

**January 11, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Relief Society. The children were very good. I couldn't hear them and my voice was starting to crack. When I arrived home I received a call from Jane telling me to pick her up. She was also ill. It rained most of day.

**January 12, 1978 (Thursday)**

Jane spent the morning helping me. She didn't feel good enough to go to school but good enough to do odd jobs around the house. It rained most of the day.

**January 13, 1978 (Friday)**

A sunshiny day at last - so good I got some more walking in. Ruderger and I walked to the office and then I walked back home. We enjoyed it so much. Ruderger went to the Dr. today and found he had lost 20 lbs. so far and his blood pressure is very normal. He said that of a 25 year old.

**January 14, 1978 (Saturday)**

We spent this day as usual on Saturday, running errands, marketing and just goofing and that usually means spending too much money. I hung some curtains but Ruderger said they had to come down because they were not warm enough. Oh well, they were some he salvaged at the office. They looked like they should have been in a museum.

**January 15, 1978 (Sunday)**

More of the rain today and wind you wouldn't believe but we all made it to church. We also attended meeting in the 13th ward where Scott was the speaker.

**January 16, 1978 (Monday)**

Whenever I attend a funeral I realize the importance of writing my journal.

Malen Cox, our good neighbor in Pine Valley, was buried today in Pine Valley. Ruderger sang. I'll always remember Malen for his very humorous stories. He always had one for us. Wish I could have known him as a kid. He sounds like a man that was a friend to everyone.

It is raining again today. If we didn't need the moisture I would say, "Go away, come again another day."

**January 17, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Received a call from Ruderger inviting me to ride to Gunlock with him to see if the water level was improving and it was after the rain all night and a good snowpack on the mountain. Ruderger went to Bess Benson's graveside service. She is a relative on McAllister line and a very good friend of Aunt Orpha's. Ruderger and I went to Dick's for lunch and it was delightful. Made pies that are against our diets so Scott took them to the girls at the dorm. He knew what he was doing because they invited him to lunch the next day. He gives them the old song and dance deal where he hasn't eaten all day and they actually fall for his line.

**January 18, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Relief Society. I started at 7:30 a.m. to get a casserole made to take to Lee Bland's funeral. Relief Society was great. I have become attached to the kids in my class this year. They all love me I know. We took a ride to Pine Valley to see how much snow. Not much in the valley, lots on the mountain.

**January 19, 1978 (Thursday)**

I jumped right out of bed this morning. I knew if we were to go to Salt Lake City tomorrow, I had plenty to do. Jane invited a friend to stay the night. I had to say no and that didn't go over too good and Scott invited a girl to breakfast because he knew we would be gone. The mean mother that I am but they just can't do that to me. I just said no, no, no. Rudger could have said it once and they would know he meant it. Oh well, chances are they still like me.

**January 20 1978 (Friday)**

We were so looking forward to this trip to Salt Lake City but the weather isn't the best and so have to get back tomorrow, disappointing. Visited with Jackie's family. Everyone was so happy. The kids showed us their Christmas gifts and Jennifer opened the birthday gift we brought to her. George had just returned from Hawaii and we ate fresh pineapple.

**January 21, 1978 (Saturday)**

What a great morning, in bed til 10 a.m., leisure breakfast and then hit the road. It rained all the way home. Jane and Scott did not please me, however, nothing done. That made for a bad mood. I had better learn to control my feelings. All made up and kissed better and went to bed happy.

**January 22, 1978 (Sunday)**

Have a bad cold, stayed home all day long. Scott sang in one ward and talked in another. I wanted so much to go hear him.

**January 23 1978 (Monday)**

Jennifer's birthday. I cannot hear good so that makes for an unhappy family. Glad when the cold will be over.

**January 24, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Lucky enough to have the kind of cold that doesn't make you feel too bad just bad enough to keep me in the house and not working. I watched TV all day. How lazy can I get?

**January 25, 1978 (Wednesday)**

I didn't go to Relief Society today. I did go for a walk and felt much better for it.

**January 26, 1978 (Thursday)**

Still a day without getting any work done. Imagine what the house must look like. Oh, Well. Rudger says, "big deal", so I don't worry about it.

**January 27, 1978 (Friday)**

Wow! Today I feel like turning the world over. I scrubbed floors cleaned out closets and drawers, walked to meet Rudger. Scott performed with Laura Grishm at 4 Seasons. He seemed satisfied with the way it went.

**January 28, 1978 (Saturday)**

I made the mistake of going outside. Rudger put me to work pulling weeds and shoveling dirt. I didn't see the inside of the house again until 3 o'clock. We rode to Gunlock. Scott came home about 9 p.m. with 2 girls that brought us a pie - was it ever good.

**January 29, 1978 (Sunday)**

Laura and Scott practiced here most of day. We had Mr. and Mrs. McCleary visit -home teachers. They are always interesting to hear and talk to.

**January 30, 1978 (Monday)**

Took a casserole up to Judd's. Lou died. She was 100 years old. We went to the funeral. When we got home Bill and Ruth were here. We caught up on a little genealogy and just had a very good visit. It was about 60 degrees and a lovely day.

**February 1, 1978 (Wednesday)**

We took Bill and Ruth out for a drive and visited some more. We all agreed that we should get together more often and tell more stories of the past and get them written down.

**February 2, 1978 (Thursday)**

I drove the new Aspen wagon today. Lunt's brought it up for me to try. I went shopping and walked to Lin's and Rachel Judd picked me up and brought me home. Walked to meet Jane, indulged in a fattening milk shake and bought 2 pair new shoes.

**February 3 1978 (Friday)**

Jane had no school today and we made brownies, washed our hair, made arrangements to buy the Aspen wagon. It is going to be fun. I love the car We traded in our GMC truck for it.

**February 4, 1978 (Saturday)**

It was cold and a little windy today so we didn't get our fence started like we thought we could In the evening we called on Kay and Enid.

**February 5 1978 (Sunday)**

We all attended church meetings but stayed in the rest of the day. It was raining again. We needed the rain, we prayed for the rain and we are getting it but now I wish it could shine for just a second.

**February 6, 1978 (Monday)**

What a wet Monday. I walked to town with my trusty umbrella. We cut up the banana squash we raised in Pine Valley. It was so good, took some to Enid and Lillian and Scott's friends at the dorm.

**February 7, 1978 (Tuesday)**

We attended Owen Wright's funeral. It was a pleasant day but a little windy. We needed coats and that is different for Dixie.

**February 8, 1978 (Wednesday)**

It rained all night and all day. I went shopping in my new little car I love that car. Went to Vicky's for a wall decoration show. It was interesting. I purchased a picture.

