

The Brackett News

Tigerettes in Playoffs tonight

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BRIEFS

Cancer Support group meeting

Come join us for good fellowship and a great meal. Our meetings are held at the Frontier Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on Thursday, May 5, 2005 at 6:30 pm. This group includes survivors, those who are currently receiving treatment, in remission and their caregivers and family. This is a "Pot Luck Supper" the meat will be provided. Fix your favorite side dish or dessert and join in the fellowship.

Cattle and Goat Marketing Workshop

A workshop will be held at the Southwest Livestock Exchange in Uvalde from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on May 6. Cost of the workshop is \$5, meal included. In order to have an adequate food supply, please RSVP by May 4 at Uvalde County Farm Bureau, 830-278-9181 or the Kinney County Extension Office 563-2442. Sponsors are Kinney - Val Verde County Farm Bureau, Uvalde County Farm Bureau, Texas Farm Bureau and Southwest Livestock Exchange, Inc.

4-H Horse Project

The Kinney County 4-H Horse Project met April 24th at the Harris' Arena. Former veterinarian, Tom Dorrell of Brackettville was the guest speaker. "Doc" discussed "Health in Horses" which covered diseases, vaccinations and worming.

The groups next scheduled meeting is May 29th at 2:30 p.m. at the Harris' Arena. For more information contact the County Extension Office (830)563-2442.

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 563-9090.

Church in need

The First Baptist Church asks the community to save 1/2 gallon round ice cream cartons, large baby wipe boxes, powered drink containers with plastic lids, small coffee cans. These items will be used for Vacation Bible School, July 18-22. You may drop them by the church Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

INSIDE

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Peace be with you! I write to you and with much joy and affection on this Wednesday, the 4th day within the Octave of Easter. Rejoice and be glad for the Lord is truly risen. He will never die again; death has no more power over him. Our life is in him, as well as our hope. We have no more fear of death for he has conquered death and we live in him. Religion/Page 6

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Have you found yourself in a rut and fixing things the same old way? Especially your tamales and enchiladas? Haven't heard of any way to change tamales? But this recipe for seafood enchilada is scrumptious! Community/Page 3

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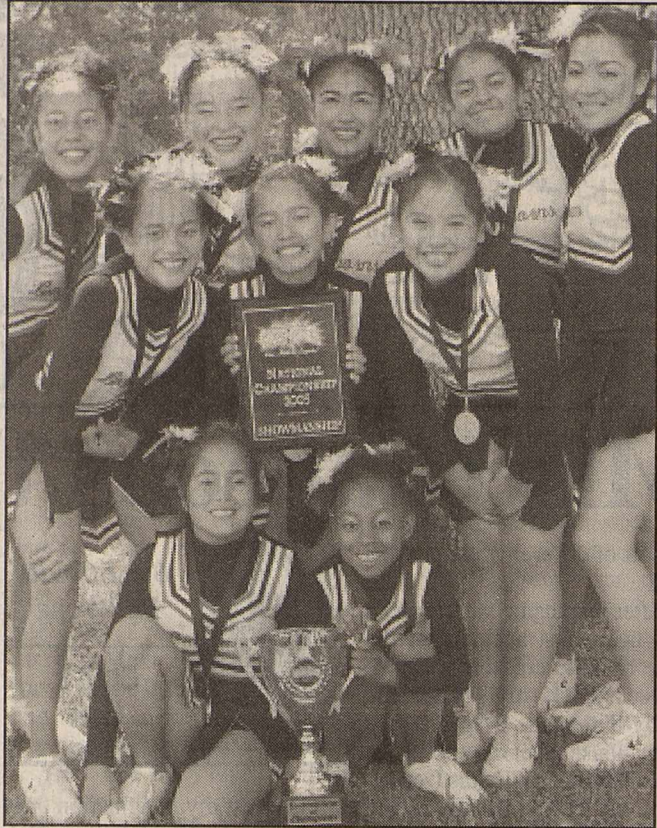
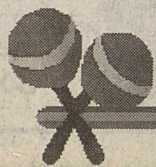


Photo courtesy to the Brackett News

The Longhorn Cheerleaders, under the direction of coach Nancy Rodriguez, participated in Cheer Power Tournament of Champions recently. The group took second place and brought home the showmanship award. The Longhorns include Stella Guajardo, Amanda Delbosque, Erica Rodriguez, Roxana Gomez, Ashley Herrera, Brianna Escamilla, Briana Garza, Alexandra Herrera, Crystal Garcia and Yasmine White.

Cinco de Mayo celebration May 7

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization is hosting its Cinco



Cinco de Mayo

de Mayo celebrations on Saturday, May 7 at the Kinney County Civic Center.

To participate in the parade contact Robert Aguirre at 563-9559.

To be part of the entertainment, contact Alma Gutierrez at 563-2280.

To have a food booth, call Ruben Martinez at 563-9103.

For Little Miss/Mister pageant call Lorenza Gutierrez at 563-2036.

To be in the talent show contact Catherine Martinez at 563-2425 or Diana Gutierrez at 563-2878.

Don't forget to vote! Early voting ends May 3

City of Brackettville elections are set.

Early voting began April 20 at city hall.

Early voting continues until Tuesday, May 3.

So far 52 have voted in the city elections while the school district reports 73 have voted in the school board election.

Place 1 and 3 on the city council are up for grabs. Place 1 incumbent Tully Welch signed up, hoping for a reelection nod.

Challengers for Welch include Camilo Cruz Jr. and Charles Bushart.

In place three, incumbent Tomas Gomez Jr., did not sign up for reelection.

So, the new place will be occupied by either Mary V. Flores or Anita M. Ertle, both of whom signed up for the May 7 election.

For place 1, the names on the ballot will appear as follows: Camilo Cruz Jr., Charles

Bushart and Tully Welch.

For the place 3 election, Anita Ertle will be first on the ballot followed by Mary V. Flores.

Early voting continues during regular business hours at city hall.

