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Free HazMat Course Saturday See Below

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BRIEFS

Fort Clark Ladies Golf

Game most of any number -No. 5. Carol Benfield, 10; Marian Weber, 9 and tie with 8 were Fern Dyer, Ruth Spencer, Betty Lee and Sharon Boucher.

Scholarships for local students

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of Brackettville members and youths will join forces at their annual Chicken Plate Sale Saturday, April 9, 2005.

Sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, funds raised will be applied for youth scholarship.

Floyd to speak at **First Baptist Church**

Lynn Floyd, a Brackettville native, will be speaking Sundays April 10 and April 17 at the First Baptist Church during the 11 a.m. service. Everyone is welcome. Nursery provided.

4-H Club meets Sunday

The Kinney County 4H Club is holding its junior and senior meeting Sunday, April 10 at 4 p.m. Officers will meet at 3:30. The club will meet at the NCO Club on Fort Clark Springs.

Booths available for City/County Festival

To set up a booth for the Spring Festival, sponsored by the City of Brackettville and Kinney County, contact City Hall at 563-2412. The event is Saturday, April 23 at the civic center. Booths are 10 x 10 and avilable for \$25 each. Bring your own tables and chairs. Dealine is Friday, April 8.

Support group

There is some interest in the Brackettville area for an Alzheimers and related dementia support group. The first meeting will be April 14 at 6:30 p.m. in Slator Hall, 210 James St. For more information contact Jewel Robinson at 563-2852.

LEPC hosting raffle

The Local Emergency Planning Committee is raffling a Bud Breen original oil painting as a fund raiser. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are available from Jewel Robinson or by calling the EMS office at 563-

INSIDE

Fr. Scanlan

With this contribution to The Brackett News I may be "Stepping out on a limb". So be it! I hope the "limb" is not of the variety that breaks easily!

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Brother J

The phone rang and it was my wife asking me to go look out the window and see if her little peach tree was blooming. She was away on a short business trip.

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Editorial

The Brackett News had hoped, after finally obtaining a copy of the audit, to report on the financial status of the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District. Unfortunately, the document has raised more questions than it has answered.

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Whitney Goes to Regional



Photo Courtesy of Liz Frerich

Whitney Gum, 17 year-old-daughter of Eric and Walela Gum advances to Regional, representing the Tigerette Golf Team. Whitney placed fifth in recent District Tourney with a score of 104. Whitney is a freshman at Brackett High School.

Kinney/Val Verde counties TxDOT **Maintenance Supervisor retires**

the department, Texas Department of Transportation Laredo District Maintenance Supervisor for Kinney and Val Verde counties Juan Hernandez retired March 31, 2005.

During his tenure with the department, Hernandez has held positions including Maintenance Technician, Truck Driver, Assistant Maintenance Section Supervisor and most recently Maintenance Supervisor for the Del Rio and Brackettville areas.

After retiring from the department, Hernandez plans to spend time with his ailing father and dedicate himself to living a healthier and more active lifestyle.

Hernandez graduated from JVC Overfelt High School in San Jose California.

He attended Southwest Jr. College in Uvalde and served three years in the United States

Antonio Jr. and Dulse Yesenia.

"I have enjoyed my career with TxDOT immensely and see when they were needed. I have ing, and I strongly feel that nothing but progress in store for nothing but compliments to the Laredo District employees are TxDOT in the future,"



Juan Hernandez, left, recieves his service award certificate for 25 years with the department from District Engineer Luis A. Ramirez, P.E.

He has two children- Juan Hernandez said. "My thanks to played by district employees durdedication and commitment dis- up to the challenge!

everyone in the Laredo District ing my tenure. Onward and upfor their assistance and support ward, the future looks challeng-

Nowlin tapped to play on Del Rio traveling team

Travis Nowlin has been selected to play on Del Rio's basketball traveling team this sum-

Travis is the son of Gregg and Julie Nowlin and a

The Select Summer League team is called the Blue Devils. This team qualified to play in the National AAU Tournament in Orlando, Florida last summer where they finished in third

Only 12 players, plus Travis, were chosen to play on this year's team. The players chosen are mainly comprised of next

years Del Rio's Varsity team. Their first game will be April 9th at Mike Kunstandt's (TexasHoops.com) Invitational Tournament in Houston. Afterwards they will travel to McAllen for the AAU Qualifying Tournament on April 29th. After the AAU Tournament they will be playing throughout Texas, hopefully in preparation late July.

Travis will also be looking Team.



Travis Nowlin

for a return trip to Orlando in for sponsors to help defray some of the expenses of the Traveling

The Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department responded to a structure fire early Monday morning. The mobile homes, at 502 E. 2nd Street were engulfed in flames. The homes, being used as a storage unit for Gateway Ministries was deemed a total loss. See related story page 7.

Registered Sex Offender Database on line

click on the link that says "Sex to register as a sex offender. Offender Registry" located on

Brackett News photo by Jewel Robinson

of the page.

Once inside the website, you fender. may search by offender name or

To search for any registered and address, a photo, the law ensex offenders living in your forcement agency where the of- records you obtain through this Crime Records Web site http:// tion about the offense(s) for whom you are seeking informarecords.txdps.state.tx.us/ and which the offender was required tion.

the right-hand side of the page. enforcement agency where a sex numeric identifiers are not al-You must read the caveats and offender is registered will always ways accurate. click on the link at the bottom have the most up-to-date infor-

Once the sex offender regiszip code, or you may do an area ters with the local agency, that search using mapping software. agency will then pass the infor-Information on registered sex mation along to DPS for inclu-victed sex offenders to ensure the offenders includes their name sion in the statewide database.

DPS cannot guarantee the area— for free —go to the DPS fender is registered and informa- site relate to the person about

Searches based on names, Please note that the local law dates of birth and other alpha-

The only way to positively mation regarding the sex of- link someone to a sex offender record is through fingerprint verification.

> DPS cautions that you should never rely solely on a list of consafety of your children.