**February 9, 1978 (Thursday)**

I hurried to the market to get the good sale items of the week, Tide 10 lbs \$3.99; toilet tissue \$16.00 a case. But, where now do I store it. I cleaned out a closet, stacked it in there. Some

things have got to go. It is really raining today. When I picked Jane up, a regular traffic jam at the school.

**February 10, 1978 (Friday)**

Rained again all night and day. We rode to Gunlock. The water was too high. The golf course was being threatened. Ruderger went to see the Dr. and had lost four more pounds. I made spiced nuts for him to give to Dr. Booth and staff. We went to Dick's for lunch, was a fun day. Scott did foul things up. He put my car keys in his pocket and went to work and so Jane walked home from school in the rain.

**February 11, 1978 (Saturday)**

Went to Gunlock and to the market and met a lot of friends there. Jewell and Enid both came in while we were there. In the afternoon we went to Snow Canyon and walked up one of the smaller canyons. We picked up some nice mossy rocks to put in our front lawn. We took Kay and Enid for a ride in our new car. Scott is working at the motel tonight.

**February 12, 1978 (Sunday)**

It turned out a little cold last night and today. I cannot get used to it after such good weather. Attended meetings and stayed in the rest of day.

**February 13 1978 (Monday)**

Kind of another chilly, rainy day. We worked outside putting in a drainpipe. Ruderger had the day off. It started to rain hard and so we went for a ride.

**February 14, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Received a call from Viola. She is coming to stay with me. I cannot believe it. Richard and Ellen will be here too. Ruderger and I planned on flying to Salt Lake but the plane was full. Best for me because i will have to get the house ready for guests.

**February 15, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Relief Society turned out OK. The children gave me a hassle. I had to be mean to them and it made me sad. The weather was so nice, getting spring like. I love it, love it. Washed out the driveway and watered tulips that are coming up.

**February 16, 1978 (Thursday)**

Hurried to get ready for the guests. Scott's bedroom for Richard, Ellen and Ryan, my room for Viola and Jane's for us. That's the way it will have to be. Made a cherry cheesecake and a casserole and spaghetti sauce. All turned out good. Richard and Ellen arrived late.

**February 17, 1978 (Friday)**

Viola came about noon. Ryan stayed with us while Richard and Ellen went to Cedar City. We took everyone to Dick's for dinner. It was a great time.

**February 18, 1978 (Saturday)**

Viola and I went to Dick's for breakfast. It was such a nice morning. This evening Viola and I attended the musical, "No, No, Nanette." We both enjoyed it so much.

**February 19, 1978 (Sunday)**

Viola left at noon. I hurried dinner so she could eat with us before she left. We had a very good visit. Was so glad she could come. The rest of us all went to Sacramento meeting. Scott brought a girl friend home and she and Ellen made cream puffs and we all watched TV.

**February 20 1978 (Monday)**

Presidents Day. We all stayed home today. We were all sad when Richard, Ellen and Ryan packed up and left. We went to Pine Valley for a cultivator.

**February 21, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Planted some of our garden today. Peas, carrots and beets and go the rows ready for everything else. It was fun. 70° Wow!. Love it.

**February 22, 1978 (Wednesday)**

George's birthday - sent him a book. Had a very good time at Relief Society. Washed the car. I love that car. Paid some bills. Walked to meet Jane. Cleaned a closet. Rudge keeps asking if I have seen any seeds sprouting yet. Oh, boy.

**February 23, 1978 (Thursday)**

It is raining again. Received a letter from Ruth and Bill. They sent me Daddy's life history that he wrote for them just before he died. I was so happy with it.

**February 24, 1978 (Friday)**

Sun shining. I think it rains so much lately that I cannot keep track.

**February 25, 1978 (Saturday)**

We put up the fence today. Jody Fullerton send over some cookies. They were good.

**February 26, 1978 (Sunday)**

Can't hear so good today. Went for a ride down to Cedar Pockets to check gas mileage.

**February 27, 19978 (Monday)**

I don't like days like this. Something is settling in them thar ears. I can't hear much.

**February 28, 1978 (Tuesday)**

My ears are aching like you wouldn't believe. Wionder what is wrong.

**March 1, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Joey's birthday - almost forgot to call her. Sounded like she was having a nomal birthday. Russell's mother invited them to birthday dinner. It rained all day. I am having a bad earache in the other ear tonight. It is really bad. If I didn't have a pain pill I would really be suffering. I am losing all of my hearing, never has been so bad before, so very frightening.

**March 2, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rain, Rain go away again. I am looking for sunshine to cheer me up. I need something.

**March 3, 1978 (Friday)**

The Gunlock Dam spilled today causing lots of damage. The Lava Hills Golf course was flooded and the bridge washed out near Green Valley. I still cannot hear one thing, not even on the telephone.

**March 4, 1978 (Saturday)**

Still raining this morning. We rode to Gunlock but didn't get out of the car. Ruderger and Scott sang at conference tonight.

**March 5, 1978 (Sunday)**

Stake Conference - made a new stake, St. George West, which is us. Gives us a new bishopric, John Palmer, Allen Carter and McCleary. Rode to Gunlock with Scott and his friend, Dayna Gentry. We walked across the dam, watched the dam spill.

**March 6, 1978 (Monday)**

Sun is out. Love it. But I cannot go out because I cannot hear.

**March 7, 1978 (Tuesday)**

More sunshine and we need it to help dry things out. The blossoms are out and so pretty. Kind of late, I would say. Spring is here now and we are ready.

**March 8, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Couldn't go to Relief Society again. Ruderger took me to see a Dr. Wyler and he said I have really high blood pressure, probably because of infection. Have to take lots of pills. Hope it clears up on the hearing. Scott had a barbeque in the back yard., a bachelor party for Wayne (Stucki). It turned out nice.

**March 9, 1978 (Thursday)**

Nice sunshiny day. Don't have much energy. Can't hear but still hangin in there.

**March 10, 1978 (Friday)**

It was a nice day until time for Jane to come home then it rained like everything. Scott said it wouldn't hurt her to walk in the rain because Abraham Lincoln walked in the rain. Scott really cheers me up. He doesn't seem to mind talking to me (I should say shouting at me) when I can't hear. We still have good conversations. No one else is much interested. Today Scott even sent me a plant to cheer me up.

**March 11, 1978 (Saturday)**

Old age is having too much room in the house and not much room in the medicine cabinet. Is that ever true with me right now. I am taking so many pills. I am worried. Still cannot hear a thing. My ears are popping right along so still have hope. Ruderger came home and decided he needed some home cookin and so he went to Kentucky Fried Chicken place. Jane went babysitting. Scott went to this friend, Dayna, where else? It rained all day long.

