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## Chamber Banquet Thursday Night

The time for the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet presenting the Agricultural Award, the Community Service Award, and Academic Achievement Awards, is now upon us. The date has been set for Thursday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m.

Featured entertainment will be "The Cooper Fiddler's" of Abilene, playing a variety of music, primarily country.

We are also having a table decorating contest, come out and see the unique ideas these businesses and organizations come up with.

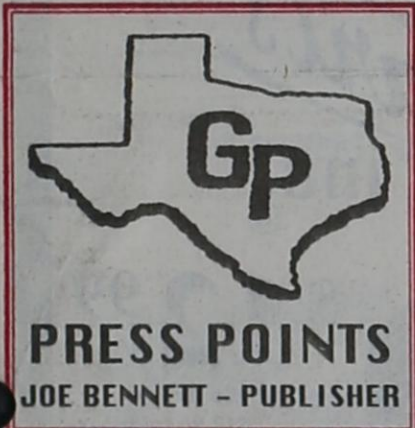
Tickets are \$10.00 each and the meal will be catered by the Livestock Raisers Association again this year. Tickets will be available at the door or from the following: Ron Keller, American State Bank; Jeff Seaton, Seaton Mills; George Simmons, Gorman Pharmacy; Judy Warren, CMS Healthcare; Daryl Hirst, G&H Feeds; Bob Wilkerson, Bob's Grocery; Ray Daniels or Terry Treadway.

## Ervin - Dennis - Good All File For Mayor

Billy Joe Dennis, retired farm and rancher and 21 Years of service in the U.S. Air Force has filed for Mayor, his opponent Kenneth Good who is mayor pro-tem on the City Commission and Robert Ervin has also filed for this position.

## T. Dennis and Rodgers All File For Place 2

Tim Dennis, a para-medical has filed for Place 2. He is affiliated with South Hill County and Hill College in Cleburne. His opponent is Donnie Rodgers.



— J —  
WE APOLOGIZE

First of all, we at the Progress want to apologize to the Boys and Girls at the school for the very poor quality of the photos in last week's paper. We were very disappointed at the darkness of the photos and want to let the players know how sorry we are for the photos. We took the pictures with the Polaroid camera and thought that they would come out okay. However due to the shadows over the faces of the players due to the bright sunshine and the caps shadowing the faces, they just couldn't bring the pictures out.

We will be seeking some of these photos from the school as soon as the school photographer has all the photos reproduced and will publish them again. Again we apologize to these players and their parents for the bad pictures.

— J —  
We have gotten a shower or two recently but not enough to measure much. Every drop is appreciated and we thank the Good Lord for it. All we can do is to seek His help in bringing some moisture to our area. Some places around got good rains but it was widespread and places didn't get any.

— J —  
We want to thank the Gorman and area advertisers for their support in publishing this issue of the Progress complementing the farmers, ranchers, and professional people of our area. Without their support it would im-

## Mauney Wins Class A State Powerlifting Championship



Christina Mauney won the Class A State Championship in the SHW Class at the State Powerlifting Meet held in Killeen this past weekend. Christina hit a career high 820 Total at the Meet. This included a 360 pound Squat, 145 pound Bench and 315 pound Dead Lift. She also finished 9th out of the total 28 lifters representing all five UIL Classifications in the Meet.

## GHS Boys Track Team Competes In Meridian

The Gorman High School Boys Track Team competed in Meridian this past weekend. The Meet had 26 teams entered. Gorman had only two boys to place but most of the other boys competing are dropping their times impressively. Placing was Bradley Gilmore won the 110 Hurdles with a season best 15.44. David Seaton placed 5th in the Pole Vault at 10'0". Other notable performances included Sn Rountree finishing 7th in the 400 Dash with 54.53, Miguel Cruz ran a 5:31.66 in the Mile, Jose Cruz ran a 5:31.30 in the Mile and a 2:23 800 Meter. Next meet is Thursday night in May.

## Gorman EDB Hosts First Town Meeting

Monday evening the Gorman Economic Development Board and Director Lori Dodd hosted the first of three Town Meetings to be held in the next month. Twenty-five Gorman residents and business owners attended the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to get individuals to participate in a Texas Resource Team visit that will be held April 25-27.

There will be another meeting on Tuesday, April 18th at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. Look for more information regarding the Team visit in weeks to come. We are looking for people in over 25 different areas of representation. Some of the areas include Agriculture, Business, Retail, Industry, Church, Youth, Senior Citizens, Non-profit Organizations, Social Services, Minorities, and more.

PLEASE try to attend this next meeting. It is important for YOU to give YOUR input about YOUR community and where our future is headed.

Those in attendance were Judy Warren, Tommy Campbell, Bill Vaughn, Ron Skiles, Kathy Torres, Jeff Bacher, Jud Maxfield, James Mears, Eula Mears, Janet Sanders, County Judge Brad Stephenson, Betty Dennis, Billy Joe Dennis, Leonard Silva, Jon VanDusen, Doug Caffey, Becky Caffey, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Bob Hammontree, and Tim Dennis. Talk to any of these individuals for more information or contact Lori Dodd at 734-3637 or 734-3933.

## Large Yard & Bake Sale

Hi There! We are the Lord's Kids. We are going to have a Large Yard Sale, Bake Sale, Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, and lots more. We are trying to raise money to help build our new Auditorium. We would gladly accept donations of clean, usable items for it is for God's Work. If you have anything to donate, we will pickup. Please call Mary Perkins at 254-893-2762 or Denver Rainey at 254-734-3360. The event is going to take place on April 8 beginning at 8 a.m. on Hwy. 6 at Warren's Watermelon Shed. Bring cakes, pies and cookies on Friday, April 7th.

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
MONDAY, APRIL 3RD — 1:00 TO 5:00 P.M.  
GORMAN COMMUNITY CENTER  
Sponsored by Gorman Lions Club

- 1600 Meter Relay - Royster, Perez, Porter, Leal - 5th Place - 5:17.14
- 800 Meter Relay - Perez, Porter, Files, Royster - 3rd Place - 2:02.22
- Shot Put - Porter - 1st Place - 30'3"; Other participants were M. Davis and Abbe
- Discus - Porter - 1st Place - 100'7"; Other participants were Rodriguez and A. Davis
- Triple Jump - Royster - 3rd Place - 29' 3 1/4"
- Long Jump - Files - 3rd Place - 13' 10 1/2" and Grumbles 7th Place - 11' 7 1/2"
- High Jump - Files - 1st Place - 4'8"

Other schools participating at the Cross Plains Track Meet were: Bangs, Abilene Christian, Novice, Baird, Cross Plains, May and Rising Star. The Lady Cubs will be participating in their last track meet this Saturday. It will be their District Track Meet and it will be at Gorman. We would love to see you there! Good Luck Girls.

## Gorman Easter Egg Hunt 2000

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 22 at the downtown City Park. (Time to be announced later). Donations of money, candy (no chocolate, please) or Treasures are needed. Donations can be left at the City Grocery or at Smith's Service Station.

Thanks, Ina Smith

## Four Gorman High Band Students Compete at UIL Choral Solo and Ensemble



These students competed at UIL Choral Solo and Ensemble Contest in Cleburne on February 26, 2000. All four girls received high ratings on their singing. The results are as follows: Tara Howard - Division I; Sarah Lewis - Division II; Lana Howard - Division I; Laci Howard - Division I. Tara and Lana have qualified for State UIL Competition on May 29 at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. A Special Thanks to Rachel Watson for being the accompanist for all four girls.

More Band News Inside this issue of the Progress.

## Lady Cubs and Lady Panthers Track Meet Results



Lady Cubs Sprint Relay Team with their First Place Plaque. Team members are Files, Porter, Perez and Royster.

- The Lady Cubs participated at the Cross Plains Track Meet last week. Results were:
- Total Team Points - 92 (3rd Place Overall)
  - 2400 Meter Run - Leal - 3rd Place - 14:48.13
  - 400 Meter Relay - Perez, Porter, Files, Royster - 1st Place 57.54
  - 100 Meter Hurdles - Hornback - 24.28
  - 100 Meter Dash - Rodriguez - 15:34 and Hornback 17:52
  - 400 Meter Dash - Leal 1:20.64, Longoria - 1:42.21, and A. Davis - 1:46.12
  - 200 Meter Dash - Files - 1st Place - 28.16; Rodriguez - 41.07; Hornback - 38.69
  - 1600 Meter Run - Grumbles - 7:56.48

## Carbon Cemetery Assn. Annual Business Meeting

The Carbon Cemetery Association will hold its Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, April 1st. The meeting will be held in the Carbon Community Center at 7 p.m. Officers will be elected at this time, along with other business.

Please make an attempt to attend.

Ronnie Pack, Pres.

## Signup For Baseball Set Friday

The signup for T Ball, Pee Wee Baseball, and Little League is set for Friday, March 31st from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Gorman School Cafeteria.

