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To The Editor & You

Fair says 'Thanks'

We of the Colorado County Fair Association (CCFA) want to thank each of you who contributed to the success of the 1996 Colorado County Fair. The excitement of the participants and spectators at all events was overwhelming.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, our appreciation goes out to all the many volunteers, sponsors, businesses, contributors, newspapers, radio stations, the County Extension office, Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce, the civic organizations, teachers and everyone involved in any way for their time and contributions to help make this fair another success.

Adding to this success was the fair's very first rodeo, produced by Rafter D. Rodeo Co., which drew large crowds every night. Once again we want to thank the buyers, opportunity buyers and community buyers for showing their support of our youth by purchasing a record \$109,877.99 in livestock and poultry! We also thank all the other departments of the fair, the exhibitors and participants. Without them, our purpose would be incomplete.

Our congratulations also go out to all the pageant and Fair Queen winners. We appreciate the sale of pre-season passes, which contributes to the entertainment brought to you by the CCFA.

Without the dedication of everyone involved, our goals of helping the youth of Colorado County could not be accomplished. This year, with your help, we were able to provide \$4,000 in scholarships to Colorado County youth.

The Board of Directors wants to say thank you. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to developing youth involvement and education. Thanks again to everyone for the continued support.

The CCFA Board of Directors
Jerry Henneke, president

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Auditor finds questionable expenditures

The Office of the State Auditor has uncovered more than \$1 million in questionable expenditures by tax-supported nursing homes and in-home health-care companies.

The expenditures were discovered in cost reports submitted to the Texas Department of Human Services, the agency which regulates such facilities.

The cost reports show how revenue from all sources — including Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance payments — was spent.

"The funds used to make these expenditures could have been used to provide higher quality care or to provide care to a greater number of clients," the auditor report said.

Among the findings: 10 nursing homes spent almost \$615,000 on



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Texas Press Association

items such as a Cadillac, Texas Rangers baseball tickets and jobs for relatives who did not work; and five health-care companies spent almost \$387,000 on employee parties, leasing an airplane from an employee, car window tinting and other items.

The names of the nursing homes and health-care companies were not made public.

Last week, State Auditor Lawrence

Alvin recommended that the Department of Human Services set limits on how Medicaid funds can be spent and devise a system to recoup money spent in a questionable manner.

Terry Trimble, acting commissioner of the DHS, said the audit raises legitimate public policy questions.

"Once the money goes to the nursing facility — assuming they're providing the service and we're paying the correct rate — then they can spend the money however they want. There's nothing illegal about them spending \$13,000 on a car. That is a legitimate public policy question that perhaps somebody wants to deal with," Trimble told the Austin American-Statesman.

A financial audit of the Senate is in progress, but no date has been set for its completion.

More Violent Offenders in TYC
A new state study shows Texas' increasing number of juveniles being sentenced to the Texas Youth Commission are violent and are more likely to have used weapons in crimes.

The study was done by the Criminal Justice Policy Council, a state agency that monitors crime trends.

Since 1990, the percentage of violent criminals in TYC lockups grew from 16% to 37% in 1995, when the total number of commitments rose to 2,318. The study also shows an increasing number of teen-age criminals are substance abusers and are affiliated with gangs.

Steve Robinson, executive director of the TYC, told the American-Statesman the agency is focused on changing offenders' behavior "... so that when they leave they will know how to act appropriately in society — know the difference between right and wrong."

Another finding: 41% of those who are incarcerated will be back behind bars within three years.

Hispanic Educators Discuss Hopes
Hispanic educators and civil libertarians met in Austin last week to discuss ways to open higher education to more Texans, in light of the federal court decision that barred Texas colleges and universities from using race as a factor in the student admissions process.

State Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, and leaders from Hispanic education groups, called for state higher education officials to de-emphasize the results of standardized tests in the admissions process and instead give more consideration to each student's grades and personal character.

