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BRIGHTON FIRST WARD
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DECEMBER 1990

As we near the end of a very special year in the Brighton First Ward, we take a backward glance to be better prepared to embrace the future.

Brighton First Ward (since the new boundaries were established) is only six months old. We have experienced things which normally require many years. We have lost loved ones, married off children, sent missionaries into the field, had mission reports, and even done a little match making between the old 1st and 6th Wards. We have celebrated together; this month with the Adult party, the Primary party and the Youth party.

All of the organizations have been working hard to accomplish the mission of the church; Redeem the dead, Preach the Gospel, and Perfect the Saints.

If we were to use words to describe the Brighton First Ward I hope they would be "Love, Service, & Compassion".

Now as we take the opportunity to celebrate the birth of the Savior with our co-workers, ward members and others, we will be busy decorating the home, preparing meals and locating that very special gift for that very special someone.

It is so easy sometimes to get so busy that we tend to overlook the purpose of the Christmas Season. Perhaps we should look back to our last year and think of the feelings we had after the day was over. Did we have the wonderful feeling then that we had planned or were we a little empty? Yes, the day was over and the moment passed. The most important thing I recall is the preparing for the day, and the fun times I had putting together the special gifts for that one in the greatest need. Perhaps this year I will be spending more time doing the little things which bring the greatest long lasting reward and a little less time on the not so long lasting things.

May the Lord bless you.

Brother Erick L. Spotten
Second Counselor



Mission News

ELDER JEREMY BEATTIE

Jeremy sent home a special remembrance of his mission in one of his recent letters: the baptismal program of one of their investigators, which took place on Nov. 4.

The day before that was another great one for both he and his companion. Elder Sobotka's aunt and uncle were visiting N.Z., and had permission to take the 2 missionaries to the temple that day, which he really enjoyed.

One day one of the Elders in his flat suggested they have a "mail contest" to see who got the most mail that week. Jeremy said, "Lo and behold, I got six letters that day!" (He won the ice cream.)

He's finding it hard to believe Christmas is so close when N.Z. is in it's summer season.

His closing words: "The gospel is true!"

ELDER GARRETT FREIR

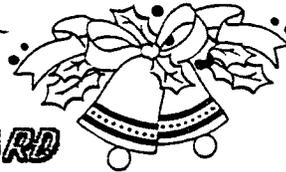
Garrett is loving his mission & it is so exciting to realize his spiritual growth and how much he loves the Lord. He baptized his first golden investigator Oct. 13th.

Garrett serves as a campus minister at Indiana University in Bloomington. He was called out of the audience to speak on "joy", (much to his surprise) at the All-mission Conference held recently. He thrills to have frequent contact with the leaders of our church.

Garrett met up with three other Elders from Brighton H.S., also serving in his mission.

We are convinced that Garrett doesn't mind living in the basketball capitol of the world at all.

"Mom, it's getting cold here now, but my spirit is on fire... give my love to the Ward".



ELDER BRIAN CLOWARD

ELDER DAN CLOWARD

Most of the people on the island of Te Kuiti where Brian is serving are Maori and quite friendly. There are a group of children who love Brian and come around to play frizbee or other games. He loves them, too, and is hoping to teach the Gospel to the mother of one of these children.

One of their investigators likes to hunt and Brian wants pictures of our wildlife to show him. He says they have red deer, sambar deer, and jet deer, which make a whistling sound, as well as the white-tailed deer we have. He says they are huge. They also hunt wild pigs using their dogs to do most of the work.

In his last letter Brian counseled us to be sure our food storage was adequate. We'll work on it. Brian.

Dan is the Seminary teacher in the small branch on the island of St. Kitts, where he is serving. He says he is getting better at teaching and now feels sorry for the Seminary teachers at home.

The work is progressing although at a slower pace than in Trinidad where he last served. The people will not listen as easily but Dan is excited because they have several good contacts and a baptism set for January. Their work has been made much easier with the purchase of some bikes.

Dan is very humbled by the circumstances of the people there. He says the rich people have homes like ours and one of his investigators was thrilled because he made in a year what most of us make in less than a month and the food is more expensive there. He says they love school and their literacy rate is high. He really loves these people.



ELDER ANDREW GLAD

Andrew is assigned to an area of Houston that he describes as one of the poorer areas. He said that while riding his bike down the road the other day a man came out of an alley and tried to steal it.

He loves the work and they are presently working with three of four good investigators and hope to have some success with them.

Drew's companion was made zone leader, so they've been assigned a mission car. He would rather stay on the bikes, but his comp will need a car to do his assignment.

