

Four local teens injured in two-vehicle accident

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# Kerr: Fort lacks revenues to pay taxes

Chief appraiser 'astonished' by claim that association's taxes have 'gone up drastically'

Fort Clark Springs doesn't have enough revenue to meet its current tax burden, according to ing the taxes on the association-owned property. Maggie Banner Kerr, the association's general manager.

the 2002 tax year. Kerr addressed the issue in the association's January newsletter.

of the remaining balance, which is \$101,000, has been paid and is due by Jan. 31," Kerr said.

"At this time, the revenues are not there to pay taxes. The Board of Directors will be making a decision this month on the best method to pay

"The association has the funds available in the impound fund and could possibly borrow from itself and reimburse the impound fund over the next year," she added.

of assessing all the membership a one-time, oncea-year common property tax in order to pay the fort's taxes.

"A lot of members will argue that their assess- added. ments are supposed to be paying for the taxes," she said. "Up until 1992, the association used to bill each membership for their share of the taxes.

"Only since 1992 has the association been pay- in the newsletter. But membership has dropped drastically in the last 10 years, taxes have gone up drastically and The fort has yet to pay its property taxes for the result is a shortage of funds to pay taxes."

Kinney County Chief Appraiser Bill Haenn said he was "astonished" by Kerr's statement that the "MUD taxes were paid in October, but none association's taxes have "gone up drastically."

> 'Fort Clark Springs Association property taxes were \$147,372 in the 1999 tax year," Haenn wrote in a letter to The Brackett News.

> "Solely through Appraisal District initiative, multiple property tax remedies were applied to FCSA accounts which reduced FCSA property taxes by \$30,000 in 2000 to \$117,110.

"Again in 2001, FCSA property taxes went down almost \$5,000 to \$112,266.

"In the current 2002 tax year, despite the new In her column, Kerr suggested the possibility property taxes levied by the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District, FCSA property taxes are \$111,483 (\$783 less than 2001), down for the third consecutive year," Haenn

> Fort Clark Springs lost 202 members during the fiscal year and there are 188 more delinquent accounts than last year, the general manager said fort prevailed."

The association cut expenditures by over \$100,000 to compensate for the loss of memberships, according to Kerr.

'When you calculate the loss of 202 memberships, it comes to a loss in revenue of \$72,720," she said. "The loss is a steady decline that has historically been there due to death, age, distance and the economy. We average around 6 percent loss of our total membership roll each year."

Kerr said legal fees associated with employee problems and lawsuits with the Preservation Society have also contributed to the fort's financial

"These two groups have costs the association well into the \$30,000 range on legal expenses, as well as a lot of down time due to court restraining orders," she said.

The fort was forced to operate without a board for over a month because of the restraining orders imposed by District Judge Tom Lee.

"That was a strange and trying time for the staff and myself, as well as for our membership,"



Fort Clark Springs general manager Kerr said. "But, we weathered the storm just like Maggie Banner Kerr said the associaany 150-year-old fort would have done, and the tion doesn't have enough revenue to

#### **College Station** teen-ager dies in one-car accident

Teen driver charged with intoxicated manslaughter

New Year's Day turned into tragedy for the family of a 19year-old College Station man.

Javier Hernandez died in a one-vehicle roll-over on New Year's Day at 7:10 a.m.

Hernandez was transported from the scene to Val Verde Regional Medical Center, where he died at approximately 11 a.m. He was pronounced dead by Val Verde County Justice of the Peace Dorothy Weddle.

The driver of the vehicle, Steven Wills II, 19, also of College Station, was treated for minor injuries.

Wills was arrested by DPS Trooper Tully Welch and charged with intoxicated manslaughter. He was booked into the Kinney County Jail and released the following day on a \$12,000 surety bond.

Wills was driving a 1999 Toyota east-bound on Highway 90 early New Year's morning when he veered off the roadway onto the right side of the highway, according to DPS reports. Wills then over-corrected to the left. The vehicle rolled onto its right side and skidded on the roadway approximately 300

Hernandez; the only passenger in the vehicle, was partially ejected as the vehicle was skidding on the roadway, officials

According to Welch's report, Wills was wearing a seat belt, but Hernandez was not.

#### Water board changes rules, Davis resigns By J.J. GUIDRY G.M. applicants Editor set to interview Zach Davis said he has had Two individuals have ap-The Kinney County Groundplied to serve as general

water Conservation District director resigned from the board Tuesday during a five-hour session which saw officials adopt a fee schedule and additional revisions to the district's rules.

Davis announced his resignation at the beginning of the district's monthly meeting, which followed public hearings on the rules and fee schedule.

"I've voiced my concern earlier, even in writing, to the ethics that this board is operating under," Davis said. "I can't continue with the way this board is

me, I assure y'all," Davis added, as he stepped down.

Brian Sledge, the district's attor- be impacted by these rules.' ney from Austin.

Hood, Darlene Shahan, Cecil a 4-2 vote with Hall, Hood, Smith and Bob Young approved Shahan and Young opposing. the changes, while Davis was in opposition. Board member Hadley Wardlaw was absent.

public's input in the process,"

manager for the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District.

Board members agreed to interview the candidates Monday at 5:30 during a special meeting at the Courthouse.

Davis initially motioned to delay the vote and recess the hearing for two weeks.

"I didn't get these rules until today," Davis said when making his motion. "I want to sit down and go through these "You haven't seen the last of changes. I rely on an attorney too, and he's never even seen a copy of these changes. I think The board voted 5-1 to adopt we owe it to the people we serve the rule revisions drafted by in the district that are going to

Smith seconded Davis' mo-Directors Chuck Hall, Don tion, but the measure failed by

"No one has had a chance to see this in print," said Smith, chairman of the board. "To me, "You have neglected the it makes sense to wait two weeks so everyone has the chance to read the revisions.'

