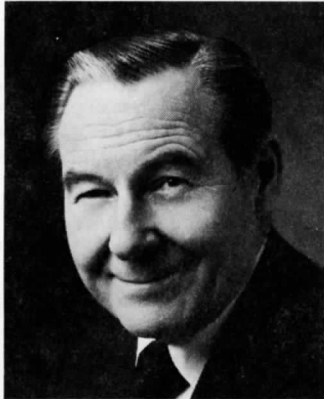


Elder Robert L. Simpson Visits Tallahassee Stake Conference



Elder Robert L. Simpson

The semi-annual conference of the Tallahassee Florida Stake was held February 26 and 27. Elder Robert L. Simpson of the First Quorum of the Seventy presided.

Elder Simpson has had wide experience in business and Church administration and has served as a General Authority of the Church since October 1961. He was employed by the Bell Telephone System and has always been active in Scouting. Following three years of missionary service in New Zealand, he participated as an Air Force captain in World War II. Among his many callings, he served a second mission term in New Zealand and a third in East London, both as mission president. In January 1980 he was called as president of the Los Angeles Temple until he assumed his current assignment as Executive Administrator for the Southeast Asia-Philippines area of the Church. He and his wife have had four children, three of whom are living.

At the Saturday evening session of conference, a special missionary choir performed, directed by Kati Walker and accompanied by Andy Gray on the piano.

President Richard L. Chapple introduced the filmstrip "How Great Shall Be Your Joy" by saying that the Lord's assignment is much simpler than we sometimes make it. That assignment is to love Him, love others as ourselves, and show charity or the pure love of Christ to all mankind. President Chapple urged us to remember that missionary work is natural rather than fearsome, that those who are prepared to receive the gospel have been placed within our circle of friends. It is the spirit that finds and converts people. President Chapple counseled us to prayerfully select those who have been prepared to receive the gospel.

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Five Year Building Plan Revised

by Tim Bryan
Assistant Executive Secretary

The five-year building program of the Tallahassee Florida Stake was revised recently. The revision was due to the failure of many other stakes in the Church to qualify for building funds. Qualification is based upon a stake's ability to submit reports in a timely manner and maintain a minimum percentage of full tithe payers based upon the Melchizedek Priesthood population of the stake. Many stakes in the West have very large Melchizedek Priesthood membership roles, thus making it difficult to meet the minimum criteria based upon tithes. This phenomenon has made funds available to those areas of the Church in which a higher percentage of constituent stakes have qualified. For example, in 62 stakes in the Southeast, 20 new buildings were budgeted for 1982; 124 were completed.

Stakes in the Southeast Area were at one time restricted by a construction-in-progress "ceiling". The "ceiling," during any one calendar year, was based upon both the number of buildings in progress and the total square footage involved. This "ceiling" has been lifted for the time being, thus bringing about the revision of our five-year projections.

Originally, seven projects were planned in our Stake; seven projects have been added and one on the former plan has been moved up chronologically.

#/Year	Location	Estimated Cost	Local Share
1/1983*	Bainbridge	200,000	8,000
	1st Phase Aspen		
2/1983*	Cairo	200,000	8,000
	1st Phase Aspen		
3/1983*	Crawfordville	200,000	8,000
	1st Phase Aspen		
4/1983*	Thomasville	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen+		
5/1983^	Bainbridge	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen		
6/1984	Tallahassee	1,500,000	60,000
	Cody (Stake Center)		
7/1984	Monticello	200,000	8,000
	1st Phase Aspen		
8/1984^	Moultrie	200,000	8,000
	1st Phase Aspen		
9/1984	Thomasville	300,000	12,000
	3rd Phase Aspen		

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Stake Presidency Message



by Richard L. Chapple
Stake President

The two most thought-provoking days of the year for us as a people are probably Christmas and Easter. Of the two, Easter represents most completely the meaning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The humble and joyful celebration of the birth of the Savior at Christmastime finds its greatest meaning in the significance of Easter. It is, of course, important that the Savior was born of Mary into mortality, but it is of greater importance that He performed the Atonement for mankind and that He lives again. Because of this, the words of Joseph Smith in The Vision have great meaning:

"And now, after the many testimonies which have been given of him this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him: That he lives!

For we saw him, even on the right hand of God; and we heard the voice bearing record that he is the Only Begotten of the Father—

That by him, and through him, and of him, the worlds are and were created, and the inhabitants thereof are begotten sons and daughters unto God." (D&C 76:22-24)

Because of the Atonement--the overcoming of physical death through the resurrection and the potential overcoming of spiritual death through repentance and the universal sacrifice of the Savior--we have the opportunity to fulfill the measure of our creation. We observe this triumphant event in the spring of the year when the earth is being renewed and is preparing to bring forth life and fruit. So should we bring forth renewed life, for we are no longer condemned to a fate of exile from God, and fruit, for we must acknowledge the works of the Savior with works of our own.

Because of what the Lord did for us, we need not carry burdens through life, burdens that make the ascent to the mountain of the Lord most difficult. What is required of us in order to free ourselves from these burdens is the sacrifice of a broken heart and a contrite spirit and the willingness to humbly repent of those things that are not right, or have not been right, in our lives. Repentance is seldom the easy path, but ultimately it brings the greatest joy and the most fulfilling sense of relief.

May the Lord bless us all to appreciate our lot in life and to take advantage of that which the Lord offers each of His children. In view of what has been done for us, that is the least that we can do.

As a Public Service

The Japanese-American High School Council is looking for families in this area to host a Japanese high school student for an academic year. If you are interested call Robin Young at (904) 877-9673.

New Auxiliary Leaders Called



Relief Society

Sister Cherie Garr expressed her feelings of humility and inadequacy regarding her new calling as Stake Relief Society President. Then she added, "I love working with the sisters and I'm willing and have the desire to serve." Sister Garr has only been in the Tallahassee area about seven months now. She taught high school physical education for four years in Utah and was an advisor to a marching girls drill team. She previously served twice as a Young Womens' President and for over two years as a ward Relief Society President. She enjoys tennis and her family, which consists of Brother Garr (Director of Seminaries and Institutes) and their four children. Sister Garr desires to help the sisters gain a greater feeling of love and compassionate service. She also feels the importance of meeting the needs of each individual sister, especially through visiting teaching.

Young Women

Sister Maureen Webb is the new Stake Young Womens' President, with Diane Moser and Gloria Stuckey as counselors. She is originally from Magrath, Alberta, Canada and served as a full-time missionary in the Utah Salt Lake City Mission. Most recently she has served as Stake Primary President for two years. Sister Webb desires that the young women and their leaders develop a genuine friendship with each other, and that the leaders help the young women discover who they really are as daughters of God. She hopes to help the young women learn to have the pure love of Christ in their lives. Sister Webb said, "I will miss all the people I worked with in Primary, for they enriched my life beyond anything I imagined." She looks forward to her new calling and the growth to be experienced in working with the young women and their leaders.