Election day is Saturday, May 7 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a general election for two 3-year trustee positions, and one 2-year position at the May 7 Brackett school board election.

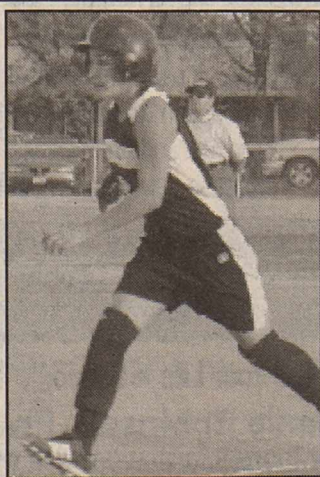
Candidates for the May 7 election include incumbents Ronnie Hobbs and Henry Lutz. Pam Hale will challenge candidate Jeffrey Duncan for the 2-year position.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday, at the Central Office, 400 Ann Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., ending May 3, 2005.

PLAYOFF TONIGHT

Brackett News Photo by Danielle Moore

Lola Cano runs the bases during a recent Tigerette Softball game. The Tigerettes square off against the Flatonia Lady Bulldogs tonight at 7 in San Antonio's Southwest High School.



Commissioners looking at companies to collect delinquent fines for county Surplus County Supplies to be auctioned June 4

The Kinney County Commissioner's Court are looking at two companies to help collect delinquent fines including out of state and fines for no driver's license, through the Justice of the Peace's office.

The court is looking at Sergio Garcia and Sue Glover, both of the law offices of Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP, from Austin, Texas and McCreary, Veselka, Bragg and Allen, PC, also from Austin.

Steve Whigham of McCreary, Veselka, Bragg and Allen spoke, noting that the firm handles the money. "Everything is done in-house, letters go out in English and Spanish," he said. He also noted that there is a toll-free number.

Monies collected by the their firm is are transferred into county coffers a minimum of two times per month. The county also receives and itemized statement.

Both firms collect for districts and counties throughout the state. The firms would keep about

30 percent of the amount collected.

Justice of the Peace John Ford recommended that a decision be made at the next commissioners court meeting. The court agreed.

Currently, there are about 300 delinquent cases. Money the county is losing in revenue.

The court also considered the adoption of a special budget and authorize receipt and disbursement of STRAC grant funds received after the adoption of and not included in the current fiscal year.

The budget item was listed as a \$4,600 revenue and as a \$4,600 expense.

The commissioners court also authorized Carl Esser, planner for the Middle Rio Grande Development Council to act as agent

and grant administrator on the county's behalf for the Border Colonia Access Program paving project in Spofford.

Judge Senne also reported 278 inmates in the Kinney County Detention Center, which is about 85 percent capacity.

Also approved by the court was the authorization of the county judge to sign a participation agreement with the Texas Association of Counties Unemployment compensation Group Account Fund.

And, June 4 was set as the date for the county surplus property auction and appointed Kinney County Commissioner Pct. 1 Marvin Davis as the auctioneer.

The next commissioner's court meeting is set for Thursday, May 12.

Rising to the challenge

The 6th Grade teachers Mrs. Melancon, Mrs. Partlow, Mrs. Rueda and Mrs. Schroeder and Assistant principal Mrs. Gutierrez challenged the 6th graders to rise to the 110 percent challenge during last weeks TAKS testing.

Alma Gutierrez explained, "We decided to do something out of the ordinary to let the students know how important their personal efforts are to us." The "out of the ordinary" was if the students reached the goal each teacher would eat a live cricket.

The 110 percent effort towards the TAKS meant giving their very best effort, persevering and maintaining a positive "can do" attitude.

Also, the Elementary and Intermediate teachers were given a surprise meal last week during the TAKS test. The food was provided by many of the students parents. Mrs. Childress stated, "I felt very supported and appreciated. It was an excellent time



Courtesy Photo by Sandra Davis

Emily Holmes looks on with a grin as Mrs. Partlow prepares to live up to her promise. 6th Grade teachers promised to eat a live cricket if the students reached their 110 percent goal during TAKS testing last week.

to get together after such a stressful day. We all give a special thanks to the caring parents who

provided the food. We really appreciate everything they do for us and in supporting us."

Living Legend visits Brackett schools

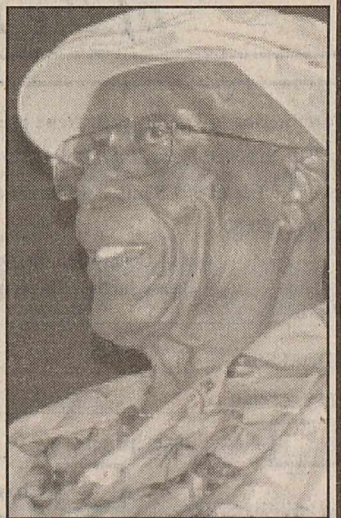
Students from Brackett Schools were treated to a bit of humor and history last week

Ross "Satch" Davis, former pitcher for the Negro Baseball Leagues visited the students and regaled them with tales of yesteryear and pitching for a major league team in his heyday.

Davis' pitching has been described as pitching so hard, he could throw a marshmallow through a brick wall. Davis was in town and spoke to the students at Brackett Auditorium and spoke on the times of when he was a pitcher in the Negro Baseball League from 1940 to 1947. He spoke of when he was tapped by a Mexican baseball

league and how he grabbed the headlines during his stint in Mexico City.

He fielded questions from the audience, some asking about his career, others about his family. He noted that he has five children and a host of grandchildren, and none were in the game "they have more sense than I do," he joked. Satch also said his most memorable moment in baseball was making it to the world series in the Negro Leagues as well as pitching a no-hitter. From his event at Brackett ISD, Davis was welcomed at United Medical Centers in Del Rio, where he also posed for pictures and signed some autographs.



Ross "Satch" Davis

Super Team



Brackett News photos by Pam Hale

The Brackettville Super S Store scored high and won some awards from Management. Honored were store manager Edward Trevino, produce manager Juan Aguirre, meat market manager Antonio Beattie, and general merchandise clerk Maria Ortega were among those honored. (Not pictured is assistant manager Fernando Hernandez. All were honored for their outstanding effort, enthusiasm, energy and dedication in preparation of the Super S Foods Easter tour.