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Brackett lost a heartbreaker to Knippa last Monday, 38-37. Knippa outscored Brackett 13-10 and 9-6 in the last two quarters for the win. Sports/Page 4

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Putting up the trey

Photo by J.J. Guidry

Brackett guard Boyd Brotherton (10) puts up a shot as teammate Charlie Slaughter crashes the boards during recent basketball action. The Tigers open district play Friday against Dilley in an 8 p.m. contest at home.

# Elementary teachers, students prepare for new Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test

By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer

Preparations are being made for taking the TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and School, according to principal Paula Renken.

Renken, the January program chairman for the Brackettville Rotary Club, discussed the issue at last Thursday's meeting.

The TAKS test is replacing the TAAS (Texas Assessment of been used for the past 12 years.

dards for the TAKS test and has TAKS was designed. provided a two-year phase-in of the standards. In 2003, the pass- about this test for three years, ing standard will be below that and the information has been prerequired when they are fully implemented in 2005.

Generally speaking, a student will need to correctly answer three to six fewer questions the first year than when it is fully in teaching and in administerimplemented.

challenging test for students than it.

its predecessor, even in the initial phase-in level. However, it is a better test.

This test will align with the curriculum, wherein test ques-Skills) test at Jones Elementary tions in the past might be different from what had actually been taught. She said that the test stories and the questions are better. The test provides information for the student to read, interpret and apply, and fewer multiple-choice questions are used.

Complaints from teachers Academic Skills) test that has about test questions being "tricky" in the past were ac-The Texas Board of Educa- knowledged and input from tion has adopted passing stan- teachers was utilized when the

Students have been hearing sented in terms of challenges and learning new ways of doing things, rather than in a manner that would raise anxiety.

Teachers have been trained

The TAKS will be a more challenging Renken said that in her opinion, test for students than its predecessor, even in the initial phase-in level. However, Renken said that in her opinion, it is a better

> advance to the fourth grade. However, they will have three tries before he or she will be retained. An appeal can be made and a conference between parents, teacher and administrator may consider the situation.

The student who has not is allowed. passed is required to go to sumportunity to take the test one last time in July. However, Renken do." pointed out that some exceptests effectively.

When the TAKS is given, ing the test, and students are every effort will be made to in-The TAKS will be a more carefully being prepared to take sure fairness. The room in which it is taken will be prepared; any-

One important new require- thing that might provide informent is that third-grade students mation, such as clocks and calmust pass the TAKS in order to endars, will be covered up. When it is time for the lunch break, the test material will be taken up and food brought in. No talking will be allowed at any time. If a child gets tired during the day and wants to put his or her head down on the desk, this

If a child asks the teacher a mer school and is given the op- question, the only permissible answer is, "Do the best you can

One thing that is particularly tions could be made. For in- hard for third graders is to anstance, some children know the swer questions on paper separate material, but simply can not take from the questions. If teacher notices that the answers are not lined up properly, she may only remark, "Don't forget to go back and check your work."

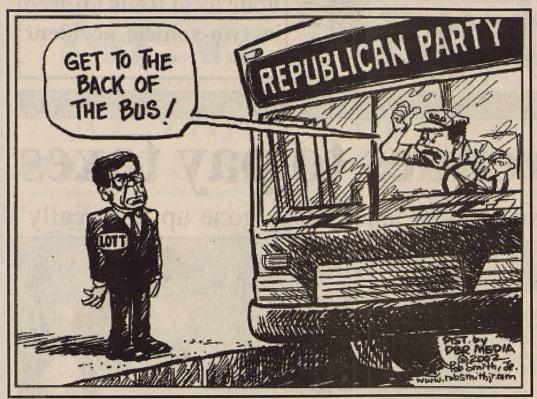
The test is taken from 8:30

a.m. to 3:30 p.m., an extremely long period of time for children this age. Part of the preparation for taking the test will be to build up "mental stamina," Renken said. The children will practice by taking some longer tests, and parents are being asked to have their children read for 20 minutes each night.

The first TAKS test will be given on March 4, and the goal is to pass it this time so that it won't have to be taken again. The reading test will be given again on April 30. However, the math test will have been given on April 29, so this will make taking the reading test the following day difficult.

This year's 10th grade students will be the first who must pass the exit-level TAKS, along with course work, in order to graduate. This year's eighthgrade students will be the first required to meet the fully implemented standards.

Additional information on the TAKS test is available at: http://www/tea/us/student.



# Bravery makes a hero

I bent down and let my grandmother kiss me goodbye. I was going for it. I was going to do

"Can't I go with her to her gate," my grandmother asked again.

"Sorry ma'am, passengers

only," came a reply.
"Well, I guess this is goodbye," I said with a smile.

She then got on her tipsy toes and kissed me on the cheek again. It was kind of embarrassmiss her too. I was going to fly in a plane, for the first time by myself. This was also the first time I was flying since Sept. 11.

I went up to the security check, and waited and watched as a blonde-haired woman with too much makeup on took off her shoes.

Some people had to take off their shoes because of metal plates inside, and luckily I was wearing tennis shoes so I didn't have to. I was hoping they wouldn't ask me to - for their own sake.

All the people were really friendly, and I was nervous about the whole deal, so their politeness made me calmer. I went through the metal detector be. I thought about my family with no problem, when all the and how I never got to say roes in a way. We kept going sudden a guy, who x-rayed the goodbye forever, and all my even when it was scary, and that

The man then came over to jump off. me and asked to empty out my bag. I just had my friend's Christmas gifts in it so I wasn't what I would do if there were and joined the people getting afraid of having anything against the rules, but he made me kind

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Teen Spirit

Shanae Simmons

hall to my gate.

Suddenly, a woman yelled my name and I looked and saw that she was holding my ticket.

"You may need this," she said ing, but I knew I was going to after giving it back. I was glad I had it, because I would have looked like a real bozo if I had gone to get on the plane empty

> I was really early so I sat and waited once I reached my gate, and read an article from a magazine I bought at the newspaper stand. Then I started to think, and that's usually never very to look for any suspicious looking characters.