Primary



Sister Sharon West has been called to serve as the Stake Primary President, with Jan Smith as one of her counselors. Sister West is the mother of three children, ages 8, 6, and 2-1/2, and served as Primary president in Tallahassee Second Ward for 1-1/2 years. She loves primary and hopes that this experience has helped prepare her to work on the Stake level. She is very excited about meeting and working with people in the other wards and branches throughout the Stake and wants them to know that she is available for them. New leaders bring a different perspective to their calling, and Sister West wants to build on the work that has been done in Primary in the past. She knows how fun Primary can be and hopes that everyone will stay excited and enthusiastic about it.



NEW AUXILIARY LEADERS (continued)

Sunday School

The new Sunday School President for the Stake is Brother David Salisbury. Brother Salisbury, a life-time member of the Church, is originally from California and more recently from the Utah area. He and his wife, Elaine, and their two daughters (with another child expected any day now), came to this area last October to attend Florida State University where Brother Salisbury is involved in Educational Research.



The main function of the Stake Sunday School Presidency is to look for ways to improve the quality of teaching in all Church classes, and Brother Salisbury is very dedicated to this goal. To this end, he encourages the presidents to hold monthly interviews with the teachers and plans faculty meetings and workshops for additional training. He indicated that the major responsibilities of the ward and branch Sunday School presidents have changed somewhat since the consolidated meeting schedule came into effect. In addition to improving teaching, the presidents also set goals to increase the communication between teachers of the youth Sunday School classes and their parents, work to increase activation, and provide a six-week Sunday School course in the new member missionary program of the Church.

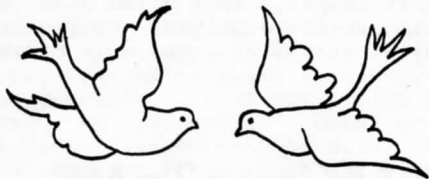
spouse and sharing in the chores as well as the joys of family life. Wit and humor and kind, softspoken words can sweeten a relationship like a spoonful of sugar. The Barlows reminded everyone that sugar is not only a sweetener but also a preservative.

The sisters were privileged to hear from President Richard L. Chapple who pointed out that there are differences between men and women that affect how each feels about situations. One should not feel guilty about these differences but understand that they exist. The sisters were counseled to get organized and to schedule time for themselves in which to grow personally. They were told to guard their vision of self as a child of God with a divine legacy. A woman's self-concept as confirmed by the Spirit is a prized possession.

The brethren of the Stake heard from Sister Ronnyl Green who expressed the need for spouses to motivate each other rather than compete with each other. They were encouraged to help make the home a positive physical and spiritual environment and to express affection openly in the home. Sister Green also encouraged them to show spiritual initiative and to lead and guide rather than make demands.

Brother and Sister Steve Campora advised couples to develop a philosophy regarding their relationship with each other and said that love and kindness should be a key in that philosophy. Good grooming habits and dressing attractively for each other are kindnesses that add strength to the relationship and project an image of our degree of self-worth.

"A Spoonful of Sugar"



The 5th annual Stake Marrieds' Seminar was held on Saturday, February 12, 1983 in the Tallahassee Stake Center. It was an enjoyable way for married couples and adults 18 and over to receive instructions on improving interpersonal relationships.

President Paul Nicholson addressed the topic "Achieving True Intimacy" defining intimacy as a close, personal, affectionate and understanding relationship. Individuals have a need to find someone they can be close to and bare their souls to. Though one out of three marriages end in divorce, an alternative is to work things out by committing to stay married and working at it throughout your married life. Our greatest strength of commitment is eternal marriage.

Brothers Don Driggs and Don Whitley presented a workshop allowing participants to practice using and observing communication skills. Eye contact and body posture as well as listening are important components of effective communication.

"Happiness is being married to my best friend" sums up a colorful class given by Brother and Sister Lincoln Barlow who stressed the importance of being friends with one's

The final presentation of the seminar was given by President Charles H. Madsen Jr. entitled "Emotional Self-Control." President Madsen stated that it is normal to experience anger but it is also necessary to control and understand it. We invite conflict when we have expectations of others that cannot be fulfilled. When conflict arises one should stick to the issue at hand and not place the blame on others or make threats. A joint solution should be reached even if it is to agree to disagree on that subject.

Special acknowledgment goes to Byron and Dorothy Rudd, Greg and Beverly Decembrino, and Noah and Lucille Barber of the Quincy Ward for the delightful refreshments they prepared. They provided a wholesome variety and there was something to please everyone's taste buds.

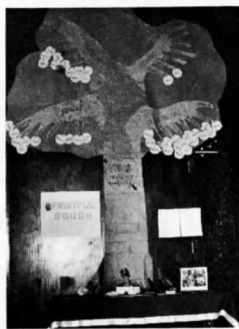
President Chapple's concluding remarks for the day emphasized the importance of the principles discussed in developing and maintaining eternal relationships. He stressed the applicability of gospel principles in marriage and bore a strong testimony concerning the happiness that is possible in family units.



There are many legends concerning the origin of coloring eggs at Easter. An old Polish legend tells of the time Mary gave eggs to the soldiers at the cross. She entreated them to be less cruel and she wept. The tears of Mary fell upon the eggs, spotting them with dots of brilliant color.

Another legend tells of the egg merchant, Simon of Cyrene, who is said to have put down his basket of eggs in order to carry Christ's cross to Calvary. When he returned to where he left the basket he found all the eggs miraculously colored and decorated.

Tallahassee Sisters Participate In Million-Dollar Effort



Kimball's Family Tree

by Joyce Williams

Editor's Note: A "chair" is an official seat of authority or dignity. A university chair is given to a very select person to perpetuate their memory in a field or discipline. The money raised is apart from university funds to provide a means for such things as research, visiting lecturers, programs, and publications not feasible under the ordinary university budget.

Over \$3,000 was contributed to BYU's Camilla Eyring Kimball Chair of Home and Family Living on Saturday, January 8 when some 225 Young Women and Relief Society sisters attended "Brunch with Camilla" at the Stake Center. The function was planned to further acquaint those in attendance with Sister Kimball through exhibits, stories and a new movie about her life.

More than a hundred incidents from her 88 years were depicted in pictures, mementoes and menu items during the morning's program. The focal point upon entering the cultural hall was a 15-foot family tree featuring the Kimballs' four children, 27 grand children and 45 great grandchildren. Background music was from her dating and young married years, and "Springtime in the Rockies", the Kimballs' favorite song, was sung by Sister Jeanne Fordham, accompanied by Sister Renee Anderson.

