

Happenings

January 15, 2018

**FREE
To a
Good
Home!**



Growing Up on the Road by Gail Marie Beckman

Since 2001, The Jackson Family Band – Mama's Wranglers (formerly known as Kid Fiddlers) have been amazing audiences around the world! They began with Mom



on keyboard, and the oldest four children playing their fiddles. Chelsea was 13, Tess was 11, Grayden was nine, and Mickinzie was just seven!

Shortly after, the children began learning other instruments – Chelsea on the banjo, Tess on mandolin, Grayden on guitar, and Mom began playing bass. Vocals were then added to the group. The kids started learning three-part harmonies.

Next, Zach was finally ready to perform, and then, at age three, Skyler joined the band singing *These Boots are Made for Walking*.

Clogging was added to the show which brought the energy
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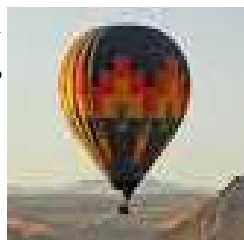
Balloon Fest Coming to Peace Park

Remember to mark your calendars.. the Sandy Valley Volunteer Fire Department is once again hosting a Balloon Fest, Pancake Breakfast, and Public Safety Event at Peace Park on **Saturday, February 3rd from 7am to Noon.**

Hot air balloon rides will be \$50 per person, so prepare yourself for an early-morning, UP-lifting experience!

And, after a hearty pancake breakfast for only \$6 apiece, be sure to give blood! United Blood Services will be set up inside the Community Center to accept your donations and help you to ***Be a Hero.***

It should be a GREAT time for everyone, so we'll see you all at the park!



When Life Gives You Lemons.. by Organic Wellness



It turns out the best way to consume lemons is to first freeze them and then eat them along with their peel!

The compounds found in lemon peels destroy cells which are malignant, but leave healthy cells alone. Lemon peels also alkalize the body and regulate the blood's pH values, promoting optimal health. They help to regulate your blood pressure, have anti-depressant effects, and eliminate feelings of anxiety and irritability.

First, rinse the lemons thoroughly, put them in a zip lock bag, then freeze until solid. Once frozen, grate the entire lemon and place back in bag in the freezer.

Sprinkle pieces on top of salads or ice cream, or add to a smoothie or shake for some wonderful health benefits!

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Clothing Drive / Giveaway
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Big Soft Ginger Cookies

Ingredients

3/4 cup butter,
softened
1 cup sugar
1 large egg
1/4 cup molasses
2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons ground ginger
1 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 teaspoon ground
cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground
cloves
1/4 teaspoon salt
Additional sugar



Directions

In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and molasses. Combine the flour, ginger, baking soda, cinnamon, cloves and salt; gradually add to the creamed mixture and mix well. Roll into 1-1/2-in. balls, then roll in sugar. Place 2 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350° until puffy and lightly browned, 10-12 minutes. Move to wire racks to cool. Yield: 2-1/2 dozen.

***At times I'm
grateful that
thoughts don't
appear in
bubbles over our
heads***

"Growing Up.." cont'd

level OVER THE TOP!

A live recording, at the historic Heber Creeper along the Wasatch Mountains, of the Kid Fiddlers was released in 2004, with "Kid Fiddlin' 1 1/2" being released in 2005.

The band made their debut in Europe, performing in Barcelona and Madrid.

The year 2006 brought about many changes for the band. After recording their 3rd CD, Chelsea graduated high school and left the band to pursue other interests. It was a very difficult adjustment, as she was such an integral part of the band, but the other children wanted to pursue their musical career, so they re-grouped and Tess took up the banjo, Mickinzie began playing the mandolin, Grayden and Mom continued holding down the rhythm on guitars, and Zach and Skyler stepped up the fiddle-playing. Clogging continued to be a definite audience-pleaser!



In 2007, at age six, Skyler had her first yodeling lesson. Mom took her to a teacher who said, "She can't learn at this young age. Bring her back when she is a teenager." But Mom insisted on trying... Within 20 minutes, Skyler was yodeling, and a new dimension was added to the show! The band signed a contract performing at resorts in Southern California and Arizona and later the family moved to Las Vegas, Nevada.

"Stormin' It Up" was released in 2008

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Did You Know..