"Shanae, don't think," I thought to myself. "Just read."

would react if there was a terrorist on the plane. I thought about how horrible that would

"Stop it," I said to myself.

I then started thinking about terrorists aboard. I thought about being a hero. Yeah, a hero, It ended up being an orna- show them not to mess with ment, and I had to load every- Americans. That seemed nice. I started my way down the long after all the dirty work was done. about myself that day.

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tion of the publisher.

OK, so it was a little farfetched, but hey when I think, I go into detail. I thought some more and then it got me nervous.

The actual people in the airplanes of Sept. 11 then came to mind. It shook me awake from my little fantasy real quick. I thought about those people who died. About their families, about their jobs, their friends, most importantly their lives.

They died. No tackled terrorists, no Medal of Honors, no airplanes landed safely. That's just when the lady at the podium, called my group number and I had to board the plane.

"Do you really want to do this Shanae," I asked myself.
"You can always turn back."

I didn't want to stand up from my comfortable, safe seat, but ervation Society is a group of here until they die. They have then I remembered. I remembered that I was an American, good. I looked around at the and the point of those people was passengers on my flight, trying to put fear in my heart. They had succeeded there for a short moment. Then I thought about all the courageous people out there who were heroes. I would be a I then thought about how I hero by being brave, just like

So that day I was a hero because, even though I was afraid, I didn't give in. We are all heluggage, pulled another man friends, and all the bridges of is how we made a difference. It over and asked him a question. the world I never got to bungee has been awhile since the attacks, and we showed our strength by still going good and strong.

I stood up and walked over, onto the plane.

"Take that terrorist," I tackle those darn terrorists, and thought one last time to myself.

On the way up on the plane I got pretty nauseous, and almost thing back into my bag. Then I would get a Medal of Honor, vomited, but it was all worth it. packed myself up again and and fly the plane down to safety I had learned something else

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While we do welcome and Many people have said, encourage letters to the edi-

In short, simply because That modification to the you meet the requirements to necessarily reflect the edito- policy occurred a few years be considered, that does not rial beliefs of The Brackett ago when an individual ad- guarantee your letter will be News. Neither are the edito- mitted to us that they had published. The Brackett rial beliefs of this paper used submitted several letters un- News is not legally required to determine whether a let- der different pseudonyms. or obligated to publish any ter will or will not be pub- The Brackett News believes letters to the editor, regard-

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Preservation Society concerned about the fort's future There are people talking trash "old radical crazies." Maybe so. their life savings invested here.

about the Preservation Society The founders of "Members for This is home. that do not know what they are the Preservation of Fort Clark talking about, and I would like to set the record straight. Before you spread misinformation concerning the Preservation Society, you need to know who they are, and what they stand for.

The Preservation Society is a group of members of Fort Clark Springs Association who are interested in saving (i.e. preserving) their investment in Fort Clark Springs and the greater Brackettville community. They want to save their homes and the fort that we all so dearly love from the devastating effects of bankruptcy and ruin caused by mismanagement.

It has been said that the Pres-

Springs," i.e. the Preservation They are charter members who have put blood, sweat, tears and their own money into this old American Towns started development.

This old fort is their dream and their home. They have made major investments in the fort, and more than a few have contributed greatly to make the fort what it is — a beautiful, living This is where they live, where they pay taxes and vote.

These people intend to live so be it.

Many have served terms on the Board of Directors of the Society, are long time members association, and several have (20 to 30 years) of Fort Clark. served as the president of the Association. They are not attempting to tear down and destroy what they worked so dilifort from the first day North gently to build up. These people are good, solid citizens, and are not the radical crazies that a few would have you believe.

I am very proud to be associated with so many good people who helped build Fort Clark Springs from the beginning.

I am a duly elected member monument to frontier history. of the Board of Directors and I represent these members. If that makes me a bad person, then,

**Tom Saylor** 

#### Reader offers ideas to increase Fort Clark's revenues

Instead of a one-time assessment to pay common property tax, here are a few suggestions: Let's start with the Las Moras Creek Toll Bridge — \$1 per fund.' vehicle, 25 cents per pedestrian,

each way. FCSA Newsletter, 50 cents each. Install coin-drop turnstiles at the Administration Office, theater, Adult Center, Teen Center,

trance, exit is free. Restaurant prices when water is clean, "green wa- set legal fees for last year. ter" days are free.

low par will pay \$10 extra per shirts will be sold at the Admin-18 hole game, monies to be used istration Office, \$35 each. Memfor the "keep the course green bers will be required to wear the

trucks will report to the airport ment will be levied on those who the first Sunday of each month do not comply with the proper and drive the length of the field color of the day. to flatten the grass to reduce boardroom, bike and hiking Sunday, they will drive on the present management and directrails, etc., 25 cents per enfor the same purpose.

All complaints to m the same, but a table usage fee ment must be in writing and ac- what you think brought our fiof \$5 per half hour. Swimming companied by a \$10 processing nances to this point (i.e. on votpool, \$1 per person per day fee. This alone might have off-

To promote FCSA, seven dif-

Golfers who do not score be- ferent "colors of the day" Tcolor of the day when leaving All members with pickup the premises. A special assess-

I've made fun of FCSA's curmowing costs. On the second rent financial status. Is it our shoulders of Scales Road, etc., torship who have brought us to this low financial level? If so, FCSA members either change ing day) or get out your checkbooks and give all you got.

**Bob Mills** 

#### Fort golf course in much better shape than in the past

three-month stay. I immediately began playing golf and was been for the last five years.

has certainly paid off.