Propaganda masquerading as fact

I've always been appalled by the Brackettville tradition of bulk-mailing false, misleading or sometimes slanderous letters. Usually we receive these unsigned letters the day of a local election. The intent is to sling some last minute mud in an attempt to influence voters.

Last week I received a newsletter from the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District that would undoubtedly make the unknown writers of the letters mentioned above very proud. While all of the information is provided by the district under the label "General Manager's Report", Darlene Shahan's name is conspicuously absent from the document. Even where the district contact information is listed you will not find the name of the general manager.

Most of the newsletter is about Senate Bill 1857. Several excerpts from SB 1857 are included; followed by the general manager's personal opinion about the excerpts and their alleged effects on groundwater regulation in Kinney County.

One such opinion states, "The 'aquifer' is defined in the EAA legislation and does not include those areas outside of its boundaries. The language would appear to allow unlimited pumping in all areas in Kinney County outside of the small area in eastern Kinney County designated as the Edwards Aquifer, which includes, under these guidelines, all of the permittees located in 'Pinto Valley' and the Austin Chalk areas below Highway 90."

This statement is false. All groundwater withdrawal in Kinney County would be regulated under SB 1857.

This is clear in an excerpt of SB 1857 that is missing from the General Manager's Report. Section 5 (b) of SB 1857 states "The authority's powers regarding underground water apply only to underground water within or withdrawn from the aquifer or any other underground water resource made subject to the authority's jurisdiction. This subsection is not intended to allow the authority to regulate surface water." The extra language that has been added gives the EAA authority over all of the groundwater resources in Kinney County including the Edwards Trinity and Austin Chalk aquifers.



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Furthermore, according to the KCGCD's General Manager, "Permittees in the Edwards Aquifer Authority are limited to 2 acre feet of groundwater per acre of irrigatable land while all others in the Edwards Trinity and Austin Chalk will have amounts up to 8.62 acre feet per acre of unregulated, ungoverned pumping."

This is also a false statement. Historic use permits for Agriculture in the Edwards were granted a *minimum* of 2 acre feet, not a *maximum*. No one in Kinney County was granted a permit for 8.62 acre feet per irrigatable acre, although some applicants proved that much existing and historic use. How can there be a limiting amount if you're unregulated and ungoverned? By making this statement the general manager is acknowledging non-Edwards wells will remain regulated under the proposed legislation.

The General Manager continues to characterize the pending legislation by stating, "A side effect of this legislation would be an increase of over 300% per year for the groundwater fees paid by Fort Clark Springs, Brackett ISD and Alamo Village." Actually the fee would increase 280%.

However, the annual amount paid could increase or decrease. This is because permittees in the Edwards pay for the amount used, not the amount permitted. The actual amount used will determine the increase or decrease in the annual amount paid.

The following includes more erroneous statements from the newsletter.

"SB 1857 demands that permits be issued in the amount of over 49,000 acre feet. There is approximately 30,000 acre feet of discharge from springs in Kinney County and Brackettville pumps over 600 acre feet per year.

The district has registered in

excess of 933 Existing Exempt Wells that will use an average of 13,000 acre feet per year. That total is 92,600 acre feet per year that would be used in Kinney County."

Once again, the "Report" misses the mark by relying on false facts. The annual average discharge of Las Moras, Pinto and Mud Creek springs is slightly less than 20,000 acre feet. And while Brackettville may be pumping 600 acre feet per year, if you read last week's paper you know that Brackettville citizens are only using about 35% of that number or 210 acre feet.

The general manager's estimate for water demand by exempt wells is far from realistic. An exempt well is a well capable of producing no more than 25,000 gallons of water per day. In order for 933 exempt wells to produce 13,000 acre feet per year, they would all have to be capable of producing at least 25,000 gallons per day and run continuously for 6 months.

Taking those things into consideration I would say 1,000 or 2,000 acre feet would be a far more accurate estimate of what these wells could produce annually.

The Report's statement regarding the amount used in Kinney County annually is false for previously stated reasons. In addition, the statement presumes all permitted amounts will be pumped every year.

The general manager states my mother, Jewel Robinson, is represented by Ed McCarthy and Bob Wilson. McCarthy does not and has never represented my mother or myself. Neither of us knows a Bob Wilson.

The general manager is well aware Paul Terrill is our attorney. I feel this was done intentionally to try and discredit my mother, myself and *The Brackett News*.

What I have written above is by no means all of the false statements contained in the district's "Report".

I believe that it's every citizen's right to state their opinion regardless of how informed or misinformed they may be. However, I feel it is completely inappropriate for a governmental entity to use tax dollars to distribute propaganda masquerading as fact.



Miscellaneous thoughts

Lots of different thoughts this week.

After reading my article about my near-miss accident at the Cline railroad crossing a couple of weeks back, my good friend Bobby Titt made a special trip by my house to let me know that Union Pacific and Texas Department of Transportation had teamed up and fixed the problem. I made a trip eastward and just like Bobby said, "It's as smooth as glass."

I am impressed that Bobby paid that much attention to my columns and thought enough about me to let me know it. Anyway, if you head east, notice the smoother ride across the tracks.



But I Could
Be Wrong

Chuck
Hall

Is it just my imagination or is the brush growing lots faster this year? I have had to prune back the shrubby along the ranch roads much more than I remember from yesteryear.

Maybe I am just wanting to protect my old pickup truck more than I used to. Perhaps I just want things better than I did in the past. I wonder if I did not

do enough in 2004, and it's catching up with me. My dad used to trim bushes every day. Every day.

Maybe I'm growing up and maturing. Nah, that's not it.

On one of my excursions to check on animals, water troughs and such, I encountered a large reptile. *Crotalis Atrox*.