**March 12, 1978 (Sunday)**

Rudger took me for a ride. This staying home all the time is getting to me.

**March 13, 1978 (Monday)**

Hey! My hearing came back a little today. I was really beginning to wonder. Scott is getting ready for finals and so we had him home for tonight. Whoops! There he went - had a party to go to. Thought it was too good to be true. I helped Jane with her science project.

**March 14, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Rudger came home and we spent a little time just looking at our garden. The peas are up at least 2 inches. I am getting so excited about the garden now.

**March 15, 1978 (Wednesday)**

What a way to wake up. Scott invited some kids to breakfast at 7:00, girls and boys. They did it themselves, waffles, strawberries and ice cream. How fattening and good they smelled. Then they left, I got up and none of that good smell was left, cleaned up to the last crumb. Rudger flew to Salt Lake City at 9:30 a.m. Jane's coal garden for science grew too much to last so we made another one. Glad that is over for another year.

**March 16, 1978 (Thursday)**

Went for a visit to the doctor and my blood pressure had gone down and I can hear a little better. He changed all my medication and I go back again in 8 days.

**March 17, 1978 (Friday)**

Worked outside. Did me a lot of good. I decided I couldn't stay home forever so went marketing and to buy wedding gifts. Wayne Stucki and Fran Esplin were married today. Scott was best man and it was a gorgeous wedding. The weather was very warm today.

**March 18, 1978 (Saturday)**

Did a little visiting around the neighborhood. Hap and Roma were down cleaning their yard. I went with Rudger to several stores looking for fittings for sprinkling system. Scott flew to California at 6:00 a.m. Bruce Stucki flew him down so he could join the chamber choir at Disney.

**March 19, 1978 (Sunday)**

Rudger and Jane went to their meetings. I still cannot hear well enough to go. Rudger took me for a long ride down in the fields and to Bloomington.

**March 20, 1978 (Monday)**

Jane came home on the bus and in a very good mood for a change. We got a lot of work caught up. Called Ellen and they are great but are not coming home for Easter.

**March 21, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Feel much better today. It is cloudy. Hope it doesn't rain.

**March 22, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Jackie and family are all coming for Easter. It is going to be fun.

**March 23, 1978 (Thursday)**

We spent a lot of time on the patio. This is a fun time of the year.

**March 1, 1978 (Friday)**

We opened the window and doors and let the sunshine in. Scott hinted around again today about August being the date. He probably has already popped the question. He didn't ask me.

**May 11, 1978 (Thursday)**

A lot of talk about Mothers Day coming up. What do I want (the mother who has everything) as Jackie puts it. I would like candy but that is fattening. I'll mention it anyway.

**May 12 1978 (Friday)**

We went to the Gable House with the Arlidges. It was a super good time and the food was so good.

**May 13, 1978 (Saturday)**

Just worked today, accomplished a lot. Packed up our cleaning gear and headed for Pine Valley.

**May 14 1978 (Sunday)**

It is Mothers Day. The kids all called and Jackie sent a real nice gift for my new bathroom. A ceramic swan that holds washcloths. Scott, Jane and Rudger came thru with some candy. Wow! What a super day. We went to Pine Valley, made a fire in the fireplace and just relaxed and reminisced. My children are so special. I know they love me.

**May 14, 1978 (Monday)**

I made a couple of casseroles and went shopping. Returned a dress I bought for Jane. We picked peas from the garden. Bill called and said they would be down to stay with us. They were invited to a wedding on our St. George Temple.

**May 15, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Bill and Ruth arrived about 3:30. We sure had a good visit with them. Rudger flew to SLC and arrived home just in time to eat dinner with us. We called Ken and Mary and all of us talked to them.

**May 16, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Didn't get up very early because everyone were up and gone before 6:30 a.m. Scott went on a field trip. He came back so tired but his performance had to go on. Ruth and Bill left about 4:30 p.m. Rudger came home with a bit of hay fever and stayed in bed all afternoon.

**May 17 1978 (Thrusday)**

Mowed lawns. I visited over the fence with Debbie Childers and Vicky Wyle. I must be getting old. Their kids drove me up a wall. So I came in the house.

**Missed Aril so here it is:**

**April 1, 1978 (Saturday)**

Rode to Pine Valley to get our dutch ovens. Nice day.

**April 2, 1978 (Sunday)**

Was General Conference so all of us listened to it on TV. We rode to Gunlock. The conference talks were very good. Jane made a cake. We ate the icing.



**April 3, 1978 (Monday)**

One of those days. Just the usual things like laundry.

**April 4, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Oiled up the lawnmower and to my surprise it is running good.

**April 5, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Don't feel good again today. This staying in bed all day is not for me.

**April 6, 1978 (Thursday)**

Went to see Dr. Wyler. He changed my medication again. Still cannot hear. I am not going to him again.

**April 7, 1978 (Friday)**

We took off for Salt Lake but it was snowing when we got as far as Leeds and so we turned around and came home. We then tried to get reservations in Vegas but couldn't so we went to Zion Park and Driftwood and spent a nice day and had a nice dinner.

**April 8, 1978 (Saturday)**

Awakened to the sound of water. Lillian's irrigation water coming into our yard soaked in good and into the basement. We bailed out water all day and into the night. I am mad! mad! mad! but I will forgive and forget some day.

**April 9, 1978 (Sunday)**

Stiff and sore from yesterday. Still cannot hear so stayed home and rested.

**April 10, 1978 (Monday)**

We have been having very nice weather. The odor is just about out of the basement now so I must put everything back. Scott brought Dayna up to visit tonight. I have finally made up my mind or accepted the idea that Scott is getting married.

**April 11, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Scott is clipping the hedges and getting quite professional, and I really thought Richard was best. Scott gave Dayna her ring today so they are engaged.

**April 12, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Ruth and Rulen visited. I was ill. Ruderger took me to the emergency room at hospital at midnight. I was allergic to the medication I took.

**April 13, 1978 (Thursday)**

We are in Salt Lake City, The motel is so nice. Saw Lorin and LaVina. Went shopping at the mall. I thought LaVina would be a lot better but she isn't. Wish I had the courage to tell her what I think. Couldn't find Jane a dress so bought something for myself.

Joey is having surgery today. She called and said she had been so sick I guess she nearly died. Oh how I wish we were closer. I worry so much about her.

**April 14, 1978 (Friday)**

We are still in Salt Lake City. It seems so good to be away. Can't hear. I just lay here in a motel room and watch T.V., go to meals and walk a little. That's it.

**April 15, 1978 (Saturday)**

I thought I would go for this kind of life but it's not for me. Rudger is content to just lounging but I keep taking walks. I have to get out and go.

**April 16 1978 (Sunday)**

some more of the same kind of life - getting up when we wanted to - no hurry.