Clark Springs for our annual to now have some grass on these the good maintenance shows. fairways.

time, I thought the sticks that bers and staff over the last year sprinkler heads were dead trees.

ers worked sowing and sprig- drought situation and even ing the course fun this year! ging grass on the No. 1 and No. though we have recently had

Recently, we returned to Fort 10 fairways, and how nice it is some rain that certainly helped,

I invite you to compare this It is also quite remarkable to course with the winter condipleased to find the course in a see sprinkler heads actually wa- tions of Quicksand in San Angelo much better condition than it has tering the course. For a long and Diamondback in Abilene. If you go to play these courses, be The hard work by the mem- were driven in the many broken sure and take plenty of money!

By this letter, I want to thank As you all know, this part of the Fort Clark management and I remember how hard the golf- Texas has been in a severe staff for all their hard work mak-

**Bill Thomason** 

#### Fort Clark general manager's math doesn't add 'up'

I was astonished to read in the "General Manager's Coryears!

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Life certainly has its ups and downs, and most of us know the FCSA property taxes by difference. Regrettably, it is extremely difficult to know which end is up when sinking in the quagmire of Maggie/Carol math-William F. Haenn

**Chief Appraiser** 

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#### LETTERS POLICY

An ideal husband is one who treats his wife like a

new car.

such dire straights, maybe auction of "stored" or othfort buildings. We can start with the boxes and stuff in the old EMS building. I'm sure whatever is in there can help defray some of the cost of our tax bill.

#### Time for a sale

we should consider another erwise unusable items in the

**Gerry Smith** 

#### A great big thanks to Rae the '40s. If the fort finances are in

#### Grandma's bragging well founded

Guyon and Garlan and Ann Barron for bringing the Guyon Brahms and Gershwin, whose Girls and Branson to Fort Clark music every child in school for a wonderful evening of en-should be taught to embrace. tertainment at Las Moras Restaurant on Saturday.

gives Grandma good reason to tears. brag on her grandchildren and their friend, Branson.

What a pleasure to reminisce come again. with everybody to the music of

There was also Chopin and

The patriotic closing and the acknowledgment of the World The musical talent certainly War II veterans moved me to

I hope Grandma will keep on braggin' and maybe they will

**Anita Torres Smith** 

Have something to say? Write a letter to the editor!



Making A Difference

Taylor Stephenson

#### Recognize local dedicated citizens

Each January, Texas gives recognition to its school boards in 1,040 school districts. Locally, elected citizens serve without compensation and make decisions that affect, influence and direct the education of our youth.

These board members enable us to have local control of the public schools. With the advice and counsel of the educational professionals they hire, our School Board has an impact on virtually every aspect of our schools.

School Board membership is a huge responsibility. Many times, we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard work of School Board members who serve as advocates for our schools.

Our staff and students ask that local citizens take a moment to tell School Board members: "Thanks for caring about our children.'

Brackett School Board members are: President Tim Ward, six years of service; Vice President Henry Lutz, four years; Secretary Rose Mary Slubar, nine years; Lloyd Lee Davis, 10 years; Ronnie Hobbs, four years; Jim McDaniel, 12 years; and Sara Terrazas, five years.

Regular board meetings are held in BISD's central office at 6 p.m. on the second Monday of each month.

**Back to School** We're happy to be back to school after a wonderful holiday

The second semester has begun and will hold many challenges for students and staff with the new Texas Assessment of

Knowledge and Skills (TAKS). have a good showing when test Springs

results are received. Have a great week!



COMMUNITY

Four injured in two-vehicle accident

Four Brackettville teen-agers were injured Tuesday in a two-vehicle accident on Highway 674, about 1 mile north of Brackettville. Jason Smith was airlifted to San Antonio, while Jesse Gonzalez, Valentino Morin and Evaristo Villarreal were treated in Del Rio. Domingo Villarreal, the driver of one of the vehicles, was the only person not injured in the accident.

#### KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Wednesday, Jan. 1

someone yelling and breaking on F.M. 1572. bottles near her residence in the Kickapoo Trailer Park.

7:15 a.m., A woman reported a one-vehicle roll-over near the A.J. Foyt Ranch on Highway 90, tion. west of Brackettville.

that someone had burglarized his residence on E. Fourth Street.

1:04 p.m., A Sentry Security employee reported an alarm sounding at the Middle Rio Grande Workforce Center on Spring Street.

of College Station was arrested by DPS Trooper Tully Welch for \$12,000 surety bond.

10:49 p.m., A woman reported fireworks going off near Lawrence, 21, of Richland Hills I have confidence that we will her residence on Fort Clark

Saturday, Jan. 4

road police officer reported a vehicle. Lawrence was booked 1:41 a.m., A woman reported truck stuck on the railroad tracks into the Kinney County Jail

> 2:51 p.m., A woman reported of press-time. a sick animal near her residence on N. Ann Street. A city employee was notified of the situa-

7:12 p.m., A woman reported 11:59 a.m., A man reported shots fired north of E. Thorn ter paying a \$300 fine.

Sunday, Jan. 5

12:29 a.m., A woman requested assistance at her residence on W. Fulton Street.

6:30 a.m., Julia H. Potts, 19, of Austin was arrested by 2 p.m., Steven Wills II, 20, Trooper Welch for public intoxication. Potts was booked into the Wackenhut Correctional intoxicated manslaughter. He Facility in Del Rio where she was released the next day on a was still being held as of press-

6:30 a.m., Cory Ray was arrested by Trooper Welch for driving while intoxicated and failure to comply with the re- man reported that his binoculars

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6:30 a.m., Trevor Strong Lunt, 21, of Mesquite was arrested by Trooper Welch for public intoxication. He was later released for two days served af-

11:30 a.m., Agustin S. Capilla, 50, of Austin was arrested by Deputy Manny Pena on warrants out of Travis County. Capilla was booked into the Kinney County Jail where he was still being held as of press-time.

11:30 a.m., A woman reported two dogs at her residence on N. Ann Street. A city employee was notified of the situa-

12:07 p.m., A man called requesting a wrecker for his 18wheeler

12:52 p.m., A San Antonio 12:03 p.m., A Del Rio rail- quirements of an unattended and backpack had been stolen.