Career and Technology Program at BHS

The local Masonic Lodge presented its Lamar Medals Tuesday night. Making the presenta-

tion was Chuck Hall, center. This year's Lamar Medal recipients are Kristin Meyer, left,

Cindy Brandt, Clint Cooper, Jack Frerich and Yolanda Rueda teach Tech Prep Program classes at Brackett High School (BHS). Tech Prep is a program for high school students that will pursue a college education after high

and Whitney Massingill

The goal of the program is to strengthen and target specific skills for highly competitive

Students can earn and receive college credit hours towards a 2 year Associate in Applied Science degree (AAS) by enrolling in designated Tech Prep high school courses.

Cindy Brandt teaches the Cooper offers a variety of child development, apparel, nu- school to careers. agribusiness management, intro trition and food science and perintro to horticulture classes. Jack classes. Frerich is also part of the



BISD's Tech Prep team is comprised of Cindy Brandt, Clint Cooper, Jack Frerich and Yolanda Rueda.

technology, accounting and teaching wildlife and range man-that will work with students to business related courses. Clint agement. Yolanda Rueda teaches start the transition from high

If you have questions about to mechanics, metal works and sonal/family development the Tech Prep program, please contact Louisa Stone, Academic BHS is fortunate to have a Advisor for Secondary Students agribusiness management strand dedicated team of professionals at 830-563-2491, ext. 500.

EMS, Prall presents free hazmat course Saturday

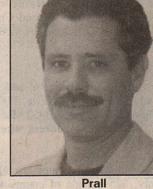
Kinney County EMS is sponsoring a two-day Hazardous Materials class for beginners. This class is for recognition of hazardous materials and their safe handling and to know the distance you should be from the hazard.

Included is an Incident Management System class teaching the duties of all responders in the event of a HazMat incident. The classes are Saturday,

April 9 and Sunday, April 10 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days, held at the Civic Center.

The first person driving up

on a Hazardous spill may be Contact EMS at 563-9090 to Medic.



Cost is free. The public is leave your name, or just show invited and encouraged to at- up at the door on the day of the class.

> The class will be taught by Wayne Prall, Corpus Christi Battalion chief and Halo Flight

EDITORIAL

What is the financial status of the KCGCD?

swered.

Part of the confusion is due to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 (GASB 34) which was approved in June of 1999. GASB 34 allowed all state and local governmental entities to prepare financial statements using the full accrual method of accounting. Essentially, under this method revenues and expenditures may be applied to financial statements prior to any cash being received or paid, respectively.

According to the 2004 independent audit report the district reported a \$58,195 general fund deficit. This is an improvement the February meeting, Shahan from the prior year's deficit of \$129,803.

recent audit has been questioned ments. by board member Beth Ann Smith. Smith, in a letter last meeting to discuss the situation. week, explained to fellow board The Brackett News strongly enmembers that the audit failed to courages the board to meet and account for refunds that may be address this issue as soon as posdue to permit applicants under sible. Six months is a long time district rule 14.01 D.

amount of groundwater autho- is going out or how much is in rized to be produced under an the bank.

The Brackett News had Existing Use Permit, Historic hoped, after finally obtaining a User Permit or Regular Permit copy of the audit, to report on is less than the amount applied the financial status of the Kin- for, the District shall reimburse ney County Groundwater Con- to the applicant the difference killed 3,000 Americans on Sept. servation District. Unfortu- between the fees paid and the 11, 2001, are now infiltrating the nately, the document has raised fees due on a prorated basis more questions than it has an- within 60 days of permit issuance"

The audit also reported the district received \$97,323 in user fees. A large portion of these fees may be subject to rule 14.01 D.

This district has granted approximately 27,000 of 112,300 acre feet requested or about 24 percent. If the district has to refund 76 percent of the user fees there have been stories of suspiaccrued on the last audit the general fund deficit for 2004 will be considerably increased.

In addition to the apparent inaccuracies of the audit, district directors have not received any financial statements from General Manager Darlene Shahan for the last six months. During told Smith she was waiting on adjustments from the auditors However, the accuracy of the before preparing financial state-

Smith has requested a board to operate without knowing how Rule 14.01 D states "If the much is coming in, how much

Border Patrol helps guard against terrorist infiltration from the south

Something ominous is happening on our southern borders. For years, we have faced masses of poor workers illegally entering our country in search of jobs, as well as a smaller number of more dangerous narcotics smug-

But today we have evidence that the same terrorists who United States through our southern border.

Suspected al-Qaeda sleeper has told investigators of a scheme to smuggle terrorists across the Mexican border.

to carry out bombings and assassinations in London.

Along the Mexican border cious items picked up by local residents, including Muslim prayer rugs and notebooks written in both Arabic and Spanish.

We have also seen numerous reports of Middle Eastern males, across the Rio Grande. speaking Arabic or Farsi, who have been caught crossing the American border with Mexico.

Adnan Shukrijumah, a top al-Qaeda operative whom the FBI wants for questioning, met with alien smugglers in Mexico and Honduras in 2004 and was seeking ways to bring al-Qaeda members into the United States.

Kourani, who was smuggled into Border Patrol to allow them to our country from Mexico in slip into our country.

19 Capitol Comment Kay Bailey

Hutchison

2001, was sentenced to five years in prison for helping the jihadist terror group Hezbollah.

They continue trying to penetrate the United States because they want to attack us in our agent Mohammed Junaid Babar homeland. Time Magazine recently reported that Osama Bin Laden has personally urged his Iraqi-based lieutenant, Abu Babar is tied to a terror plot Mousab Al-Zarqawi, to attack America itself and that Al-Zargawi believes terrorists can bribe and buy their way through Mexico and into the U.S.

> Al-Zarqawi and his fellow terrorists are banking on the fact through the desert or wading

They have changed their tactics because entry through offi- years. cial border crossings have become more difficult thanks to new passports, more visa controls and an increase in computer identity checks instituted as part of the War on Terror.