**April 17, 1978 (Monday)**

Dr. Zobell gave me the once over. It is not an infection like Wyler was treating it for so now back to different medication and time and something I must live with - allergies. We got back in St. George at 9:00 p.m. and darn glad to be home. But I guess I have to consider me and my social life lost for another few weeks.

**April 18, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Really felt good today but am tired tonight. Jane didn't get to MIA so we can go to bed early.

**April 19, 1978 (Wednesday)**

I was just plain sick, nauseous, must be the medication Dr. Zobell prescribed. I couldn't even raise my head.

**April 20, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rudger called Dr. Staheli and he told me to stop the pills at least until I feel better. Scott brought Dayna up and we all had water mellon. That is what I needed for my poor old tummy.

**April 21, 1978 (Friday)**

Made a cake and even ate some of it. Rudger went to a cookout retirement party for Lewis Pectol and he brought some steak and food to Jane and I. It tasted so good.

**April 22, 1978 (Saturday)**

We worked outside. Rudger weeded and I mowed lawns and finished up the hedges. Excuse me, I meant Scott finished the hedges. We are tired but that makes for good sleeping.

**April 23, 1978 (Sunday)**

I still cannot go to church. I am getting my hearing back but not that much. After church Rudger went to Clesson Bowers for an open house honoring Bishop Stucki. We rode to Pine Valley and cracked a few nuts.

**April 24, 1978 (Monday)**

Just a Monday, hardly worth writing about.

**April 25, 1978 (Monday)**

Jane went to Santa Clara to an arts festival.

**April 26, 1978 (Wednesday)**

I spent from 8:30 to 2:00 at the clinic. They drew blood from me every hour and got plenty of it. Hope all does some good. I had to fast all that time and fasting is hard for me.

#### **April 27, 1978 (Thursday)**

I copied a lot of recipes today, got my recipe file up to date and of course was waiting for that all important call to see if I have sugar diabetes. He finally called and said I was OK. Hurrah. I am so happy.

#### **April 28, 1978 (Friday)**

Jane went to the track meet today. She didn't come home and was I ever frantic. She did finally show up about 6 p.m. with Lori Wattier and her mother. She had been having fun and she couldn't call so I guess I'll forgive and forget. I went to Ben Wyly's birthday party. Picked out Scott a new suit for his birthday. Mr. McClary came home teaching. He is in the bishopric now.

#### **April 29, 1978 (Saturday)**

Rudger went to Pine Valley to get the chapel ready for an institute party. He put the water in the house ready for the summer. We went to the D-Day Dance tonight. Sat by Ruth Snow and Clark and Ora Lee (McMullin). Seemed like good old times again. Governor Matheson was the honored speaker.

#### **April 30, 1978 (Sunday)**

They held a special fast for the Blake boy. We had dinner at 3:00. That makes for a long morning. We drove up to Ivins town to see the new chapel and firehouse and there are lots of new houses. It has really built up a lot since I was up last.

#### **May 1, 1978 (Monday)**

I hurried with my work because we went to Cedar. We gathered up Scot and Dayna and Jane and met Richard, Ellen and Ryan (They came down for a school meet from Moab.) We all had dinner at Town and Country. It was simply elegant besides enjoying a good visit with those kids. They met Dayna for 1st tim and we ate too much as usual. It was a rainy day and trip.

#### **May 2, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Another rainy day so didn't get outside.

#### **May 3, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Stayed home all day. Rudger had a meeting.

#### **May 4, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rudger went with some fellows to dinner at the Gable House. Scott and Dayna sang at a wedding and ushered at a concert. Jane went to help serve at the ward dinner and I stayed home alone. Jane did surprise me and brought dinner to me and it was yummy.

#### **May 5, 1978 (Friday)**

Jane and I went shopping then seh went bab sitting I made a pie and sent it o Clark and ora Lee. Her father, Rex Gardner, died. Rudger went to his funeral with Enid. I just didn't feel up to par. Jane was late so I watched TV and waited up.

#### **May 6, 1978 (Saturday)**

Made cookies to sent to Jackie and for Scott and Dayna's lunch. they are on their way to SLC to find housing and a job.

**May 7, 1978 (Sunday)**

Another rainy, blowing day and cold. Karen and Mike had a baby girl this morning.

**May 8, 1978 (Monday)**

Rudger went to Rotary so I worked right thru lunch. We worked outside in afternoon, had a good visit with Lillian. She gave us strawberries out of her garden. Scott and Dayna made it back from SLC. Had fun but not any luck.

**May 9, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Scot's birthday. Had a haircut. Scott had a very happy day with many friends remembering the occasion Dayna took him to Paula's for dinner and then home for cake and ice cream.

**May 10, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Jane came home from school with a hurt and so I took her to the Dr. She had put something out of place jumping on the trampoline. (shoulder)

**May 18, 1978 (Friday)**

The house is beginning to show neglect. I didn't do anything again today. We even went to Dick's for lunch.

**May 19, 1978 (Saturday)**

Jane and I went shopping. We purchased some lawn chair, redwood type, watched a little TV tonight.

**May 20, 1978 (Sunday)**

Kay and Enid came for a visit and Scott brought Dayna up.

**May 21, 1978 (Monday)**

Rudger went to Rotary so I put up the drapes in our bedroom, picked Jane up and took her to piano.

**May 22, 1978 (Tuesday)**

There is so much happiness in the air. I can tell. It must be because this is the last week of school for Jane.

**May 23, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Picked up chickens for Scott's party. The chamber choir are coming to Pine Valley for an evening of food, program, fun and games. Rudger and I get to chaperone and fix the food. Great I say.

**May 24, 1978 (Thursday)**

I didn't do much today, only the usual.

**May 25, 1978 (Friday)**

Jane's last day of school. We were a little disappointed with the kids that came to the party in PP.V. It was a plan disappointment.

**May 27, 1978 (Saturday)**

Went to Dayna's brother's wedding reception.

**May 28, 1978 (Sunday)**

Rudger went to Pine Valley to conduct his 1st meeting of the year. Scott and Dayna sang and Wayne and Scott were speakers. I stayed home because I'm afraid to tackle high altitude while my ears are still like this.

**May 29, 1978 (Monday)**

We finished the fence mowed the lawn. I broke a sprinkler head and a wheel off the lawn mowers. Sure, it just was not my day. We did work hard and had fun. Attended Dayna's recital in the evening. We were proud of her. Even Scott helped her sing 3 numbers.

**May 30, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Da after a long memorial day weekend. I really slept in and it felt very good. Worked in the house all day.

**May 31, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Washed and cleaned the car, picked the vegetables out of our garden and the neighbors gave us radishes and onions.