Special guest for the day was Dr. Ruth E. Brasher, Associate Dean of the College of Family, Home and Social Sciences at BYU. She told how the million-dollar endowed chair had been established and of Sister Kimball's involvement in it and with the production of the movie. She distributed brochures about the fund-raising effort and brought an autographed copy of *Camilla* to be presented to a sister in attendance selected at random. Sister Betty Butler from the Cairo Branch was the recipient. Copies of the biography were also on sale by Sister Pat Futch representing the Seventies' Bookstore.

The eleven exhibits ranged from Sister Kimball's birth and young life in Mexico to her visits to Florida, her hobbies and frugal money management techniques. A central display featured her church and community service which has ranged from poll worker to sixty years as a visiting teacher. Other exhibits focused on her role as a patron of education, her travels and influence around the world, and her love of the beach. A large map depicted her visits to over 40 different countries with her husband

since his becoming an Apostle and later President of the Church. Another display related examples of her great faith, and the walls held posters quoting her philosophy on such subjects as women's roles, education, joys and challenges of being the prophet's wife, and life in general. Some 50 pictures of Sister Kimball taken from issues of the Church News also showed her in a myriad of situations and roles.

Brunch with Camilla was planned and executed by Sisters Elma Bone, Barbara Canova, Laura Gregory, Nell Tucker, and Joyce Williams. Assisting with refreshments were Marion Whitley, Bobbie McDermid, Paula Paige, Linda Hall, Linda Holt and Marti Monti. Opening and closing prayers were offered by Mildred Barlow and Linda Campora. Flowers were from the camellia garden of Faye Fain.

It was a morning to be long remembered by all. A copy of the movie on Sister Kimball's life is available through the Stake for use by local units of the Church or families in the area. Additional contributions to the fund-raising effort may be made to: BYU, P.O. Box 7188, University Station, Provo, Utah 84604-9989. Contributions are tax-deductible, and checks should be made to the Camilla Eyring Kimball Chair.

In response to many requests, we have included the following recipe for Dilly Tomato Squares: Press into the bottom and 1" up the sides of a 9x13 baking dish one recipe of biscuit dough or 2 cups Bisquick mixed with 1/2c cold water. Sauté 1/2c chopped onion in 1Tbsp. oleo. Add 1c ham chunks and stir. Spread ham mixture, 1 medium tomato chopped, 1c shredded Swiss or cheddar cheese over dough. Mix together 2 eggs, 1/4t salt, 1/4c milk or cream, 1/4t pepper, 1/2t dried dill weed, 2t chopped, freeze-dried chives. Pour over dough. Bake 30 minutes at 350°. Cut into squares.

It's All Greek To Me . . .

by Colleen Porter

Attending college in Tallahassee will be more exciting for LDS young people, with their own fraternity and sorority.

The sorority Lambda Delta Sigma and the fraternity Sigma Gamma Chi are sponsored by the Church. The first Church-sponsored fraternity was organized at the University of Utah in 1939; it was a coed social unit that brought fellowship and fun to Mormon college students for almost 30 years. In 1967, under the direction of President Harold B. Lee, Lambda Delta Sigma and Sigma Gamma Chi were formed. Darlene Nilson, Lambda Delta Sigma National Vice President, described them as, "an alternative to the typical Greek system."

Sister Nilson and Sister Diane Tempest, National Historian for the sorority, were in Tallahassee recently to establish a chapter of Lambda Delta Sigma. Brother Ryck Luthy, National Vice-President of Sigma Gamma Chi, chartered the fraternity and initiated its officers. Brother Luthy commented, "There is a real trend for college students to want to put more meaning in their lives by establishing better relationships with each other and

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Bainbridge

L to R:

Donnie Davis,
Henry Covington,
Pres Dan Brough,
Pres. Chapple,
Rex Taylor



Ground was broken on Saturday, December 5, 1982 for the building of the Bainbridge, Georgia chapel. President Richard L. Chapple, High Council Advisor Rex Taylor, Branch President Dan Brough, Mayor Bill Reynolds and County Commissioner J.C. Dollar all spoke to the members of the Branch and participated in the ground breaking ceremony. Everyone present had an opportunity to take part in the ground breaking activities.

The members of the Bainbridge Branch have been holding their meetings in an old church building since July of last year. Prior to that they were meeting in a house. The branch has been issued a challenge to increase their weekly attendance from approximately 75 people to 100 for 3 consecutive months in order to be eligible for a phase 2 chapel. For the past month they have had attendance of over 100.

Thomasville

by Bill Clanton



Bishop Stan McWhorter and
President Richard Chapple

It was a beautiful sabbath afternoon on January 8, 1983, when the saints in Thomasville, about 65 strong, met to conduct the official groundbreaking for starting their second phase chapel construction. The saints were delighted with the growth statistics and historical background information given by President Richard L. Chapple in his address.

Mayor Pro Tem Grady Burgess, who attended the first phase groundbreaking and dedication, was complimentary in his assessment of our growth comparing it with his church and their efforts in a building program they are conducting.



Ornamenting and coloring eggs for Easter was the custom in England during the middle ages. The household accounts of Edward I, for the year 1290, recorded an expenditure of eighteen pence for four hundred and fifty eggs to be gold-leafed and colored for Easter gifts.

In 1883 the Russian Czar, Alexander, commissioned the well-known goldsmith Peter Carl Faberge to make a special Easter gift for his wife, the Empress Marie. This special egg so delighted the Czarina that the Czar promptly ordered the Faberge firm to design further eggs to be delivered every Easter. In later years Nicholas II, Alexander's son, continued the custom. Fifty-seven eggs were made in all.



Madison

Cane Grinding

The families of Brothers Joe Robinson, Dale Dransfield, and Dale Kinard met at the home of Brother and Sister Charles Floyd on December 17 with sugar cane that our Branch welfare farm produced this year. While the welfare farm workers prepared the syrup, the sisters cooked bacon, sausage, and pancakes for supper. The children roasted marshmallows on the fire. We kept the fire going for more than four hours to reduce over 80 gallons of raw cane syrup to approximately 15 gallons of honey-gold cane syrup. It was a very special evening and we were all so proud of the syrup!



Christmas Party

On December 15, 1982, the Madison Branch held its annual Christmas party hosted by Brother and Sister David Taylor. Although there was no snow in Madison, we were so happy that Santa Claus was able to visit us that night. He and his reindeer were barely able to bring the children a bag full of goodies! Due to the weather, we were not able to go Christmas caroling but we were so thankful to be celebrating Jesus' birthday together.

Tallahassee II

The Tallahassee II Elders Quorum Presidency was recently reorganized. Robert M. Guris is president, with counselors Craig Young and Larry Brooks, and secretary Tunji Okunyade. President Guris said, "In our quorum we will try to accomplish the goals set by the Stake, and teach the brethren charity, fellowship and service. We would also like to see them grow stronger in the priesthood."