## Daylight Savings Time Changes On April 2

Everyone needs to remember to turn your clocks one hour ahead on Saturday night for Daylight Savings Time.

possible to print this tribute to these folks in our area. Please get your Banquet tickets for this very important event and help honor the awardees and the school students. The banquet will begin at 7 p.m. in the school gym and tickets will be available at the door. So lets all attend and support this effort of the Gorman Chamber of Commerce to honor these most worthy recipients.

— J —  
And remember to smile — because God Loves You!!!



# OBITUARIES

## Velma T. Todd Laid to Rest

Velma T. Todd, 95, passed away Friday, March 24 in the Stephenville Hospital.

Services were Sunday, March 26 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Paul Denton officiating. Burial was in the Gorman Cemetery.

Mrs. Todd was born August 20, 1904 in DeLeon to Harvey Oscar George and Ina Myrtle (Thomas) George. She married Earnest E. Todd on June 28, 1959 in Granbury. He preceded her in death on November 12, 1986. Mrs. Todd and her husband owned and operated Todd's Variety Store in Gorman for many years. She was a member of the Gorman Church

of Christ. Survivors include one sister, Faustene (George) Cayce of Midland; one step-daughter, Earnestine Shugart of Granbury; and several nieces and nephews.

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## Doyl Poynor Laid to Rest

Doyl Poynor, 93, of Gorman passed away Friday, March 24, 2000 in the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Monday, March 27, 2000 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with David Rogers officiating. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery.

Mr. Poynor was born January 22, 1907 in Comanche Co. to William Morgan Poynor and Ora (Smith) Poynor. He married Essie Maupin on January 12, 1927 in the Indian Mountain Community near Gorman. He was a rancher-farmer and had lived in the Gorman area all of his life.

Survivors include his wife, Essie Poynor of Gorman; daughter, Peggy Singleton and her husband L.E. of Desdemona; brother, G.W. (Stub) Poynor of Hugo, Oklahoma; sister, Era Maupin of Gorman; one granddaughter, Vicki Morgan and husband Darrell of Granbury; two great granddaughters, Jessica and Doylina Morgan of Granbury.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Ira, B.N., I.N. and Euell Poynor; three sisters, Dessie Lee Poynor, Ava Mason and Lela Dell Bennett.

**Did you know** --Agriculture is the second-largest industry in Texas, producing 16 percent of the gross state product and generating \$80 billion to the Texas economy.

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**GENEALOGY:** Request contact with descendants/relatives of John Chapman (1866-1948) and Josephine Eckert (1867-1936), children Chester, Ruth, Clara, Johnny. Also Rufus Eppler (1865-1929) and Jane Eckert (1871-1953), children Elsie, Edna, Bertha, Dorothy Jean, Pauline, Della, Sue, Paul, Finis, Bill and Barton. Please contact Vera Ralston 915/452-3297, RR 1 Box 191D, Richland Springs, TX 76871 or jrvalst@centex.net. 1-3-30-P

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## Services Held for Sandra Farley

Sandra Hardin Farley, 51, of DeLeon passed away on Thursday, March 23, 2000 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Ft. Worth. Services were on Saturday, March 25, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in DeLeon with Danny Farley and Greg Newton officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Sandra was born on August 14, 1948 in Gorman to Lloyd and Vivian Hardin. She married Jim Farley on August 23, 1968 in DeLeon. She was a homemaker and a member of Rock Bluff Baptist Church. She had lived in DeLeon all her life.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Farley of DeLeon; two daughters, Amy Farley of Austin and Jamie Farley of DeLeon; her parents, Loyd and Vivian Hardin of DeLeon; three brothers, Danny Joe Hardin and Donny Hardin, both of DeLeon and Rocky Hardin of Georgetown; two sisters, Glenda Weaver of DeLeon and Karen Sharp of Lampasas, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Rock Bluff Baptist Church or DeLeon Assembly of God Church.

## Services Set for Fannie M. Reeves

Fannie Mae Reeves, 86, of DeLeon passed away on Monday, March 27, 2000 at Hendrick Health Systems, Abilene. Services have been set for Thursday, March 30, 2000 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Bud Jones officiating. The body will be cremated.

Mrs. Reeves was born on April 27, 1913 in VanDyke, Comanche Co. to the late W.B. King and Sallie Brown King. She married Charlie Reeves in DeLeon on August 11, 1974. Mrs. Reeves was a retired employee of DeLeon Peanut Company and was a homemaker. She had lived in DeLeon area most of her life and was a member of the Northside Baptist Church in DeLeon.

Survivors include one daughter, Judi Lee of Arlington; one grandson, Michael Pryor of New Orleans, LA; and one granddaughter, Lacy Taylor of Arlington; several niece, nephews, and cousins.

She was also preceded by her husband, Charlie Reeves on August 9, 1980; by one granddaughter, one sister, and by five brothers.

The City Commission, City of Gorman will be accepting bids during regular office hours for the cleaning of the City Office and Community Center. The cleaning will be done weekly. Bids will be accepted thru March 31. Bids will be considered April 6 at regular meeting. The City reserves the right to decline any or all bids.

The City of Gorman, City Commission is accepting bids on the city rent house located directly next to the water tower. Sealed bids will be accepted during regular office hours thru March 31. Bids will be considered Thursday, April 6, 2000 at regular meeting. The City reserves the right to decline any or all bids.

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## Services Held for Mack 'Red' Keith

Mack James 'Red' Keith, 70, passed away on Sunday, March 26, 2000 in the Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Services were Tuesday, March 28, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in Gorman with Jeff Smith and Denver Rainey officiating. Burial was in the Victor Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman.

Mr. Keith was born on May 9, 1929 in Erath County to Major Keith and Ethel (Partain) Keith. He graduated from Desdemona High School in 1948. He married Nelda Rainey on March 14, 1953, in Ranger. He retired from Birdsong Peanuts in 1992; since that time he has been involved in cattle ranching. Mr. Keith's grandparents were the first couple to be married in Eastland County on July 5, 1863.

Survivors include his wife, Nelda



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Wesley N. Warren

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To the voters of Pct. 3, I would appreciate your vote in the April 11th Democratic Primary Runoff for Eastland County Commissioner.

The County Commissioner is a very important job. The maintaining of our county roads, along with three other Commissioners taking care of our County's business.

The County Commissioner will be facing important issues in the near future. One of the problems is bringing industry and jobs into the County so our taxes do not have to be raised to meet the County budget.

Based on the 2000 Census, our total population will probably be down resulting in less money for the County.

We may be facing redistricting of our County Pct. because of population shift within the County.

As your Commissioner, I will work extremely hard to bring new industry

to all parts of the County. I will work to protect our Pct. boundaries if redistricting is mandated.

When it comes to money matters, I am very conservative. I could not have been a successful farmer and rancher in this area for 29 years without making good management decisions. Some of these decisions were very hard to make, including the one to downsize my farming operation. It was my decision to down-size, not the banks or lending agencies. I gained valuable experience during those years that is still beneficial, like having an efficient shop repairing and keeping machinery in good working condition so it will be available when needed.

**IF ELECTED**

1. I will maintain all roads in Pct. 3, no area will be favored.

2. I will keep our tax base as low as possible, and will not vote for a uni-

**Billy Joe Dennis Makes Statement**

My name is Billy Joe Dennis, and I am announcing my candidacy for the position of Mayor.

I am a graduate of Gorman High School and Ranger College. I retired from the Air Force in 1972. I have been a resident of the City since then.

I pledge to you, if elected, to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the office in a diligent and conscientious manner. I want to ensure that our citi-

zary system.

3. I will provide a strong voice on the Commissioners' Court and keep you informed of County issues.

4. I do not intend to move the main County barn, but I will also maintain Gorman's yard to better serve the Gorman area.

5. I will be your full-time Commissioner.

Again, I ask for your vote and support on April 11, 2000.

Respectfully yours,  
/s/ Wesley N. Warren  
Pd. pol. adv. for Wesley N. Warren, Box 297, Gorman, Texas 76454

**Bill Underwood Makes Statement**

First, I would like to thank the voters of Pct. 3 for your support and influence in the Primary Election on March 14.

I am asking you for your continued support and influence on April 11 in the Runoff Election.

Some other issues I have been asked about are:

1. What do I think about some of you voting in one Precinct and having an-

other Precinct take care of your roads? As I have told you from the start, I don't believe it is right. I also believe that if you take the ones that are north and northwest of Gorman, you should take the ones that are north and northwest of Sabana also. This would need to be done in October when the county budget is set so the funding to take care of them would be allotted to Pct. 3. This involves several miles--somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 miles. This will mean there will have to be more labor (1 or 2 employees) and at least one more motor grader. It also does not mean they could be repaired overnight. When the commissioners made the decision to do this, at the time I believe it was the right one, but I believe it needs to be brought back to Pct. 3 now.