**June 1, 1978 (Thursday)**

Scott Dayna, Rudger and I attended Parents and Graduates banquet at the Sun Room at college. Very nice.

**June 2, 1978 (Friday)**

Scott's graduation day. I even made him a cake, turned out real cute. The exercises were nice - 550 graduates. Scott was listed on honor roll. He sang at the program.

**June 3, 1978 (Saturday)**

Rudger went to Pine Valley and I stayed home again. Scott and Dayna came home from their activities early and so we had a good visit.

**June 4, 1978 (Sunday)**

We left early for SLC. We stopped at Nephi for lunch. We waited for Jackie and her family to get out of church and then took Jane out there to stay. George's folks and Susan were there and we all had dinner together. Susan and Rudger and I went to Jean and Jim Wrights for a visit. It was fun.

**June 5, 1978 (Monday)**

Got up early for breakfast so we could make my appointment with Dr. Zobell. It was good news from him. My problem is for sure just allergy and so frustrating to find that when I thought so all the time and spending 3 months worrying about it unnecessarily. We ended up going to a Greek restaurant with some business associates of Rudger's. Went to Jackie's for dinner again and it was good.

**June 6, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Was up and out to Viola's early. Rudger went to the Governor's office and Viola and I walked down to see LaVina. We didn't get accomplished what I went for but we did have a good visit. Ernie and Viola took us to a nice place for dinner. We talked about all the things we used to do when young at home.

**June 7, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Back home again. We had fun coming home. Jane had bubble gum and we tried to see who could get the most on our face. Rudger won. I gave Dayna the gown set that Jackie and I bought for her. She seemed to like it.

**June 8, 1978 (Thursday)**

Jane went to the Dr Booth for a check up and he put her on a diet. She is enthused. She measures and counts and is really serious about it.

**June 9, 1978 (Friday)**

Spent most of day getting ready for weekend in Pine Valley.

**June 10, 1978 (Saturday)**

We mowed lawns here and then went to Pine Valley and mowed lawns. Really tired after all that.

**June 11, 1978 (Sunday)**

Lula's birthday. It was a great day. Everyone went to meetings. I still couldn't go. Cannot hear good enough yet. I sat in the sun and read the paper. We rode to the canyon with Dean and Marie. I visited with Ruth Snow.

**June 12, 1978 (Monday)**

Good day for getting things done but didn't. Had a nap and watched T.V.

**June 13, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Visited with Jewell. Her mother is in the hospital.

**June 14, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Got up early because Scott said he would help me in the yard if I would rise and shine. He wanted to go swimming with Dayna at 10:00. I went to a meeting at Pearl McAllister's. I am on the committee for installation banquet for Rotary Club.

**June 15 1978 (Thursday)**

Jane and I went shopping for Rudger a Fathers Day gift. Went to Ronald and Lorna's boy's wedding reception. It was very nice. Visited with Kay and Enid. Enid and Cynthia and her little Amber and Heather are leaving for Oregon in the morning.

**June 16, 1978 (Friday)**

Went to three wedding receptions. Rudger went to Pine Valley to plant beans.

**June 17, 1978 (Saturday)**

Just mowed lawns.

**June 18, 1978 (Sunday)**

We got up to Pine Valley early. Went to church. Dayna's folks came up for church and a cookout and to plan the wedding.

**June 19, 1978 (Monday)**

Went to Salt Lake City. We spent the afternoon with Jackie. Rudger and I went out to eat. Jackie was much too busy to visit anyway. We will have to visit when she comes to our house.

**June 20, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Spent the morning all alone in the motel room. Rudger returned from his meetings by noon. We went to lunch and had a pleasant trip home. We came home just in time to pick the first tomatoes in our garden.

**June 21, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Our wedding anniversary. We went to Pine Valley, mowed, watered, cleaned and visited and just enjoyed our time there. I even hung some new curtains in the bedroom.

**June 22, 1978 (Thursday)**

Jane and I walked to town, bought new shoes and earrings. Lost my purse but found it.

**June 23, 1978 (Friday)**

Hemmed curtains. Didn't take as long as I expected. Hair washing day and did some shopping.

**June 24, 1978 (Saturday)**

Helped Rudger fix the sprinklers. Tried out new weed trimmer (Fathers Day gift). Scott took off for Colorado with Dayna for her brother's wedding reception at Aspen.

**June 25, 1978 (Sunday)**

Rushed again to get to Pine Valley. Tammy Nelson stayed with Jane for dinner. Enjoyed Elma Ann's boy, Courtney's, testimonial. He is going to Taiwan. We brought Joe home. Scott was home for Colorado when we arrived.

**June 26, 1978 (Monday)**

Jane and I snapped beans but didn't get them bottled. Stayed up late<sup>3</sup> and just sat on the patio admiring our garden and yard. Rudger and I went to Susan's for a meeting.

**June 27, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Called LaVina and told her that we wouldn't attend the reunion in Rexburg. I felt a lot better after I told her. I guess I worried too much about what she would say. Bottled jam for Rotary party favors and it turned out good.

**June 28, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Today was a visiting day. First with Susan, then went to Vicky Wyle's, then to Jewell and Lyle's. Lyle is not very good. Such a nice lady of her age 86. She is gentle and easy to care for, not like Orpha and Leah. Rudger and I rode to Kanab, had a good dinner and then I read while he attended a meeting. He was the guest speaker. What an interesting day. Jackie called when we got back.

**June 29, 1978 (Thursday)**

Just a working day. It was fun tho. Jane is just a doll these days. She knows what she has to do and she gets it done without me prodding her.

**June 30, 1978 (Friday)**

Jane and i went shopping, got ready for the kids to come. Delivered the jam to Pearl for Rotary party which we attended tonight. Scott and Dayna sang separate numbers. Very good. Then we were off to two wedding receptions. One was for Stan Sullivan, our neighbor.

**July 1, 1978 (Saturday)**

We hurried to Pine Valley to meet Jackie and George. They came in last night It was a fun day getting to see the kids George helped Rudger put paneling on the house and Jackie and I walked and walked and talked and talked.

**July 2, 1978 (Sunday)**

Attended church. Slept pretty good for up to Pine Valley. Just rode around, visited. What a nice leisure day we had.

**July 3, 1978 (Monday)**

George and Rudger worked on the house. Susan came up and we had a cookout Kimberly Heather and Jennifer went home with Susan to stay at her house.

**July 4, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Got up really early, got everything in the camper and car and went to St. George Scott and Dayna were making cookies. Jackie made a birthday cake for me and we had a nice dinner, candles and all. Jackie, the kids and I went shopping and then we all went to the fireworks at the sunbowl Jackie and George put all of them in the camper and took off for home about 10:00 p.m.