A western diamondback rattlesnake. He was only 2, 2 and 1/2 inches tall, but he was 5 foot 9 inches long. With the help of a high powered rifle, I did him in.

I'm not sure why, but the roads don't need pruning as much as I thought they did.

But I could be wrong.

A sound energy policy

It seems everyone has been talking lately about the energy problems our nation is facing. Every time we head for the gas station or listen to the evening news we're faced with one very certain reality: we have a problem and we need to get to work on a solution.

Our nation's energy problem has been with us for quite some time. This week the House of Representatives passed an important bill that will provide a commonsense balance of increased energy production and attention to environmental matters.

It is a clear and comprehensive plan, but most importantly it is achievable.

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 focuses on energy security, stewardship, and independence. It relies on advancing initiatives that speed the development and marketing of renewable and energy efficient technologies, infra-



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structure, and products.

Specific's of the legislation include: improving our nation's electricity transmission capacity and reliability; promoting a cleaner environment; promoting clean coal technologies; and providing incentives for renewable energies.

I believe a huge answer to our energy crisis is lessening our dependence on foreign oil.

The bill will also decrease American's dangerous dependence on foreign oil by increasing domestic exploration and development on non-park federal lands and by authorizing expansion of the Strategic Petroleum

Reserve to 1 billion barrels. More than 30-years ago OPEC's oil embargo rattled our economy and triggered mile-long lines at gas pumps. Back then, America was 30 percent dependent on foreign oil. Today, we are nearly 60-percent dependent.

As we prepare for the summer season with air conditioning and more vacation driving, we need to pay serious attention to our energy policy and make some substantial changes.

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 is a step in the right direction.

Solving our energy problems will be a long journey, but the future will be a lot brighter if we get started now.

We have the ability to diminish America's dependence of foreign energy.

It is time that we do the right thing—for our children and for the future of this great land of ours.

Early cancer detection saves lives

Most of us know April is the month in which spring bursts out across Texas, as flowers bloom, trees sprout leaves, and birds build nests. It is also, according to the American Cancer Society, National Cancer Control Month.

We use a month in which life flourishes to remind people of the progress we have made in the fight to eliminate cancer.

Over the past several decades, we have developed new drugs and surgical techniques to provide cancer sufferers improved chances for survival. We need to continue research to improve the treatment for this disease. We can modify our behaviors to lower our risk of cancer. We can eat healthier foods and exercise. We also know cancer risks are increased by abusing alcohol and smoking. There is another habit we can cultivate



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which can have a major impact on our health - getting screened for cancer. Today's physicians have a wide range of diagnostic tools which help us discover cancers early when the chances for successful treatment are high. Many of these screenings should be done on a regular basis after age 50, although those with family histories of certain types of cancer should consult their physician about starting to test even earlier.

We are also aware that cancer affects various groups differ-

ently. African-Americans have the highest cancer mortality rates of any group, a factor some doctors attribute to a lack of access to early testing and treatment.

Cancers with few obvious symptoms are the most dangerous because they are usually too advanced for easy treatment when they are finally discovered. This is why men should get screened for prostate cancer. Women should get tested for cervical cancer and get mammograms to detect breast cancer. Adults over 50 should start having tests for colon cancer. Blood work can detect lymphoma and other types of cancer. We should also be on the lookout for the most common form of cancer - skin cancer, which is diagnosed over 1 million times per year in America. The best check up is to keep an eye on skin changes. The best prevention is to avoid exposure to the sun's damaging ultraviolet rays by wearing protective clothing or sunblock lotion.

Many of us donate to organizations such as the American Cancer Society, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

These organizations support scientific research and public education programs.

I have a personal stake in this fight. I have had friends who have fought cancer, and my brother Allan is a survivor.

Everyone owes themselves and their loved ones an early screening so that they have the best chance possible to survive if cancer should strike.

Big Mama
Sez!



Suspense, that toothache
of the mind.

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Scrumptious changes National Electrical Safety Month Poster Contest hosted by RGEC

Have you found yourself in a rut and fixing things the same old way? Especially your tamales and enchiladas?

Haven't heard of any way to change tamales (besides, who would want to?) But this recipe for seafood enchilada is scrumptious! You won't be disappointed.

Now don't forget to clip and save the info at the end of the article concerning different Mexican cheeses. It might help you in using them more.

Crab & Shrimp Enchiladas
1/4 cup butter, 1/4 cup all purpose flour, 2 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth, 2 cups (8 oz.) Monterey Jack cheese (shredded), 3/4 cup half & half, 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/8 tsp. fresh ground pepper, 1/2 cup sour cream, 2 (8 oz.) pkg. imitation crab, 8 oz. frozen shelled, deveined cooked small shrimp (sometimes called salad shrimp) thawed, 1/2 cup sliced green onions, divided, and 8 (8 in.) flour tortillas.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Spray 13x9 inch glass baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.

Melt butter in medium saucepan over medium heat. Whisk in flour until blended; slowly whisk in broth and bring to a gentle boil. Whisk in cheese, half & half, salt and pepper.

Place sour cream in medium



Goodies From G.G.

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bowl; slowly whisk in 1 cup of the sauce. Whisk sour cream mixture into remaining sauce. Remove from heat.

In large bowl, stir together crab, shrimp, 1 cup of the sauce and 1/4 cup of the green onions. Place 1/2 cup of the filling on each tortilla. Roll up; place in baking dish. Cover with remaining sauce. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until hot. Let stand 5 minutes; sprinkle with remaining 1/4 cup green onions.

Are you confused or unsure about the different cheeses from Mexico? You more than likely know Hispanic cheese by their individual names. Queso Blanco and Queso Fresco are often featured in Mexican, Southwest or Latin food. But there are more and they can be used in almost any dish that calls for cheese.

Here are the most common ones and some ideas for using them: Queso Blanco Fresco - This mild white cheese holds its shape when heated, which is why

it sometimes goes by the name queso para freir or frying cheese. Unheated, it's a crumbling cheese perfect for salads.

