



The Wilsons

Hey Family!

It's been a while since we wrote anything for the newsletter, but we always enjoy it and look forward to it. It is really great now to be able to see some of you on a regular basis.

As you all know, Jeff and I have moved to live in Mom's basement for a while. Greg and Brianna are still in Sierra Vista while Greg gets ready to retire. It's hard to be apart, but we have several pretty long visits planned. Sometimes you just have to do what you have to do.

I have all of my scrapbooking stuff organized and ready to go and am planning to really do a lot of scrapbooking soon. In the meantime, Mom and I have redecorated the upstairs bathroom and are constantly on the go. I have taken the opportunity now that I'm not working to study the scriptures more and read the conference talks in the Ensign. I really love it. Heavenly Father is blessing with His spirit so richly.

Jeff is going to Willowcreek Middle School, which is really a Junior High, but they say they follow the middle school philosophy. He has really been made to feel welcome and has quite a circle of friends. He also has quite a few friends in the neighborhood (mostly girls) who come over and they walk around and talk. He is taking guitar lessons at The Music School in American Fork and has a lot of homework, so he stays pretty busy.

From Greg: As Leslie said I am getting ready to retire. I have my dad looking into my old job sweeping the floor at Fred Meyer. Recently I got promoted to Branch Chief at work. It is one of those promotions where you don't get any more money but your workload is doubled, so I have been very busy. I am still working with the scouts at church. I enjoy it although several of them are badly in need of anger management training and ridilen.

Brianna is still with me in Serra Vista. She is in the robotics club at school and is very excited about a demonstration that they will do at the homecoming game. The team has not been very stellar this year so that will probably be the highlight of the evening.



The Sorensens

Here are a few highlights from September:

- ☺ New Puppies
- ☺ Jaxon is playing saxophone in the band
- ☺ Mom & Lynn visited to see debut of "Crossing the Sweetwater" movie we were in
- ☺ Jancy had her 9th birthday
- ☺ Rix is crawling everywhere
- ☺ He's also pulling up to the couch, Lana's legs or anything else he can get close to
- ☺ Aaron & Jaxon went hunting
- ☺ They shot a 4 point bull elk
- ☺ (They gave it to someone who appreciated the meat)
- ☺ P.S. from Grandma;

The movie (starring) the Sorensen family will air on PBS December 23. You'll have to have help finding them, however.

While we were in Wyoming, Shoshoni had a homecoming parade. Since Broox is in preschool, he got to ride in the parade and throw candy! Way to go, Broox!



The Utah Burnetts

I went to the Summit over Labor Day weekend with all the kids except Tanner. He had a soccer tournament that weekend so Kelly stayed home with him for that. We enjoyed a nice, relaxing weekend there at the cabin.

Thayne has started playing competitive soccer. He's doing well and enjoying that. Landon's AYSO soccer is going now also. I'm coaching his team. It's fun and easy at his age because they just practice for a little while right before the game so you get it all done in 1 hour per week! It's funny to us because usually we think of Landon as being a little clumsy; always tripping and falling over everything. But in soccer he really does quite well. He can dribble the ball pretty well and usually scores quite a few goals. It's just a lot of fun at that age.



Tanner had his 12th birthday. He got a new bicycle. We are working on the bicycling merit badge so he was happy to get a bigger bike to make that easier. Tanner received the priesthood and is enjoying his Deacon's quorum and mutual and scouting activities. We enjoyed having Grandpa, Grandpa, Leslie and Jeff come up and visit for Tanner's ordination. Kelly's brother Bill and family also came for the day. We celebrated Tanner's and my birthday. They had a bunch of candles on the cake for Tanner and me to blow out!



Cason had some friends over for a party. There were about 12 fourteen year old boys. It was a little crazy! They played ping pong and other games and watched a movie.

ELDER DYE

(Here are two letters from our own missionary! Elder Dye, hope it was O.K. to publish them in our family newsletter! Love, a proud Grandma!)