The terrorists are counting on southern border policy and an Recently, Mahmoud Youssef overworked and undermanned

the border, but detains non-Mexicans for deportation hear-

ings. The majority are released pending their court hearings, which allows them to easily disappear into the general popula-

The Border Patrol reports it new border patrol agents. released 5,775 of Other Than grants in 2002; by 2004, that number soared to 30,075

Those who are released are assigned a court date for a deportation but the no-show rate high as 90 percent. We are not sure how many of those who are known jihadist organizations international affairs. such as al-Qaeda.

Clearly recognizing our sethat they can slip across our bor-rious border vulnerability, Con-nadian Prime Minister Paul Marder with Mexico by walking gress passed the Intelligence Re- tin held a summit on March 23

Unfortunately, the draft budgators and 1,920 beds.

have been added to the force, ficient resources to do its job.

Under present regulations, but this number is still not suffithe Border Patrol automatically cient to patrol the 6,900 miles turns back Mexicans caught at of borders with Canada and

Mexico. Texas alone shares a 1,254-

mile border with Mexico. To give our Border Patrol more help, I introduced and passed an amendment to the Senate Budget Resolution to provide sufficient funds for the 2,000

This will bring this year's Mexican (OTM) illegal imminumber of new border patrol agents to the number required by the Intelligence Reform bill passed by Congress in Decem-

My amendment provides for these court meetings is as \$352 million for new agents. Instead of creating new spending, the funds would be transferred released are from countries with from the \$33 billion set aside for

President Bush, Mexican President Vincente Fox and Caform bill last year which autho- at which they announced estabrized an increase of 10,000 new lishment of the Security and border patrol agents over five Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP). Their goal is to Additionally, it included pro- provide for better regional sevisions to add 8,000 detention curity as well as prosperity by beds and 800 additional interior developing compatible systems investigators to bolster border for screening passengers, goods and cargo. While I welcome the assistance of Canada and get only allocated enough to Mexico, America's security decover 210 agents, 143 investi- pends upon our own government. I will continue efforts to Since 2001, 1,300 agents ensure our Border Patrol has suf-

Vaccinate your infants today

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Thank you, Chuck

Wrong)" written by my brother Chuck Hall; "You're Welcome." the times back in our youth that were sometimes reckless, someand your family. I probably had mother could cook!

about "being raised by the vil- Always in my heart. lage" is a fact in truth and it has

Bis Mama

In response to your article, shaped me into the person that I "Thanks John. (But I Could Be am today, both good and notso-good. But who knows? The bad part may have come from Here is to the memories of all outside influences beyond our control. As far as the half-truths and tall tales, those have to be times honest work and always credited on behalf of Chuck, I fun. I could never repay the have always told it like I rememopenness extended to me by you bered it..... or not. I really do enjoy coming back home to remore meals at your house than charge and renew. Sometimes I my own. I loved them all, your just need that closeness I get from my extended family in The statement you made Texas, especially Brackettville.

John D. Woolf

Listen to the whole story

Would you be surprised to zation is no longer a luxury, it's learn that there is one simple a necessity. We all know the old step you can take to keep your adage, "you're only as strong as children healthy? It's not a magic drug. And it the weakest link is the unvacci-

won't cost you thousands of dol- nated child. lars. It's a very simple task and one that we all should follow: do it on schedule.

This week marks the ninth to immunize more precious in-

In Texas, you will see this campaign in full swing as little the state to promote "Shots Across Texas.'

may sound like an obvious step cination. in raising a healthy child, but

your weakest link." In this case,

We often forget how fortunate we are to have access to vacciget your child vaccinated and nations. I have first-hand appreciation of vaccinations.

You see, I grew up in a pubannual National Infant Immuni- lic housing complex in South zation Week (NIIW). Across the San Antonio. The people living nation, efforts are being made there were poor, but they provided a hard-working, labor military bases.

In those days, many of ist. Far too many children suf- available. fered serious illnesses that today Vaccinating your children can be avoided by a simple vac-

monitors all vaccines. I have vaccine-preventable deaths. In today's society, immuni- diligently worked to increase

Weekly Report

Henry Bonilla

without health insurance. This is unfortunate in itself. But as we work to increase healthcare coverage, let's remember that best and cheapest ways to proforce for the city's factories and tect our children's health. They could mean the difference between life and death - especially red boots scoot their way across today's vaccinations did not ex- if adequate health care is not munizing them.

ents who have helped increase schedule. immunization coverage among As Chairman of the Agricul- children in the United States. is chairman of the Agriculture life is hectic and this step is too ture Appropriations Subcommit- Over ninety percent of infants Appropriations Subcommittee. often forgotten or put-off for far tee, I oversee funding for the today receive the most critical As chairman, Mr. Bonilla overtoo long. Vaccinations offer the Food and Drug Administration vaccines by age two. These ef- sees all of the nation's agriculsingle best protection for the (FDA). This important adminis- forts have translated into a ture funding, the nation's food health of our children and our tration approves, regulates and ninety-five percent reduction in supply, emergency disaster re-

nated.

There's just no excuse.

There is no reason for any parent to delay having their children vaccinated. If cost is a concern, there are a host of resources to help.

Public Health Policy wisely picks up the tab for vaccinating anyone who can not afford to pay. Parents can get more information on vaccines, by asking a local physician or calling the vaccinations are still one of the National Immunization Hotline at 1-800 232-2522.

Remember, there is no better way for you to protect your children from disease than by im-

Protect the littlest Texans by I am proud of the many par- vaccinating your infants on

Congressman Henry Bonilla lief, and immunization pro-This is tremendous progress, grams. Mr. Bonilla is in his fifth funding for the FDA. I under- but we must work to stop any term as a Congressman from stand that too many families are child from remaining unvacci- Texas' 23rd district.

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But I Could Be Wrong

> Chuck Hall

veered off to the north side of I talked a friend, Jerry, into the road.

traveling with me. I'm sure I I saw what I thought was anused some of Ted's reasoning. other vehicle passing him. Then

As I approached Cline, a I noticed it was a trailer.

HEADACHES Intermittent or Chronic Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C.