It is the rainy season in Texas (they don't get snow) and Drew misses the changing of the leaves and coming of winter. Having spent 18 months in Texas in the Army, his Dad knows how he feels.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

ELDER DARIN TEA

Darin & his comp now share a car with some other Elders, so they are on bikes half the time and have the car the other half. That should help them to get to some places that they were unable to get to on the bikes. Also, it is nice on those really cold days.

Darin said "We have been teaching more the last couple of weeks. We were able to meet with some old investigators and start things up again. So hopefully things will start to really roll."

They were invited to Thanksgiving dinner with a member who was baptized about a year ago. The dinner was at his parents home and no one else in his family are members. It was a good opportunity to make some contacts.

Darin says "HI" to everyone.

ELDER & SISTER DEAN

The day after Thanksgiving, Cassandra, a 9 year old girl, was baptized. Her brother & sister came from Placement in St. George to witness the baptism.

We are teaching several families. We love these people. We find that almost every family has (and welcomes) extended family members living with them and that every young person and teenager seems to have a baby of someone else's in his/her arms at church. There is great love for children and each other. We do find, however, that they have certain characteristics we must accept; seldom on time, forget some appointments, and a few aren't committed to all the principles of the Gospel

May we all love each other unconditionally as Christ loves us.

May we all appreciate Christ's atonement for us and desire to live His commandments

Merry Christmas & Happy 1991.



SOEUR ANNETTA SPOTTEN

Seour Annetta Spotten is keeping very busy and working very hard.

The Larry Bell family from SLC is in Annetta's ward and it is like a touch of home in Versailles. It is nice to have dinner with them and share experiences.

They are still teaching the couple, Sophie & Piere. A lot of teaching goes into building a foundation. She and her comp sometimes fit "P Dav" into three hours or less. There is so much teaching to do. She loves the work and the people but still appreciates prayers from home.

The Missionary Farewell for ALVIN & VIOLET THOMAS will be held Dec. 30 at 9:00 a.m. in their ward (Brighton 11th)

SACRAMENT MEETING...11:30 -12:40
SUNDAY SCHOOL &
PRIMARY12:40 --1:30
PRIESTHOOD
RELIEF SOCIETY
YOUNG MEN
YOUNG WOMEN.....1:40 --2:30

PRIMARY

What a wonderful, fun time we have been having in Primary lately! We have been able to use our music time for singing Christmas songs, playing chimes, doodle-le-do-shawing, playing spoons, dancing, jumping, marching, clapping and even playing our noses! Sister Briggs, you've outdone yourself! We are looking forward to presenting a few Christmas Carols during Sacramento meeting on Dec. 16th. We hope you will all be there!

WOMEN

This month we had our "Young Women in Excellence" program. The theme was "Paint Yourself Excellent". Each Young Woman told about a goal that she had accomplished during the past year. Our speaker was Connie Allen. We are looking forward to an exciting Christmas.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SCOUTS

Our Scout troop took part in the National Good Turn Day sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America on Saturday, Nov 17th and collected nearly 600 food items from our area to give to the needy. We wish to thank all the people in our area who donated.

Saturday, December 15th will be our last Primary Activity Day of 1990. We have decided to take the Christmas songs we have learned to the homes of some of our favorite ward members. We will meet in the Primary room at 4:00 p.m. and then go carolling for an hour or so. Afterward, we will meet briefly at the ward Primary room for doughnuts and hot chocolate. We hope everyone will come and enjoy this activity with us.

We had our monthly over-night camp in the hills west of Utah Lake on Nov. 23-24. With the snow that came on Tuesday, the scouts were prepared for wet and cold camping, but found the weekend mild and pleasant. The activities of the camp centered around map & compass skills. No one was lost. An evening of games made for tired campers who slept well.

Any parents who could help with transportation would be appreciated!

On Saturday there was a hike into Hell's Kitchen, a nearby canyon. The camp was enjoyed by seven scouts and three adult leaders.

RELIEF SOCIETY

Please plan to attend our special homemaking night this month on:

DECEMBER 4th at 6:30

A lovely dinner and program are planned and always a nursery.

BE SURE TO COME!

Our lessons for the month will be:

The Scoutmaster, Wayne Donaldson, encourages both parent and ward participation in the scouting program. Our troop meets on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the scout room at the 1st ward building. We hope the parents will help the boys to remember to be on time and to wear their Scout uniforms.

- Dec. 2 The Atonement
guest speaker
- Dec. 3 The Power of the Word
Susan Barton
- Dec. 15 Lay Hold Upon the Word
Nancy Wilks
- Dec. 22 Christmas Special
Lois Ingleyby
- Dec. 30 A Mighty Change
Pat Nielson

If you have an interest to serve as a merit badge counselor, please contact Wayne or Dick Cloward, our committee chairman.