**July 5, 1978 (Wednesday)**

What a day. We missed the kids. Jane and I did absolutely nothing all day.

**July 6, 1978 (Thursday)**

Now we are getting ready for a visit from Richard, Ellen and Ryan. We stayed up late tonight making chili sauce It smells good.

**July 7, 1978 (Friday)**

The kids didn't come in until about 7 p.m. Visited before we went to bed late.

**July 8, 1978 (Saturday)**

My birthday and I forgot Everyone else remembered and it turned out a happy day. Jewell's other is much better and up walking around now. Richard and Ellen went to Pine Valle to sta tonight.

**July 9, 1978 (Sunday)**



We went to Pine Valley early. We all went to Sunday School and had a good dinner then to Sacramento. Ryan is so cute. We are having so much fun with him.

**July 10, 1978 (Monday)**

We all went back to Pine alley and we all go in on painting the house. We are really tired tonight all of us came back to St. George

**July 11, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Richard and Ellen went early to the temple. I tended Ryan. Jane, Ryan and I went shopping We bought him some cut clothes Grandma Leah McArthur's birthday this day.

**July 12, 1978 (Wednesday)**

When I got up it was all so quiet. Everyone had left Richard and Ellen had bought paint and stuff and we painned Jane's bedroom. We are pretty tired kids tonight but well worth it because it looks so good.

**July 13, 1978 (Thursday)**

Richard, Ellen and I are getting our share of this painting business We went back to Pine Valley and finished up the outside of the house. We came home tired but proud of the way it looked. Sat on the patio quite late. It was nice.

**July 14, 1978 (Friday)**

We all went shopping, straightened the house and just a lot of visiting.

**July 15, 1978 (Saturday)**

All of us went to Pine Valley, cooked a ham dinner and, of course did more painting We painted under eaves of house on new part upstairs.

**July 16 1978 (Sunday)**

Ryan found a friend this morining. Garrett Miles was about the yard when we got up this morning. We all went to meetings, visited with Miles (Dick and Maurene) and Ruth Snow. Came back to St. George about 10:00 p.m.

**July 17, 1978 (Monday)**

Richard and Ellen and Ryan left this morning. It was sad to see them go but I do have a lot to do before the wedding. Mike and Karen called and invited us to their family home evening at the park and we enjoyed it. We ate and threw frisbees. Michael and Kim are cute kids.

**July 18, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Bottled chili sauce cleaned fridge, mowed the lawns. Rudger took me for a ride and treated me to a hot fudge A no, no. Scott awakened us to tell us of the accident he was in. Oh, no.

**July 19, 1978 (Wednesday)**

We began addressing wedding invitations today. Scott is up walking the floor wondering how he will pay the \$25.00 fine for running a stoplight in Nephi and hitting a car broadside.

**July 20, 1978 (Thursday)**

Finished invitations today. Jewell called to tell me Mike and Charlotte had a baby girl and was having problems. She needed someone to talk to, I think. Lyle is flat on her back again and in much pain.

**July 21, 1978 (Friday)**

Called Jewell and she said Charlotte was fine now. Jane and I went shopping and started getting ready for all the wedding company.

**July 22, 1978 (Saturday)**

Rudger and I went to P.V. to get our new mattress and springs that they took there by mistake. It took all day to change beds from our room into Jane's and our new one in our room. We purchased a new frame that we hadn't expected to do.

**July 23, 1978 (Sunday)**

Up to Pine Valley at 9:00 a.m. I stayed home to water then we all attended Sacrament Meeting. Enid came to visit and invited us to dinner but we didn't go. Came home just in time to catch Scott and Dayna for a minute.

**July 24, 1978 (Monday)**

It was a busy day. Went to Pine Valley to enjoy the day Holiday. Rudger sang Segoe Lily of the Valley at the chapel. We helped with the sports like usual. Dayna and Scott came up and helped mow lawns and had dinner.

**July 25, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Rudger flew to Salt Lake City this morning but was home by 3:00. I made a few little goodies in preparation for the company. Wish I had a little more time before the wedding and all the company.

**July 26, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Today was one of those days. Couldn't get going and so I didn't. I should work in the house but I like it outside better.

**July 27, 1978 (Thursday)**

Put a few things away. Did Laundry, just getting ready

**July 28, 1978 (Saturday)**

Made Jane's dress for the wedding. Dana has asked her to be a bridesmaid. The dress turned out nice and so I am happy and relieved. Wish I had mine made.

**July 29, 1978 (Sunday)**

Rudger and Scott sang at Nettie Gardner's funderal.

**July 30, 1978 (Sunday)**

We went to Pine Valley. The drive that early in the morning is so beautiful. We attended all the church meetings. It was a very warm day. We went to Kay's and Enid's and planned a family party for when Russell and Joey are here.

**July 31, 1978 (Monday)**

Hurried with the work so I could attend Rotary luncheon with Ruderger. Came home and had a nap.

**August 1, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Jane and I were invited to Dayna's grocery shower. She received some nice and useful things. They talked about recipes and food and we got so hungry we came home and ate everything in sight.

**August 2, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Ruderger said we were going to Salt Lake. I got ready and then he decided not to go. We were disappointed. You bet.

**August 3, 1978 (Thursday)**

I cut out my dress. I dreaded that job. Got most of it done. Not pleased with it at all.

**August 4, 1978 (Friday)**

Cleaned Stove and oven. I get a few more things done every day.

**August 5, 1978 (Saturday)**

Jane and I were invited to a shower in Las Vegas for Dayna but we didn't go. We kind of chickened out. There was a car load and it was hot and we didn't know anyone. Ruderger and I went to P.V. and put siding on the well house, came home tired and Scott and Dayna were here so sent out for chicken. Dayna showed us the things she received at the shower.

**August 6, 1978 (Sunday)**

Another great day in Pine Valley. Wow, what a feeling you have up there in the mountains. I love it. Lots of people at meetings today.

**August 7, 1978 (Monday)**

Worked all day. We are going to be ready for the wedding. I keep telling myself.

**August 9, 1978 (Wednesday)**

On our way to Pine Valley we stopped at Mountain Meadow to see Clive Burgess new home. It was so nice and they gave us lots of vegetables out of their garden.

**August 10, 1978 (Thursday)**

Scott and I spent the morning shopping for gifts then Jane and I shopped for school clothes.

**August 11, 1978 (Friday)**

Went to dinner with Arliger. Mowed lawns and trimmed weeds. Really enjoyed this day.

**August 12, 1978 (Saturday)**

Entertained a cookout in Pine Valley for MIA officers and teachers and Bishopric. Turned out real nice. Came home about 5 p.m.