Studies have shown that at

any given time as much as 25%

I'm not sure what reasoning

he used to persuade me that it

than for him, but he did.

auction for him.

of the population is experiencing headaches. Headaches can be triggered by any number of things, including physical or emotional stress, toxic fumes, allergies or

be misalignment of the spinal bones in the neck or upper back

treatments may be required to niques. return the spinal bones to their roublesome or debilitating (830) 563-6249.



bright lights. One cause that side effects that sometimes ocis frequently overlooked may cur when taking medication. Various methods of preventing future headaches will also be discussed with you, including Chiropractors are experi- lifestyle modification, diet enced in finding and treating changes to address possible the cause of headaches, includ- allergic reactions causing the ing migraines. A series of headaches, or relaxation tech-

If you are having similar proper position and relieve the symptoms, please call Dr. immediate pain. All chiroprac- Kent Lowery, located in tic treatments are natural and Brackettville, for an appointdrug-free, eliminating any ment at (830) 765-4917 or

It had detached from the truck after crossing the railroad tracks.

It dawned on me that the trailer did not have a driver. No one was going to turn it to avoid a collision.

I swerved off of the road as far and as fast as I could. The would be easier for me to do it pickup coming towards me unmanned trailer missed me by inches.

Maybe tenths of inches. I didn't really reflect on the seriousness of the near miss until later in the evening.

I have been spending way too much time bemoaning my fate. I have not taken time to notice the good things that happen in my life.

God still works miracles. Maybe we all need to pay a little more attention.

But I could be wrong.



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OBITUARY

COMMUNITY

Emet B. Huntsman Jr.

Emet Bentley Huntsman, Jr., was born March 18, 1922, to Emet B. Huntsman, Sr., and Mary Frances Huntsman (Lee) in Winters, Texas. He died March 31, 2005, in San Antonio, Texas.

The family moved to Quemado Valley while Emet was uncle.

Valley/Eagle Pass area with his they opened a flower shop. two sisters, Elizabeth and Johnnie Lee Huntsman.

At the age of 17, Emet en-Texas.

He served in the Philippines

While stationed at Ft. Clark,

County family.

They were married in 1945 just before Emet shipped out. Upon returning to the states, Emet and Elise moved to Winters, Texas, where he learned the

In 1946 the young couple his retirement. He grew up in the Quemado moved to Crystal City where

Three children were born to Emet and Elise: a son, Emet B. Huntsman III, and daughters tered the U.S. Army at Ft. Clark, Mary Adele Huntsman, and halls into a warm and loving Else Lee Huntsman.

In 1951 Emet went to work beginning in early 1945, and for Asgrow Seed Company, and ties at the Fort, serving on the served there until the end of the began a career that lasted until his retirement in 1983.

In 1955 Asgrow moved the

San Antonio division. In 1971 Asgrow moved Emet to Des Moines, Iowa.

When Upjohn Pharmaceuticals bought out Asgrow, Emet (and that included the many floral business from an aunt and and Elise moved to Kalamazoo, Michigan, and lived there until

> Upon retirement, they moved back to his beloved Ft. Clark, his father, mother, and step-fanow a retirement community, where they bought and renovated one of the old rock mess loved Elise, his wife of 60 Emet got involved in activi-

Board of Directors and the Historical Commission.

daughter of a long time Kinney Emet went to work as office man- Fort guardhouse into a museum ager and later comptroller for the featuring artifacts from the years the Fort was in operation.

Emet had three loves, all in equal measure: his God and church, his wife and family friends he made with Asgrow/ Upjohn and in his retirement at Ft. Clark), and his country.

He was preceded in death by ther, Ben Hutcherson.

Emet Is survived by his beyears; son, Rev. Emet (Rev. Sue) Huntsman of Edna, Texas; Mary (Richard) Garrelts of Kearney, Nebraska; and

Carbondale, Illinois; Shelley Marie Legg. (Jerry) Jones of Edna and Sean David Huntsman (Lauren) of Florida; Richard

Jr., and Jodi Lea Garrelts, both day of Kearney.

Sisters Elizabeth Alderman Else (Dr. Geoffrey) Hammond and Johnnie Lee Greer of San trusted to Sunset Memorial Oaks of Schoolcraft, Michigan; He is Antonio; nephews John Hunt- Funeral Home, 2020 Bedell Ave, He was especially proud of also survived by grandchildren: lee Alderman, and Donald Al- Del Rio, Texas 78840 (830) 778he met Lela Elise Aulgur, family to San Antonio where the work done converting the Sara Catherine Sanders of derman, and Jack E. Legg; and 2020

nieces Barbara Laxson, Valerie Michalski, and Mary M.

Sister-in-law Anna Legg of Brackettville, Texas.

Services were Tuesday, April 5, at First United Methodist Church, Brackettville, Texas, Lakeland, with burial in the family cemetery on the Aulgur Ranch.

Visitation at Sunset Memorial Paul Garrelts, Oaks, Brackettville, was Mon-

In lieu of flowers, the family He is also survived by three asks memorials be sent to First great-grandchildren, Makayla United Methodist Church, Marie, David Alan, and Kindra Brackettville, Stained Glass Win-

dow Fund. Funeral arrangements are en-

KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, March 28

line on W. Thomas Street. The vidual causing problems. City was notified of the situation.

her husband was not home and Yukon 14 miles east on Highit was unusual for him. Constable way 90 heading towards Brack-Bobby Guidry was informed. It ettville. Deputy Ramon Gutwas later reported the husband ierrez was dispatched. had returned home.

a deputy in regards to his wife ness employee due to a mystericausing problems. Deputy Ron ous vehicle parked at the laun-Ring was informed.

Wednesday, March 30

4:51 p.m., A man stated he hit a turkey about 18 miles west of Brackettville and needed EMS because he got some glass in his eye. Deputy Ring and house and wanted a deputy to EMS were dispatched to the check it out. Constable Guidry

6:20 p.m., Sentry Security reported an alarm sounding at a local business on Highway 693. The owner was present and everything was fine.

Thursday, March 31

12:33 p.m., A man reported his tractor was on fire and needed assistance. He later reported everything was under control at assistance.