Queso blanco - This differs from queso blanco fresco in that it is a good melting cheese, similar to Monterey Jack. Try using it in an omelet or a grilled cheese sandwich. **Panela** - A unique basket-weave pattern on the surface, created by the basket-like vessel in which this cheese is drained, distinguishes panela. A low-moisture cheese that holds its shape when heated, panela is wonderful breaded and sauteed and topped with tomato or pesto sauce.

Asadero - Similar to provolone, asadero is a bit buttery and a great melting cheese. Unlike the sausage-shaped italian version, asadero's shape is disk-like. Try it on top of your next pizza. **Oaxaca** - Speaking of pizzas, Oaxaca can best be described as braided mozzarella. It melts perfectly or is great eaten out of hand, a little like string cheese.

Cotija - If you know feta, then you know cotija. The main difference is that while feta is cured in brine, cotija is simply salted and pressed to extract the moisture. Use it interchangeable with feta, but because it's a bit drier, it won't melt when heated.

The winner of each division, grades 1-3, and grades 4-6, will have his/her poster incorporated into the design of the book covers RGEC supplies to schools next school year and will receive a \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card. Certificates will be awarded for the best posters in each participating school. There are two divisions: first-third grade, and fourth-sixth grade.

Posters will be judged on creativity and electrical safety principles represented. Each poster should be labeled on the back with the following information: Grade, student's name/age, school & school district. School personnel will be responsible for selecting and photographing 1 winner in each division at each school and sending winning posters to Rio Grande Electric Cooperative. Poster judging must be completed and RGEC notified of winners by May 20, 2005.

The contest is open to all students, first through sixth grades, in any school district in the following counties: Webb, Uvalde, Val Verde, Reeves, Hudspeth, Dimmit, Kinney, Terrell, Presidio, El Paso, Maverick, Edwards, Pecos, Jeff Davis, Zavala, Crockett, Brewster, Culberson, Otero (NM) and

Eddy (NM). School representatives should contact Cindy Edwards at school. cedwards@rgec.coop, or call 1-800-749-1509 to enroll your school.

ORDER OF ELECTION CANCELLATION

The Fort Clark Municipal Utility District Board of Directors declares the bond election ordered for May 7, 2005 hereby cancelled. The Board of Directors has determined that further study of the preliminary engineering report is required to provide the public clarification of election, bonding and paving procedures.

The Giftbox

We are back in the flower business. Let us help you with your floral needs.

Remember Mom with flowers, gifts & handmade chocolates.

Mother's Day is May 8

Order Early

Don't forget Prom, May 21st Order your corsages and bouquets early

KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, April 18

7:56 p.m., A woman reported a broken window of a trailer house on El Paso Street. Deputy Ron Ring was informed.

Tuesday, April 19

7:40 p.m., A woman reported an accident on West Spring Street and Loop 166. Deputy Kenneth Freitag and Ramon Gutierrez were dispatched. DPS Troopers could not be reached. EMS was also dispatched.

8:06 p.m., A man stated that his 18 wheeler windshield had been shot at about three miles west of Fritter Park.

Wednesday, April 20

11:30 a.m., Hilario Garcia, 20, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Gutierrez for criminal trespassing. Garica was later released after posting a \$1,000 bond.

11:21 p.m., A man reported a vehicle rollover on Highway 90 west. One person's arm was trapped under the vehicle. The other two individuals were walking around. Deputy Freitag, Trooper Tully Welch, EMS, and the fire department were dispatched to the scene. Airline was also dispatched at 11:40.

Thursday, April 21

5:55 p.m., A woman reported hearing gun shots near the Spofford Cemetery. Deputy Ring was advised and found no one.

11:51 p.m., A man reported hearing gun shots near his ranch. Deputy Freitag and Ring was dispatched but found nothing.

Friday, April 22

1:35 p.m., A woman came in the office complaining about people dumping trash on the west side of the Lion's Club building. She also had an unwrapped magazine sealed in plastic with an address label still attached addressed to a woman out of Del Rio. She stated she would gladly file charges if anyone was caught dumping trash.

7:02 p.m., A woman stated she had received a call concerning her daughter's husband. He had an accident between Rocksprings and Brackettville but no one was hurt. Trooper Welch was advised of the situation. Deputy Freitag and Rocksprings Police department was advised also.

7:30 p.m., A woman reported someone hitting on gas meter on West Remote alley. A city employee was not able to be contacted until a deputy contacted the city secretary at her house.

Saturday, April 23

2:56 a.m., Juan D. Rivera, 23, of Del Rio was arrested by Trooper Fernandez for public intoxication. Rivera was later released after time served.

2:56 a.m., Albert Urbina, 26, of Del Rio was arrested by Trooper Fernandez for Driving while intoxicated, 3rd offense, and driving with no license. Urbina was later released after posting a \$7,500 bond.

8:20 a.m., Deputy Gutierrez stated he had received a call regarding the baseball batting cage.

It had been moved close to the cemetery. Deputy Manuel Pena stated a school employee reported a flag pole had been removed and vandals had done more damage. The school employee will be bringing in a report during the week.

10:47 p.m., A woman reported a speeding reckless driver in a red Ford F-150 with a silver stripe and little lights on the bottom on Ann Street. A partial license plate number was given. Deputy Freitag was informed and he stated he had seen the vehicle prior to the call but was unable to locate the vehicle.

Sunday, April 24

12:16 a.m., A man requested a deputy in regards to his son being intoxicated. Deputy Freitag was dispatched.

4:33 p.m., A woman requested to speak with a deputy. Deputy Gutierrez and Pena were informed.

9:22 p.m., A woman reported two illegal aliens in Spofford. U.S. Border Patrol was informed.

11:03 p.m., A woman reported a silver caravan swerving all over the road and would not let anyone pass on Highway 90, near intersection 1572. Deputy Ring was dispatched and drove to the intersection and did not locate the vehicle.

Monday, April 25

1:11 a.m., A woman requested a deputy's assistance at a local business. An individual refused to leave the premises. Deputy Ring was dispatched.