2. Would I be willing to help the cities of Gorman, Carbon, and Rising Star when they had a problem they could not handle with the equipment they have? Yes, I would be willing to help them out, but my priority would be the county roads. Small cities such as these are not large enough to have all the equipment they need for some prob-

I will be grateful for your support. Thank you,  
/s/ Billy Joe Dennis

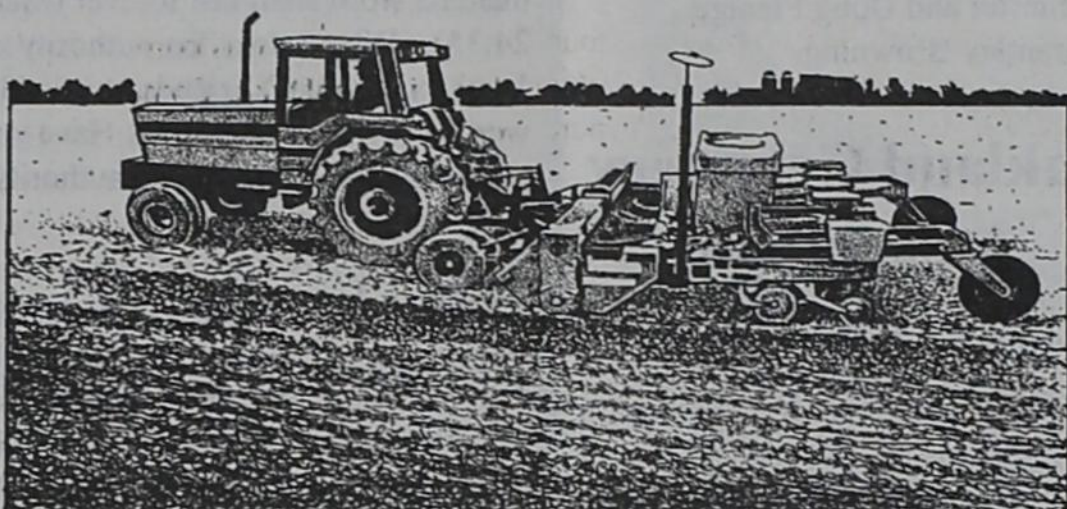
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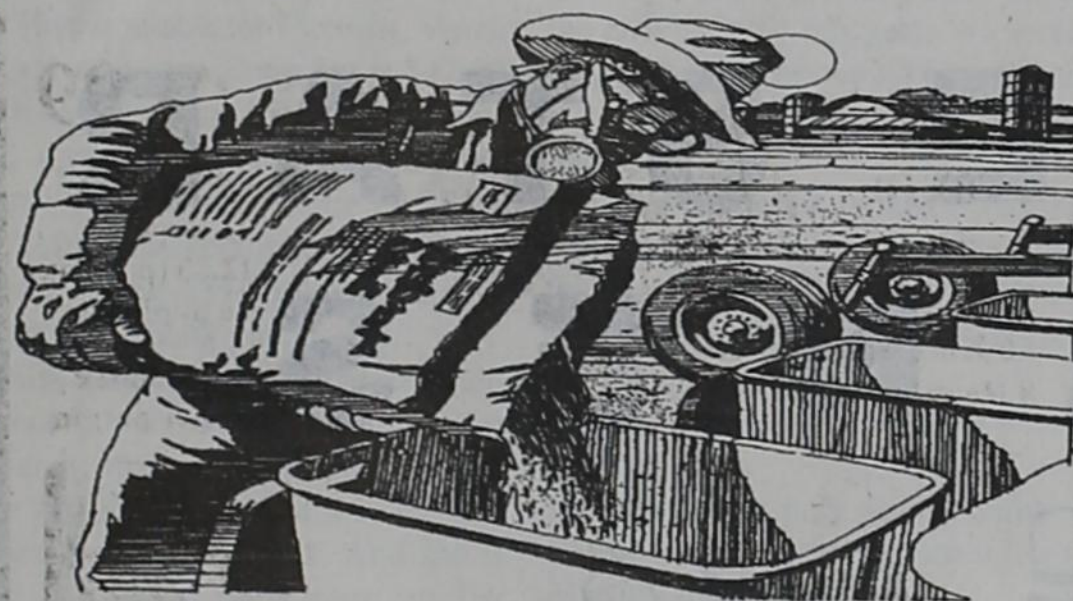
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lems they have. People living in the city limits pay county taxes too.

I am asking for your support on April 11, as I did before, on my experience, knowledge of Pct. 3, dedication and my ability to work with you, the people of Pct. 3. I will be a full time working commissioner available to you at any time. I would also like to assure all of the current employees that their jobs would go unchanged.

Thank you,  
/s/ Bill Underwood  
Pd. pol. adv. for Bill Underwood, Rt. 1 Box 181, Carbon, Texas 76435

**New Sales Tax Exemption**

Comptroller Carol Keeton Rylander announces new sales tax exemption on over-the-counter medicines. Starting April, Texas consumers will no longer pay sales tax on most nonprescription pills, potions and ointments kept in the average home medicine cabinet to treat minor illnesses and injuries.

The tax break is expected to save Texas families about \$160 million in state and local sales taxes during its first full year, 2001.

"Exempting over-the-counter medicines from the sales tax is long overdue," Comptroller Rylander said. "Prescription drugs have been tax exempt since the state sales tax was enacted in 1961. Paying sales tax on nonprescription medicine is a bitter pill to swallow.

"The tax burden on working Texas families is too high," Comptroller Rylander said. "This new tax exemption on over-the-counter medicines is a way to ease the tax burden and help families stretch their budgets a little farther."

To be tax exempt, a product must be a drug or medicine: an article or substance intended for use in diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of disease or suffering. The drug or medicine must be intended for human use and must have a National Drug Code (NDC) number issued pursuant to U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations.

The sales tax exemption does not apply to medical equipment, appliances and devices such as thermometers, heating pads, toothbrushes and dental floss. However, the legislature voted specifically to apply the new sales tax exemption to blood glucose monitoring strips. Previous law exempts orthopedic braces, crutches, wheelchairs, hearing aids and batters, hypodermic needles and syringes from the sales tax. This will not change.

More information about the sales tax exemption on over-the-counter medicine is available on the Comptroller's web site at: [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx94\\_155.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx94_155.html) or by calling 1-800-252-5555.

**Commissioner Pct.3 Runoff Set April 11**

A runoff has been scheduled for April 11 in the Precinct 3 Commissioner Democratic race. Bill Underwood and Wesley Warren earned the runoff spots.

The runoff winner will face Republican James New in the general election.

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## Turner and Rainey to be Wed

Kristina Elizabeth Turner and Marvin Glenn Rainey will be united in marriage on Sunday, April 9, 2000. Denver Rainey, uncle of the groom will perform the ceremony.

Kristina is the daughter of Jimmie Lee and Glenna Turner of Gorman.

Marvin is the son of Hank Rainey Sr. of Rucker and Linda Casselberry of Abilene.

Kristina is the granddaughter of Georgia Ervin of Gorman and the granddaughter of the late Miles Ervin and Johnnie Turner and Nellie (Turner) Lucky.

Marvin is the grandson of Gladys and Garland Fraley of Gorman and the great grandson of Sarah Mize of Gorman.

The wedding is by invitation only.

## Thank You

I would like to personally thank each and everyone who has helped me through this time of the illness and death of my beloved Sandra Farley. She could not have been more loved by me if she had been my own daughter. If you have prayed for me, you and God now who you are. That is the greatest gift anyone could have given. Your words of comfort have supported me, and I thank my God for you all. May God bless you.

Bernice Farley

## Clark and Craddock Birthday Celebration

Estelle Craddock and Patsy Clark of Comfort share the same birthday dates and were honored with a Clark family get-together at ZJ's Restaurant Saturday evening. It was Estelle's 88th birthday and Patsy is much younger.

Those attending were: Doyle Lynn and Patsy of Comfort, Dr. Phil Webb and Cathy of Kerrville, Carolyn Mathews of DeLeon, Tommy, Michelyn and Jeff Clark, Christian David and Joseph David Clark, Debbie

## Lacey Tucker Places in OK Stock Show

Lacey Tucker, granddaughter of Bobby and Faye Tucker of Carbon completed her first year of stock shows this year.

Lacey had an excellent first year. She won Grand Champion pig of the Dover, Oklahoma show with her Yorkshire gilt. She then placed 2nd with her gilt at the district show at the Dover-Hennessey show.

Lacey lives in Dover, Oklahoma. Her pig was bred and raised by Joshua Carruth.

Congratulations, Lacey

Clark and Estelle Craddock all of Gorman and Kay Ann Craddock of Plano.

## Thank You

The family of Wilbur Shell wishes to thank you for the cards, visits, food, flowers, and memorials during his passing. A special thank you to the ladies that prepared and served food for the funeral.

He loved Gorman and the surrounding area, and especially the people he had known for so many years. He would have been pleased to know so many cared for him.

Sincerely,

Linda Delgado

Emily and Jeff Key

Ted Delgado

Mary and Bob Browning

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## Oakland Cemetery Association Expresses Thanks

The Oakland Cemetery Association would like to say "Thanks" in a very large measure to each and every one who contributed in any way to put the cemetery back in shape after the vandalism that was done there.