4:43 p.m., A City Hall em-12:44 a.m., Deputy Kenneth ployee requested a deputy's as-Freitag reported a busted water sistance in regards to an indi-Deputy Ring was notified.

8:03 p.m., A man reported a 6:37 a.m., A woman stated reckless driver driving a brown

11:59 p.m., A man requested 11:50 a.m., A man requested a deputy to assist a local busidry mat. Deputy Gutierrez was notified.

Friday, April 1

10:00 a.m., A woman revehicle parked in front of her was dispatched and found the made. vehicle to be broken down.

10:27 a.m., A woman stated that someone had kicked the door to her son's truck that was band hall. She also stated the made. footprint was on the door. Constable Guidry was advised.

Saturday, April 2

Gutierrez was informed and removed the debris.

11:00 a.m., A woman stated she needed to speak with a leaving the house. Deputy Manuel Pena was informed.

1:07 p.m., A Uvalde dispatcher reported a trucker driving reckless with a female sitting in his lap. Deputy Pena was

4:59 p.m., A man reported kids driving ATV's. Deputy Pena was advised.

5:50 p.m., A woman stated she needed assistance. Deputy

Pena was dispatched. 7:09 p.m., Jesus Martinez, quested a deputy in regards to a 29, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Freitag for public intoxication. Martinez was still being held when the report was

7:09 p.m., Manuel Reyes, 24, of Brackettville was arrested by Trooper Tully Welch for public intoxication. Reyes was still beparked at the school near the old ing held when the report was

10:10 p.m., Guadalupe Lumberas, 26, of Brackettville was arrested by Trooper Welch 5:15 a.m., A U. S. Border for possession of marijuana warthe time and no longer needed Patrol agent reported loose de- rant out of Dallas County. bris on Highway 90 east. Deputy Lumberas was still being held

when the report was made. Sunday, April 3

2:06 p.m., Eulalio Garza, 21, of Brackettville was arrested by deputy concerning her daughter Trooper Welch for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Garza was still being held when

the report was made. reckless driver that ran him off Deputy Ring was dispatched and the road on Highway 90 East could not find the vehicle. bound. Deputy Pena was dispatched.

toxicated driver East bound on Highway 90. Deputy Pena and also notified. Gutierrez were informed.

Monday, April 4 12:09 a.m., A man reported a reckless driver making other vehicles move over. The location was near the rest area on High-2:38 p.m., A man reported a way 90 heading west bound.

1:59 a.m., A structural fire was reported on 504 East 2nd 4:33 p.m., An anonymous Street. Fire Department, EMS caller reported a possible in- and Deputy Ring were dis-

patched to the scene. CPL was

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> LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE Brackett Independent School District, 400 Ann Street, Hunt Library

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at 400 Ann Street, Central Office Boardroom, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, beginning on April 20, 2005 and ending on May 3, 2005.

> Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Susan Esparza, Early Voting Clerk PO Box 586 Brackettville, Texas 78832

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 2005. Issued this the 4th day of April, 2005.

> Henry Lutz Signature of Presiding Officer.

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igers win first track meet

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meet of the year at Rocksprings last Thursday. The Tigers have competed very well all year first place. The 800 meter reagainst quality opponents.

points in almost all events, I'm Barrutieta and Tillman Davis)

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extremely proud of the work ethic. The 400 meter relay The Tigers won the first track team (Brand Wylie, Cody Edwards, Noe Talamantes and Cesar Ortiz) ran 44.4 taking lay team (Fermin Villanueva, We finally were able to score Travis Bonner, Valentin

took second place with a time of 1:39.7. The 1600 meter relay team (Wylie, Edwards, Robert Davis and Talamantes) placed third with a time of 3:36.02. In the 110 hurdles, R. Davis placed second (16.3) and Tres Rueda placed third (16.8). In the 300 intermediate hurdles, Rueda took first place (42.3) and R. Davis took third place (43.6). Talamantes placed first in the 100 m dash (11.3). Edwards took 1st place in the 200 m dash with a time of 22.7. Wylie took first place (52.4) in the 400 m dash and C. Ortiz placed sixth

Justin Calk took fourth place in the 1600 m run with a time of 5:21.07 and sixth place in the 3200 m run with a time of 12:26.5. In the field events, Rolando Ortiz placed fifth in the shot put with a 40'4 3/4" throw.

John Moore took third place in the discus with a 127' throw. In pole vault, Wylie vaulted 12' for first place. T. Davis placed first in the triple jump (39'4") and Edwards placed 3rd (38'5") in the event. T. Davis also placed first in the long jump with a 20'9" leap. In the high jump, Bonner took 6th place



LADY CHAMPIONS

The Fort Clark Springs Ladies held their annual Golf Championship tourney recently. The winners were Medalist Luann Pendorf for low gross for first day's play; Club Champion low gross was Lou Green; Low Gross runner-up Fern Dyer and Sheri White. Low Net First Place went to Fern Dyer and Low Net Runner up went to Luann Pendorf In Top left photo, pictured are from left, Luann Pendorf, Lou Green, Sheri White and Fern Dyer. In the single photo, it's Club Champion Lou Green.

Tigerettes take second at Rocksprings The Tigerette Track team took second place with a time of went to Lauren Cornelius with

second place last week at the Rocksprings meet.

Individually, the 400 meter relay team of Anolda Watkins, Rachel Swinson, Brandy Smith and Vanessa Williams took third place with a time of 54.5 sec-

The 800 meter relay team of Watkins, Daphne Hunt, Williams and Courtney Frerich took

1:53.5.

The 1600 meter relay team took first place with a time of

In the 3200 meter, Ashabranner took second with a time of 12:56.3 and Gabby Schroeder took fourth with a time of 13:15.8

In the high hurdles, Bailee Allen took fifth place with a time

In the 800 meter race, first place was won by Hunt with a time of 2:33.4 and fifth place went to Ashley Castillo with a time of 2:45.6.

In the 100 meter, third place ter inches. went to Divina Pena with a time of 13.5 seconds.