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Cattle Women's meeting fills room

The STCW hosted their April meeting at the meeting at Pachos, in Dilley, Texas, on Tuesday, April 19. Several points of business were covered including their only fundraiser of the year The Evening at the Races, June 11, at Retama Park. The tickets include a grand buffet and simulcasting of the

Bellmont Stakes. The tickets are \$30 each.

Valda Gates reported on their April 12 visit to the Medina Children's Home, Medina, Texas. The group donated \$500 in beef certificates to the children's home.

They reported that the home uses the equivalent of 14 head of

cattle to feed the children and families yearly.

Following the meeting's adjournment, a public meeting was held hosted by the STCW. Dan Byfield, Land Fund and Liberty Matters, spoke to the room of 60 interested citizens. He covered many current issues concerning private property rights, environmental laws and current bills, cases which his organization has currently representing private land owners, and the Trans Texas Corridor issue.

Mr. Byfield explained that there will be changes in our highway systems in the next 25 years. We need to be active in guiding the changes.

Mr. Byfield encouraged each individual to send letters to their legislatures immediately on these issues. His organization is currently awaiting a ruling on eminent domain at the U.S. Supreme Court level. 98 cases went before them this year, with this case being the only one they agreed to hear before them. Following the public meeting, many STCW enjoyed dutch treat lunch in the dining room.

The next STCW will host their year end meeting, May 16, in Cotulla, Texas.

Anyone interested in the cattle industry, private property rights or other issues concerning country living, please join us.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul John Toth, Jr. united in marriage

Courtney Brooke Harrison of Toledo, Ohio, formerly of Brackettville and Del Rio, Texas, and Paul John Toth, Jr. of Toledo, Ohio were united in marriage at Los Patios Creekside, San Antonio, Texas in an outdoor ceremony on March 19, 2005 at 5:00 p.m.

The double ring ceremony was officiated by the Reverend Scott Brown of San Antonio and the violinists were Jennifer and Sarah Roth of New Braunfels, Texas. Dana Cole, friend of the bride, read the chosen scriptures.

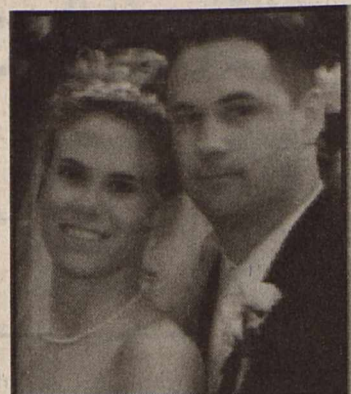
The bride is the daughter of James "Sonny" and Susan Harrison of New Braunfels, Texas and the granddaughter of Thelma Adams of New Braunfels and the late Marvin Adams and Beatrice Newton of New Braunfels and the late James William Harrison.

The groom is the son of Debbie Toth of Toledo, Ohio and Paul Toth of Perrysburg, Ohio. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Toth of Toledo, Ohio and the late Mr. and Mrs. Francis Czubek.

The bride was escorted by her father James Harrison. She wore an ivory satin gown designed by Casa Blanca Bridals.

The princess line silhouette featured a sweetheart neckline accented with shimmering sequins, crystal beads and pearls.

The fitted bodice flowed to an



Beauchamp, Matt Schroeder and Ray Ruiz, longtime friends of the groom.

The ring bearer was Justin Toth, nephew of the groom.

The ushers were Kevin Braum and Erik Welling, friends of the groom, and David Melancon, childhood and college friend of the bride.

Following the ceremony, a reception with dinner and dancing was held at the Hacienda Room at Los Patios of San Antonio.

The bride's cake was a four-tier tres leches cake adorned with stargazer lilies and roses.

The groom's cake was a chocolate mousse tres leches cake decorated with his Toledo police badge.

A chocolate fountain with seasonal fruit was a special tribute to the mother of the groom.

Janie and Shelby Smith of Mission, Texas and Brittany Doty of San Antonio, Texas hosted a bridal party luncheon at the Huisache Grill. Debbie Toth, mother of the groom, hosted the rehearsal dinner at Gruene River Grill.

The bridal couple will reside in Toledo, Ohio where Paul is employed as a policeman and Courtney is employed as a senior auditor for Dana Corporation.

They plan a honeymoon in the Bahamas later in the year.

A-line skirt edged with a beaded pattern.

The back of the gown was enhanced with beading and buttons that flowed down the chapel length train.

She wore a tiara in her hair and a double-layered veil of illusion.

She carried a cascading bouquet of oriental lilies, pink roses, blue larkspur, wax flowers, and white carnations.

The maid of honor was Amanda Smart, college friend of the bride.

The bridesmaids were Amber Davis, longtime friend of the bride, Mitzi Franks, college friend of the bride, and Heather Hutto, cousin of the bride.

The flower girl was Morgan Toth, niece of the groom.

The best man was Jamie Toth, brother of the groom.

The groomsmen were Chris

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While flattered by the support, it is against the law for me to accept campaign contributions during the legislative session.

Strayhorn said. "So I put the money in the vault downstairs and raised the revenue estimate five dollars." "I have received contributions

from other people during this legislative session wanting me to run for governor and I have returned them, but this one came to me anonymously from Houston, so I couldn't find its rightful owner. I hope this Houstonian, whoever he or she may be, understands this money will be put to good use."

On Jan. 10, Strayhorn reported to the 79th Legislature the state will have \$64.7 billion in general revenue available for her certification of the budget for the 2006-07 biennium.

