

1997 Colorado County Fair



Needlecraft

Winners in this year's needlecraft division were, in front, from left, Stacy Markwardt, grand and reserve champion junior youth; Marjorie Brune, grand champion, Div. I golden age; Faye Sumrall, grand champion, Div. II golden age; Dorothy Neuendorf, reserve champion, Div. II golden age; and Madeline Hatterman, reserve champion, Div. III golden age. In back are Claudia Machu, reserve champion Div. III golden age; Lois Shilling, grand champion Div. II adult and reserve champion, Div. II adult; Tina Bertsch, grand champion Div. III adult and reserve champion, Div. III adult; and Lou Juan Braden, reserve champion, Div. I, adult. Not pictured were Barbara Prause, grand champion, Div. II, golden age, and Joe Knox, grand champion, Div. I, adult.



Handicrafts

Top finishers in handicrafts were, in front, from left, Stacy Markwardt, reserve champion junior youth, and Lauren Trojacek, grand and reserve champion primary youth. In back are Faye Sumrall, grand champion, golden age; Judy Rodriguez, grand and reserve champion, adult; Lora Weishuhn, grand champion, senior youth; and Erica Trojacek, grand champion, junior youth. Not pictured was Kelli Grunwald, reserve champion, senior youth.



Clothing

The best in the clothing division were, from left, Madeline Hattermann, grand and reserve champion, golden age; Wanda Webb, grand champion, adult; Luci Sklar, reserve champion adult; and Stacy Markwardt, grand and reserve champion, junior youth.



Canned Products

This year's best canners were, in front, from left, Lora Weishuhn, grand and reserve champion, senior youth; Roxanne Roesler, grand champion, junior youth; and Stacy Markwardt, reserve champion, junior youth. In back are Claudia Machu, grand and reserve champion, golden age; Rita Addicks, grand champion, adult; and Doris Meinecke, reserve champion, adult.



Baked Goods

Those you'd want baking for you are, in front, from left, April Linkhart, grand champion, junior youth; Sarah Anderson, reserve champion, junior youth; Lauren Trojacek, grand champion, primary youth; and Sharon Bates, reserve champion, primary youth. In back are Madeline Hattermann, grand champion, golden age; Rita Addicks, grand champion, adult; Sylvia Addicks, reserve champion, adult; and Lora Weishuhn, grand and reserve champion, senior youth. Not pictured was Annie Henneke, reserve champion, golden age.



Go Texan Photograph

Chosen to represent Colorado County in the 1997 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Go Texas competition were photographs by Clinton Halfmann in the 4 to 13 youth group and Debora Salmon, adult amateur. Not pictured was Ginger Case from the 14 to 18 youth group.



Decorated Baked Goods

Making their creations the most appealing were, in front, from left, Lauren Trojacek, grand and reserve champion and most original, primary youth; Erica Trojacek, most original, junior youth; and Lora Weishuhn, best of section, senior youth. In back are Beverly Pilsner, grand and reserve champion, adult; Amanda Potter, grand and reserve champion and most original, senior youth; Haley Henneke, grand champion, junior youth; and Mindy Malatek, reserve champion, junior youth. Not pictured was Kimberly Curlee, best of section, junior youth.



Floriculture, Plants & Specimens

Colorado County's green thumbs belong to, in front, from left, Stacy Markwardt, grand and reserve champion, junior youth, plants, and grand champion junior youth, specimens; Erica Trojacek, reserve champion, junior youth, specimen; and Lauren Trojacek, grand champion, primary youth, specimen. In back are Evelyn Barrett, grand champion, golden age; Dorothy Wicke, grand and reserve champion, adult; and Lora Weishuhn, grand and reserve champion, senior youth.



Farm Produce

Bringing in the best from their gardens were, in front, from left, Lora Weishuhn, grand champion, senior youth; and Stacy Markwardt, grand champion, junior youth. In back are Ila Kickler, grand champion, golden age; Ed Sklar, grand champion, adult; and Patsy Warshak, reserve champion, adult. Not pictured was Ashley Waligura, reserve champion, junior youth.



Favorite Recipe

Those with recipes chosen as the tops were, in front, from left, Hillary Thompson, reserve champion, senior youth; Jamie Gerik, grand champion, junior youth; Erica Trojacek, reserve champion, junior youth; and Bethany Dabney, grand champion, primary youth. In front are Dorothy Fitzgerald, grand champion, golden age; Clara Horndt, reserve champion, golden age; Luci Sklar, grand champion, adult; Sylvia Addicks, reserve champion, adult; and Lora Weishuhn, grand champion, senior youth.