The 400 meter results listed time of 62.2 and sixth place feet, 8 inches.

a time of 70.2

In the intermediate hurdles, of Frerich, Hunt, Juliann first place was won by Frerich Ashabranner and R. Swinson with a time of 48.6 while Allen took fifth place with a time of 54.2. In the 200 meter race, Watkins took 2nd place (27.6).

In the 1600 meter run, Ashabranner took fourth place with a time of 6:11.0 while Schroeder took sixth with a time of 6:23.4.

In the Shot Put, Allen took sixth place. In the triple jump, A. Castillo took sixth place with a distance of 29 feet, 1 inch.

Swinson took first place in the long jump with a distance of 15 feet and three and one quar-

In the high jump, Frerich took first place with a height of 5 feet, 2 inches and Elva Garcia Swinson with first place with a took fourth with a height of 4

Parent nominations sought

Parents of current Brackett April 18th. High School students can nomider Patrol "Outstanding Student"

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Forgotten Children Report honored with 2005 Public Intergrity Award

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AUSTIN - Texas Comptrol- report on foster children in ler Carole Keeton Strayhorn's Texas has been awarded the 2005 Public Integrity Award from the American Society for

Public Administration (ASPA). "The report left this one tough grandma one heart broken grandma," Strayhorn said. "I hope the recognition this report has won will keep everyone focused on the plight of the forgotten children in our foster

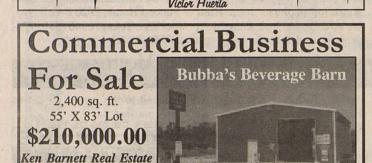
care system." In April of 2004, Comptroller Strayhorn released Forgotten Children, a special report that exposed serious deficiencies in Texas' foster care system, including gross mismanagement of policies, procedures, placements and investigations that clearly left children in unsafe and abu-

sive situations. In announcing the award the American Society for Public Administration said: "The resolve and dedication of the Comptroller and her staff in shedding the most unapologetic, brightest light into some of the state government's darkest corners and to use their substantial and collective skills and experience to push the results of their research into meaningful change for the sake of our children reflects the highest level of public

integrity.' The 79th Texas Legislature is currently considering several laws calling for reforms of the agency that oversees foster care in Texas, as a direct result of the report.

The 2005 Public Integrity Award was given on Sunday, April 3, during ASPA's National Conference in Milwaukee, Wis-





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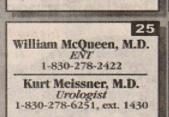
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versary milestone, Beltone digital technology and several Uvalde, located at 2018 East personalized features to create Main Street in Uvalde, an- solutions for the everyday needs nounces the "Beltone 65th An- of patients. niversary Event", a six week national campaign offering con- or Corus during the "Beltone produce hearing instruments products and care among its pasumers free screenings and dem- 65th Anniversary Event," the sold in the United States, tients and adults aged 50 and onstrations, along with a \$650 customer will also receive a fac- Canada and more than 40 coun- older.

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hat surprises can be found

Friends, I have to admit that I've begun to finally try and take doctor's orders to slow down and work less.

With tips and threats from family and friends, I've come to believe it can be done! In time I bet I can take an entire day off doing nothing and not feel guilty. Well, maybe a half day.

The purpose of this baring of my soul is to let you know that til blended. Pour into crust. for the last two weeks or so, I've been digging in my many freez- oven tempature to 250 degrees, ers for forgotten "planned continue baking 40 minutes. Re-

overs". What surprises to be found! Such delight to only worry about an occasional side dish and always the most important item, Desert! Today is a sample of easy doings for the busy, don't have time or want to or lazy person to prepare in short order.

Hershey's Chocolate Cheese Cake

Quick Chocolate Crumb crust (recipe follows), 3 pkg. (8oz. each) cream cheese, softened, 1 tute, one container (8 oz.) dairy sour cream, 2 tsp. vanilla extract, 1/2 cup Hershey's cocoa, 2 tbsp. all purpose flour, 3 large eggs. *Quick chocolate drizzle (recipe shortening (Do not use butter, 450 degrees.

until blended. Add sour cream and vanilla: beat until blended.

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Beat in cocoa and flour. Add

Bake 10 minutes. Reduce move from oven to wire rack, with knife, loosen cake from side of pan. Cool completely; remove sides of pan. Prepare drizzle; drizzle over top. Refrigerate 4 to 6 hours. Store, covered in refrigerator.

Quick Chocolate Crumb Crust Combine 1 cup chocolate wa-

fer crumbs (I used sugar free) and 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, press onto bottom of 9 inch spring-form pan. Makes 1 (9 in.) very thin crust. If you double recipe.

Quick Chocolate Drizzle

Place 1/2 cup Hersey's semisweet chocolate chips and 2 tsp.

additional 15 sec. at a time, stirring after each heating, until chips are melted.

*I found it desirable to have a drizzle, as cheesecale gave the appearance of a parched dessert.

I successfully used sugar free syrup on cooled cake which covered cracks and produced an attractive cake that has a very eggs one at a time; beat just un- smooth texture and delightful

Spiced Fruit

1 medium size orange, 1 (15 1/4 oz.) can unsweetened pineapple chunks, undrained, 2 (16 oz.) cans unsweetened pear halves, drained, 1 (16 oz.) can unsweetened apricot halves, drained, 2 (2 in.) stick cinnamon and 6 whole cloves.

Peel orange, reserving rind. Section orange and remove seeds. Drain pineapple, reserving juice. Combine orange sections, pineapple chunks, pear halves and apricot halves in a large bowl and set aside.

Combine orange rind, pine-1/4 cups sugar or sugar substi- like thicker crust, you may apple juice, cinnamon and cloves in a small sauce pan, mix well. Bring to a boil; Reduce heat and simmer 5 minutes. Re-

Remove and discard rind and follows). Prepare quick choco- margarine, spread or oil) in spices from mixture. Pour juice late crumb crust. Heat oven to small microwave bowl. Micro- over fruit, tossing gently to wave at high (100%) 30 sec. If cover. Cover with lid, refriger-Beat cream cheese and sugar necessary, microwave at high an ate until thoroughly chilled.