#### 9th ANNUAL BRATWURST FRY

Sunday, January 19, 2003 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church E. L. C. A. Fort and Henderson Streets, Brackettville, TX

**Bratwurst \* Bolillo Buns** 

**German Potato Salad** 

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#### **Livestock Show** set this weekend at Civic Center

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Civic Center. All market animals will be weighed in the west side of the Civic Center from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday. Following will be the judging of the rabbit classes at 1:30, the steer classes at 3, meat goat doe kids at 4, commercial ewe lambs at 4:30

and swine at 5. On Saturday, judging begins at 8 a.m. with market lamb classes, and the market goat classes will be judged at 9:30. A barbecue lunch will be sold

The Stock Show awards presentation is set for Saturday at 1:30 and the Junior Livestock Premium Sale is at 2.

#### **Woodson earns** bachelor's degree

Laura Jill Woodson of Brackettville was among 192 students who received degrees during the fall commencement exercises at Sul Ross State University's Alpine campus and Rio Grande College.

Graduation ceremonies were held Dec. 14 at the Pete P. Gallego Center in Alpine. Commencement for Rio Grande College was held that evening at C.C. Winn High School in Eagle

Woodson earned a bachelor of arts degree in social science. She graduated summa cum laude.

#### **Hunt earns honor** at Sul Ross State

ALPINE - Sam Hunt of Brackettville was among 244 students named to the Sul Ross State University Dean's List for the fall semester.

Undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more semester hours that maintain an average 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale are eligible for the Dean's List. Graduate hours are not included in the computations.

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#### Church to host nightly services on Jan. 13-18

There will be services at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church on Jan. 13-18 at 7 p.m.

The church is located at 116 W. Crockett St. in Brackettville. Everyone is welcome. There is a word from God just for you.

When Jesus came into the borders of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, who do men say that I, the Son of

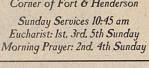
And they said, some say that thou art John the Baptist; some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the Prophets.

He saith unto them, but who say ye that I am?

And Simon Peter answered and said, thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God. St. Matt. 16: 13-16. Praise God.

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## New year is an opportunity to begin with a fresh start

With every fiber of my being, with all the sincerity in this world, let me wish for you and your family a very, very happy new year.

People everywhere will start this new year, as they do every new year, with high hopes and expectations.

This new year and every new year to come, can and should be looked upon as an opportunity to begin anew, a fresh start.

As Christians, we base our Christ and his will for our failures.

take a look back at the past

the past than it is to see into rings the future.

that you expected this challenge of self exploration with an open heart and mind.

Did you make the most of along, to it's fullest potential, to better yourself?

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You may want to make a list of your successes and failures so that you can ascertain what events or decisions led up to must die so that another part each of them. How and why you of us can live! The terminawere able to make both the right high hopes and expectations and wrong decisions that ulti- that hinder our personal and on the Lordship of Jesus mately led to those successes and

Life can be measured in cycles Before exploring future and phases, as well as in years. possibilities, let's you and I, There are periods of growth and expansion and periods of dormancy, rest and inactivity. Hu-It is said, that hind sight is man life, in this sense, can be 20/20, meaning that it is compared to that of a tree. Cut important to remember that he easier and clearer to visualize it down and you can count it's will never leave us or forsake and understand the events of years of life, by counting the

Yet, within that life were sea-Last year, I invited you to sons (cycles), birth (sapling) and method, intensity and duratake this same quest and I hope rebirth each spring. Youth (spring) middle age (summer) old age (fall) and death (winter) and eventual death and decay.

From birth to death there is every opportunity that came many years of life, each containing many cycles of growth and out in you, he will be faithful dormancy, so have been the to bring it to a completion.

years of your life. How much personal growth

and development you will have in the next year is, for the most part, determined by

Ask yourself, what do I want? What do I need? What am I willing to give or pay to get it? What is really important to me?

Sometimes, a part of us tion of those encumbrances spiritual growth can be painful and the process can involve suffering.

If we will only allow God to deal with our problems, while we seek out his will for our lives, those struggles will bring us closer to him. It is us when we go through the valleys of death. God governs the process. God oversees the tion of these trials.

What seed is God planting in your life today? What fruit will they bear, when He is finished? You can rest in his hand. Whatever he is working

## All wisdom comes from God

"Hi, Dad," said Jimmy, throwing his books on the floor beside the recliner.

"How was school?" Dave asked matter-of-factly.

"We saw a great movie today in science." Jimmy replied. "What was it about, Jimmy?" Dave asked.

world would be like millions of of the Creator," Dave said. years from now," Jimmy said.

"It showed how the theory of evolution would work to generate creatures similar to what we have now, but bigger, and even new life forms that would evolve by themselves," Jimmy added, excitedly.

"And what happened to all the people on earth?" Dave que-

"They didn't really say how it happened, but human beings had become an extinct species. Boy, it sure would be exciting to see all that."

"Did the movie say anything about God?" Dave continued. "Naw, nothin' about God. It

was all about what evolution would accomplish," Jimmy answered.

"So, was the world that evolution created a place of peace and harmony?" Dave asked.

"Actually, Dad, it was pretty violent. The creatures were de- is brought to you by the St. vouring each other and at times Henry de Osso Family Project, it was pretty bloody," Jimmy working in Brackett-ville to

"Sounds like a pretty accu- cation.

**Empowering Families** 

Dr. Donald Smith

Well, it looked into the fu- rate picture of what the world ture and described what the would be like without the hand

> "Like it was in the very beginning, without form or structure, a giant wasteland. (Genesis

"You know Jimmy, while films like that may capture your fantasy, they are made by people who haven't the foggiest notion of what the world will really be like millions of years from now. Even science sometimes leaves the world of reality and follows its own imagination. That's what happens when there is no wisdom to guide the mind.

"Long ago a very wise man said that all wisdom comes from the Lord and with him it remains forever. He determines heaven's height and earth's breadth.