Texana

Coming out on top in the Texana division were, in front, from left, Jerry Miller, grand champion, senior youth; Gregory Berger, grand champion, junior youth; Stacy Markwardt, reserve champion, junior youth; and Lauren Trojacek, grand champion, primary youth. In back are Ila Kickler, grand champion, golden age; Mildred Schultz, reserve champion, golden age; Debora Salmon, grand champion, adult; and Lois Shilling, reserve champion, adult.

Grand Champion Market Steer

Chad Mahalitc, a member of the Rice Jr. FFA, is the proud owner of the grand champion market steer from this year's Colorado County Fair. His 1105 pound Charolais-Maine Anjou named "JC" was picked as the top market steer Saturday during the livestock show. Pictured with Chad is a representative of Orange Construction, purchaser of the steer.

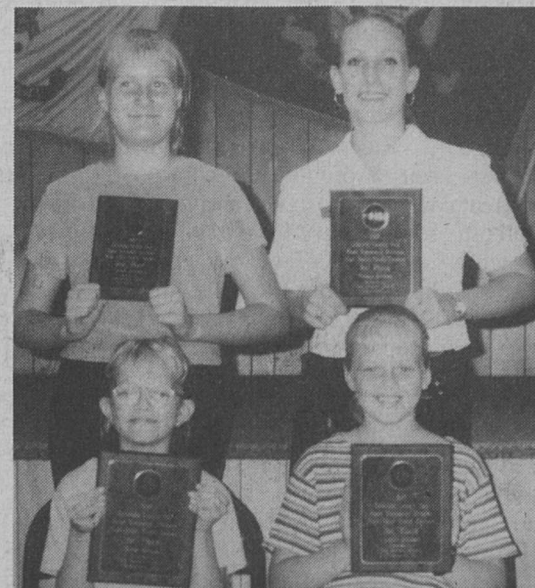
The remaining top places were taken by Jacob Little of Garwood who wrapped up Reserve Champion; Kyle Poppe of Weimar, third place; Frances Mrkwa of Eagle Lake, fourth place; and Jess Little of Garwood, fifth place. (Additional pictures, along with complete results of the livestock competitions will be included in next week's Headlight.)

Photo Courtesy of Janet Mahalitc and Monica Staff



Collective Hobbies

The top collectors in the County this year were, in front, from left, Dannah Krueger, grand champion, junior youth; Clinton Halfmann, reserve champion, junior youth; and Lauren Trojacek, grand champion, primary youth. In back are Mildred Schultz, grand champion, golden age; Dorothy Neuendorf, reserve champion, golden age; and Amber Mahalitc, grand champion, senior youth. Not pictured was Cindy-Sidney Chollett, grand champion, adult.



Youth High Point Awards

To qualify for consideration in the High Point awards (sponsored by San Bernard Electric and Colorado County FCE Clubs), youths must enter 10 or more items.

Winning this year were, in front, Lauren Trojacek, first place, primary youth; and Stacy Markwardt, first place, junior youth. In back are Erica Trojacek, second place, junior; and Lora Weishuhn, first place, senior youth. Not pictured was Roxanne Roesler, third place, junior youth.



Photography

Top shutter bugs in the County are, in front, from left, Simone Petrusky, best and reserve best of show, primary youth; Stacy Markwardt, best of show, junior youth; and Clinton Halfmann, reserve best, junior youth. In back are Kara Kleimann, best of show, adult amateur; and Robin Moeller, reserve best, adult amateur. Not pictured were Roxann Halfmann, best of show, senior youth; and Donna Bubak, best and reserve best of show, professional.



Western Art

Submitting the best Western art were, in front, from left, finalists Sarah Lejuene, Colleen Olson, Sophia Connor, Greg Skaines, Blake Rosenbaum and Tyler Rau. Seated were Andy Pora, best of show, elementary; Will Kearney, reserve best, elementary; and Joseph Poenitzsch, reserve best, elementary. Standing were Bernardo Vasquez, best of show, junior high; Gideon Obenhaus, reserve best, junior high; Brent Hernandez, best of show, senior high; and Elizabeth Schlott, reserve best, senior high. Not pictured were Robert Ubamos, reserve best, elementary; and finalists Jon Munoz (junior high), Greg Alvarez (high school), Kimberly Menke and Brandy Huskey.



County Fair Art Show

Top finishers in the County Fair Art Show were, in front, from left, Abbie Skains, best of show, pre-school; Brianna Hernandez, reserve best, pre-school; Lauren Behlen, best of show, elementary; and Simon Petrosky, reserve best, elementary. In back were Bernardo Vasquez, best of show, junior high; Tyson Schimek, reserve best, junior high; Elizabeth Yniguez, best of show, sculpture; and Kelli Berger, reserve best, sculpture. Not pictured were Roxann Halfmann, best of show, senior high, and Ryan Walla, reserve best, senior high.