There were so many who came and worked as individuals and groups working operating the machinery they brought to do the heavy lifting and re-setting of the monuments.

Everyone worked so hard and their heart was really in the righting the wrongs that had been done to the resting place of our loved ones.

Again, we say thanks to all who came and worked, and to all who contributed in any way.

We had an excellent noon meal that was brought in by so many and we appreciate that also.

God Bless Each and Everyone.

/s/ The Oakland Cemetery Association

## Thank You

It is so hard to put into words the thoughts in our hearts for all the people who have stood by the family of Sandra Farley during her illness and death. Dr. Dickey, Dr. Long, Dr. Miller, Mike Hare and the staff of the DeLeon Hospital were so helpful during her two stays there in November and December. It is so nice to have a good hospital here in town. She spent almost eight weeks in Harris Methodist Fort Worth Hospital and received a really specialized care that she needed. The visits, calls, prayers, and concerns were especially helpful during the long stay in Fort Worth. Many people did things for us here at home while we were away.

Then, after Sandra passed away, everyone stepped up the care a notch. We had food to eat at the house by the time we returned from Fort Worth, and it is still coming. Bro. Tom and the folks at First Baptist Church were gracious enough to allow us to use their facility for the service and the meal. Ann Weaver and her hostesses from several of the churches in the community prepared a delicious meal with a wide variety of food. The Son Shine Singers, consisting of grown men and women who used to sing in Sandra's group as kids, came together one last time to honor her under the leadership of Vickie Robinett. Bro. Greg Newton and Bro. Danny Farley delivered words of comfort, remembrance, humor, and hope, as well as the gospel. Last, but not least, Donnie Nowlin and his staff were caring and so helpful during our time of loss. We want to thank each one of you.

Jim, Amy and Jamie Farley  
Lloyd and Vivian Hardin  
Danny Joe Hardin and Family  
Glenda Weaver and Family  
Karen Sharp and Family  
Donnie Hardin and Family  
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Titan, Saturn's largest moon, is the only moon in the solar system known to have an atmosphere of any substance.

## "Speaking the Truth in Love"

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Friends, where do the authority of Jesus exist today? Answer: It is found within His word! Jesus said, "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hat one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48). All of us, without exception, will be judged by the words of Jesus on that last day.

Friends, in the last day we will NOT be judged by our own feelings, our own thoughts, our own opinions, or our own personal religious beliefs. We will not be judged solely by our sincerity, our dedication, our commitment, our morality, or our honesty. We will not be judged by what some elder, preacher, deacon, or our Sunday school teacher taught us. We will not be judged by the agreed upon rulings of some synod, council, assembly, or conference. We will not be judged by the beliefs of our parents, family, friends, or our loved ones who have already passed on. We will not be judged by the creeds, catechisms, manuals, disciplines, and teachings that originated with men.

We will not be judged by any of these things, but by the words of Christ alone. Nothing else! His words alone will be the basis of judgement at the end of time. Jesus also said that a wise person will hear and obey His word (Luke 6:46-49); that we must not be ashamed of His word or he will be ashamed of us (Luke 9:26); if we are going to be His followers, we must continue in His word (John 8:31); and that His word shall last forever (Matt. 24:35). Where does the authority of Jesus exist today? Friends, it is in His word (the New Testament). Have you placed yourself under His authority?

## Postal Service to Open Entrance Examination

The Rural Carrier associate examination will be open to the general public indefinitely beginning March 20, 2000 for the Stephenville Area eligibility register.

Offices included in the Stephenville AER are Blanket, Bluffdale, Comanche, DeLeon, Gordon, Gorman, Gustine, Hico, Lipan, Mingus & Tolar, Texas.

Individuals interested in applying to take the examination may complete one Application/Admission Card, at any one of the post offices listed above.

No applications will be accepted before or after the above dates.

Are you prepared to be judged by His word?

Have you obeyed God's Plan of Salvation? Have you obeyed the Gospel (2 Thess. 1:7-9)? Jesus said one must HEAR the word of God (John 5:24) and BELIEVE that Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24). One must REPENT (Luke 13:3) and CONFESS that Jesus is the son of God (Matt. 10:32-33). One must then submit to New Testament WATER BAPTISM for the washing one's past sins by the blood of Christ (Mark 16:16; acts 22:14; Rev. 1:5-6). And then one must continue to LIVE FAITHFULLY and IN OBEDIENCE to God all of their life (Matt. 7:21-23; matt. 10:22; Luke 6:46). Have you obeyed Jesus?

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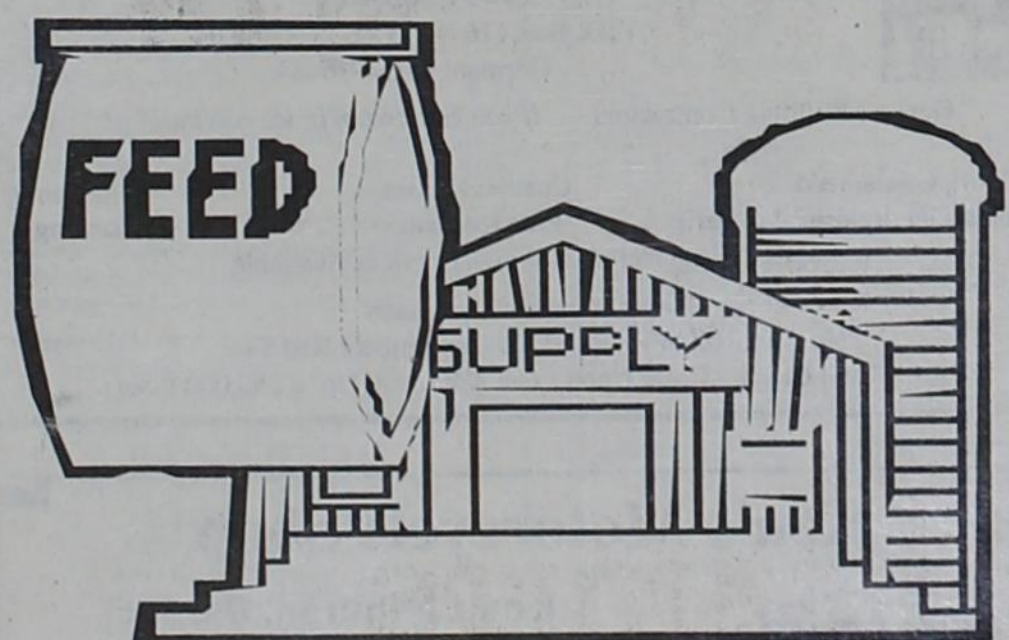
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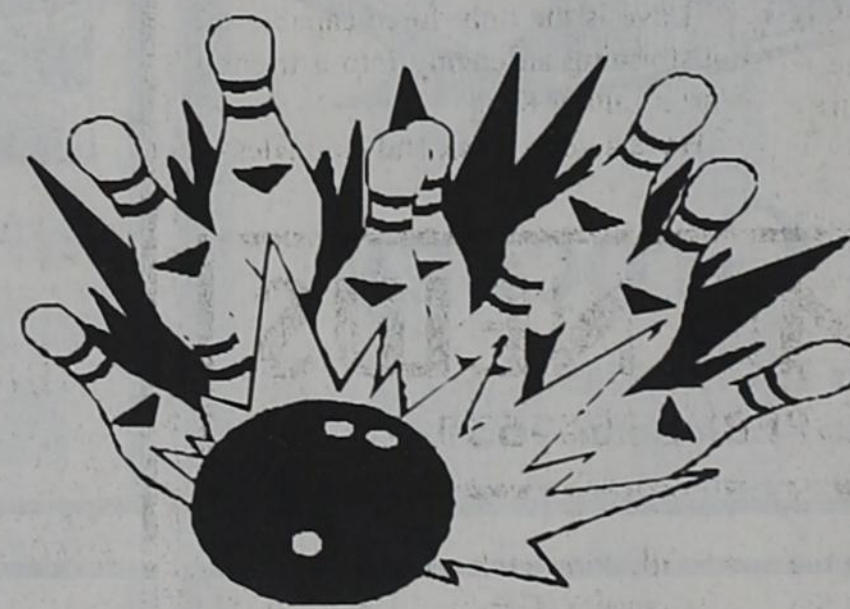
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## Pet License Renewals Warning

Some people have been slow to renew their pet license. Please be reminded of the following:

### SECTION 2.04. LICENSE REQUIRED

All dogs and cats three months of age or older which are kept, harbored or maintained within the corporate limits of the City shall be licensed. Cat and dog licenses shall be provided by the Animal Control Officer or his agent upon payment of the required fee for each cat or dog. Before a City License will be issued, the owner of the cat or dog must present a certificate from a licensed veterinarian showing that such cat or dog has been vaccinated for rabies within the preceding 12 months. The owner shall state his/her name and address, and the breed, color and sex of the cat or dog to be licensed. Such license shall be valid for two years from the date of issuance. License fees shall not be required for seeing eye dogs or governmental police dogs. The fee for a dog or cat shall be set by the City Council and amended as needed. The List of Fees shall be found in Article Seven of this Ordinance.