"It is God and not evolution that will determine what the world will be like millions of years from now," Dave said. (Sirach 1:1-8)

■ Editor's note: This column strengthen family, faith and edu-

## Christ can be found within the Scriptures

The three Wise Men searched for the Christ Child. Guided by a unique star, they came to Jerusalem, announcing the nature of their quest: "Where is the one who has been born King of the Jews. We saw His star in the east, and have come to worship Him." (Matt.2:2).

Directed to go to Bethlehem, — the Scriptures they saw the star again, and great was their joy. "Seek and you will

not scale the highest mountain, leaders in Jerusalem were able or descend into the depth of the to help the Wise Men find Jesus. you; the Word of faith we are world. proclaiming."(Rom. 10:8)

or in works. However, Christ is each Sunday morning at 9 at



Nathan Lafrenz

The Bible, which is the Word of God, bears witness to Christ. The visit of the Wise Men ex-This applies also to the emplified this. Because the Old search for Jesus. We seek Him Testament prophet Micah had where He is to be found, in His announced that the Messiah was Word. To find Jesus, we need to be born in Bethlehem, the

Throughout the Bible we find He is much closer at hand, as testimonies to Jesus Christ, our Paul states, "The Word is near Savior from sin, the light of the

Come and worship the light Many think they can find of Christ and hear the Word of Christ in nature, in meditation, God proclaimed and preached to be found in His Holy Word Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

#### Wear freedom in the name of Jesus

Christ has set you free in 2003. He has set you free from sin, from death, from sickness and disease, from poverty. All you have to do is appropriate it from the living word of God

and apply it to your life. You are now free from the law of sin and death.

you free." (John 8:32)

"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free erty indeed." (John 8:36).

"Even the righteousness of them that believe: for there is Jesus:" (Romans 3:22-24).

are in Christ Jesus, who walk erty might be rich." (2 Cor. 8:9) wear it proudly in the name not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the not children of the bondwoman, in hope, walk in love.



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"And ye shall know the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath truth, and the truth shall make made me free from the law of sin and death." (Romans 8:1-2)

the spirit of the world, but the kingdom, and healing every

God which is by faith of Jesus spirit which is of God; that we sickness and every disease Christ unto all and upon all might know the things that are among the people." (Matt. freely given to us of God. For 9:35) no difference: For all have who hath known the mind of the sinned, and come short of the Lord, that he may instruct him? sins in his own body on the glory of God; Being justified But we have the mind of Christ." tree, that we, being dead to freely by his grace through the (1 Cor. 2:12,16) "For ye know sins, should live unto righredemption that is in Christ the grace of our Lord Jesus teousness: by whose stripes ye Christ, that, though he was rich, were healed." (1 Peter 2:24). "There is therefore now no yet for your sakes he became condemnation to them which poor, that ye through his pov- year. Wrap it around you and

but of the free." (Gal. 4:31)

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." (Gal. 5:7)

You are no longer in bondage to poverty, to sickness or to death. Healing through Jesus is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.

'And Jesus went about all You are now free from pov- the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and "Now we have received, not preaching the gospel of the

"Who his own self bare our

Grab up your freedom this "So then, brethren, we are of Jesus. Stand in faith, rest

Rockcrushers

slip by Tigers

to Knippa last Monday as the

Rockcrushers edged the Tigers

halftime, but Knippa outscored Brackett 13-10 and 9-6 in the last

two quarters to secure the win.

ing the game," Tigers coach

Charlie Marquardt said. "We

didn't use our height advantage

leading scorer with 12 points, while Philip Munoz finished with nine points and 12 re-

Jared Hobbs was Brackett's

Boyd Brotherton scored eight points for the Tigers, Dietrich

"This is a game that needs to check each player's competitive

Davis had six points and seven boards, and Noe Talamantes

soul on what they should have

done and didn't," Marquardt said. "Losing needs to hurt. The

character of this team needs to

step up and take charge. District

in the game."

added two points.

"We did not take advantage of numerous opportunities dur-

38-37.

Brackett lost a heart-breaker

The Tigers (6-5) jumped out to an 11-7 lead after the opening stanza and were up 21-16 at

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# **SPORTS**



Setting up the offense

Brackett forward Philip Munoz (00) looks for an opening in the Nueces Can- is right around the corner and yon defense during recent action. The Tigers open district Friday against Dilley. I'm sure we will be ready."

Tigerettes fall short to Natalia in district opener

fell to the Lady Mustangs 41-29 She also pulled down five two. Amanda Davis picked up

By J.J. GUIDRY Editor

Brackett outscored Natalia of Monday's contest, but the conference action. Tigerettes couldn't overcome a

in the District 30-AA opener for boards. both teams.

Ashley Smith led Brackett's

Courtney Frerich had seven The loss drops the Tigerettes rebounds and seven points on 3- Tuesday on the road, but results 27-22 in the last three quarters to 5-8 on the season and 0-1 in of-4 shooting from the free-throw

Stacey Castilla finished with 19-2 first-period deficit as they scoring attack with 14 points. six points and Tye Taylor added they host Dilley.

five steals in the game.

Brackett played George West were not available at press-time. The Tigerettes resume district play Friday night at 6:30 when

# Play focuses on awareness

Friday night in Uvalde the name) is brie and lobster. Glorie about volunteering for anything, for Sunday at 2:30 p.m. curtain will rise on what promises to be one of the most enjoyable stage productions of the new year - the uplifting and touching play, "Grace & Glorie.'

Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, inside the cottage of Grace Stiles.

Grace, a 90-year-old, salt-ofthe-earth country woman, accepts each day as it comes, and derives her strength from her upbeat attitude toward life and on so many different levels," her unshakable faith in God. When she finds out she has a life threatening illness, she returns to her roots to live out the rest of her days at home.