The Young Women's program began the year with an activity for the girls and their parents. More than 40 people boarded an airplane to the land of New Beginnings. En-route stewardesses served refreshments and passengers viewed an in-flight movie about the personal progress program. The Bishop and a counselor were the captain and co-pilot. During the evening, newcomer Jaci Green was welcomed to the program.

Please help us keep our mailing list updated! If you are not receiving the Stake News at your home or know of a member who isn't, send us the name and correct address, along with the name of the ward or branch and we will add it to our mailing list.

In addition to the Stake News the mailing list is used for general Stake mailings such as the recent Marrieds Seminar flyer.

Editor's Note: February was National Scouting Month.

Apalachicola

by Ron Smith
Branch Scoutmaster

The Apalachicola Branch has been busy with their newly organized Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack. A combination scout awards and pack meeting was held in January at which time scouting awards were presented to each boy. There were about 38 people in attendance; 10 of which were Church members.

Parents of the scouts have been involved in various ways. Three parents, though not members of the Church, helped the scouts with a donut sale in February where they raised approximately \$100.

The cub scouts went on a field trip to the ranger station where they climbed the fire tower and learned about the life and work of forest rangers. The boy scouts recently went to Ft. Gadsden where they learned about the Fort's history and had a barrel of fun.

The cub scouts and boy scouts got together to celebrate the birthday of the Scouts organization. The boy scouts performed the opening flag ceremony. Brother Van Russell, a member of Scout Committee, spoke on the history of scouting and Vanessa Dykes sang a special musical number. A comedy skit by Brother Robert Smith and Gerald Kent was said to be "positively hilarious."

Several awards were presented to both the cub scouts and boy scouts. Awards were also presented to parents and leaders who have helped the scouts in numerous ways. The Apalachicola Branch wishes to thank the scouts for their great success with the banquet and for the parents and visitors who attended. Of the 70 people in attendance, about 50 of them were not members of the Church.

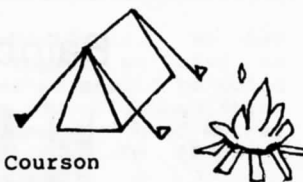
As you can see, the scouts are doing a lot of missionary work. The community is eager and excited about the organization of the scouting program in Apalachicola. The cubs have 4 member and 7 non-member boys. There are 5 boy scouts, 3 of whom are members. Many parents have contributed a lot of time and effort to help the scouting program.

Blue and Gold Banquet

Nearly 200 were in attendance as the Cub Scouts and their parents gathered at the Annual Blue and Gold banquet held at the Stake Center February 23. Pack 119 (Tallahassee 1st Ward) and Pack 121 (Tallahassee 2nd Ward) combined efforts to feed, amuse, and award the Cub Scouts from six dens as well as their families. Door prizes from many local merchants were released throughout the evening. Each family contributed to the covered dish dinner. Our 8 to 10-year-old Scouts provided entertainment with various skits and Brother R. J. Monti presented an exciting magic show. Pinewood derby trophies were awarded to Dax Brock (Den 119) and to Micky Cox and John Little (Den 121). Several other awards and certificates were given to the Cubs and all our den leaders.

Valdosta

by Brenda Courson



The Valdosta Ward Scouts participated in the Boy Scout Annual Area Camporee held in December at Lake Patton near Lakeland, Georgia. Of the 285 Scouts from near and far were Mark Rigdon, Joe Gill, Jimmy Gill, Jamie Lane, Larry Taylor, Darren Henderson, Jerry Bennett, Joe Delose, and Jerrod Walker, with Scoutmaster Gordon Walker from Troop #418 in Valdosta.

Tents in Camp 418 were pitched with an expert flair! Well . . . almost. Jamie Lane and Joe Delose encountered a slight snag--no tent pegs. After several attempts they fashioned some home-made pegs, and by 11:00 pm their tent was up for the duration. Jamie and Joe were also responsible for the troop's "Hobo Stew" rated by the other scouts as "purty good".

Among the skills exhibited, the Scouts made a "monkey bridge" out of rope. "It wasn't easy to make" one boy declared, "and walking across was even harder!" Then came the signal tower constructed out of ropes and logs. The tower constructed out of ropes and logs. The tower is said to be perfect if you are lost in the woods! Lashing and knot tying were also learned, and Jamie and Joe became troop experts at making tent pegs!

First place award went to Valdosta's troop 418 for the cleanest, neatest campsite, and they won third place for their signal tower. A lot of fun lessons were learned and special experiences shared by our boys with those from other areas. We congratulate them and give a well-deserved thanks to Scoutmaster Gordon Walker for his leadership and dedication.



Happy Easter



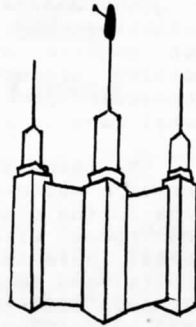
The origin of wearing new clothes on Easter Sunday can be traced to ancient times when the New Year began in March and people wore new clothes to signify a new beginning. Eventually the wearing of new clothes led to the idea of parading in them. The New York Easter parade grew out of a tradition dating back to the first Christian settlements on Manhattan Island. Soon after the early Dutch settlers established themselves they began the custom of forming a very informal procession Easter Sunday on the way home from church. In the years that followed, the parade became increasingly confined to the wealthier members of the city's population. It evolved into a sedate, stately affair of ladies and gentlemen wearing the most elegant and latest fashions of the day.

In ancient England, hard-boiled eggs were given to children, who then rolled them down a hill. The last egg to break was supposed to bring good luck to the one who rolled it.

In the United States on Easter Monday, children roll eggs on the White House lawn in Washington, DC, at the invitation of the President. It is possible that egg-rolling once stood for the rolling away of the stone from the entrance to Christ's tomb.

"Let Us Go To..."

by Conrad Futch
Temple Coordinator



"Let us go to and attend to our [temple] ordinances. Then when we go to the spirit world and meet with Father, Mother, brother or sister they cannot rise up and accuse us of negligence." (Wilford Woodruff, Journal of Discourses, 13:327.)

We as Church members are most fortunate to have a beautiful temple here on the east coast with another one being built within our area, and by making use of our modern transportation we are but a few hours from the temple. President Spencer W. Kimball has said the following regarding the importance of temple work. "There is an urgency to engage more fully in the redeeming of our kindred dead through more frequent temple attendance. All those who possess temple recommends should use them as often as possible to engage in baptisms, endowments, and sealings for the dead. Other members of the Church should concern themselves seriously with preparation to qualify for temple recommends that they too might enjoy these eternal blessings and also act as saviors on Mount Zion. There is an ever-increasing burden of temple work to be done by the saints, and we should rise to meet this challenge" (Ensign, Nov. 1978, pp. 4-5).