### SECTION 1.03. PENALTIES.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. Each day of violation, each separate animal and each incident of violation of this title shall constitute a separate offense.

### SECTION 2.06 ENFORCEMENT.

For the purposes of discharging the duties imposed by this article, and to enforce its provisions, any peace officer or Animal Control Officer is empowered to enter upon any premises upon which an animal is kept or harbored and demand the exhibition by the owner of such animal or the license for such animal in accordance with the provisions of this article, to include random city-wide canvassing and checks for compliance with the article. The owner of any animal is required to produce the license and vaccination information for each animal in his ownership upon demand by an Animal Control Officer or peace officer.



## Gorman Students Go to Houston

Congratulations go out to Joshua Carruth, Mandy Warren, and Seth

Johnson on taking their animals all the way to Houston. Seth placed 21st with his heavy weight crossbred pig. Mandy Warren placed 4th with her Berkshire pig. Mandy also won the Texas Bred award for having the highest placing Texas bred pig in her class. Her pig was bred and raised by John Mart Stephens. Joshua Carruth placed 2nd with his heavy weight Yorkshire pig. This was made extra special by the fact that Joshua bred and raised his own pig. Congrats to all three of these students for making the top 660 pigs of approximately 4000 that started out Brenham sift.

Congrats also go out to Joshua Carruth for placing his lamb at Houston also. Joshua placed 18th in a class of 43 with his medium weight medium wool lamb. This was accomplished by placing in the top 324 out of 1362 lambs at the Rosenberg sift.

Joshua and Mandy both made the sale with their pigs and Joshua made the sale with his lamb.

Thanks to Mr. Caraway and Mr. Boles for your help in making this possible.

### Did you know

--Texas ranks first in the nation with the number of farms and ranches as well as in farmland with 131.5 million acres. The average size of farm was 582 acres in 1998 and 80 percent of the land in Texas is in some form of agriculture production.

### Did you know

--Texas is the leading state in the U.S. in the number of students studying agriculture among university and high school students.

## 7th and 8th Grade Track News

The Gorman 7th grade boys track team competed in the Pioneer Relays at Cross Plains last Friday night. The boys finished 3rd as a team with 74 points. The following list is the placings from the track meet:

- 400 Relay--Martinez, Spivey, Wright, Cochran --3rd
- 110 Hurdles--Scotty Lewis--6th
- 100 Dash--Juan Martinez--4th
- 400 Dash--Gil Cochran--4th
- 300 Hurdles--Scotty Lewis--2nd; Ryan Wright--5th
- 1600 Relay--Spivey, Wright, Cochran, Lewis--3rd
- Shot--Juan Martinez--1st
- Discus--Scotty Lewis--2nd; Juan Martinez--5th
- Pole Vault--Gil Cochran--tied for 2nd
- Long Jump--Gil Cochran--4th

The Gorman 8th grade boys finished 6th at the Pioneer Relays this past Friday in Cross Plains. The boys' total was 46 points. Their next meet is in the District 12A meet Saturday here in Gorman.

- 400 Relay--VanDusen, Barron, Young, Rodriguez--3rd
- 110 Hurdles--Chad Young--2nd
- 400 Dash--Roberto Rodriguez--1st
- 300 Hurdles--David Barron--2nd
- 1600 Relay--Barron, Young, VanDusen, Rodriguez--4th

## DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

Our hearts were saddened early Sunday morning, March 26 when our brother, Mack James Keith, 70, of Gorman passed away in Abilene Hendricks Hospital following a massive coronary which left him in a coma for eleven days.

Survivors include his wife, Nelda Keith of Gorman; three sons, Mike Keith of Stephenville, Steve Keith of Comanche, and Larry Keith of Gorman; one daughter, Terri Lewis of Fort worth; one brother, Bernard Keith of Desdemona; five sisters, Vonnie Guthery of Desdemona, Alta Mae Wilcoxson of Odessa, Mattie Newton of DeLeon, Avie Taylor of DeLeon, Corinne Clements of Vivian, Louisiana; and thirteen grandchildren.

Preceded in death by his parents, Major J. Keith and Ethel M. (Partain)

Keith; two brothers, Cagie Keith and Weldon Byrd; two sisters, Velda Clements and Leura Partain.

Mack graduated with the Class of 1948 from Desdemona High School and much loved by all who knew him.

Burial was in the Victor Cemetery in Erath County on March 28, 2000 where his parents, grandparents, great grandparents and many relatives are buried.

Visitors the past weekend with James and Dixie Ryon were her sons, Phillip Pack of Proctor and Lelan Pack of Lubbock, and her brother, Bud Shugart of Strawn. Dixie had her boys busy finishing the remodeling job at their home.

Kelsey Caddell of Fort Worth spent three days this past week with her great grandmother, Dorothy Roberts.

## CARBON NEWS

By MICHELLE THACKERSON

The Carbon Community Baptist Church has scheduled their Volley Ball Tournament for April 10, 11, 13, 14, 15. Slots available for Womens, Mens, and mixed teams. Entry fee is \$42.00 per team. Deadline for entry is Monday, April 3rd. If you are interested please call David Files 639-2149, Michelle Thackerson 639-2244, or Wendy Forbus 639-2609 for more information. Thank you.

McKennon Cecil would like to announce the arrival of his little sister Kennedy McCall Cecil. Kennedy was born March 10th around 8:37am. She weighed in at 9lbs 11oz. And she is 22in long. Proud parents are Jennifer and Clint Cecil.

The Carbon Community Baptist Church GA class had a meal Sunday after church to help raise money to send the girls to camp this year. We served Mexican food. We would like to thank everyone who for thier help and support.

We are glad to have Mildred Fambrough (Janie King's mother) back with us. I believe she has been of visiting with her other children. We are sure glad she is back Home.

Happy Birthday to Jessica Forbus on Wed. 29th.

Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend. Martin Luther King

Have a good week and God Bless.

## KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN — PHONE 254-639-2289

A film on Home Missions by the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was shown at the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday. It reminded us of the wonderful work being done by our home missionaries throughout our nation, and our need to support these missions with our prayers and offerings.

Shannon and Stephanie Bond of Copperas Cove and Brian Bond of Coppell were visitors at the morning service.

Shannon and Stephanie and Brian were visitors with their parents, Joe and Glynda Bond during the weekend.

Dale and Karen Griffith of Fort worth visited during the weekend with Johnnie B. Griffith.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville, Zelda Jordan, Joyce Eaves, Doris Bradshaw, Laneta Freeman, John and Troy Scitern, Deon Fields, Joe Bennett, Kris Scitern, Hope Joiner and Ruth Bryant.

Visitors with Clifford Nelson were Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Fort Worth, Bert and Doris Kent of Eastland, Raymond Land and David and Cassie Brasher.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Fred Johnson of Eastland who passed away on Sunday, March 26. He was the uncle of Deon Fields and Pat Caraway of our community.

Norma Webb spent several days last week in Sweetwater with an aunt who

was ill, Mrs. Helen McMullen, and with cousins, Gary and Janet Setliff.

Oren and Norma Webb attended the track meet at Dublin on Saturday. Their grandchildren, Jake and Kaci Webb are members of the Comanche High School track teams. James, Jantzen and Chelsea Webb of Glen Rose met them there for lunch and the track meet.

Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville had lunch with Hazel and La Von Snider on Saturday. Ted Snider and Dan Snider also came by for a visit with Hazel during the week.

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Kristin Turner--3rd out of 54 in Triple Jump...33'7.5"

## Lady Panthers Participate in "Straight A" Relays in Meridian

The Gorman Lady Panthers participated in the "Straight A" Relays in Meridian last Saturday. The "Straight A" Relays is an annual meet that consists of only 1A schools in the north central Texas area. Some of the schools that participated at this meet included: Gorman, Meridian, Cross Plains, Priddy, Wortham, Santo, Ranger, Jonesboro, Bosqueville, Bynum, Huckabay, Jarrell, Avalon, Cransfill Gap, Kopperl, Evant, Vanguard, Bryson, Ogleby, Gustine, Axtell, and Lingleville.

Although there were many athletes from a number of schools competing, the girls did attain some of their personal best performances. However, the only athletes whose performances resulted in the placing of the top six included Kristin Turner, who placed third out of 54 in the triple jump with a 33' 7.5". Tana Goode did get called back after the prelims in the 400M Dash, but missed the top six overall by one slot.

I am extremely proud of the girls and look forward to this Thursday as we compete in May, Texas. We hope to see you there!