Enter Gloria Whitmore — a young, sophisticated, no-nonsense hospice volunteer with an MBA from Harvard, freshly transplanted from New York City. Sparks fly from the outset as the two women match wits, lock horns and go toe to toe one relying on her extensive education and an executive, boardroom mentality; the other relying on common sense and her 90 years of experience.

"The fact that each has virtually nothing in common means that major conflicts are inevitable, and those conflicts lead to lots of laughs," said Michael Box, who is serving as both the producer of the play and playing the role of Grace.

Grace is Velveeta cheese and Wonder Bread. Glorie (as Grace to volunteer before it is their p.m. A second performance is deliberately mispronounces her time to go, or to even think scheduled at the Opera House performances," Box added.

is highly educated. Grace is il- then we have done our jobs." literate. Grace believes. Glorie

As they come to know each other, the two women begin to find out that maybe they do have The action takes place in the something in common after all. Ultimately, both come to terms with their doubts and fears, and together they demonstrate how two very different women can bond and grow from a situation involving very difficult issues.

"This play will touch people said director Sondra Madden. "Everyone who sees it will find something they can relate to."

Bethany Gomez, who plays Glorie, agrees. Gomez has a special interest in volunteer work and has assisted in programs with Americorps and the Red Cross, including participating in disaster relief services in New York relating to the Sept. 11 tragedy.

"Hopefully, the play will educate people about the Hospice program and a need for volunteers," Gomez explained.

"It will also bring together the families affected. It's important that the community see the extraordinary services Hospice offers and what a blessing it is

"An audience member enjoying the play may have never thought that they would be in need of a caring person to help them through the last days of their life. If the play stirs them

"One of the main objectives we have is to build awareness about Hospice in our commu- to the Uvalde Country Club for nity," Box said. "This play is the perfect vehicle to achieve that, because it does it subtly, while entertaining the audience.

"There will be people who come to see this play who don't have a clue what Hospice is all about. 'Grace & Glorie' will change that. Even people who ner. thought they knew what Hospice does, will come away with are \$30 and tables are also availa deeper understanding of how these issues affect our community," Box added.

"Grace & Glorie" will run for four performances. A candlelight ceremony around a special Hospice angel on the plaza will be led by the ministerial alliance Friday at 7 p.m.

"The public is strongly encouraged to attend this short ceremony," Box said. "It's to pay tribute to all the Hospice families in this area, the fathers, the mothers, and the children who have needed and used Hospice over the years. It will also serve to show appreciation for the many Hospice workers and volunteers to have helped those families.'

Immediately after the candlelight ceremony Friday, refreshments will be served in the Janey Slaughter Briscoe Grand Opera can't afford the \$5 tickets, call House and then the curtain will the Hospice office and explain open on "Grace & Glorie" at 8

Tickets to the Opera House

performances are \$5. 'Grace & Glorie" then moves two very special dinner theater performances on Jan. 17-18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. both nights. Live pre-show entertainment will be provided during

dinner by an orchestra and by a quartet, singing old time gospel songs. The play will follow din-Tickets for the dinner theater

able for purchase. Proceeds from ticket sales will go to raise money for Hospice and to provide Hospice care to families in our area who need those services, but have no means to pay for them.

Tickets to all four performances may be reserved by calling the Hospice office at (830) 278-6691.

"Because the awareness-raising aspect of this, production has become so important to Hospice and their co-sponsor, the Uvalde Arts Council, both organizations want to ensure that anyone who wants to come and see the play at the Opera House will not be turned away because of inability to pay," Box said.

"If there is anyone who wants to go and take their family to the show at the Opera House, but your situation and we will get you tickets to one of the first two

## The good and bad in holiday cooking

Ready for a "slow down" in production in the kitchen? You bet! In lieu of a new recipe, I thought I would share my good and bad that occurred during this mad hectic season of mass food production.

We invited friends for lunch on Christmas eve. consumed his bowl full, with-Simple fare of turkey sand- out comment while I stirred wiches with a few extras. But mine a lot, looking thoughtat 8 p.m. on the 23rd, I realized I had failed to plan desert. Here is a fantastic recipe for egg nog cake on can. Horrors!

It requires one large box instant vanilla pudding, and I have only one small box! Can't use the chocolate, banana cream or pistachio or butterscotch. Viola!! One lone box of white chocolate. Go for was eaten in one day.

Such luck isn't always there. Poor hubby came down with a bad cold.

"Make a big pot of soup" I said. (Have been told that I do a good one) I didn't want the usual fare, so I made cauliflower cheese soup. Trust me, never make soup, espe- apple in the bag with them. cially a lot, out of anything

My husband, Bill, bless him, who will eat anything cool before filling. This is esthat doesn't move faster than pecially good for cream pies, him or doesn't eat him first, and it can be used on grahamvery slowly and carefully, cracker crusts too.

Goodies From G.G.

> Vada Baldree

For the life of me, I could think of no way to salvage this humongous pot of soup. I asked the food experts, Brother and Mrs. Adams, for ideas. I made some improvements, but ... suddenly, "No need to throw it away, we've got animals!"

We gave it to Sport, our it. All I can say is that cake 125-pound Anatolian shepherd. I hate to admit that even he agreed I had goofed, and after a few bites, he left it for the chickens to finish.

Life - win some, lose some. We'll go with two positive good ideas:

No 1. To help keep potatoes from shriveling, place an

No 2. To help pie crust stay that's base isn't your favorite, crisper, brush with egg whites can't-live-without ingredient. and bake at 350 degrees for five to seven minutes, and

## oughman Contest comes to Del Rio

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#### Weber receives Ritual of Jewels

Marian Weber received the Ritual of Jewels in a beautiful candlelight ceremony as Preceptor Theta Sigma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met for the first time in 2003 at the home of Luella Gilliland on Monday.

Following this ceremony, the Preceptor Degree was conferred on Arlys Simpson in an equally moving candlelit ceremony.

Louise Pflughoeft was unable to attend and will receive her degree at a later date.