The troop is pleased to welcome Brother David Glad as Assistant Scoutmaster and look forward to making use of his great wealth of scouting experience.

Getting Acquainted

WARREN & MAE DEAN ASHTON live at 2639 Canterbury Lane (943-2284).

Warren was born in Richmond, UT, but grew up on the family ranch in Malad, ID. He went on a mission to England. He graduated from Utah State University then spent three years in the Air Force as an officer. He spent time in Arizona in flight training and Thule AFB in Greenland. While in Thule he was project officer responsible for annual resupply of the base that had to be accomplished in the 90 days that the pier wasn't frozen in. Thirty seven ships were involved. This operation was featured in Air Force Times.

Mae Dean was born in Kentucky and went to Business School in Nashville, Tenn. She served a mission in Kentucky (East Central States).

Warren & Mae Dean were introduced by Elder Sterling Sill's secretary one fall evening on a street corner. At the time, Elder Sill served as Assistant to the Twelve in addition to being top manager at New York Life where they were both employed.

They have three sons, Wayne, Michael and John.

Wayne is married and has three children (two girls- one boy)

Mike is married and has two daughters.

John lives at home and attends the University of Utah.

Both have worked in various teaching and leadership roles. Warren was called as the original Bishop of the Butler 12th Ward on the first occasion of our being separated from the "Mother Ward", Butler 3rd. This is our 3rd time as members of the "Mother Ward", although it is noted that the 3rd is now the 1st, and the stake name has also changed. Warren is also on the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army. The General Authorities cooperate extensively with them on charitable projects.

Mae Dean & Warren were recalled to Temple Square on a special assignment of an unspecified duration. They are approaching eight years of tenure during which they have encountered rewarding experiences with visitors from various parts of the world.

Warren enjoys being a handyman and fixing things. Mae Dean's special interests are Church work and genealogy research. Also Books of Remembrance for their children and grandchildren.

Warren is currently serving as Financial Clerk of our ward and Mae Dean is Education Counselor in Relief Society.

DAVID & GLADE YOUNG live at 7710 Steffensen Drive (942-5203).

David was born in Provo, then moved with his family to Idaho Falls, ID. He played tuba in the High School Band, the Marching Band and the Pep Band. He was active in Drama.

David was in the timber and lumber business for more than 20 years. He is now purchasing agent for Simpson Steel Co. in Murray.

Glade was born in S.L.C., and then moved to Idaho Falls in her Jr. year in High School. She was in the High School Choir, and also sang in a sextet. She was Home-coming Queen in her Senior year.

As a child she was a real tom-boy and liked to climb trees, play football and other sports. She was a child model and also sang on the radio.

Nowadays she likes to create things such as dolls, floral arrangements. She even made a Hutch, from start to finish.

David & Glade met at Mutual activities in Idaho Falls. They were married after Glade graduated from High School. They were married in the S.L. Temple, and have been married for 42 years.

They have eight children; five daughters and three sons, all whom are married. Two families live in California, one in Arizona, and the rest live in Springville and SLC. They have 27 grandchildren.

They have both held positions in all of the Church organizations. David is currently serving as Statistical Clerk in our ward.

Hagar the Horrible

By Dik Browne



News Briefs

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to DAVID & GLADE YOUNG on the passing of David's brother, Jerry.

We extend our heart-felt sympathy to BOBBY & SHIRLEY KIDD and their family on the passing of their son. SCOTT passed away November 2, 1990, of natural causes. He was a cheerful and loving & caring person and will be greatly missed.

Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to you wonderful, caring people for: the food brought into our home, telephone calls, cards, & visits. Thanks to our wonderful Bishop Beattie and his counselors and to Bishop Butters; to our Relief Society Presidency for the lovely luncheon, and for the flowers in remembrance of our son, Scott.

Love,
Bobby & Shirley Kidd

*Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year!*

Our Dearest Friends,

To thank each one of you individually is impossible. Just to know that you were there for Dad & Mom, & Terry & family helped us more than you know.

I truly wish you could have met and known Shawn. Happiness, love, caring and living life to the fullest was his middle name. How very proud of our son, grandson, cousin & uncle we are. To know that Shawn was a legacy in Evanston's history is special.

We will be fine. We have three very good & special daughters. Please know of our love for each of you. Live life to the fullest. Thank you again.

Love always,

Judy & Val Jackson & Daughters
(Haueter's daughter)

FROM GERMANY

Melinda is doing great. School is hard and fun, and with the help of the Lord she can handle it. She says, "My testimony is growing a lot and the Lord is blessing me. My Patriarchal blessing is helping me a lot too. I know the Church is true. I pray a lot. Everybody is very nice here. The Green & Gold Ball is coming up and I am excited".