By the time they turn five, kids have already developed a sense of self-esteem as strong as an adult's? Because self-image plays a critical role in how children form social identities, this suggests that a child's first five years are an extremely important foundation for life.



Word of the Day: audacious

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adj. Showing a
willingness to take risks

*Life is an echo. What you send out, comes back. What you sow, you reap. What you give, you get. What you see in others exists in you. Remember, Life Is an Echo, it always gets back to you.
So Give Goodness.*

**“Be yourself,
because an
original is
always worth
more than
a copy.”
– Suzy Kassem**

"Growing Up..." cont'd
with an original song about the Jackson Family entitled "We've Got Each Other". The album is the first to have Skyler at age seven yodeling and features Zach at age 11 on the drums. 2009 brought some major venues and the band's popularity began to explode.

At the beginning of summer in 2010, the Kid Fiddlers set out to perform in every state they hadn't already. Mom went to work on routing and scheduling. By the end of September, Kid Fiddlers had performed in 46 of the 50 states! And, in their spare time, they recorded and released "A Christmas to Remember".

In 2011 Canada and two more states were added, and in 2012 the band finally made it to Alaska! Also in 2011, for the first time in five years, Chelsea made a guest appearance with the band, and all six children, with Mom, were reunited on stage. The show was recorded, and their first DVD was released as a 'reunion' and it is called "Sunset at the Park".

Congratulations are in order as the Jacksons were honored with the largest **Gateway Foundation Scholarship Award** for Outstanding Achievement in Music and Continued Music Study, 2011!

After 10 wonderful years, in January of 2012, the group announced a bold new name change – Mama's Wranglers! Not only were the 'kids' growing up, they outgrew the "Fiddle" label. These amazing children could play a mean fiddle, but also many different instruments! They could sing amazing vocals with

blended harmonies that only siblings can achieve, and they could dance up a storm!

"Way Out West" album was released in 2012. The group's charity through the years has been for diabetes research (as one of the Wranglers was diagnosed with Type 1 at age seven). A portion of each sale was donated to help find a cure! The Wranglers also performed concerts and did "Walk for a Cure" to help raise funds. They traveled to Des Moines, Iowa, performing and helping to raise 1.4 million dollars.

The group traveled and performed plenty during 2013. The list of venues ranges from county and state fairs, performing arts centers, amusement parks, CMA in Nashville, Opening Ceremonies for Olympic Games, and the Roy Clark Theater in Branson, Missouri. They also made one more transition as Zach left the band, moving on to other interests. After that, Tess got married and, hopefully, a new little Wrangler generation will be born!

In 2014 Mama's Wranglers had a record 350 shows, being home only four weeks that year! After experiencing what you hear other bands speak of, "I didn't know what city I was in, because we woke up in a different one each morning", the Wranglers decided it was time for another change, so in early 2015, they opened a little chuck-wagon style dinner theater called the **Firelight Barn** in downtown Henderson.

Mama's Wranglers will dazzle you with charming humor, and America's favorite little yodeler, 16-year-old Skyler, will bring down the house! Their show appeals to audiences of ALL ages and keeps people wanting more. With over 17 years experience, these "kids" are some of the best seasoned, professional musicians around, performing old-time western favorites like "Ghost Riders in the Sky", "Cowboy Sweetheart", and classics from Johnny Cash, Alabama, and more!

Mama's Wranglers, 133 South Water Street in Henderson. Call (702)518-7464 for reservations.



The Road Not Taken

by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;



Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;

Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.



Did You Know...
The search engine Ecosia uses 80% of its ad revenue to plant millions of trees in Africa?

“Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality which guarantees all others.”

– Winston Churchill

My teacher asked me to characterize myself in five words. “Quite lazy.”



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LEGEND

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Senior Center
 is Coffee & Donuts
 from
 8-10:30am



Every
 Monday
 at **Peace
 Park**
 Food Share
 gives out food at
 12:30pm



Always believe something
 amazing is about to happen!

