Poulson, advanced to Elder

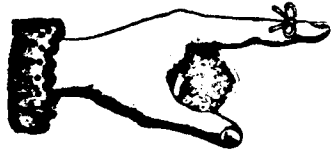
Ward members recently released:

Wayne West, Assistant Ward Clerk

WELCOME



We're happy to have Daniel and Deanna K. Bierman in our ward for awhile. They will be living with Dan's parents, Nephi and Virginia Bierman.

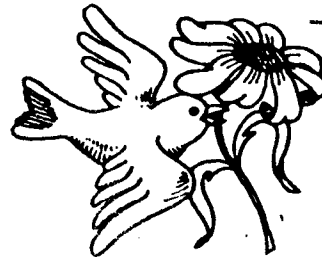


DON'T FORGET

We are planning to have a pancake breakfast on Memorial Day, May 27, at Antzak Park for everyone in the ward. Pancakes will be provided--bring your own additions to the menu and plan on a fun morning together!

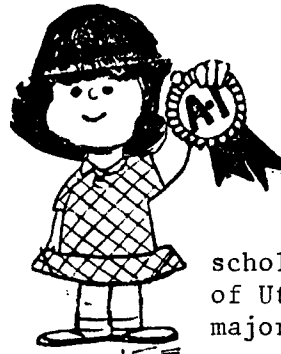
Also, on the evening of July 4 many of our young women will be taking part in a big dance fesitval at the University of Utah Rice Stadium as part of a big Independance Day celebration.

Sympathy



Our sweet young sister, Lisa Major, was called home on April 20 at the age of 20 years after a long struggle with several physical ailments. We will miss her cheerful spirit, but know she is happy and at peace now.

CONGRATULATIONS



...to DarciAnn Johnson, who took first place for best actress in the recent high school regional competition. DarciAnn also won a full four-year scholarship to the University of Utah, where she plans to major in theatrics.

...to Chris Scharman, who also won a four-year scholarship at the U of U as a wrestler.

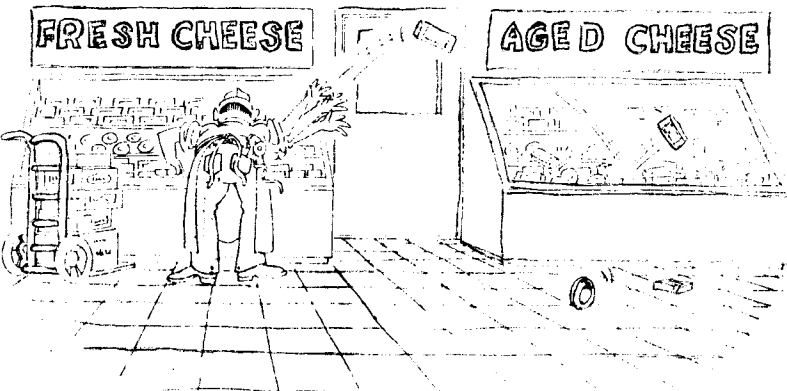
...to Kerri Redmond, who was 3rd runner-up in the Salt Lake City Sweetheart contest, as well as 1st runner-up in the "most photogenic" category.

...to Kendra Barbour, who earned her Personal Progress Award in the Special Mutual Program. Kendra worked hard for three years on this project and received a beautiful gold medalion as well as a certificate for her achievement.

...to Steven Allen, for taking the Grand Prize at the recent Cub Pack 318 Space Derby with over 900 points!

FRESH CHEESE

AGED CHEESE



BED IN SUMMER

*In winter I get up at night
 And dress by cold electric light;
 In summer I get up by day,
 But it's too early, either way.*