Until next week, Coach Davis



These J.H. Students made a Division II on their solos at CJC on March 22, 2000  
1st Row--Frances Lewis, Elizabeth Hipilito, Amanda Hair  
2nd Row--Hector DeLaTorre, D.J. Brown, Ryan Wright



Robert Abbott, Amanda Janecek and Bobby Cox scored Division I's on their solos at CJC on March 22, 2000

## Oakdale Park's 29th Annual Bluegrass

The strains of bluegrass music will fill the air in the small, Central Texas town of Glen Rose during the weekend of March 30, 31, April 1, and 2. Bluegrass bands will arrive in Oakdale Park and perform on the outdoor stage during the four-day festival.

Highlighting this year's show will be the Tennessee Gentlemen from Tennessee. This entertaining group features the true bluegrass music that originated in the hills of Kentucky. They will give two performances on Saturday--one at 4:15 p.m. and the other at 11:00 p.m.

The always popular Twice as nice bluegrass band from Arkansas will entertain guests with their music and antics. The Missouri band, Goldwing Express, promises to be a crowd pleaser.

Texas bands performing on stage include: Buffalo Gap Bluegrass, Abilene; Clear Creek Bluegrass, Trinity; WST Bluegrass, Austin; Texas Trailblazers, Fort Worth; Bear Creek Bluegrass, DeSoto; Chambers Creek Bluegrass Maypearl; Sarginer Brothers, Sinton; Leon Valley Bluegrass, Copperas Cove, and double Mountain Boys, Lipan.

Jim Atchley, of Cleburne, will serve as master of ceremonies during the weekend of music.

The stage program begins Thursday, March 30 at 6:15 p.m. in the evening and runs until 11:00 p.m. Friday hours are 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. On Saturday, the show hours are 10:00 a.m. until 11:45 p.m. Sunday, the show will run from 10:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

In addition to these stage show hours; music can be heard throughout the park. During, before, and after the stage show, musicians will gather under the shelters or shade trees to jam in small groups. Guests are welcome to walk from group to group to enjoy the music.

Although the program officially begins Thursday evening, bluegrass musicians will begin arriving in Oakdale Park as early as the week before the show. Early bird activities planned include breakfasts, bluegrass jam sessions, and a visit to perform at the local nursing home. Call or write for a complete schedule: P.O. Box 548, Glen Rose, TX 76043--254-897-2321 or visit the Oakdale Park website: at [www.oakdalepark.com](http://www.oakdalepark.com).



These 5th and 6th graders made a Division II on their solo's  
1st row--Rosa Herrera, Tim Patel, Natha Ritter, Stephanie Hughes  
2nd row--Amanda Brown, Kristy Carlton, Kaci Seaton, Nikki Keith, Kent Long



Junior High Band Students, Kim Ibarra and Ashlee Hornback scored Division I's on their solos at CJC on March 22, 2000.



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## Fat Is Back! Nutritionist Tells Why The Right Fats Are Essential To Your Health



Ann Louise Gittleman - leading nutritionist debunks the fat myth.

(DM)--Ann Louise Gittleman wants you to welcome healthy fat back into your meals.

Gittleman is a former nutrition director of the Pritikin Longevity Center and the best selling author of 15 books on nutrition and health, including "Beyond Pritikin" and, her latest, "Eat Fat, Lose Weight - How the Right Fats Can Make You Thin For Life." She maintains that the first step in achieving control over your health, weight and body shape is to overcome the conventional wisdom that fat is bad for you.

"Do you want to lose weight, or do you want to look and feel healthy?," asks Gittleman. "Focusing only on weight loss is not the answer!"

Gittleman points out that since we've cut the fat from our diets Americans have gotten fatter - 55% of Americans have become overweight since we've gone low fat. She insists that a diet without fat will not succeed. Fat retards food absorption, making you feel full longer. Therefore you're not looking for something to eat every 15 minutes.

And, according to Gittleman, it is not even the amount of fat that really matters - it is the kind of fat. Adequate amounts of certain essential fats can no longer be found in popular food choices or in currently "chic" diets. For example, researchers say that the switch in recent years from grass to grain in cattle feed has resulted in an 80% decrease in the natural availability in meat of the important fatty acid conjugated linoleic acid (CLA).

Studies at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, where CLA was discovered and developed, have shown that the naturally occurring fatty acid inhibits the body's ability to store fat. It also prompts the body to burn stored fat as energy. The result is a decrease in body fat and a proportional increase in muscle tissue that, in turn, burns more calories than fat does. Gittleman recommends adding Tonalin CLA as a supplement to your meals, calling it her "magic bullet for the millennium."

Gittleman warns that processed

and refined carbohydrates, as well as the highly touted complex carbohydrates (potatoes, corn and brown rice), are absorbed by your body quickly, much the way simple sugars are.

Many individuals have substituted unlimited fat-free carbohydrates, like fat-free yogurt and cookies as well as bagels, for the missing fat. These foods not only add up in calories, but they promote the production of the fat-storing hormone insulin, that deposits these extra carbohydrate calories as body fat. To make matters worse, elevated insulin levels block the body's ability to burn stored body fat for energy.

The solution is to make room for healthy fats, found in fatty fish, olive oil, nuts, seeds and Tonalin CLA, that promote satiety, level blood sugar, and help absorb the fat-soluble anti-oxidants like Vitamin A and E.

"In the past, too many Americans have bought in to the fat-free hoax and developed a phobia about fat," says Gittleman. "To stay healthy and be thinner doesn't require dieting, it demands a change in the way people eat, and that includes embracing slimming and healing fats as part of your daily nutritional input."

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The Gorman J.H. Band competed at Band Contest at Cisco Jr. College on March 22, 2000. The Band made a II in concert and a Division I in sight-reading.



The Gorman Elementary Band competed at Band Contest at Cisco Jr. College on March 22, 2000. The band made a II in concert and a Division I in sight-reading.



5th and 6th graders made I's on their solos and received medals.  
 1st row--Holly Ann Wright, Sharla Perez, Zach Bryan, Sterling McCauley, Crystal Thackerson, K'Ann Howard  
 2nd row--Tiffany Perez, Kevin Lewis, David Ibarra, Brittany Shirley, Matthew Smith  
 3rd row--Esteban Leal, Tim Guerrero, Kendra Swanner, Krista Brown, Chance Underwood, Josh Cox.  
 (not pictured, David Wilkins)



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**TEXANS SET THEIR TAX-CUT PRIORITIES**

As is usually the case, Texans were not shy about offering comments on the taxes they pay. In my annual questionnaire, which was published last December, I asked you to rank the importance of three potential ways to lower federal taxes: eliminating the marriage tax penalty, abolishing the inheritance or death tax, or giving all taxpayers an across-the-board 1 percent tax cut.

The mail really rolled in on this one, with 72 percent of you indicating your top priority would be a 1 percent, across-the-board tax cut. The remaining 28 percent of you split evenly between doing away with the inheritance tax or ending the marriage tax penalty.

Here are some of your comments on this question:

From San Antonio: "We need some across-the-board tax relief. We are lucky enough to make more than the average family, but we don't make enough to have any significant tax shelters or loopholes. We've worked hard and saved to get what we have. We gave up boats, RVs and other pleasures to put our kids through college without a single dollar of financial aid or tax break."

Cleburne: "Give every working American a tax cut. The surplus was made possible by government taxing us more than necessary. Let working people keep their money instead of sending it to Washington."

Dickinson: "Any tax relief would be welcome. The 1 percent could make a real difference for us. We feel the marriage tax penalty the most — when it means the difference between just scraping by and actually being able to enjoy the fruits of all our hard work."

Tomball: "The 'death tax' taxes both the living and the dead. Please do away with the inheritance tax first, and stop the double taxation of the same money."

San Antonio: "The marriage penalty is ridiculous and very anti-family. My husband and I sacrifice to pay taxes every April even though extra tax money is deducted from our salaries during the year. Single friends earning a comparable amount of money always get a tax refund, but we don't."

Gorman: "Since I am 60, married and in the \$60,000 range, all three of these tax-cut questions affect me. The inheritance tax is probably the most unfair tax there is. It should have never been enacted. The marriage penalty is just another blow against the sanctity of marriage. In most couples today, one partner works just to pay their income taxes. Why does the government penalize success in the middle income bracket?"

Dumas: "The 'death tax' is unjust. Why is it taking so long to phase it out? It should be abolished now. It has already destroyed more family farms and ranches than all the bad bank loans ever did."

Eagle Pass: "Doing away with the marriage tax penalty is first on our list. We are a working-class family. Please keep this in mind when decisions that affect us must be made."

Santa Fe: "The marriage tax and the inheritance tax should both be abolished. The income tax should be reduced by 5 percent."

Seguin: "Doing away with the inheritance tax is the most important. It forces couples (who may live another 20 years) to give away their prosperity so the IRS can't take it. My husband, who is 75 years old, is active in our small business and doesn't want to give it away and retire."

I remain committed to all three ways of cutting federal taxes. Last year Congress passed a comprehensive tax-relief plan that addressed all three of these priorities, but still allowed for a dramatic pay down of the national debt and dedicated all Social Security payroll taxes to Social Security. Unfortunately, President Clinton vetoed it.