The January trip was a great success with over 450 endowments done, over 80 sessions of sealing and initiatory work, and almost 60 baptisms. There were 33 adults and three children on the bus:

President James Copeland (Apalachicola); Eleanor Brough, who recently returned from a mission, and Bruce Covington, who is planning to go on a mission (Bainbridge); Abbie Harrell (Cairo); Fran Councill, President Bob Kerns and his wife Eiko (Crawfordville); Leo Faglie (Monticello); Marion Harvey and Craig Rowe (Moultrie); Noah and Lucille Barber, President Paul Nicholson with his wife, Ann, and his daughter Paula, who will be leaving soon on her mission, and Tommy Wood (Quincy); Ruth Moody (Quitman); Bertha Davis and Barbara Stanley (Tallahassee 1); Suzanne Chapple, Conrad Futch, Lenae Goldstein, Karen Lunt, Bobbie McDermid, and Marion Whitley (Tallahassee 2); Rodney Carey and Julie Humphreys (Tallahassee Student); Alan and Beverly Lahtinen and their three children, Anna NeSmith, and Frances Woolverton (Thomasville); and Beverly Allen and Freda Gill (Valdosta).

Sister Harrell summarized the trip in one sentence when she wrote "I like best to work for the Lord".

Our next trip to the temple is the week of May 15th. See your bishop or branch president now. Plan early to go.

Bishop's Corner

"Blessings of the Sabbath"

by Richard Meik
Student Ward Bishop

One recent church writer has pointed out that there is one commandment, the living of which is the key to achieving the following:

- Regular access to God's guidance.
 - A simpler, clearer view of life and of your purpose in life.
 - Greater control over your own destiny.
 - A happier, more unified family.
 - An ability to better live all other commandments.
 - A well-rested sense of well-being.
 - Access to the good things of the earth (prosperity).
 - A pattern of order and purpose in your life.
 - A deeper testimony and witness of Christ.
 - A spiritual link to your ancestors and to your children.
 - Inner peace in this world.
 - Better relationships with family and friends.
 - A marriage of true partnership and oneness.
 - Eternal life in the world to come."
- (Richard M. Eyre in The Secret of the Sabbath)

These are among the many blessings that can and do come from proper observance of the Sabbath day.

The commandment to keep the Sabbath day holy is one of the two commandments among the Ten Commandments which emphasizes what we should do rather than what we should not do. The positive wording suggests not a day for passive rest but a time-out period from the worldly activities of the week when we can actively pursue spiritual goals.

In Section 59 of the Doctrine and Covenants the Lord declares that he has given us the Sabbath day that we may more fully keep ourselves "unspotted from the world". In commanding us to keep the Sabbath day the Lord has given us the opportunity not only to show our obedience to Him but also to forget the world through the renewing of our covenants and pursuit of the things of the spirit. If we truly call a time-out every Sunday and use that time to reassess our spiritual progress, seek divine guidance, and work on personal and family goals, we will achieve the kinds of blessings enumerated above. The Sabbath will then be a day of joy.

President Ezra Taft Benson recalls the blessings of the Sabbath in his life. "I believe in honouring the Sabbath day. I love a sacred Sabbath. I am grateful that as a boy I had a constant example and sound parental counsel as to the importance of keeping the Sabbath day a holy day. . . . My memories of the Sabbath from infancy have been joyful, uplifting, and spiritually profitable." (Ensign, May 1971)

By complying with the commandment to keep the Sabbath we will achieve joy and spiritual growth and strengthen ourselves and our family.

Planting, Preserving, Preparing



by Colleen Porter

It will only be spring once this year. Now is the time to start thinking about food production and storage.

"We encourage you to grow all the food that you feasibly can," said President Spencer W. Kimball. "Grow vegetables and eat them from your own yard. Even those residing in apartments or condominiums can grow a little food in pots and planters."

Here are some practical suggestions to carry out the Prophet's counsel.

For those without land of their own, there are other options. Community garden plots may be available through civic groups or churches. Gardening in pots and window boxes is also a viable alternative: The Apartment Farmer by Duane Newcombe is a good source book.

Manure is nature's fertilizer, but if you don't have a truck or access to cows you can still grow a garden. Apply a commercial fertilizer several times during the season; several light applications work better than one heavy one. Mulch with pine needles, leaves or other organic materials; this will prevent our Florida and Georgia sand from drying out and eventually improve the soil.

Buy garden seeds in bulk from a local farm supply store. Not only will you save money over mail order or national brand packets, but you can bet that varieties purchased locally will do well in our particular climate and soil type. Choose a variety that will suit your intended use: for example, "Blue Lake" green beans are unmatched for canning quality, but "Greensleeves" work better for freezing.

Bugs and other pests are going to be a real challenge this year due to the mild winter. A good multi-purpose pesticide is "rotenone". It is organic and relatively non-toxic to humans, although deadly to fish.

Involve the children in gardening. Assign them a small plot, obtain tools their size and provide seeds. Consider buying produce from them at market prices to teach them the value of the garden.

If a garden is unavailable or not large enough to provide your family's needs, you can still take advantage of the season's bounty by purchasing quantities of food to can, freeze or dehydrate.

Food preservation methods are not difficult to learn. Obtain pamphlets from such places as the Agriculture Center County

Extension Office on Paul Russell Road in Tallahassee or contact a person in the ward or branch that has some experience. Tomatoes are a good choice to begin canning. They are relatively inexpensive, readily available, do not require a pressure canner and the home-bottled product is vastly superior to the commercial product, which can eat through the metal cans in a matter of months.

To find produce for preservation, visit farmer's markets (Thomasville is a good place), look in the classified section of the newspaper and check with canning friends as the season nears. Here is a schedule of when some popular fruits and vegetables are ready in our area, although some stone fruits may not be available this summer due to the warm winter weather.

April--English peas, mulberries
May--green beans, nectarines, dewberries
June--squash, corn, tomatoes, cling peaches (local variety)
July--tomatoes, pears, grapes, huckleberries
August--field/black-eyed peas, pears, okra, freestone peaches from the Carolinas (available at farmer's markets)
September--apples, sweet potatoes

Read All About It!

by Alan Zauche
Stake Executive Secretary

Did you know that you could read all about the Mormon apostle who recently died? Where could you turn to have a handy price list of Church materials to help your family? Would you like more information on being stronger socially, emotionally and spiritually? Would you like to hear from the Churchwide Relief Society President? Would you like to see how they've fixed up the old Assembly Hall on Temple Square? Or would you feel more comfortable in Gospel Doctrine class if you had more information about the land of Isreal?