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 16 Baseball player
 18 Like eyes, first thing in the morning
 20 Gives a privilege
 21 Last queen of Spain
 23 Common contraction
 24 Grocery holder
 27 acid
 30 Freeway entrance
 34 Beverage
 36 Persian
 38 By way of
 39 Boxer's milieu
 40 Dip righty in water
 41 Assume a humble posture
 43 Cite Blamewok

DOWN
 44 Starchy food
 46 Works for
 47 Colony residents
 48 Engraved pillar
 51 Measurement: abbr.
 52 "He's got the whole world in"
 54 Mrs. or Mrs.
 56 Dressing up, usually
 61 Ships
 66 Basketball player
 68 Bradley or Khayyam
 69 Secure
 70 Fortune-teller's concerns
 71 Pater's teas
 72 Dieter's concerns: abbr.
 73 Ending for Vietnam
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 1 Voiced
 2 Ford's running mate
 3 "Cémo" in the past
 5 Direction in a pie recipe
 6 Prom-gear
 7 One who is tipped
 8 False daily
 9 Floor covering
 10 The base of "Lisais and others": abbr.
 11 One bank
 12 Inland
 14 Hand cream
 17 Tropical bird
 18 Danube or Nile: abbr.
 22 In the center of
 24 British peer
 25 Representative
 26 Adam's book: abbr.
 28 Not under the collar
 29 Bomb ingredient
 31 Keep from happening
 32 Manners
 33 Abbott and Costello or Laurel and Hardy
 34 Volcanic substance
 35 Talk informally
 37 Mamie's man
 42 Rest
 45 Give out a task
 48 Dress-maker's need
 50 God of love
 53 Traveler's spot
 55 Outbuilding
 56 Piece of land
 57 "Unvested"
 58 Biblical twin
 59 Actress: Patricia
 60 Spoken in a smooth, offhand manner
 62 Like a poor excuse
 63 out a ring, set by
 64 French: one's name
 65 One with namesakes
 67 L and L and L

BOARING TWENTIES
 In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and fill it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Words can be found in all directions - forwards, backwards, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?
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 9. Donner 19. Toto
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AOROSCOPIES
 by Charles Cooper

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Before making a financial decision, be sure to consult with family members. While tempting, you can't do things unilaterally. This weekend, be on the lookout for moneymaking opportunities.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A relative needs you this week. It's not the time to be stingy. While you dislike opening your wallet for others, you need to exercise kindness and generosity right now.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You may need to push yourself this week where work is concerned. However, your efforts will be worth it. Ultimately, you will be quite productive.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're not listening to what a friend is telling you. Tune in. This person has the key to happiness for you right now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You can really be stubborn at times. However, this isn't the week for you to dig your heels in. If you're more flexible, you'll achieve better results.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your charm works in your favor this week. A new opportunity could be the happy result. This weekend, domestic plans fall into place.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Something that's standing in your way at work is just a temporary glitch. Relax, and just let things flow naturally. By week's end, you're back in a nice groove.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) In your zeal to accomplish much at work, don't neglect what must be done at home. Fortunately, family members are helpful in this area. Over the weekend, it's time for fun and relaxation.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Competition gets you revved up, and this week is no exception. You're not about to let someone else steal your thunder. A word of caution: avoid ruthlessness.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A decision you made a while back concerning your career comes to fruition this week. It's about time, too. You were beginning to believe you'd made a mistake but can rest easy now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friend could try to bully you this week. Make it a point to stand up for yourself. You don't need to give in to a control freak for the sake of friendship.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your personal life is most important to you this week. If possible, see if you can take a few days off. It will work in your favor in the long run.

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Alpha and Omega

I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

I, Jesus, have sent mine an-



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gel to testify unto you these things in the churches, I am the root and the offspring of David, And the bright and morning star. Revelations 22:13-16. Hallelujah! Praise God!

Eight guineas and turkeys

Eight Guineas and Turkeys
My wife wanted to surprise me for my birthday and she did. She came home one afternoon with a little brown box.

I opened it and inside were eight strange looking little creatures. I asked her, "What is it?" and she said, "turkeys and guineas".

When they are only one day old it is hard to tell them apart. Six weeks have passed and now it is easy to tell them apart.

The turkeys are much bigger and have different colored feathers.

The guineas are making their distinct call and dart around all over the place.

The problem I had distinguishing the guineas from the turkeys is somewhat like a problem we face in Christianity. Most people claim or profess to be Christians.

I don't pay much attention to



Jerry
Davenport

Brother
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what they say I just start watching their actions or behavior. The Bible says in Matthew 7:16 you will know a tree by its fruit.

In Proverbs 20:11 the Bible says even a child will be known by his deeds.

For instance a married man never goes to Church or reads his Bible. Never prays unless it is a dire emergency and if he uses God's name it is in a curse word.

He may even be having an affair with another woman and yet says, "I am a Christian" Titus 1:15 & 16 talks about that.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Remember when

Remember when we were children, we often dreamed about being super heroes. We would watch them on cartoons and in movies, as well as reading of them in comics and books. And if you were like me, you acted them out.

In our daydreams we were the super heroes. We flew with Superman, we climbed buildings like Spiderman, we tossed huge objects like the Hulk.

In our naive childlike way we hoped one day we would be like super heroes. As we grew up we continued to hope that someday we would do something heroic with our lives.

As children, it was acceptable to have dreams of being super heroes, but society tells us that as we grow up, we are supposed to develop a more mature approach to life. I thought I would eventually outgrow my desire to be a hero, but today that longing is just as strong as it has always been. It drives me as a father, because I want my son to see he is worth the effort I put into raising him. It adds to my motivation as a pastor, because I want my ministry to give people real help in their lives. But I have to come to grips with the fact that



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there is really only one perfect hero, and his name is Jesus.

John the Baptist was a great and godly man, but he was not the hero the world had been waiting for. Rather, he was the one who would shine some light on the true hero so that the world could see him.

We are all capable of some pretty remarkable accomplishments, some of which might be considered heroic. But none of us can ever be the hero the world truly needs.

Our job as Christians in Brackettville is to shine our light and point people to the one true perfect hero—Jesus Christ. We are to use our lives, talents, resources, words, and actions to steer people towards the light of Christ, so they can have a true hero in their lives.

Come and celebrate our Risen Hero, Jesus Christ, every Sunday at 9:00AM and 11:00AM.

