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Is It Really February????

by Jeanie Crocker

If your buttercups are blooming and your trees are budding, you may be having the same doubts we are experiencing. Can we really believe it's Spring or is another freeze in our future? Will a frost come and rob us of the beauty and drag us back into a colorless winter?

In dealing with the everyday problems here at Project Rescue, we constantly face those doubts on a spiritual level. We have guys who are taking their programs seriously and trying so hard to overcome their addiction. We are proud of their successes, but there's always that lingering doubt. Can they really be blooming into the Christian men God would have them be, or is the devil getting ready to attack and drag them back into their addiction?

We have experienced the devil's handiwork in the last couple of weeks. In spite of their valiant efforts, several have admitted to using a synthetic drug. They have learned their lessons, received the consequences of their actions and are moving on.

Yesterday, four of our men went forward after two powerful lessons at the Beltline church of Christ. They asked for forgiveness and strength to start again and put God first in their lives.

Even if we get that freeze and the flowers are gone for a while, they will return eventually. The flowers will bud again and all will be right with the world. Thank God for second chances.



IRON MAN

We have mentioned in a previous NewsLetter how a beautiful grandmother (who is a member of the Beltline church of Christ where we worship), has been praying for her 42 year-old grandson. Her hope is for Wes to find a reason for living a godly life. Wes was in an automobile accident 17 years ago. His injuries resulted in brain surgery. When all was said and done, he was left totally blind at the age of 25. Eventually his father bought a house for him, and Wes lived alone in the darkness. With the help of his very supportive family, he learned to function and care for himself. I (Ronnie Crocker) can only imagine how difficult this major life change was for Wes. The adjustments he had to make were beyond comprehension after living 25 years as a normal, functioning individual. In time, the drug world learned of Wes' situation and decided to keep him company. The family became frustrated and searched for other answers for him. They turned to Project Rescue for help, and Wes has been living in one of our apartments for the past 8 months! He has been growing spiritually, intellectually, mentally, and emotionally!!

The typical program member begins to work in the community after 30 days in the program. Wes has been attending Braille classes and learning how to use an iphone and a computer.

Because Wes is ironing shirts and pants for Project Rescue staff and members, we now call him Iron Man!

If you would like to give Wes 'a hand up' please call Ronnie at 256-345-3065 for an appointment to bring Wes your shirts (\$2.50) and pants (\$2.50) for ironing.

[Please click here for a 1-minute video message from Wes about his ironing skills.](#)

Date set for the Bar-B-Q

There was an exciting meeting after worship last night at the Austinville congregation. A large number of supporters gathered for a planning meeting for our upcoming Bar-B-Q fundraiser. The date will be Saturday, May 19th, from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm.

More attractions are being added to make it an even bigger event than in previous years. Believe it or not, this will be the 7th year of Bar-B-Q, auction, music, games and all kinds of fun.

We hope you will be making your plans to come if at all possible. It gives everyone a reason to visit our beautiful property and get a firsthand feel of what's going on here.

We will continue to keep you updated on the details of this special event. You can also check our progress at "Project Rescue Fundraiser" on FaceBook.



The guys have been blessed lately by several mothers who have brought Saturday lunch for the whole group.

Although we have a good cook working for us every day, there's nothing like Mama's cooking. Even if Mama's cooking consists of pizza from the nearest pizza joint, it's special and greatly appreciated.

If you're looking for lots of hugs and "thank you's", you too can be somebody's mama.

We also have a congregation that is planning to bring their Sunday pot luck dinner to share with the guys.

We love these ideas!

Again, we want to thank you for your prayers and support on our behalf as we struggle with these guys to set them back on the path toward heaven.

Especially remember the guys in your prayers that they can have the strength to accomplish what they have set their hearts on doing. One of our young men lost his mother recently. Each of them has a story that we can't even imagine.

They have a lot to endure and need our constant fervent prayers. Thank you for your encouragement and all you do for His cause.