We're going to try again this year by passing marriage tax penalty relief. Since I started this drive in 1997 to end the marriage tax penalty, American married couples have sent \$90 billion to Washington in marriage tax penalty payments. The federal government should not penalize couples for being married. We can afford to end this practice, and I think we have a good chance of succeeding.

**Christina Aguilera May Rock Your Prom This Spring**



(DM)—Teen sensation Christina Aguilera knows that "What a Girl Wants"...is a perfect prom. And she's more than willing to help...in person at a prom this year.

That's why the Grammy-nominated vocalist of the number 1 hit "Genie in a Bottle" and "What A Girl Wants" is taking a little detour from her regular concert schedule and making a special prom appearance this spring as part of "The Prom Of Your Life," a new promotion being offered exclusively to teens.

"The Prom of Your Life" is presented by Clearasil, Pantene, Secret, Head & Shoulders, Old Spice/White Water and Cover Girl. The grand prize winner will get to see Christina live, up close and in person...rocking the winner's prom. Christina will sing her hits, including her newest single "I Turn To You".

To help you get started, here are a few prom pointers:

- Get involved now. Join the prom committee or submit ideas that will make your night one to remember.

- Thumb through magazines and keep your eye out for the latest in prom attire. See what looks good and figure out what is going to look good on you.

- Keep your parents in the loop. They remember their special evening and would like to be included in helping you shape your special night.

In addition, remember all of the other arrangements that will make your evening special. Do you want to ride in-style in a limousine all night? Talk to your friends to find out if they're interested in sharing the expense, determine the number of people and reserve a car.

What about a special dinner on prom night? Which restaurant do you want to go to? Play it safe — make a reservation now. It's not too early.

Get a head start on the planning process. It will ensure a prom experience that you'll want to remember. Most importantly...have fun and enjoy!!!!

To find out more about how to win free limousine service, free tuxedo rentals for the guys and makeovers for the girls or for additional "Prom of Your Life" promotion details, check out Christina's official website at [www.christina-a.com](http://www.christina-a.com).

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 --Texas is the nation's leading producer of cattle, sheep, goats, horses, wool, mohair and cotton. The state is also one of the top producers of vegetables, citrus, peanuts, pecans, grain, sorghum, rice, sugarcane and wheat.

**Did you know**  
 --Texas is one of the leading exporters of agriculture commodities. Texas' top five agricultural exports are live animals and red meat; cotton; feed grains and products; hides and skins; and feed and fodder.

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# HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

By Nancy Hendricks

Sunday morning Kenneth Good of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Cynthia Earles, Frankie Jarrett, Mae Eison, S.D. Gilmore, Velma Bennett, Modess Self and Iola Johnson.

Visiting Jack and Mildred Bellows were Jamison and Alyssa Armstrong of Garland, Darrell and Pat Graham, Pat Hagood and Mayvis Lasater.

Sunday afternoon those coming from the First United Methodist Church were Jean Halcomb, Jim and Kay Rice, Mandy and Travis Ake and guest, Pat Graham. Residents were Velma Bennett, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay and Frankie Jarrett.

Some of Modess Self and Ola Walker guests were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Christine Self, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables.

### Birthday Party

It was a happy time Friday at the monthly birthday party. Honorees were Mary Williams and Vadis Phelps. Ruth Campbell played the electric organ and led singing. Ina Smith and Joann Fraley served birthday cake and punch.

Enjoying the "Happy Occasion" were the honorees, Mary Williams and Vadis Phelps. Also were Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Zadie Terry, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Muriel Prewitt, Inez Rogers, Ora Mae Atchison, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Velma Bennett, Frankie Jarrett, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Iola Johnson and Veno Hale were O.A. Johnson and Irene Emerson of Aztec, NM, Lenis Rice, Ina Reynolds and Ruby Lee Norris of Carbon, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Zeldia Jordan.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

On Monday, Ina Smith had bingo for Jack and Mildred Bellows, Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, Patti Whitehorn, S.D. Gilmore, Hallie Clark and Velma Bennett.

Visiting Myrtle Hale and A.V. Seay were Argie and Margie Hale and Thurman Hale of DeLeon, Diana Gilder of Denton, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Linda Glover.

On Monday afternoon, those coming for singing were Alpha Mae Andry, Pat Hagood, Marjorie Treadway,

Ethel Weaver, Ernestine Campbell, Zeldia Jordan, and Daisy Slaton. Residents were S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale and Inez Rogers.

Visiting Patti Whitehorn were Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Sylvia Estes, Mary Estes, and Marie Cook of Carbon, Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene.

David and Laneta Freeman came and took Modess Self for an outing and a visit to the farm where she and the late Vera Rodgers spent many happy times together.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Alpha Mae Andry, Durwood Webb, Wesley Warren, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables, Inez Rogers and Eunice Love.

On Tuesday morning, Betty Duke and Leo Williams came and played music and had singing for Veno Hale, Modess Self, S.D. Gilmore, A.V. Seay, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Mae Eison, Cynthia Earles, and Velma Bennett.

Visiting Stella Reynolds were Tracey Harris of McAllen, Stella Scott, Leroyce and Mackie Brantley, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Pat Hagood and Mayvis Lasater.

Chapel on Wednesday with Bro. Wall were Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Iola Johnson, A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore and Ora Mae Atchison.

Some of Buddy Winn's guests were Debbie Phillips of Idaho, Andrea Cunningham of Oklahoma, Sean Ragan of Grapevine, Sherri O'Connell, Aubree and Kier O'Connell of Grapevine and Harvey Winn of Carbon.

On Thursday "Baseball" with Ina Smith was enjoyed by Ollie Halcomb, Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, Hallie Clark, A.V. Seay, Zadie Terry and Frankie Jarrett.

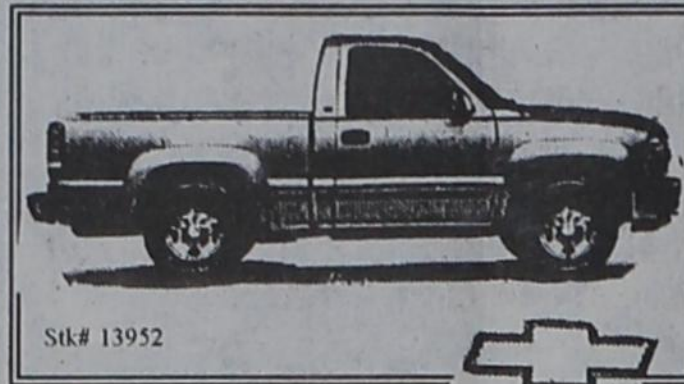
Some of Ava Rodgers recent guests were Jim Rodgers of Midlothian, Ruth Elaine Spencer of San Antonio, Deanna Chupp of Houston, Ima Brown, Jana Grice, Mayvis Lasater, Maxine Morgan, John Rodgers of Carbon.

Bingo on Friday with Ina Smith and Pat Graham were Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, A.V. Seay, Modess Self, Iola Johnson, Frankie Jarrett, Zadie Terry, S.D. Gilmore, Velma Bennett, Dorothy Beaty, Ora Mae Atchison.

News acquired by phone, A.V. Seay, and Zeldia Jordan--Thank you! Nancy Hendricks

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### 2000 Chevy Silverado

2000 Silverado 1/2 ton reg cab pickup, 4300 V-6, auto trans, air, Exterior appearance package, cruise, tilt, white letter tires, carpeted floor, rubber mats

MSRP	\$19,500
Factory Rebate	500
PEG Savings	1,000
Bayer Discount	1,448
Sale Price	\$16,552
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$2948

Stock # 13952

**\$16,552** +TT&L



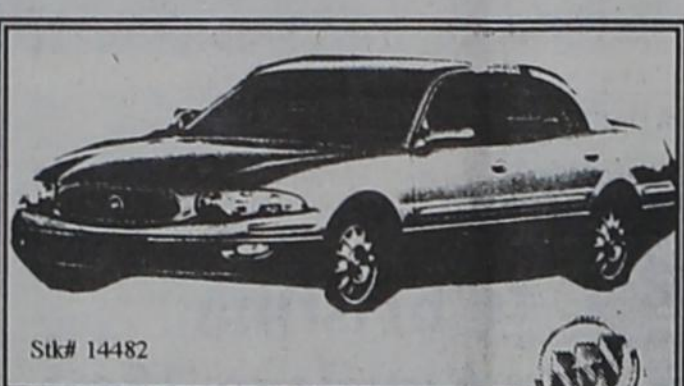
### 2000 Buick Park Avenue

300 Series II, V-6, 55/45 split leather seat, power loading cassette with steering wheel radio controls, 10 way power driver seat.