Hi to everybody.

Melinda Schulz

GREG OSTLER'S Marine Reserve unit has been mobilized for active duty. Greg expected to leave with them, but was temporarily exempted until he completes his last phase of training. By the time of this publication, he will probably be at Camp Lejeune, N.C., finishing the three month occupational training.

BRIAN REEVES, who has been home on leave, will return Dec. 3rd to Navy duties and will be serving on a ship in the Mediterranean area.

HEATHER GLAD LETTERS & son, CALVIN, were here from Michigan to visit with her family for a few days.

GET WELL

We want to wish KAREN GOLLAHER good luck with the treatments she is under going now and hope for a speedy recovery.

We hope that BOB OSTLER will soon be feeling good again, also.

We extend our get well wishes to LOUISE MC OMBER and to NICK WATTS, both of whom had cataract surgery last month.

CONGRATULATIONS

HONORS

CLARENCE MONTGOMERY received a certificate of excellence for his "Outstanding contribution to Education". This was presented to him at the Utah College Council last month. Monty is a teacher at Salt Lake Community College.

DAVID GLAD received a 40 year Veterans award in scouting.

IRIS BEATTIE received the Cub Leaders Training Award.

LOUISE VANDERHOFT received the Den Leaders Award.

Dr. Maitland Spencer was honored by the Highland Ridge Hospital staff at their annual Christmas Party Dec. 1st. They presented him with a lovely TOM CLARK figurine for his caring service not only the patients but to the staff as well.

BROTHER BERT ERICKSON celebrated his 80th birthday Nov. 19th. Many friends and relatives helped his celebrate. CONGRATULATIONS!

BEVERLY KING went to the temple Oct. 30th to take out her own endowments. The next day she went again and participated in 150 sealings. We are proud of you, Bev.

AMY WALKER is now home from San Antonio where she was in training in the Army Reserve. Amy is now going to school at SL Community College.

THANKS

Many thanks to the PAXMAN'S and all who were on the committee for the Christmas Party. Everyone had loads of fun.

NEW BABIES

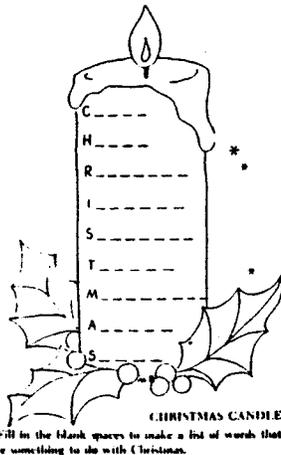
MARK & KATHY MONTAGUE have a new baby boy, CHRISTOPHER CALVIN, who was born Oct. 6th.

WARREN & MAE DEAN ASHTON have a new grand-daughter born Oct. 25th to MIKE & LAURA ASHTON. Baby's name is CHELSEA.

BRYAN & MARIE ARNETT had a baby girl, ASHLEY MARIE, on Nov. 9. weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. She has bright red hair. Proud grand-parents are FRANK & INGE POULSON.

LEE & ROSEMARY COLLINS welcomed their 29th grandchild, a girl, born to JEFF & CHERRY COLLINS. The tiny baby arrived early and weighed in at 3 lbs. 2 oz. This makes two girls & three boys in Jeff's family.

BISHOFF'S are excited. Son, GARY, & TANIA, had a baby GIRL Nov. 24. The baby has three brothers to help spoil her. This is the 11th grandchild for JOHN & GAY.



ENGAGEMENTS

Great News!! DELBERT REEVES & MUFFET BRIGGS will unite families in a December 14th marriage in the Jordan River Temple. They would like to invite Ward members to their Open House that same evening at the Ward House from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

WANTED: Christmas cards, letters, notes, just a friendly HELLO. It is that time of year to send Christmas greeting to our missionaries and members of the Armed Service. Please give you card to Betsy West, 2761 Pameley Drive, by December 9th, in order for her to mail them in time for missionaries to receive them for the holidays. Their addresses are listed below in case you would rather mail them yourselves.

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 & Teachers Quorum Advisor
 Jan McCombs.....Den Mother
 Scott Scharman.....Ward Youth Rep.
 Charlotte Glad.....Ward Youth Rep.

RELEASES

Kimberly Zorad.....Den Mother
 Sharlyn Clelland.....P. Teacher
 Craig Clelland.....Y.M. 1st Coun.
 & Teachers Quorum Advisor

RYAN BEATTIE was ordained to the office of Teacher in the Aaronic Priesthood.

DAVID CRAGUN was ordained a Priest in the Aaronic Priesthood.

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