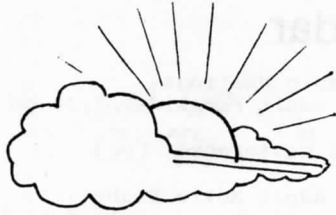
Well, there is one place where you could find out more about all of these things--In the February Ensign, the Church magazine for adults. And how helpful it would be to have the March and April issues! And you can, for just \$8.00 a year. That \$8.00 gets you twelve colorful, uplifting and helpful issues with absolutely no advertising. What other magazine could you have in your home (or give to someone else as a gift) that can compare? That's 30 pages a month of articles by Church leaders, news of the Church, important announcements, artwork, photography, questions and answers, practical hints for the home, and inspirational stories.

If you don't know who your Ward or Branch magazine representative is, find out. They'll help you subscribe. Or simply send \$8.00 to:

Church Magazines
50 East North Temple St.
Salt Lake City, Utah 84150

Enclose your name and address, of course.

Also, see your magazine representative about subscribing to The New Era for youth and The Friend for children.



A Silver Lining

The following is a true story submitted by a member of our Stake:

As I enter the clean, fairly up-to-date building, I am greeted by a Florida State Correction Officer. He asks for my I.D. and lets me pass on for further examination before being admitted to the visitors' area of the jail. I am here visiting my only brother, who, at 27 years of age, faces the rest of his natural life in prison for the murder of a young woman.

From a very young age, my brother showed a lot of rebellion, anger, and contempt for all authority and responsibility. At first it was petty things--broken windows, turning trash cans over, bringing home small things he had "found."

Our father died in 1958, leaving two daughters and one small son with a mother totally unprepared for life alone. Mother ended up in a hospital with a complete nervous breakdown. Years passed, and our lives began to shape up again, except for my brother who seemed to grow wilder and more determined to live hard and die young. He went to prison the first time when he was 17 years old for stealing a gun and served 18 months of a six-year sentence. He used drugs and liquor extensively and couldn't work because his temper caused problems at his job. During the times he was "straight" he was helpful, cheerful, and fun to be with, the brother I wanted him to be always.

Then one night, for no apparent reason, he killed a woman he'd never even seen before. He can't remember too much, even now, because of drugs and alcohol. It was a week later before he remembered where she was buried. Her parents asked that my brother not be executed, for his death would not bring back their only daughter.

This ordeal tried my faith to the breaking point. I have been a member of the Church since September 1978. I was totally unprepared to accept and believe my brother had committed murder! My mother and sister were devastated. It was up to me to do everything even though I was seriously ill and very depressed myself. Finally, between the tragedy and my poor health I went into the hospital.

I spent a long time on my knees, praying, crying, and asking Heavenly Father why He let this happen! Why?! I had attended church, paid my tithing, served in my callings, studied the scriptures, prayed, kept the word of wisdom. I just couldn't understand why!

For many weeks I was too depressed to attend church or to pray. Heavenly Father had let me down! One day, as I sat in the jail talking with my brother, I explained how I felt that Heavenly Father had forgotten me. My brother looked at me with tears in his eyes and told me, "I did what I wanted to do. It was my choice to do what I did. You tried to help me, everyone else did; I wouldn't listen. Go back

to your church. It was not God's work."

As I was riding home I began to cry. It all hit me at once. What he had said was right! He had his free agency and made his choice. Heavenly Father didn't let me down; my brother denied Him. And I almost rejected Him, the one who could truly comfort me.

I don't know how long I sat in the car crying, praying, and asking my Father in Heaven to forgive me, but my spirit is comforted and my heart is full and warm now. I can accept this and try my best to help other people to understand that Heavenly Father loves them and is there to guide and help them no matter what the problem or trouble.

If you are having problems of any kind, I implore you to talk to your parents, your bishop, your teacher, or just a good friend, and never, ever doubt Heavenly Father. He loves you and will provide the strength and comfort you need as you allow Him to.

I thank my Father in Heaven for the Church that has taught me and for my fellow Saints who did not turn from me or blame me. I know my Father in Heaven lives and I will never doubt his love again.

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My brother sent this letter to me and asks that I share it with you. He says if his story helps just one person it will be worth his life in prison.

My writing isn't too good and I don't spell very good. I wouldn't go to school when I had the chance.

I'm in prison for life, I am a murderer, I killed a girl and I have a life time to pay for it.

I am 27 now. My sister tells me about her church. I wish I had listened to her and my wife but I didn't now I am here.

You kids listen to your moms and Dads--don't do dope - finish school, Don't End up like me. I pray to God to forgive me but I know I have to be here what I did I know I have to pay now. My sister still loves me - So does my mother and my wife. I hope my baby girl won't hate me.

I didn't learn my lesson until it was too late. You all listen too me - Don't do any thing just to show off for guys - Please remember me - God knows I'm telling you the truth - I don't have any reason too lie now.

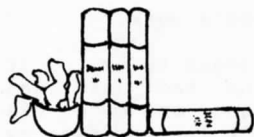
Please pray for me.

O.D.E.



From the beginning of recorded history among nearly all peoples, the egg has been the symbol of creation - of new life. Before the egg became closely entwined with Christianity and Easter, it was honored during many rite-of-Spring festivals. The Romans, Gauls, Chinese, Egyptians, and Persians all cherished the egg as a symbol of the universe. Among primitive sun-worshippers, the yolk represented the sun, the giver of all life. In pagan times, the egg represented the rebirth of the earth after the long, hard winter.

With the advent of Christianity the symbolism of the egg changed to represent, not nature's rebirth, but the rebirth of man. Christians likened the egg to the tomb from which Christ rose, and made it a symbol of Christ's resurrection, the return to life.



Book Briefs

by Suzanne Meik
Seventies Bookstore Representative

The newest books in the Seventy's Bookstore are about two women:

Solo, Patricia O'Brien King, \$5.95

On June 23, 1981, Sherleen Jaussi, petite mother of five and a student pilot who hoped to complete requirements for her pilot's license with that day's flight, taxied her plane down the Price, Utah, airport runway and into the summer air. On the second leg of her triangular journey, downdrafts pushed her small plane crashing to the ground. For five days Sherleen's fate was unknown. This book is the thrilling and heartwarming account of those five days, a story of personal courage, faith against overwhelming odds, and individual responses to the promptings of the Spirit.

What Price Zion, Carol Partridge McIntosh and Carole Osborne Cole, \$6.95

When Ann Littlefield became a convert to the Church in Portsmouth, England, in the mid-1850's, she was sure it would be only a matter of time before her husband, Will, joined her. But Will was violently against her membership and refused to have anything to do with the Church. Ann clung to her testimony and to a promise revealed to her in a dream. She could not give up what she knew to be true, yet she had made commitments of loyalty to her husband. Was there no way to reconcile their differences? Based on a true account, this book will inspire in every reader an admiration for the unflagging devotion of Ann Littlefield, as well as a reaffirmation of one's own commitment to truth.