During a short business meeting, plans were discussed for the Valentine Dinner. It was agreed that each sister would contribute \$5 and one gift will be purchased for the Valentine sweetheart. Several excellent suggestions for gifts were made and Mylo Unruh will make the purchase.

A goal for the year 2003 was discussed and everyone seemed to agree that work was needed to improve programs. With that in mind, a theme for next year was discussed and it was decided that the fall 2003 year will be dedicated to programs about family history and background.

Preceptor sisters each gave a report on her individual attribute.

An assortment of sandwiches and relishes, followed by a delicious Black Forest cake was served by hostess Luella Gilliland to the following members present: Jan Chism, Doraline Keller, Pat McKelvy, Lynn McNew, Janie Meredith, Arlys Simpson, Mylo Unruh, Bobbie Waddill and Marion Weber.

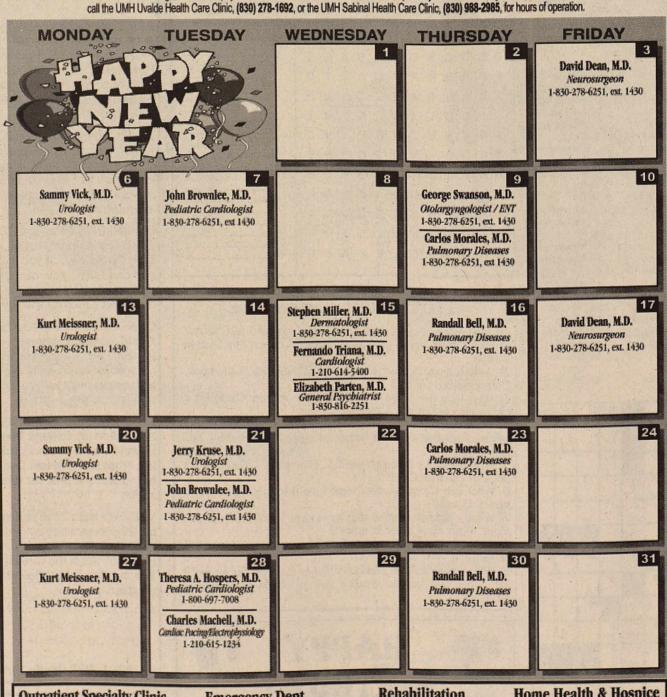
The next meeting will be on Monday, Jan. 20, at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Alicia Raymer.

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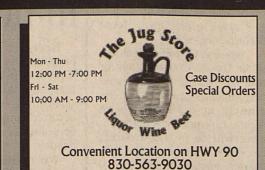
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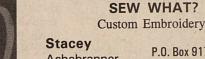
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1. What make of car could you buy fully-equipped and "terrorist-proof" for \$208,000 at Washington's Counter Spy Shop in

2. What kidnap victim told her side of the story in the book, "Every Secret Thing" 3. Who won the 1986 Best Supporting Actress Oscar for a

movie directed by her father? 4. What Democratic presidential hopeful's first and last names were adopted as the first names of singer Patti Smith's two children?

5. What musical is based on the T.S. Eliot work, "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats"? 6. What East Coast governor signed the first U.S. bill to try to stop acid rain?

7. What magazine claimed that its woman "does more, knows more, earns more, spends more"? 8. What Woody Allen co-star's first movie as director was called

"Heaven"? 9. What Irangate figure was described as the most "telegenic"? 10. What year saw the maiden voyage of the space shuttle Atlantis?

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CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Avoid involving yourself in someone else's argument. It's not your battle. Over the weekend, singles meet with romantic opportunities.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) All's well on the domestic front. However, a minor work problem crops up midweek. Don't be too proud to seek out some advice.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An exciting new career opportunity comes your way. However, weigh this carefully. You may just be satisfied with the status quo.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) For some reason, you're a bit overbearing at work this week. It's wise to remember that you don't always have all the answers. Tap into your humility.

> SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) It's a good time to sit down with your mate and discuss mutual finances. Investment opportunities abound. With some care, you can make the right decisions together.

> SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It's a good week to make some progress on a work project. While you won't complete it totally, you'll be satisfied with the results. This weekend, spend some time with friends you've neglected.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You have lofty goals. However, you need to be careful how you try to attain them. It's best to maintain

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your focus is at work this week. However, a family member needs your at tention. Do your best to juggle both.

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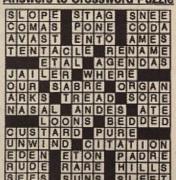
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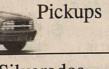
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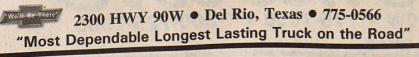
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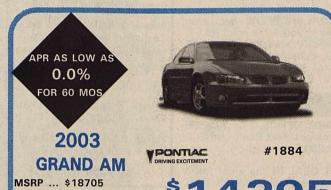


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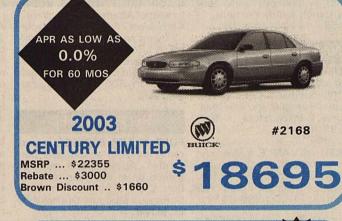


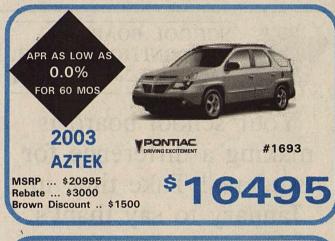
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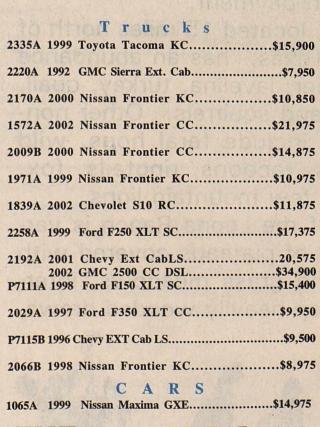












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