MSRP	\$33,395
Factor Rebate	1,500
Bayer Discount	2,820
Sale Price	\$29,075
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$4320

Stock #13874

**\$29,075** +TT&L



### 2000 Buick LeSabre Custom Sedan

Six way power driver seat, power windows/locks/mirrors, power load CD and cassette, air

MSRP	\$24,453
Factor Rebate	750
Bayer Discount	1,618
Sale Price	\$22,085
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$2368

Stock # 14482

**\$22,085** +TT&L



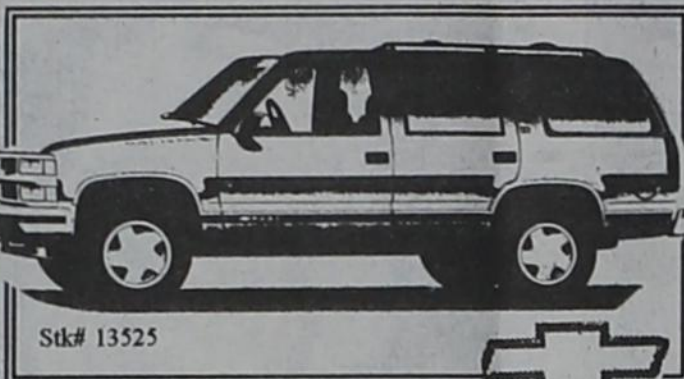
### 1999 Pontiac Bonneville

Bucket seats w/leather, SLE special edition w/level spec. Edition exterior, dual exhaust system, deluxe fog lamps, AM/FM stereo w/CD, steering wheel radio controls, 16" 5 spoke aluminum wheels, 6-way driver power seat, remote keyless entry

MSRP	\$27,075
Factor Rebate	2,500
Bayer Discount	2,529
Sale Price	\$21,996
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$5079

Stock # 12180

**\$21,996** +TT&L



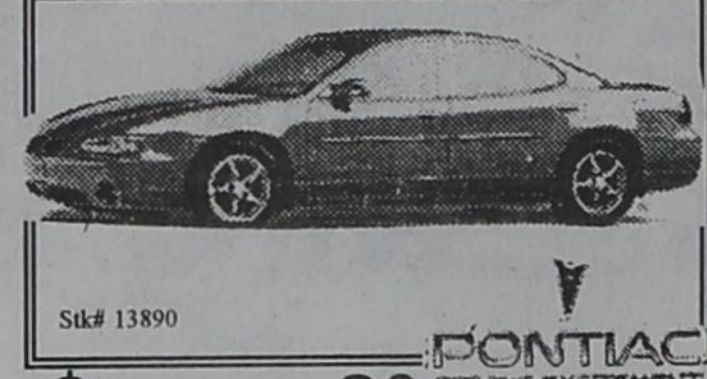
### 2000 Chevrolet Tahoe Limited

Two tone leather, highback bucket seats, front & rear air, locking differential, suspension upgrades, special ground effects, cruise, tilt, AM/FM cassette w/CD player

MSRP	\$31,604
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Stock # 13525

**\$409.24** 36 mo.S.B. per mo.



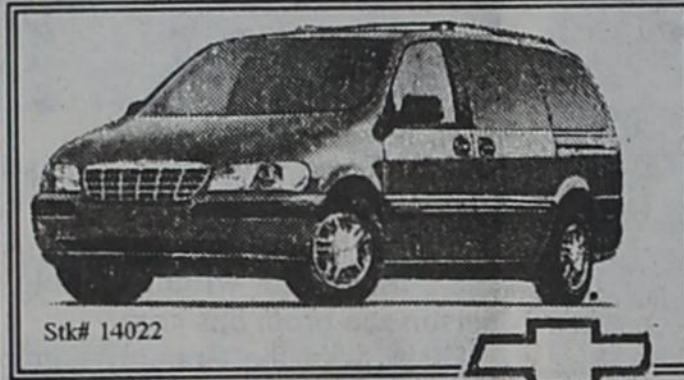
### 2000 Pontiac Grand Prix GT Sedan

Leather seating, 6-way power driver seat, security pkg, power sunroof, AM/FM stereo with CD player, premium lighting pkg.

MSRP	\$25,250
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Stock # 13890

**\$317.30** 39 mo.S.B. per mo.



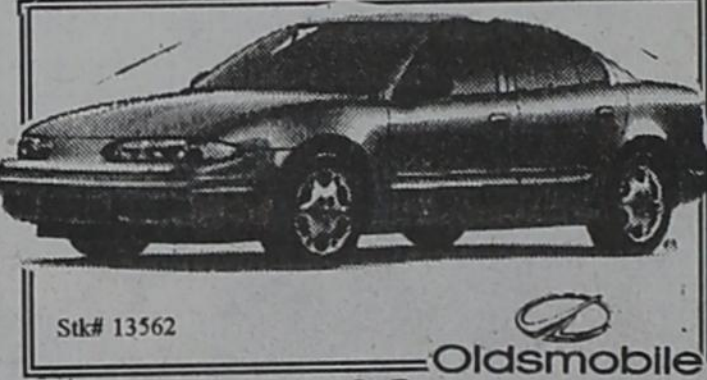
### 2000 Chevy Venture Van

Extended front & rear air, AM/FM stereo with cassette and CD player, roof luggage carrier, remote keyless entry, power windows and locks.

MSRP	\$26,325
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Stock # 14022

**\$351.87** 36 mo.S.B. per mo.



### 2000 Olds Alero GX Coupe

4 speed automatic trans, air, cruise and tilt AM/FM cassette with CD player

MSRP	\$17,700
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Stock # 13562

**\$251.17** 36 mo.S.B. per mo.



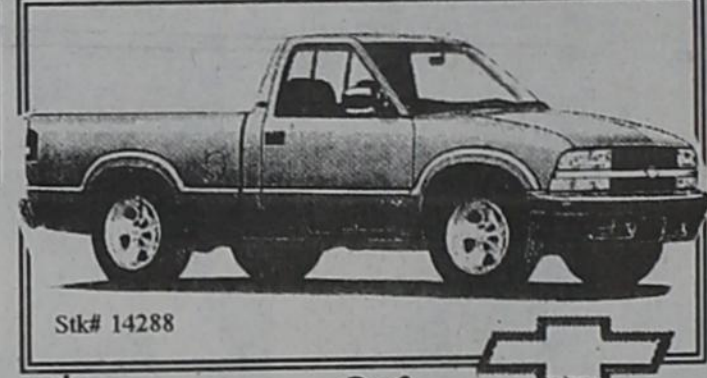
### 2000 Sunfire SE Coupe

3 speed automatic, sun and sound pkg, AM/FM w/stereo with CD player, air, power glass sunroof, cruise and tilt

MSRP	\$16,275
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Stock # 13856

**\$215.44** 36 mo.S.B. per mo.



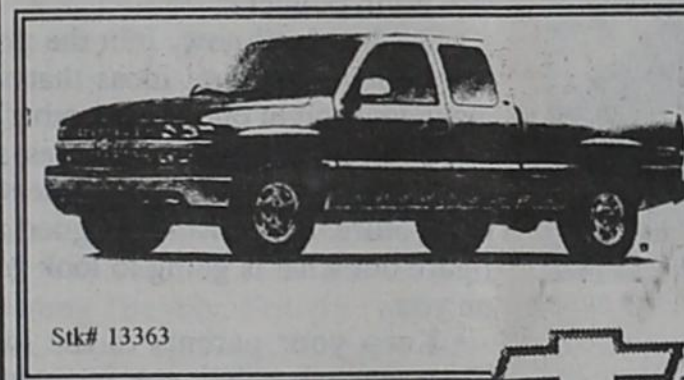
### 2000 Chevy S-10 Pickup RegCab 4WD

LS trim, air, AM/FM Stereo w/CD & clock, aluminum wheels, auxiliary floor mats, 4 speed Auto Trans, Cruise & tilt, 4300 V-6 engine

MSRP	\$21,218
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Stock # 14288

**\$250.01** 35 mo.S.B. per mo.



### 2000 Chevy Silverado

2000 Silverado 1/2 ton ext cab pickup, 4300 V-6, auto trans, air, tilt, AM/FM stereo

MSRP	\$22,189
Bayer Discount	2,529
Sale Price	\$19,660
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$2529

Stock # 13363

**\$19,660** +TT&L



### 1999 Chevy Silverado 3/4 Ton

Vortec 6000 V-8, HD 4 Speed, Auto Transmission, Air, Locking Differential, Trailering Pkg, AM/FM Cassette, Cruise & Tilt

MSRP	\$23,735
Bayer Discount	2,400
Sale Price	\$21,335
TOTAL SAVINGS	\$2,400

Stock # 13264

**\$21,335** +TT&L

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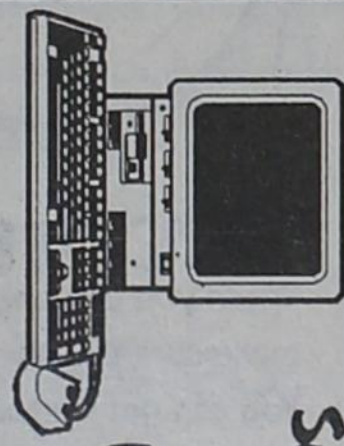
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