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County Fair opens Thursday with parade

Thursday, evening is "opening day" for the fifth annual Colorado County Fair, with a "bigger and better" parade starting at 6:30 p.m. in downtown Columbus. The fair runs through Sunday evening at the fairgrounds by the Veterans Community Center, near Columbus High School.

Each year the fair has grown larger, and this year is no exception. Livestock entries are up to about 800, from last year's 600 level, and many of the categories in the home economics and fine arts events include more entries than in previous years.

A complete schedule of events was published in last week's Headlight, and is included in the official fair program that will be distributed free on the

fairgrounds and is now available at various businesses around the county. Fair admissions can be purchased several ways, with the family membership the lowest. Those cost \$12, but include four-day passes for four members of the family. Queens, contestants are selling tickets through Thursday evening. After that time, one-day gate admissions will be sold for \$3 for adults, \$1 for children in school through 12 years of age, and pre-schoolers free. Once inside the grounds, there are no other admission charges, meaning all entertainment is free.

Jef & Valerie, Kemy Dale, the Burito Brothers and Shiloh are the scheduled groups. The queens contest, to be

held at 7 p.m. Saturday in the auditorium of the high school, includes 25 entrants at last count. There will be a \$1 admission charge for adults, and 50 cents for children, to cover costs of renting the building for the pageant. One young woman will wear the crown for selling the most membership and together will be crowned Miss Colorado County Fair Queen.

Girls from the Rice School District, who have entered are Connie Prazak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Prazak, sponsored by Grigar Insurance Agency; Roxanne Ripper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Ripper, sponsored by Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce; Lisa Corman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vic Corman Jr., sponsored by Eagle Lake Lions Club;



Paul Baumgarten Garwood

Beverly Rucka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Rucka, sponsored by the Custom Shoppe; Cathy Lanyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lanyon, sponsored by Joe H. McCreary, auctioneer; Laura Appelt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Appelt, sponsored by KULM Radio, and Paula Baumgarten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, sponsored by Bunge Cattle Co.

Official opening

The parade marks the official opening, and this year it will be led by Miss Lee Nesbitt of Columbus, and Mrs. Elie Thomas of Eagle Lake. "Lil" Stallman, parade chairman, said the Parade Marshal honor was bestowed on the women for their outstanding participation in community affairs. Miss Nesbitt and Mrs. Thomas were the "Women of the Year" for the Beta Chapter of the Kiwanis and social sorority in the county. The Nesbitt Memorial Library in Columbus was built by Miss Lee, and donated to the city. Mrs. Thomas is constantly active in community, school and church projects, and is dedicated to improvement of city and community spirit.

Mrs. Stallman noted that judging for this year's parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, only for those units lined up in the proper place at that time. The parade unit registration booth will open at 4 p.m., and has been moved to Millam St., south of the tennis courts. Late parade registrations will be accepted.

Go Texan events to add activity to county fair Sunday afternoon

The Colorado County Go Texan Committee will sponsor three special events in conjunction with the Colorado County Fair again this year. A barbecue cook-off must check in at 10 a.m. Sunday, and a horseshoe pitching contest are scheduled Sunday.

There will be two divisions in each contest. The Go Texan division is open only to residents of Colorado County, and the Open Division is open to anyone. Go Texan division winners will represent the county at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in February. Teams entering the barbecue cook-off must check in at 10 a.m. Sunday, and a horseshoe pitching contest will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the livestock area of the fairgrounds. The hauling crew must load 42 hay bales on a conventional and up to three assistants. They must cook a maximum of 10 pounds of barbecue, which may consist of beef, chicken, rabbit, pork or lamb. Judging will be at 4 p.m. Sunday. Trophies will be awarded.

The annual Rice Belt chapter of Ducks Unlimited is scheduled this year for October 5 at the Provident City Hotel, and once again a 4-wheel drive Blazer will be given away. The stag fund-raiser is held in the interest of the future of North American waterfowl. Tickets are \$25 each, and include the barbecue dinner and free beer.

The top prize in the major raffle is the 1984 Blazer, purchased through Lake Motors. Only 300 tickets will be printed, to be sold for \$100 each. Second prize is a Rolex watch; third is a Honda three-wheeler; fourth is a sharp video tape recorder, and fourth is a model 12 Winchester shotgun.

Another raffle includes prizes such as the Ducks Unlimited gun of the year, a used all terrain vehicle with trailer, a video tape recorder, an over-under 410 shotgun, and a case of shells. Those tickets cost \$50 each, with only 200 printed. The annual event raises funds for Ducks Unlimited, which was founded in 1937 to help restore and rehabilitate prime waterfowl breeding grounds in Canada, where more than 70 percent of North America's waterfowl are hatched. Ducks Unlimited has completed more than 2,100 wetland restoration projects. According to the organization, those projects have benefited man as well as creating a stabilized water supply for agriculture, industry and municipalities. More than \$198 million has been raised by the organization in its 45-year history, with \$146 million spent on wetland improvement and management.