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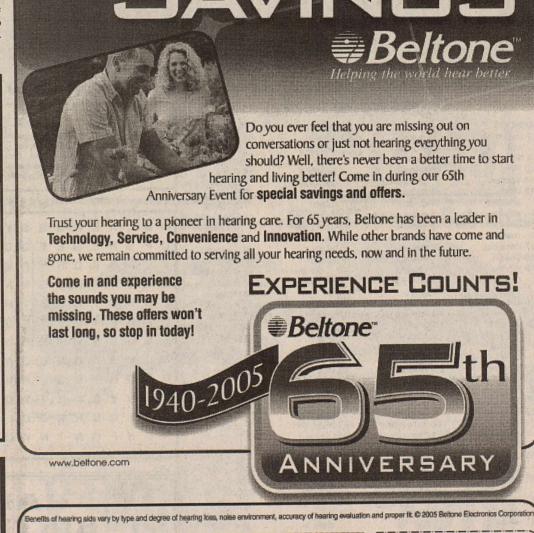
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AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're mentally 22) Be open to new opportusharp this week, even more so nities which come your way than usual. You may even this week. One of these leads come up with an innovative to new and exciting things for approach to a problem at your career. Later in the work. Later in the week, a week, you have romance on unique opportunity comes your mind. your way.

off completely. It will, though, if you allow it. This weekend, find an intellectually stimulating activity to enjoy.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A friend is trying to get you to share a confidence you in. This isn't your news to share.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Things aren't what they seem in a certain relationship. It may be time to do some reevaluating. Career-wise, though, it's smooth sailing.

20) You might as well resign yourself to it. This week won't signs. be that productive at work. Fortunately, there's nothing too pressing going on.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're upset when someone you've looked up to disappoints you. This isn't such a bad thing. You needed to be reminded that this person is only human.



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by Charles Cooper

LEO (July 23 to August

VIRGO (August 23 to Sep-PISCES (February 19 to tember 22) You're particu-March 20) A setback early in larly alert and sharp this the week shouldn't throw you week. Use this brain power to its best advantage. At home, don't allow a loved one to bring your mood down. LIBRA (September 23 to

October 22) You feel a bit under the gun this week where work is concerned. However, promised to keep. Don't give if you take one task at a time, you'll find it easier to deal with. This weekend, quiet pursuits are best.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Financial opportunities are possible this week. However, these come with added responsibilities. Be GEMINI (May 21 to June sure you want to take these on before seeing those dollar

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It's a good week to ask questions of bigwigs. While some answers are surprising, they're ultimately enlightening. In fact, some changes could be the happy result.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You feel on solid ground this week concerning your career. Don't let a co-worker mess that up. This person is merely jealous of your accomplishments.

Fire takes church furnishings, buildings

We are going to get too expensive for the Devil to mess with.

We are giving him full notice that the fire which burned down our two buildings of the church on 511 E. Second street has not defeated us.

Phase one was to get a bank loan to refloor the front trailer so that the flooring would support the weight of phase two the storing of the items from the old church building on Spring Street across from The Giftbox.

With this accomplished, phase three is in the process of tearing down the old church formed against me shall prosper 28:20 " ... Be strong and of good building on Spring Street and building a large Praise Pavilion on site to promote godly functions such as praise and worship, revivals, and family movie entertainment.

Phase four is to continue to remodel the building on 511 Third street as the new location for the church building and eling the two trailers on 511 E.

stop-over dorms for churches make restitution. Exodus 22:3 taking mission groups into ... about a thief, "If the sun be



Ministries

Bob & Charolette Corey

We do not lose vision nor hope in the Lord as I sit here writing to you this early Monday morning of April 4, 2005.

I may have the smell of smoke on my clothes and in my hair, but I am not defeated.

The word of No weapon (Isaiah 54:17)

It also says that the thief cometh not, but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.

I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. (John 10:10), Exodus 22:6 says "if fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the phase five was to finish remod- standing corn, or the field, be Second street to be used as kindled the fire shall surely risen upon Him, there shall be

blood shed for him; for he should nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft."

Sitting here with my pant legs still damp from the spray of the firefighters' water hoses and the smell of smoke in my clothes and hair; I am not dismayed nor defeated for the Word of God tells me in Deuteronomy 31:8 "And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee; fear not,

neither be dismayed.' And again in 1Chronicles sight. even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee; nor forsake the work; for the service of the glory. house of the Lord.

As in the 21st verse also, I believe God will send us "all manner of workmanship every willing skillful man, for any meeting at 501 E. Third at 11 consumed therewith; he that manner of service" shall be sent a.m Sunday mornings.

We know that the thief was make full restitution; if he have the Devil and he has been caught and shall have to give "sevenfold, and he shall have to give all the substance of his house." (Prov. 6:31)

> What Satan meant for evil shall be turned to God's glory as God's plans are made manifest to bless, not only us, but this entire community.

> All our church furnishings and the two buildings which were burnt away in the fire shall be restored to the Glory of God. We walk by faith and not by

We see these things in our courage; and do it; fear not, nor spirit as "the substance of things be dismayed; for the Lord God, hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1) God is faithful and true and he will thee, until thou hast finished all see that it comes to pass to his

> Amen. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

P.S. We are still temporarily

Everyone is welcome

There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus aith unto her.

Give me to drink. Then saith the Woman of Samaria unto him.

How is it that thou being a Jew, Askest drink of me, which

am a Woman of Samaria? For the Jews have no deal-

ings with the Samarians.

Jesus answered and said unto her, if thou knewest the Gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink thou God!

St. John's Missionary Church

Rev. Bill Adams Sr.

wouldest have asked of him, And he would have given thee Living Water. St. John 4:7, 9, 10. Praise



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open hearts, open minds, open doors.

That was one long article!