"The main thing is to provide hope to individuals and to provide opportunities to individuals," Rodriguez said. Texas officials have said the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals decision covers the granting of scholarships and financial aid.

Minority groups contend, however, that such an interpretation is counterproductive because it slams the doors on African-American and Mexican-American students when the state's minority population is increasing dramatically.

Other Highlights
Newly appointed Texas State Education Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, is looking at ways to make the state university admissions process more efficient and student-friendly. One idea: instead of sending an application only to the campus they wish to attend, students would apply to the University of Texas System. The system would tell them which of UT's campuses they would be able to attend.

The Department of Human Services reported a 12% drop in the number of Texas welfare recipients over the last two years. That's 96,000 fewer recipients. But, the number of welfare clients in border counties with high levels of unemployment and poverty, such as Cameron and El Paso, increased over the period.

N.Lake Baptist Church Aug. Missionary Lesson

Basic theme: Preparation for Discipleship; Area: Discipleship

First Week: "Making Preparation." Matthew 9:13

When God sees fit to fill a soul, He first makes it empty, then He makes it poor and humble. He began where He needs, for us to understand, that He has to prepare and process us for the duty (or) assignment.

Matt. 11:29, Jesus said, "Take my yoke (word) upon you and learn of me." A disciple, is a learner, in the "Spiritual School of Education." And the Holy Spirit is the instructor. I Cor. 2:10. Paul said, "God gave Jesus the revelation of His word, and the Spirit searcheth all things; ye the deep things of God: to call sinners to repentance."

Second Week: "Obedience No Discipleship Without." Mk. 16:16

Obedience means, doing what is ordered, (or) command, (authority) to give order or demand (to boldly require, a strong request). Matt. 16:16 states, "He that believeth and is baptized"

shall not (maybe) be saved: but he that believeth not, shall (not maybe) be damned.

Peter said, I Peter 1:14, "As obedient children, not fashioning ourselves according to your former lusts (doing, saying and acting like we used to) in the time of our ignorance."

I Peter 1:16 also states, "Be ye Holy for I am Holy." Holiness is the key to discipleship. James 1:26 says, "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue (say anything, anywhere, anytime) he deceiveth himself, and his religion is vain."

Third Week: "Disciples 'Need' teaching." Matt. 28:20

Disciple means a learner. One of the hardest obstacles (anything that stands in the way) in a Christian's life is, we don't want to be taught. Jesus said in Matt. 11:29, "take my yoke upon you and learn of me." Apostle Paul, said in II Tim. 2:15 Study, study means to apply your mind to something, until you get a thought. Jesus in Matt. 10:1-6, called twelve men, He called His disciples (helpers).

He called them, He taught them, then He sent them forth, to do a divine work. Jesus came to this earth to establish the Kingdom in the heart of our minds.

Fourth Week: "Discipleship leads to Maturity." Matt. 5:48

Maturity means, being fully developed, ripe (or) ready for your mission. When the word of God dwells richly within a believer, then the Holy Spirit takes up his abode in the one that is born of the Spirit.

Only then can our teaching become more effective. If our belief is in time without behavior, then our attitude and action will become godly.

In Romans 8:29, Paul wrote, "For whom God foreknew, He predestined, whom He predestinate, he ordained, whom He ordain, He sustain, whom He sustain, He sanctifies and give them power, to do His will."

The word of God is always impartial in its judgement (impartial means no respect of person). Right in its finding, and unbiased (means, not prejudice) in His action.

We need to know God's will, because only God knows the future.

Pastor Rev. J.H. James: General Teacher, St. Ona, Johnson, B. McTeer, and R. Banks.

Holy Cross Parish bazaar set for Oct. 13

Riverside Hall, East Bernard, will be the site of the Holy Cross Parish Bazaar on Sunday, Oct. 13. Dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m., continuing throughout the day.

The menu will include barbecue beef, chicken and sausage with home-made dressing and all the trimmings. Czech pastries, refreshments and country store items may be purchased during the day.

The auction consisting of many items will begin at 1 p.m.