January

Sun	Mon	Tue
	15  	16
21  Happy Birthday LizBeth!	22 Happy Birthday Ben!  	23
28	29 Board Meeting at Senior Center - 11am 	30
4	5  	6 American Legion at Keystone - 6:30pm
11	12 	13 (No SMVDA Meeting This Month) Citizen's Advisory Council at Community Ctr - 7:30pm

*The only place where success comes
 before work is in the dictionary.*



/February



Three Square
 Food Delivery at Peace Park
 First & Third Wednesdays - 7:30am

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17 	18	19	20 Pancake Breakfast at Senior Center - 8 to 10:30am 
24	25	26	27 Clothing Drive & Giveaway at Peace Park - 9am Start Food Share at Peace Park - 10am to Noon
31	1 SV Clean-Up at Kingston / Beech - 8am to Noon	2 General Meeting & Potluck at Senior Center - 1pm 	3 Balloon Fest Blood Drive Pancake Breakfast at Peace Park 7am to Noon
7 	8	9	10
14	15	<p><i>Other than a few local donations, the clothing and other items are generously provided to St. Jude's Women's Auxiliary by their sponsors: Mirage, Golden Nugget, Harrah's, Fashion Show Mall, Town Square, and McCarran Airport, and given to their rural county liaison for distribution. Thank you to St. Jude's Women's Auxiliary for choosing Sandy Valley as your Rural Community!</i></p>	



Native Birds of Southern Nevada

A Custom WordSearch
by Gail Marie Beckman



Anna's Hummingbird

Barn Owl

Cactus Wren

Chukar

Common Nighthawk

Common Raven

Gambel's Quail

Great Horned Owl

Great-Tailed Grackle

Greater Roadrunner

House Finch

Killdeer

Mountain Bluebird

Mourning Dove

Northern Flicker

Northern Mockingbird

Phainopepla

Red-Tailed Hawk

Red-Winged Blackbird

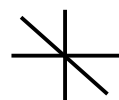
Tree Swallow

Turkey Vulture

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... or Feeding It.



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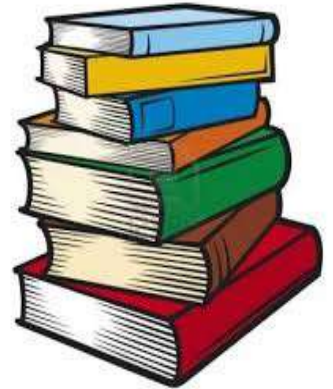


I've read so many horrible things about drinking and smoking recently that I made a new, firm New Year's resolution: **NO MORE READING!**

Community

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Thursday
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to 7pm;
Saturday
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Job interviewer: "And where would you see yourself in five years' time Mr. Jeffries?"

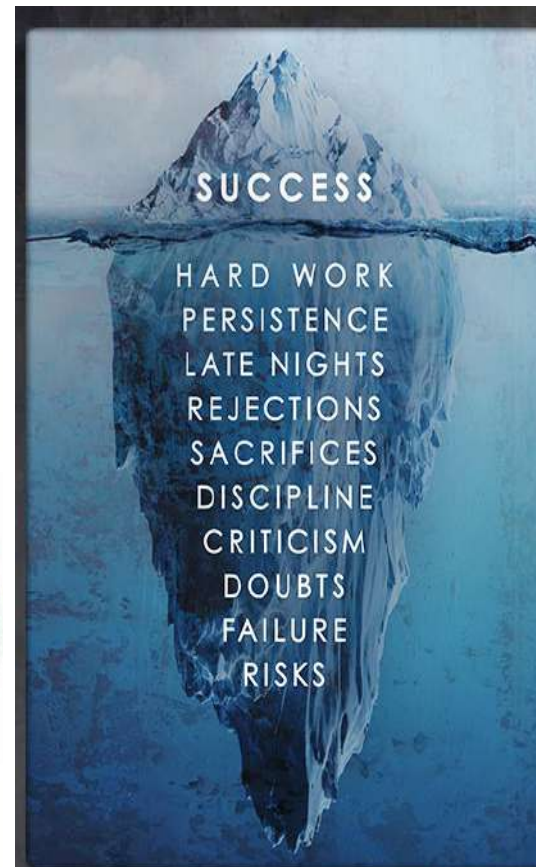
Me: "Personally I believe my biggest weakness is in listening."

The World Is A Cat

**Life is the
art of
drawing
without an
eraser**



Playing with Australia



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