Missionaries Called and Released

The following members of our Stake were recently called to serve as full-time missionaries. We wish them much success in these eighteen months of full-time service to the Lord.

Elder Bryan O'Neil (Bainbridge)
Nevada Las-Vegas Mission

Sister Paula Nicholson (Quincy)
Costa Rica San Jose Mission

Sister Rebecca Corry (Quincy)
Argentina Rosario Mission

The following members have recently been released as full-time missionaries. We welcome them back, and congratulate them for their faithful and honorable service.

Brother Randy Campora (Student Ward)
Texas Houston Mission

Sister Eleanor Brough (Bainbridge)
California Sacramento Mission

Brother Andy Gray (Student Ward)
Australia Brisbon Mission

Calendar

March	26	Leadership Meetings
	27	Single Adult Fireside 7:30 pm
April	2-3	General Conference
	3	Easter
	8	Single Adult Movie Night 7:30
	9	H.P. Quorum Mtg./Social 7 pm
	16	Road Shows
	23	Relief Society Activity
	24	Single Adult Fireside 7:30 pm
	29-30	S.A. Spectacular (multi-region)
May	1	S.A. Spectacular (continued)
	6-7	Y.W. Canoe Trip
	7	Primary Day Camp 9 am to 4 pm
	8	Mother's Day
	13-14	Father/Son Outing
	15	Stake News Deadline
	15-21	Temple Trip
	21	Court of Honor 2:30 pm
	21	Stake Priesthood Mtg. 3:00 pm
	21	YM/YW Dance (in Quincy)
	29	Single Adult Fireside 7:30 pm
	30	Memorial Day

Upcoming Single Adult Activities

April 8 Movie night will feature a video movie and fun refreshments. No charge. At stake center at 7:30pm.

Reminder: Tallahassee Spectacular April 29, 30 and May 1 at Hilton Hotel. For more info call Nancy Baggs (893-7242) at 3711 W. Shamrock #249-J.

NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in welcoming the following new members who were baptized in the Tallahassee Stake in November, December and January:

Bainbridge Branch: Tamara Bitner, William Davis, Jeane Miller, Monica Sharpe

Cairo: James Clayton, Wila Cox, Jessie Glover, Tammy Pollock, Robert Pollack Jr.

Madison: John Carter, Leonard Carter, Patricia Carter, Willie Carter

Monticello: Evie McAlister, Penny McAlister, Wendy McAlister

Moultrie: Thomas Whitehead III

Quincy: Phylis Rudd

Perry: Shona Armstrong, Mira Beach

Tallahassee I: Tamara Hannon, Barbara Hill, Angus Jardin, Michael Poppell

Tallahassee II: Nancy Hiers, Phillip Hiers, Anelissa Mason, Lowell Mason, Diana Smith, Susan Smith, Julie Strickland, Sid Strickland, Valerie Wilkerson

Tallahassee Student: Mark Campbell, Cynthia West

Thomasville: Dorothy Brown

Valdosta: Bonnie Carter, Tracy Crabb, David Haire, Jonathon Rice, Bobby Sutton, Jr.

BOOK OF MORMON JOY

What brought JOY to our ancient brothers?
Peace to some (Hel. 3:32) -- easy prey to others. (3 Nep. 4:9)

Nephi JOYED in the Promised Land, (Hel. 7:7)
Prepared for Lehi's little band.

Ammon found JOY in the Lord's great power,
In His mercy hour by hour. (Alma 26:16)

Alma gained JOY bringing souls to repentance, (Alma 29:9)
Helaman from youths' battlefield deliverance. (Alma 56:9, 57:36)

Nephite wise men in what angels saith, (Hel. 16:16)
Captain Moroni through Pahoran's great faith. (Alma 62:1)

Pahoran in truth from Moroni's pen, (Alma 61:19)
Members of the Church when Lamanites came in. (Hel. 6:3)

Jaredites JOYED in mercies of the Lord, (Ether 6:12)
Righteous Nephites when they received the Word: (Hel. 3:35)

The arisen Lord to them would come; (3 Nep. 1:6)
Robbers driven out, no longer threatening home. (3 Nep. 4:33)

Those spared destruction when Christ spoke from above, (3 Nep. 10:10)
When He prayed for them -- his matchless, perfect love. (3 Nep. 17:17, 18)

Men are that they might have JOY. (2 Nep. 2:25)
The Light of Christ they may employ. (Alma 28:14)

The righteous shall have JOY forever. (2 Nep. 9:18)
The wicked know this blessing never. (Alma 41:10, 3:26)

Book of Mormon: precious treasures.
Sources of JOY: one's faithfulness measures.

by Joyce W. Williams
Tallahassee II Ward

FIVE-YEAR BUILDING PLAN (continued)

10/1985^	Valdosta	300,000	12,000
	3rd Phase Aspen		
11/1985^	Moultrie	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen		
12/1986^	Cairo	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen		
13/1986^	Crawfordville	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen		
14/1987^	Quincy	350,000	14,000
	2nd Phase Aspen		

Five-year Total 5,200,000 208,000

*Projects initiated in 1982, scheduled for completion in 1983.

+Aspen 2nd Phase adaptation to existing 1st Phase Beaumont.

^Seven projects added to original plan.

The Aspen is the standard expansion phase chapel being built by the Church today. A ward or branch must have 40 people in attendance at Sacrament meeting or Sunday School and Primary for three consecutive months to qualify for a 1st phase. Attendance of 100 and 175 are required for a 2nd (chapel) and 3rd (cultural hall) phase respectively. The first phase for Monticello was moved from 1985 to 1984.

As mentioned in the last issue of the Stake News, ground-breaking ceremonies have already been conducted in Cairo for the new 1st phase Aspen there. Similar ceremonies have also been held in Bainbridge and Thomasville.

The building of these chapels and additions will prove to be of immense spiritual

value to both member and non-member in the area involved. Such blessings, of course, do not come without a price. Sacrifice must be made on the part of the members to meet the 4% local assessment. Still, 4% is a very small price compared to the innumerable benefits that will accrue to each ward and branch. Contact your bishop or branch president, if he has not contacted you already, and volunteer your time, talent and energies to making the dream of a new building or addition possible in your unit.

GREEK TO ME (continued)

supporting each other in Christian values and in serving others."

National President of Sigma Gamma Chi is LeGrand Curtis, former Mission President of the Florida Tallahassee Mission.

Nationwide, over 2,500 women are involved in Lambda Delta Sigma. There are 55 chapters on 29 campuses in Arizona, California, Utah, Idaho and Wyoming. Ours is the only chapter east of Wyoming.

Lambda Delta Sigma and Sigma Gamma Chi are Greek life with a difference. Participants must be single college students, enrolled in an Institute class, and willing to live the Church standards, including modest dress, chastity, and abstinence from alcohol, tobacco, coffee and tea. Non-members are welcome as long as they live the Church standards.