In addition to all types of games and entertainment for young and old, there will be live music and entertainment from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., provided by the Bobby Jones Orchestra, Duka Brothers and the East Bernard Czech Singers at 12:30 p.m.

Drawing tickets may be purchased all day. The drawing will be held at 8 p.m. for 24 prizes including a solid oak rocker, cash prizes from \$100 to \$500, \$100 gift certificate, two 1/2-calf (cut and wrapped), Bohemian Garnet jewelry, handmade baby afghan, hand crocheted doily and much more.

Everyone is invited to come on over to East Bernard and have a fun day with us!

Dupre, Sudik announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dupre of Sheridan are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lara Kathryn, to Randall James Sudik, son of Ms. Jary Clark of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Sudik of Yukon, Oklahoma.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Rice High School and a graduate of Victoria College where she earned an associate degree in nursing. Lara is currently pursuing a bachelor of science degree in nursing at Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, and employed as a registered nurse at Citizens Medical Center, Victoria.

The groom-elect is a 1987 graduate of Del City High School, Del City, Oklahoma, and served in the U.S. Army. James is a 1996 graduate of the Victoria College EMT Paramedic Program and is employed by the Calhoun County EMS, Port Lavaca, as a paramedic.

The couple will be married at thirty-three in the afternoon on Saturday, November 2, 1996, at the First Baptist Church in Columbus.

When you hear about "Big Spending Democrats," remind them, the budget would be balanced this year if we weren't paying interest on the Republican's 1980-92 debt.

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Deed: J.D. Lowrie Jr. et al to Freddie L. Norworthy et al, 39.309 acres, I&GN RR Co. Survey, 54, A-282; 7-1-96.

Deed: Rafael Locken Tests et al to Noah K. Keeton et al, 5.00 acres a part of the B. Wickson Survey, A-582; 6-21-96.

Deed: Columbus Professional Building Inc. to Michael C. Whitman, et al, 42.951 acres, J. Tumlinson Survey, A-46; 6-21-96.

Deed: David Mikach to Edwin A. Billick, part of Lot 1 and 2, Block 55, City of Weimar; 6-21-96.

Deed: Angela D. Blocker to Robert F. Anderson et al, Lot 24, Block 4, The Falls Subdivision, Section 12, 6-24-96.

Deed: Wilfred S. Reichle to Rodger Gallaher et al, 0.739 acres, James Cummins Survey, A-12; 6-24-96.

Deed: Richard D. Mortland et al to James Doak Hartley et al, Lot 24, Memorial Oaks Subdivision, Section 11, City of Columbus, W.B. Deewen Survey, A-18; 6-25-96.

Deed: Virginia Stafford Gurn to Jane Melton Turnage, und. int. in 191.60 acres situated in the Fielding Secret Survey, A-671, et al; 6-25-96.

Deed: Rhonda Sue Hodde and John Edward Hodde to William E. Hodde Jr., rights to oil, gas and other minerals, part of the 55 acre tract, James Earl Survey; 6-25-96.

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Deed: Helen Ball Schiewind to Helen Ball Schiewind and Henry E. Schiewind Jr., Trustees of the Helen Ball 1995 Trust, int. in oil, gas and other minerals in 320 acres, in the W/2 of S.M. Williams Survey, A-606; 6-26-96.

Deed: Odessa Vinson to James Pollard, Lot 11, Block 103, City of Columbus; 6-27-96.

Deed: Robert Bedford to James Pollard, Lot 11, Block 103, City of Columbus; 6-27-96.

Deed: Leyco Enterprises Inc. to Billie Jo Knight, 2.895 acres, B. Wickson Survey, A-582, et al; 6-27-96.

Deed: Junior C. McCage to William H. Blagg et al, Lot 63, Lake Sheridan Estates; 6-27-96.

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Deed: Carlton L. Sonnier to Gloria Dean Taylor, 1.0 acres, John Danlavy Survey, A-165; 7-2-96.

OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASES

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