Dearest family,

October 7, 2006

Another week down. It seems like each one goes faster than the last. This week has been really good. I have a hard time remembering all the details because all the days run into each other, but I'll see what I can do. I believe I wrote last Friday. Well, since then, we had conference. That was really neat. I really liked it. We got to watch it in English so that was good, but it doesn't really matter much to me anymore. You just get more expression in English because you don't have to work with interpreters and the like. The only bad thing about the conference was that we didn't have any investigators there. Raimundo got confused and ended up going to the chapel instead of the stake center, so he missed out. Monday and Tuesday we worked hard in the office and didn't even have time to go to our area. Wednesday night we were ready to leave when we found out that we would have to stay longer to fax a medical release form to the hospital for one of the missionaries. So we didn't end up working in our area Wednesday either. Thursday was good. We got our stuff done early because we did a lot of it Wednesday night while waiting, but we aren't allowed to leave the office before 5:00 so we worked on a slide show for a ward activity that we will have tonight. Thursday night was good. I went with Elder Honorato and Elder Moreira. We taught 3 lessons and marked a baptism date with Elaine (She's 17). She should be getting baptised on the 15th, if everything goes well. Friday we had a meeting with the other mission (Brazil, Belo Horizonte East). Actually it was a meeting with their financial secretary. Their mission is such a mess. They have no idea what they are doing. So Elder McDaniel helped them out a bit and then we went to Pizza Hut all you can eat for lunch. (It was like \$7.00.) I ate 9 pieces, not too bad but not exactly a world record. I didn't feel too good after either. I can't imagine Elder Chadwick who ate 14. Then last night in our area we taught two lessons. The first was to Elaine. We taught her the 10 commandments. Then we went to Raimundo's house. He was drunk. Yeah, talk about a let down. He was supposed to get baptized this Sunday. But it will be at least another 2 weeks now. But other than that, life is good. This next week starts a little bit of the rush for transfers, but it shouldn't be too bad until the one after that. I hope everyone has a great week and a really big smile on their face.

Love you tons,
Elder Dye

Dear family,

October 14, 2006

Things are going really well here. We're into the hassle of transfers. But things are under control. We went to the zoo. That was cool. It was the same zoo I went to when I was in Progresso. We had a training from São Paulo on Thursday. It was supposed to be a training for President Frei but he had to resolve missionary medical stuff and wasn't able to go. It was cool though.

Our area is doing really good. Elaine should be getting baptized this Sunday. And we're teaching another really cool girl. Patricia is 19 and from the north of Minas. She moved here about a month ago. We knocked on her door at about 3:30 last Sunday and taught her a quick half hour lesson in the door (because we couldn't go in because there isn't a man that lives there, just her and her sister.) We left the Restoration booklet and invited her to watch a baptism that night. When we went back to pick her up, she was already waiting for us and ready to go, but she said she was reading in the booklet that at church the women usually wear skirts and that she wouldn't be able to because she didn't have a skirt. We explained to her that she could go the way she was and nobody would think any less of her. She had read the entire booklet. So she went to the baptism and then we left the Book of Mormon with her. When we went back Monday she had read all of the introductory material, and had explained all about Joseph Smith and the Book of Mormon to her sister. She's gold. We marked a baptism date for the 29th. She prayed too and is feeling really good about things.

Other than that, life is about normal. What are everyone's plans for Halloween? Is anyone doing the haunted house?

(I took out all the personal stuff he wrote to his family)

I love you all,

Elder Dye



The Piersons

Lisa had a brain cramp trying to write something for the newsletter, so I'm going to summarize:

- ★ Cory is doing well in school and choir. But his main emphasis is track. He's also taking a course which will allow him to be a Physical Therapist Aide and earn money for college and mission. Keep it up, Cory!
- ★ Jared is still working hard. Trouble is, he cut his finger and had to go to the Dr. for a bandage and tetanus shot. Grandma *loves* his hugs!
- ★ Lisa is busy building shelves in the garage (yes, from scratch!) and planting plants in the front bed. Always working!
- ★ We sure don't see Steve very often and we miss him! He's busy working and being the ward executive secretary.
- ★ I wish I could see Jenny too! We miss you, Jen. Mom says you're doing well.