The Plenary Indulgence of the Blessed Sacrifice

My Dear People,
Peace be with you! I write to you and with much joy and affection on this Wednesday, the 4th day within the Octave of Easter. Rejoice and be glad for the Lord is truly risen. He will never die again; death has no more power over him. Our life is in him, as well as our hope. We have no more fear of death for he has conquered death and we live in him.

Therefore, we have reason to be happy. We are no longer slaves to sin and death, but free in Christ Jesus. Praise His name; Alleluia!

I have written you before on the significance of this year of the Eucharist, Oct. 2004 to Oct. 2005.

I now wish to inform you of a great gift which accompanies this special time. A Plenary Indulgence is a remission of all temporal punishment due to sin. When we sin, we separate ourselves from God.

In this sacrament of confession and God's mercy, we are forgiven our sins and reconciled to the Lord.

But there is still temporal punishment to be served, that we may be purified before entering into the presence of the Lord, like the refiners fire.

This temporal punishment comes partially fulfilled in the sufferings properly offered in this life and finally and completely in that place of sorrows known as Purgatory.

But with the Plenary Indulgence, there is a remission of all temporal punishment due to sin; the debt or time due in Purga-

tory is canceled. That is to say, if we receive a Plenary Indulgence and die that very moment, we will go straight to heaven and enjoy eternity in the presence of God.

This is indeed a great gift and pardon given to us by the grace of God.

The greatest of the miracles and the supreme memorial of the redemption which Our Lord Jesus Christ brought about through his Blood, the Eucharist, as sacrifice and sacrament, faultlessly produces the unity of the church, sustains her with the power of supernatural grace, bathes her in ineffable joy and provides supernatural assistance to nourish the piety of the faithful and impel them to intensify and indeed to perfect their Christian life.

In consideration of this, moved by concern for the church and to encourage both public and private devotion to the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II has granted this year of the Eucharist.

Furthermore, to encourage in the Faithful throughout this year a deeper knowledge and more intense love for the ineffable "mystery of Faith" and for them to obtain an ever-greater abundance of spiritual fruit, he has attached a Plenary Indulgence to certain specific acts of worship and devotion to the Most Blessed Sacrament.

This indulgence is granted to each and every member of the faithful whenever they participate in the Sacred Liturgy of the Holy Mass or in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, either ex-



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posed or preserved in the Blessed Sacrament.

In order to obtain the Plenary Indulgence, the usual conditions are required

1. Sacramental Confession
2. Eucharistic Communion in the Holy Mass
3. Prayers for the Intentions of the Pope (I Our Father and I Hail Mary)

- All this must be in a spirit of total detachment from any inclination to sin.

This is a very simple formula

but profoundly real and generous on the part of God. This gift of the indulgence may be received only once a day but as many times as possible may be renewed in this year as long as the foresaid requirements are repeated.

The Plenary Indulgence may not be offered for any other of the living but its benefits can be attributed to those who have died before us.

For those who because of illness or by other just causes are prevented from fulfilling the requirements, may obtain the indulgence as long as they deeply desire it in their hearts and are totally free from any desire to relapse into sin.

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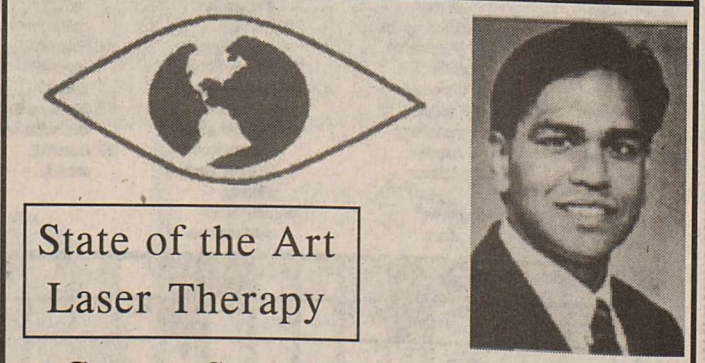
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The visit with the Warden stirred Rick's feelings. He wasn't used to having to control his reactions. A voice inside his head said quietly, "You need to learn to control your feelings, Ricky. If you don't, someday it'll get you into trouble." The voice was Grandpa's. Ricky was being scolded for fighting with another kid in the neighborhood.

Rick's mind shifted to another scene from his childhood. It was a somber picture with flowers and a casket. There was quiet music. Grandpa lay still and cold as if sleeping. People kneeled and prayed. There was lots of crying. Rick felt old angry feelings welling up inside. "How could he leave me?" Rick was angry at Grandpa for leaving him, he was angry at God for letting it happen and he was angry at himself for not being there when Grandpa needed him.

Back in his cell, Rick sat down at his little desk and picked up a book. "Why now?" he mumbled.

Joe's voice seemed to come out of nowhere. "Got some memories botherin yo mind?"

"What's it to ya?" Rick responded angrily.

"Rick, yo face look lak a keg a powder 'bout t' blow. Yo havin to larn how t' control doz feelins and it ain't easy." Joe said. "Dat visit wid da Warden taught yo a very impotant lesson.



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"Take it t' heart, and yo'll be a bettah man fo it."

Rick looked at Joe for a long minute. His mind was throbbing with conflicting thoughts. "I gotta hit the sack," he said. He walked to the bunks. He turned again to Joe. Before he could say anything, Joe answered the question in his mind.

"Ah changed de bunks Rick. Yo sleep on de bottom fo while til dat hand git bettah. A'll sleep on de top."

Rick looked into Joe's eyes and then at the floor. "Thanks," he said as he crawled into the bed. "Why should that old fool care about me?" He asked himself.

From out of the darkness Joe's voice said quietly. "Dat bottom bunk has a special blessin Rick. God loves yo and he got a wonderful plan fo yo life. Open yo heart to it."

Rick smiled but said nothing. He again heard Grandpa's voice. "Listen to counsel, Ricky and receive instruction, that one day you may be very wise (Proverbs 19:20)."

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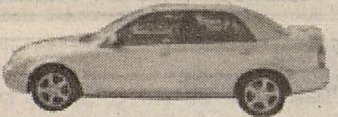







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