**August 13, 1978 (Sunday)**

Back to Pine Valley. I think we do spend all of our time on the road back and forth to P.V. We attended meetings and then back home early.

**August 14, 1978 (Monday)**

Wow! The time of the wedding is getting so close. Scott will soon be wed and we will miss him so. Can hardly wait until it is time to pick Russell and Joey and kids from the plane.

**August 15 1978 (Tuesday)**

LaVina's birthday. Called her. Richard and Ellen arrived today. It is fun already.

**August 16 1978 (Wednesday)**

We enjoyed our trip to Salt Lake. We stayed at Covey's,

**August 17, 1978 (Thursday)**

Today is the big day before the wedding. We picked Joey and family up at the airport. How great it is to see them all again. They children just don't know about it yet but I'm sure we will get acquainted all over again in a day or two.

**August 18, 1978 (Friday)**

So much visiting. So much to talk about. All of Enids and Lillians kids and Mike and Karen all attended a party at the park.

**August 19, 1978 (Saturday)**

This is it, the big wedding day. Scott and Dayna were married in the temple. All of us attended plus many friends and relatives. Rudger and I hosted a dinner at the Hilton after the ceremony. Then the reception at the 5 & 6 Ward Chapel. They received so many nice gifts. It has been a day to remember and I am exhausted.

**August 20 1978 (Sunday)**

We all attended Sunday School, then went to Dayna's parents house to watch them open their gifts. We are all having so much fun visiting a mile a minute. Richard, Ellen and Ryan went back to Moab today. George left too.

**August 21, 1978 (Monday)**

Jackie, Joey and I went shopping then we all went to Pine Valley for a cookout. The steaks were very good. Had a wonderful day.

**August 22, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Slept late and had another fun day. Went to Pine Valley for a Sunday School officers and teachers and Branch Presidency cookout. It was held at the Gardners. Scott and Dayna were honeymooning at the cabin and so we couldn't go there.

**August 23, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Copied recipes, made goodies. We stayed home all day. The kids are all getting along so well and believe it or not I am not a bit nervous - yet.

**August 24, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rudger packed the car with peaches and all of Jackie's things and it was loaded and then all of her kids. They took off for Salt Lake. Joey and I went down to Dayna's house and helped the kids (Scott and Dayna) load their car and they headed for their new life in Provo and to start their new jobs and school. Joey and I walked home because we didn't fit in their car. It was a fun walk. I went with Kay and Enid to Rob Miles' wedding reception. It was nice but I missed Rudger being with us. Jane started school, 9th grade, today. She got along fine and seemed happy.

**August 25, 1978 (Friday)**

Russell and Joey went to the temple today. I watched all the kids and we had a great time. Also made some good things to eat.

**August 26, 1978 (Saturday)**

We all went to Zion Park. This was the kid's first trip up there. We took a picnic lunch. Rudger and I went to four wedding receptions.

**August 27, 1978 (Sunday)**

Spent all day in Pine Valley. Attended meetings. Dick and Launa Whitehead were speakers. Another nice day with Russell, Joey and kids.

**August 28, 1978 (Monday)**

Jane went to school and Joey and I just visited. Had family home evening at Snow Canyon. Kids played in the sand dunes. What a mess but not as bad as I expected.

**August 29, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Russell and Joey went to the temple again and they also spent some time at the genealogy library. Got them ready to leave early to catch their plane tomorrow. Russell and Joey and kids went to a party at the park with Lou and Sue and their children.

**August 30, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Joey and family left early this morning. I just rested and rested. I am really exhausted after three weeks of company and getting meals.

**August 31, 1978 (Thursday)**

Joey called and said Rose had dinner for them when they arrived. They were tired. Rudger left for Salt Lake City to pick up our Aspen Wagon. Russell and Joey drove it to the plane in Salt Lake City. They wanted to have a day to visit friends in Orem and that seemed the best way to do it.

**September 1, 1978 (Friday)**

Had to get up at 6:30 to cancel Rudger's reservation on Sky West. Rudger came home about afternoon and Jane is out of school for three days.

**September 2, 1978 (Saturday)**

We went to Pine Valley. It was nice there but quiet. I read my novel, "Thorn Birds". Mowed the lawn. Rudger went to the chapel to learn how to be a fireman. We came back to St. George early to watch a football game on TV.

**September 3, 1978 (Sunday)**

Attended Sunday School and Rudger gave a very good lesson. It was testimony meeting in the afternoon and we all left with tears in our eyes because we always do the best Sunday meetings of the summer.

**September 4, 1978 (Monday)**

We were not planning on going to Pine Valley today but we had nothing better to do. Jane stayed home but we went and had so many people to visit with. We ended up at the Thomas cabin playing Rook and it was fun.

**September 5, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Great day. It rained off and on. Rudger went to Las Vegas and Jane was in school. I did about what I wanted to do. Read some of my novel, walked a little, watched TV. Oh wow what a wasteful time I spent.

**September 6, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Just like yesterday only I got some quilt blocks together so I can make a quilt this winter.

**September 7, 1978 (Thursday)**

Went to Pine Valley with Rudger to measure a window in bathroom. It is sort of fallish, great weather the fall in Pine Valley.

**September 8, 1978 (Friday)**

I mowed lawns early this morning. We went to dinner at the Hilton, guests of Water Resources. It was fun because I did know some of the guys there, Paul Gillet, especially.

**September 9, 1978 (Saturday)**

Went with Rudger to Cedar to look at a truck. Jane had her ears pierced. We went to Pine Valley and worked on window opening then back to St. George to attend Afton McArthur's 80th birthday open house, then to 2 wedding receptions.

**September 10, 1978 (Sunday)**

Jane had a sore throat so she and I stayed home from church. At 4:30 Rudger and I went to Pine Valley for fun and we did break the sabbath allot. We worked on the window.

**September 11, 1978 (Monday)**

Nothing different happened today. Went to Pine Valley to work on window.

**September 12, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Called Jewell and Lyle is not doing so good again. Went to Pine Valley again. It is so nice up there.

**September 13, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Worked all day preparing for our trip to Salt Lake. Arranged for LoyAnn to sleep at our house so Jane would not be alone.

**September 14, 1978 (Thursday)**

Beginning of Rodeo. We took off for Salt lake City and it was a nice ride although it was raining all day. Had dinner at Grandma's in town and enjoyed it.

**September 15, 1978 (Friday)**

Slept so good. Our motel was nice. We picked Shirl up at the airport and they dropped me off at Jackie's. We went shopping. Ate dinner at Hot Shoppes, watched Mohamid Ali fights and he won.

**September 16, 1978 (Saturday)**

Stopped by Scot's and Dayna's in Provo but we just saw Dayna. Scott was at work. I was really disappointed God to be home.