Happy Birthday

October 3	Ondy
October 4	Laura
October 11	Zachary
October 18	Todd
October 21	Dave
October 23	Isabella



The Coons

September was cooler and now we are getting into the 8 months of beautiful Arizona weather! We are all happy about that. Aubrey had her 6th birthday and wanted a party so we had a Western Round-up for her. Ten of her closest friends came (she is very social) and we had lots of fun doing barrels on stick horses, roping a bull head, and being wanna-be cowboys for an evening. The kids had fun. While we were playing one of the games a boy said, "Can we go play now?" I thought we were playing, but they just wanted to do their own thing. Luckily we did have time just to play and they loved that.



I have started going to a chiropractor three times a week to see if I can relieve my back pain. So far it has been really up and down but hopefully we are headed up overall. I do Art Masterpiece at school (teach the kids' classes about an artist once a month and do a project with them) and I was able to attend a class at the Phoenix Art Museum two different Wednesdays. I missed two of the classes but the two that I went to were very well done and I learned a lot.

Brittney is staying busy with Student Council, piano, oboe, homework, etc. We all went with Aubrey and planted a Kinder" garden" by their playground. It's very cute with lots of flowers, vegetables, and some fruits. Caleb is totally into paper airplanes right now. He has at least 15 of them and plays with them all day. Hannah is super sweet. Today she prepared a wonderful Family Home Evening Lesson all on her own. Todd had to move offices at work because his group became part of a bigger group. His office is half as big and the people around him are real work-aholics so we'll see how it goes.

We loved General Conference. We are doing great and love you all.

The Tangrens

Hey guys, let us know about you and that sweet little Riley. We love you lots!

Lynn & Mom

Hi Everyone

September was a busy month for us. October promises to be even busier.

Leslie and Jeffrey are ensconced in the basement. Jeff has the family room toward the windows. Leslie has put up work/scrapbook/craft tables in the middle of the family room (not much done on those yet). Then we have put up the exercise equipment on the TV end of the room. Les has the bedroom. We have very recently put up a bed for Brianna in the exercise room. We certainly want her to feel welcome when she gets a chance to come.

In fact, Greg and Bri are here right now. Bri has a week off school for Fall break, so Greg took the week off too. They got here late Friday night. It sure is nice to have them all together again including Amy Sue who has been here much of the time.

Jeff has been adapting well. His little sense of humor is delightful. And he is letting us see that part of him more and more. He is increasingly being a great help with the cooking/cleaning/etc. He has signed up for guitar lessons. He is fun to have around.

This past week Mom and Leslie decided the upstairs bathroom needed an update. (It hasn't had anything except the floor done since we bought the place.) We're about through. It's neat looking. The basic color is a nice warm brown. We painted the cabinet black — which becomes the principal contrast color. It is possible it will be so impressive that Mom won't let any of us use it.... Think so?

The other big non-news is our mission. We had our interview with the Stake President three weeks ago. We haven't heard anything since. But — it may develop into real news at any mail-delivery time. President Wilkinson (our SP) clearly agreed that it would be best for us, in our present circumstances, to serve from home. So, we are really anticipating our call will be either to the Family History Library in Salt Lake — or to some place here in Utah County. We're anxious. But we expect to know soon. Continue to pray for us. We need it continually.

Of course, we say it in every newsletter, but it never becomes old or un-true. WE LOVE YOU! YOU -- YES EACH ONE OF YOU -- ARE PRECIOUS TO US! WE ALWAYS PRAY FOR YOU!

Lynn and Mom

Arizona Burnetts

Boy, we sure hope you are all fine. We sure do love you and think of you lots! Let us hear from you—PLEASE!





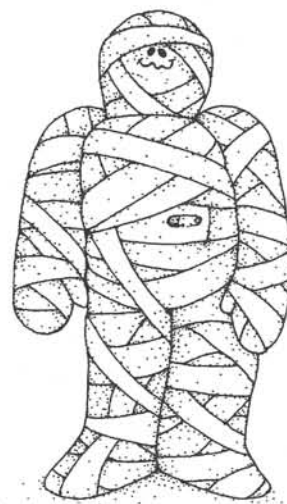
Greg & Mom—camping in Flagstaff Arizona



Sweet Jancy at the Shoshoni homecoming parade.



Ondy & Anthony's Cheering squad at yet another parade!



Our friend—Isn't he cute?



"Round the World" at Dye's BD party. Welcome Isabella!



Lawson and Jared doing the wrestling thing.