Tickets for the October 5th banquet are on sale from area members, and are available at Johnny's Sport Shop in Eagle Lake.

The monthly Rice Conservation project, most of the solar film has been put on the windows, and a major portion of the other work has been done. King also briefly discussed the roofing project and the status of the annexation of the Provident City Independent School District by Hallettsville.

In other business, the board: Re-appointed Ralph Truly to serve as the board's representative on the Colorado County Central Appraisal District's appraisal review board.

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Judge Cranek appointed chairman of regional board

Colorado County Judge Lester Cranek has been appointed chairman of the regional committee that will review area applications for community development funds, such as the \$400,000 grant Eagle Lake is seeking. Now that Texas is administering federal funds formerly handed out by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the state has developed regional committees to review applications, and recommend funding.

Eagle Lake is applying for the grant to do street, sewer, water, drainage and other work in the northeastern portion of the city. At county commissioners' court Monday, Cranek outlined his appointment by Governor Mark White, and what the committee will be doing. "Maybe I ought to have ducked this appointment for political reasons," he said, explaining that all

three county cities have applied for funds, along with 37 other cities in the 13-county Houston metropolitan area. Since the federal government has given the state authority over the money, the state department of community affairs established local committees in regions around the state, to give the program contact with local needs. The committee includes 12 members from the other counties in the region, including the mayors of El Campo and Bellville, other county commissioners and councilmen from various cities including Wharton. No other Colorado Countyman was appointed. Cranek will serve for two years.

According to a list Cranek was given, 31 cities have applied for grants, asking \$12.3 million. However, there is only \$3 million available for the region at this time. Weimar, Columbus and Eagle Lake each have ap

plied for community development funding, with Weimar submitting a separate application for a jobs bill. Wednesday, representatives of the applicant areas will meet in Houston with the committee for project review. Cranek said each application will be rated on a point system, with the committee's recommendations to be made to the governor.

County ups tax rate 9%

The Colorado County Tax rate was set by county commissioners on Monday at 30.373 cents per hundred dollars valuation, an increase from last year's rate of 28.202 cents.

Although the rate will bring in about the same amount of revenues generated this year, mineral and bank property values have decreased, leaving other property owners with a nine percent increase.

The setting of the rate was only one item on a long county commissioners' agenda, that included public hearings on Alletton Road and Reese lane north of I-10, on revenue sharing funds, and on the county budget.

Most of the seats in the commissioners' meeting room were filled Monday morning as the bi-monthly session opened. Residents of the two streets were interested in whether a load limit would be placed on the road, and whether a speed limit would be established.

Commissioner voted to limit the weight of vehicles on the roads to 40,000 pounds, which allows empty gravel trucks to travel, but not loaded ones. However, there is a bridge with a three-ton limit that still cannot be crossed. When questioned about enforcement, Judge Cranek told residents to contact the sheriff's office, but a deputy cannot file an offense without witnessing it. Therefore, he suggested they then contact their justices of the peace, and file charges themselves, as allowed by law. The hearing was for load limits only. Since there is a 35 mile per hour speed limit on Reese

Lane, court said it would call for a public hearing for the same limit on Alletton Road.

In other business, commissioners: "Learned about a meeting Tuesday in Columbus called by the ambulance corps there. "The inability of that corps to provide full-time ambulance service there" was to be discussed. The Columbus ambulance corps was having trouble recruiting volunteers.

Last month, Columbus answered 21 calls, Weimar 26 and Eagle Lake 31. Commissioners also learned the company that was providing non-emergency service in Columbus has stopped doing so, because of the low fee it was forced to charge.

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City hears landscape report; tax rate same

The city will cut its operating budget by about \$18,000 for the remainder of its fiscal year that ends March 31, rather than increase the tax rate.

That decision was made Tuesday night at the bi-monthly city council meeting, and was necessitated by the lower than estimated taxable values in the city.

City Manager Robert Klockman told council that if the tax rate was increased to 43 cents per hundred dollars valuation from its present level of 38 cents, the revenue projected last spring would be raised. The change would be more than a 13 percent rate increase.

The move to leave the rate alone was led by councilman Gene Baker, who suggested the city budget has room for cutting. Baker has been a proponent of a smaller police force, and suggests cuts could come there. Also, the city already has three fewer employees now than it did when the budget was first adopted last spring.

Baker was joined by councilman Roy Dean Van Nort, who said the 13 percent increase was too much. Mike Duarte also voted for the 38-cent rate, while Hub Alley and Alvin Kohlfelldt both felt the budget was too thin to cut. Alley did suggest that if a higher rate was adopted, it should be called an adjustment rather than an increase.

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