**September 17, 1978 (Sunday)**

Attended Sacrament then we rode to Pine Valley.

**September 18, 1978 (Monday)**

What a day. They decided not to pick up kids at this bus stop anymore so guess I will be driving Jane to and from school from now on.

**September 19, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Rudger was in meetings all day and real late coming home. Jane went to MIA. LoyAnn came to visit.

**September 20, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Rudger went to Cedar. Jane went to Paula's (*restaurant*) with LoyAnn and Tracy Stout. I watched TV.

**September 21, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rudger and I attended Sharon Pitchforth's and Ron Snow's wedding. There were quite a few at the temple. We went to their wedding reception at the Greenhouse. Jane went with us.

**September 22, 1978 (Friday)**

Got ready for weekend. We bought a green Dodge pickup, 1968 year. Now we can get a load of wood and haul things again.

**September 23, 1978 (Saturday)**

Spent most of the day in Pine Valley. We gathered pine cones and sprayed them gold. Came home and prepared apples for drying.

**September 24, 1978 (Sunday)**

It was near 90° today. Attended meetings, made stuffed peppers, took some to John and Athella. Hope they were good.

**September 25, 1978 (Monday)**

Attended a Relief Society meeting at the chapel. Rudger and I went to Whetto Roblez funeral then we went to Pine Valley. It was so nice up there - loved it.

**September 26, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Cannot say I did anything worth writing about. Just took Jane to school and picked her up.

**September 27, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Went to Relief Society. They had a very good lunch. Did some walking. Went to see Don's and Vicky's new house at Bloomington Hills. Bought Jane a pretty dress.

**September 29, 1978 (Friday)**

Brought apples in from dryer, got them ready for storage. Jane and I went to the Movie. Wasn't much good.

**September 30, 1978 (Saturday)**

Spent nearly all day at Athella's garage sale. We had fun visiting, if nothing else. Some neighbors bought stuff from me but didn't pay so I didn't do so good.

**October 1, 1978 (Sunday)**

General Conference today. We listened on TV and on the radio on the way to Pine Valley. Could have stayed all day but hurried back to Sacrament Meeting at 4 p.m.

**October 2, 1978 (Monday)**

We are going to Salt Lake City again tomorrow. Had to prepare. In the afternoon I went with Rudger for a ride in the fields to locate some woundfin minnows Richard's birthday.

**October 3, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Stopped in Provo to see Scott and Dayna but no one at home. Jane was disappointed. She hadn't seen their apt. We arrived in Salt Lake at 2:30. Jane stayed at Jackie's. Jackie had a good dinner ready for us then we all went to George's and Rose's (*Blunck*) Golden Wedding open house. All brothers and sisters were there except Ken and Rulon. Scott and Dayna even showed up.

**October 4, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Very nice day for traveling. Richard, Ellen and Ryan were here when we arrived home. Ellen didn't need surgery as was planned and she acted relieved.

**October 5, 1978 (Thursday)**

Was a fun day. Ryan is a cute one, just like Richard at that age. Smart for his 2 1/2 years. We all went to the park and threw frisbees and ate lunch.

**October 6, 1978 (Friday)**

Rudger stayed home from office to enjoy the kids. We watched baseball, went shopping. Ellen and I went for a walk just before bedtime.

**October 7, 1978 (Saturday)**

Athela had another garage sale. I sold a few more things. Mike was here and we decided to get the families together at the park. Ryan and Michael had a lot of fun together. Cute kids.

**October 8, 1978 (Sunday)**

Jewell's birthday. Richard and family left for home. When they arrived Ryan called to say they arrived safe and sound. That Ryan gets so excited when he is talking on the phone. Love that kid. Jackie called tonight.



**October 9, 1978 (Monday)**

It was a holiday and Rudger stayed home from the office. We went to Pine Valley for the morning. Gathered Jane up from school and Rudger and I went for a walk and back to watch more ballgames. Joey called and she sounded so happy she made me happy.

**October 10, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Athella came to visit. Took Jane to school. The sun was just coming up. I decided that was a good time to walk and I found a lot of other people walking that time of morning. Jane went to MIA and I went to Athella's for awhile.

**October 11, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Relief Society. Read stories to the children. It was alright. Had lunch there, attended a meeting after. A lot of good information. Picked Jane up from school. Took her to piano lesson. Went for a walk and real tired now.

**October 12, 1978 (Thursday)**

Jane had a sore throat. Started her on the penicillin. It really has been a nice day.

**October 13, 1978 (Friday)**

Shopping, housework, the usual.

**October 14, 1978 (Saturday)**

Rudger and I got an early start. We went to Kiabab Forrest for some wood. What a great time we had - not much wood but fun. Went to Pitchforths for a housewarming. It was nice and their new house is so beautiful.

**October 15, 1978- (Sunday)**

Went to Pine Valley, saw a lot of deer. Does and fawns. They seemed so very tame.

**October 16, 1978 (Monday)**

We unladed the wood we brought down Saturday.

**October 17, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Went out to get some more wood. This time we knew where to look and what to look for and got a good load. Came back early.

**October 18, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Rudger and I went to Cedar City.

**October 19, 1978 (Thursday)**

Rudger's birthday.

**October 20, 1978 (Friday)**

Went for more wood.

**October 21, 1978 (Saturday)**

Went to Cedar to buy clogs for Jane. Went over the mountain to P.V.

**October 31, 1978 (Tuesday)**

Rode to Kanab with Rudger. It was a quick trip but we had a good visit.

**November 1, 1978 (Wednesday)**

Relief Society and meetings all day.

**November 2, 1978 (Thursday)**

Went to Enid's and helped her with a quilt for Gordon and Julie.

**November 3, 1978 (Friday)**

Jackie's birthday. I decided to clean the china cabinet today and that I did - looks beautiful.

**November 4, 1978 (Saturday)**

We loaded mattresses and a 10 speed bike in our trusty truck and Rudger, Jane and I took off for Provo to deliver them to Scott. They had a great dinner for us. We stayed at the Holiday Inn.

**November 5, 1978 (Sunday)**

Got up early and started home. Arrived at 1 p.m. and went to Sacramento.

**November 6, 1978 (Monday)**

Nov and December, 1978, a very busy time. Didn't get to write in my journal. Rudger, Jane and I had Thanksgiving at home alone. The kids all had other commitments or didn't want to make the long journey. We had the usual, hurrying to buy Christmas gifts for everyone. Our tree we selected was green with red and white ornaments, red ribbons. Scott and Dayna were here for a couple of days to make it a memorable occasion. We attended 3 parties between Christmas and New Year's, went to the Gable House with one group for New Years Eve then down to Ronald's and Lorna's after for fun and games.