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STAKE CONFERENCE (continued)

The filmstrip described the following messages we need to send our friends to prepare them to receive the gospel:

1. I am a Mormon who cares about you.
2. Other Mormons care about you too.
3. We enjoy our Church activities.
4. The Church is a practical help to us.
5. I would enjoy telling you about the Church.
6. You can find out for yourself that the principles of the gospel are true.

We need to determine where each of our friends is in accepting the gospel and send the appropriate messages.

Ron Stone, President of Seventy, reminded us of some principles to keep in mind. The Lord will prepare situations for us to share the gospel and we need to be more aware of the missionary opportunities around us. Also, we need to know what to say in a given situation and be aware of what type of message people are ready for.

Brother Ken White and Sister Barbara Hill shared the inspirational stories of their conversions and personal experiences reflecting the blessings that have come into their lives as a result of the Church.

Joseph Horne, President of the Florida Tallahassee Mission, said there is nothing more exciting in the world than missionary work. The Church is doing everything to encourage us to meet our responsibility. The filmstrip and the new member missionary class in Sunday School will teach us the skills needed to do the work. We need to listen and pray and be sensitive to the spirit.

Elder Robert L. Simpson is a man of great wit. He told some of the experiences he has had in sharing the gospel around the world. The gospel is going forth in India, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, and Malaysia where local missionaries are reaching people by teaching and serving them. Elder Simpson related several stories which exemplified that people we might least expect to be members of the Church can overcome obstacles and become great Church leaders. He counseled us not to judge them, but to be a shining example, for we never know how we may touch another's life. Missionary work is so important that it was the last instruction Christ gave to his Twelve Apostles before His ascension.

There were 1,291 present at the Sunday morning session. Special musical selections were sung by a combined choir under the direction of Jeanne Fordham, accompanied by Renee Anderson. Tim Bryan was soloist.

President Chapple pointed out that the gospel has brought many blessings to his life, among which are the knowledge that (1) all people are children of God with a great potential, (2) security comes from an awareness of truth and the love of our Heavenly Father, (3) life is a marvelous opportunity and a privilege, (4) given the option to be happy or sad we may as well be happy, for nothing that can happen to us in life will affect the truthfulness of the gospel, and (5) the gospel puts marriage and the family in proper perspective. He reminded us that we have the opportunity to share our blessings with others and that we should be sensitive to the spirit of the Lord in doing this.

President Charles H. Madsen, Jr. stated that it is magnificent to belong to the only true church on earth and with this privilege comes a great responsibility. The Lord uses individuals to carry out the purposes of his plan. Great prophets such as Peter, Alma, and Brigham Young were converted because of the

examples and works of individuals. We may never know what kind of impact we have on others, and so at all times we should be doing as the Savior taught: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 5:16.)

President Paul Nicholson spoke about the beehive as a symbol used in the Church because of the dedication of the worker bees in producing and storing honey for their community. He also spoke of the drone who "has no sting and gathers no honey." President Nicholson related incidents in his life where he felt like a drone because he failed to keep working when met with refusal as he attempted to share the gospel. He learned that, as in the business world, a person's first reaction is usually "no." If you expect that and get it out of the way and keep working, you can be successful. President Nicholson admonished us to use this principle in our missionary and Church work and to be workers instead of drones.

Sister Barbara Horne said that "trifles make perfection, and perfection is no trifle." She suggested that doing little things for others is an element of greatness if we do them well. She encouraged us to make a difference in the lives of others by sharing the gospel, our most precious possession.

President Horne offered his gratitude to all those who find ways to share the gospel with others and support the missionaries through prayers, letters, meals, and financial assistance. He expressed appreciation for parents who encourage their children to prepare for missions and to members who set good examples and bear testimony of the gospel. He emphasized the importance of having the Spirit of the Lord as an active participant in all we

Blaine Johnson, President of the Miami Florida Stake, bore his testimony of the Church and of the importance of making a commitment to live the gospel. He assured us that much good will come from living gospel principles.

Elder Robert L. Simpson, with his warmth and constant smile, testified of the truthfulness of the Church, that God lives and that Jesus Christ is the Savior of the world, and stated that he knows this more than anything in the world. He admonished us to observe the sincerity and faith of our children as they pray, for we are to become as little children in order to inherit the Kingdom of God. He stressed that the greatest commission of parents is to bring up their children in light and truth and that children can be taught at a very tender age. Elder Simpson told of a man in Australia who wrote that Mormons are "convinced of their identity, content with their life, and confident about their future." These characteristics are developed as we study and live the principles of the gospel. The Church can also offer to the world peace, security, and freedom, the three things considered most important in life as revealed in a recent survey. In closing, he stated that we will be blessed with these things because our Heavenly Father wants us to have them, for his purpose is "to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man." (Moses 1:39.)

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GREEK TO ME (continued)



L to R: (front) Lynn Picolo, Teresa Simmons, Sister Nilson; (back) Sister Tempest, Linda Black, Christy Gillis, Kati Walker, Rene Palatash, Lori Nowlen, Kathy Davis, Sandy Taylor (Chapter Advisor).

The purpose of these groups is to improve the individual and to serve as a missionary tool. The five ideals for personal growth include: increased spirituality, scholastic achievement, leadership skills, service, and the complimentary roles of men and women. Leadership in these groups is a Church calling with officers selected from the single college-age men and women in our Stake.

Lambda Delta Sigma President Kati Walker had participated in the sorority in California, and is excited about the group here. "We are particularly glad to be having a voice at the university, working with other groups and hopefully making an influence for good."

In most sororities or fraternities, established members choose new applicants; most are rejected. In these groups the applicants must choose to live the Church standards; all doing so are accepted.

Each chapter will meet once a week. They will also participate in a variety of activities, including guest speakers, service projects and joint social activities with both fraternity and sorority. Both groups are financially self-supporting by dues, but dues are less than for other Greek groups on campus since the Institute building will be used for activities instead of purchasing a house.

Perhaps the most important thing a college student gains from Lambda Delta Sigma or Sigma Gamma Chi is close sisterhood or brotherhood. Or as Sister Nilson described it, "eternal friends."

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Directory

Stake Presidency

Paul Nicholson--add work # (904) 222-6808

High Council

Marco Clark--change phone # (904) 627-6502

Auxiliaries

Change Relief Society Pres. to Cherie Garr at (904) 386-5714

Add as Primary Pres. Sharon West at (904) 877-9778

LDS Social Services

Mike Malone--change phone # (305) 660-2471

Unit Leaders

Change Moultrie Branch President to Lincoln Barlow at (912) 985-4041

Calendar

The Quincy Ward conference has been changed to March 13 and the Student Ward conference has been changed to March 20.

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