It appeared in the recent (Thursday, March 31, 2005 edition) of The Brackett News. The thoughts and opinions appeared under the headline: "Kinney county District Accused of Ignoring Own Permit rules"

And the editors introductory note indicated, it was produced with the permission from "The Texas Livestock Weekly" and authored by Colleen Schreiber.

The article ran for five halfcolumns on page 1 and continued for an additional two fullcolumns, plus four more half- an over \$1M budget. columns on page 7 - how many words does that make?

ticle, I became more and more a certain decision from "the powaware of the fact (or is it a mere ers that be", ask for a certain biased opinion?) that the author, while attempting to be objective to receive; and then you may (let me stress that word, "may") have leaned more favorably toward those who "Want more than what the board allo- for what they consider their real

I've been a priest now for 46 stress the "Real" need? years and have had experience in pasturing and supervising a to be said about Considering the variety of parishes, - perhaps overall good of all the peoples not of the multi-million-dollar living within the area encomvariety, but somewhere between passed by the litigation here in \$0.00 and that \$M figure - I served as the founding director of the Catholic Diocesan Retreat Center of San Angelo, (1,75 years under construction) and, for six years, supervised and made decisions regarding its the variety that breaks easily! The price of fame The season's first bloom

Fame can be very elusive,

To some it comes early in

life, to some later, and to others

only after death-meaning they

were not highly regarded in life.

the famous composer and musi-

Take, for example, Mozart,

When he died, only a hand-

body, wrapped in a sack, was un-

ceremoniously put into an un-

marked, mass grave in Vienna.

is often reserved for the popu-

lar, notorious, or well known.

should begin at home, where all

the members of the family love

affection and esteem comes a

little late, after the damage of

to be given to the living also.

nize the worth of each person

within our circle: family, church,

community, and recognize the

value of that person's service,

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and respect one another.

death has taken its toll.

great or small.

Rather the giving of honor

Sometimes the expression of

Flowers on graves are nice,

We would do well to recog-

place where he is buried. Fame row.

ful of persons followed the the fame, or the lack of fame,

hearse to the cemetery, where the that the general public attributes

Today no one knows the haps here today and gone tomor-

neglect has been done, or after and health can be lost, human

but such tokens of love ought His creation abides.

also very unpredictable.



St. Mary Magdalene Church

Fr. Cornelius J. Scanlan

\$1.35 M budget.

Additionally, I served our Catholic Church as director of Christian Renewal Center (Dickinson, Texas) for some eight years (two terms), also with

What's all this leading up to? Point No.1: I learned that, in After reading this lengthy ar- preparing budgets, if you expect percentage over what you plan "might" receive something within that range.

Is this what the folks who ask needs hope to receive? (let me

Point #2: Is there something Kinney County, Texas, USA? Think about it!

With this contribution to The Brackett News I may be "Step-

ping out on a limb". So be it!

I hope the "limb" is not of

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St. Andrew's

Nathan

Lafrenz

For this, we do not rely on

Fame, as indicated, can be a

If not public opinion, what is

fickle and fleeting thing, per-

our guide for the proper appre-

ciation of those around us?

God's Word gives us the true

basis of a person's worth, in that

it tells us that God made all of

humanity, and that Jesus Christ

affection can grow cold, but

God's love in Christ for all of

That is our guide for estimat-

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Fame can pass away, wealth

to that individual.

died for all of us.

ing human worth.

Like an animal in a cage

Rick sat stunned. Amy smiled at him. Her face resonated confidence. Her eyes reflected peace and a quiet strength. "Rick," she repeated herself. "I'm in love with another man!"

Rick's mind whirled. He stared into the light coming from the window behind where Amy sat. He was oblivious to Amy's voice describing things the children were doing.

dream, memories flooded his mind. Amy was a cheerleader. from the bench on the home side of the field. He made up his mind she was going to be his girl. A whistle signaled the time out was over.

with a fury, rushing through and batting the ball away just as the quarterback pitched the man?" ball to his halfback.

his eyes off Amy.

Rick got a huge adrenalin rush from football.

He directed his anger and formula for winning games. He was like a bully on the stand.

The phone rang and it was

out the window and see if her

little peach tree was blooming.

ness trip. I looked out the win-

dow and sure enough there was

one pretty pink bloom.

She was away on a short busi-

Every spring when plants

start blooming and the air is

sweet, (if you live in the coun-

try) you know things are alive

and there are powers we can't

see. It always gives me hope that

there is life, a new life. For me

something. Someone came to

I remember many years ago

that life is in Christ Jesus.

Corner of Fort

and Henderson

Our Redeemer my wife asking me to go look

Empowering Families

Dr. Donald Smith

field. The anger and fury made him popular among the fans.

Amy's voice brought him out of his dream. "I gotta go He was in a daze. Like a Rick. The guard says visiting's

Back in his cell, Rick sat at Rick watched her perform his small desk trying to read a book he had checked out. His mind kept going back to Amy's words. For the first time in his life he was in a fight he felt like he couldn't win. He was a Rick ran onto the field with caged animal. His anger needed his teammates. When the ball an outlet but he knew he had was snapped, Rick hit the line to control it. "She's my woman," Rick said to himself. "How could she get another

Rick looked up to see Joe "Great play Richardson. coming into the cell. The door Hit 'em whe're they'll hurt." clanked behind him and the The coach was yelling from the electronic bolt slid into place. side of the field. Rick looked Joe walked to his bunk and folover at the cheerleaders doing lowed a little ritual he repeated their yells. He couldn't keep each time he left the cell or came back.

With his left hand he touched his crucifix.

With his right he made the fury at his opponents. It was a sign of the cross and mumbled something Rick couldn't under-

Jerry

Davenport

Brother

(pleading with all my heart) God

to forgive me for all the things,

(Sins) that I had done wrong.

Not only did I ask God to for-

give me but I also asked (I was

afraid He wouldn't) Christ Jesus

to come into my life and be my

Lord and Savior. I can't really

calm and joy came into my life.

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evening I got down on my knees (Colossians 1:18-22). See you

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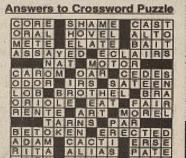
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