

More from the 1997 Colorado County Fair...

Livestock competition results
Competitors in order of finish.

MARKET HOGS

Light weight: Casey Wessels, Columbus; Tyson Schimcek, Weimar; Katie Schimcek, Weimar; Russell Stewart, Co-

lumbus; Tyler Treptow, Hallettsville; Luke Prihoda, Weimar; Damon Faldyn, Fayetteville; Erin Koehl, Alleyton; Myra Ulrich, Weimar; Carl Prihoda, Weimar; Jacob Glueck, Cat Spring; Shannon Pesak, Weimar; Cody Swyden, Columbus; Marshall Peterson, Sheridan; and Rachel Pe-

terson, Sheridan.

Medium weight: Jake Koehl, Alleyton; Clayton Wessels, Columbus; Eric Pesak, Weimar; Julie Sodalak, Cat Spring; Tyler Wicke, Columbus; Jacob Chollett, Glidden; Joseph Glueck, Columbus; Robert Curlee III, New Ulm; Mindy Malatek, Columbus; Casey Maertz, Alleyton; Stephanie Botard, Sheridan; Kelsey Maertz, Alleyton; Courtney Swyden, Columbus; Samantha Hoelscher, Columbus; Kristy Pesak, Weimar; and Andrea Wilson, Columbus.

Heavy weight: Matt Sodalak, Cat Spring; Aaron Pesak, Weimar; Philip Brune, New Ulm; Caleb Poenitzsch, New Ulm; Karl Vasut, Eagle Lake; Natalie Brune, Columbus; Lacy Krueger, New Ulm; Kaylee Malatek, Columbus; Kimberly Curlee, New Ulm; Jamie Billeck, Weimar; Brittany Rossignol, Columbus; Ashley Wilson, Columbus; Dannah Krueger, New Ulm; and Bobby Pesak, Weimar.

Champions: grand, Jake Koehl; reserve, Casey Wessels.
Showmanship: sub-jr., Casey Wessels, Aaron Pesak; junior, Clayton Wessels, Luke Prihoda; senior, Julie Sodalak, Eric Pesak.

POULTRY

Broilers: Brian Glueck, Cat Spring; Kimberly Waligura, Garwood; Roxanne Herbrich, Weimar; Blake Rerich, Weimar; Brooke Cranek, Nada; Bart Rerich, Weimar; Kaylin Boenisch, Garwood; Lauren Trojacek, New Ulm; Patty Koch, Columbus; Andrew Koch, Columbus; Courtney Wied, Cat Spring; and Brent Botard, Sheridan.

Champions: grand, Brian Glueck; reserve, Kimberly Waligura.

Turkeys: Craig Waligura, Garwood; Ashley Waligura, Garwood; Brandon Pesak, Weimar; Brandy Tuck, Columbus; Margie Leopold, Nada; Jeff Pavlicek, Columbus; and Noelle Jurica, Garwood.

Champions: grand, Craig Waligura; reserve, Ashley Waligura.

MARKET LAMBS

Light weight: Jeremy Werland, Columbus; Corey Divin, Weimar; Lynden Haley, Cat Spring; Sarah Divin, Weimar; Lacey Hinz, Weimar; Jason Dabney, Columbus; and Jonathan Surovack, Cat Spring.

Medium weight: Russell Hagendorf, Columbus; James Chollett, Glidden; Brian Thomas, Weimar; Kaylee Robinson, Columbus; Jacob Chollett, Glidden; Matt Divin, Weimar; and Jessica Till, Garwood.

Heavy weight: Joshua Chollett, Glidden; Jeremy Werland, Columbus; Matthew Berger, Weimar; Amy Obenhaus, Eagle Lake; Jamie Till, Garwood; and Craig Waligura, Garwood.

Champions: grand, Joshua Chollett; reserve, Jeremy Werland.

Showmanship: senior, Joshua Chollett, Amy Obenhaus; junior, Jeremy Werland, Lynden Haley; sub-jr., Craig Waligura, Jeffrey Werland.

MARKET GOATS

Light weight: April Nawara, Cat Spring; Cody Besch, Weimar; Jacey Nawara, Cat Spring; Bart Rerich, Weimar; Blake Rerich, Weimar; Matt Janak, Weimar; and Kristy Janak, Weimar.

Medium weight: Leigh Berger, Schulenburg; C.J. Cernoch, Weimar; Roxanne Herbrich, Weimar; Josh Muras, Weimar; and Greg Glueck, Cat Spring.

Heavy weight: Brent Gorman, Columbus; Roxanne Roesler, Ellinger; Kyle Poppe, Weimar; Joshua Dabney, Columbus; and Rocky Roesler, Ellinger.

Champions: grand, Brent Gorman; reserve, Roxanne Roesler.

Showmanship: sub-jr., Kyle Poppe, Leigh Berger; junior, Roxanne Roesler, April Nawara; senior, Greg Glueck, C.J. Cernoch.

MARKET STEERS

Grand champion: Chad Mahalite, Eagle Lake; reserve champion, Jacob Little, Garwood; third place, Kyle Poppe, Weimar; fourth place, Frances Mrkwa,

Eagle Lake; and fifth place, Jess Little, Garwood.

COMMERCIAL HEIFERS

Light weight: Amanda Labay, Altair; Vanessa Rodgers, Eagle Lake; Ryan Henske, Eagle Lake; Kevin Hattermann, Weimar; and Shelley Boenisch, Garwood.

Medium weight: Camille Staff, Nada; Mandy Staff, Nada; Julie Sodalak, Cat Spring; Matt Sodalak, Cat Spring; Cheryl Hudec, Weimar; Alicia Roberts, Sheridan; and Joshua Chollett, Glidden.

Heavy weight: Lora Weishuhn, Columbus; Brandon Shanks, Eagle Lake; Amber Mahalite, Eagle Lake; Eric Pesak, Weimar; Heather Shanks, Eagle Lake; Sloane Pavalock, Columbus; and Stacy Markwardt, New Ulm.

Champions: grand, Lora Weishuhn; reserve, Camille Staff.

Showmanship: sub-jr., Leigh Berger; junior, Heather Shanks; senior, Brandon Shanks.

JR. OPEN BEEF HEIFER SHOW

Class 2: Brett Boenisch, Garwood; Lauren Spanihel, Eagle Lake; and Ryan Henske, Eagle Lake.

Class 3: Brandon Shanks, Eagle Lake; Heather Shanks, Eagle Lake; and Gravel Meyer, Rock Island.

Class 4: Camille Staff, Garwood; Mandy Staff, Garwood; Heather Shanks, Eagle Lake; Sloane Pavalock, Columbus; and Shelley Boenisch, Garwood.

Class 5: Lora Weishuhn, Columbus; Brandon Shanks, Eagle Lake; Amber Mahalite, Eagle Lake; Eric Pesak, Weimar; and Josh Chollett, Glidden.

Class 6: Heather Shanks, Eagle Lake. Champions: grand American female, Heather Shanks; reserve American female, Brett Boenisch.

Class 9: Lora Weishuhn, Columbus; and Chad Emmel, Weimar.

Class 10: Tyler Treptow, Hallettsville; and Leigh Berger, Schulenburg.

Class 12: Alicia Roberts, Sheridan. Champions: grand European female, Lora Weishuhn; reserve European female, Tyler Treptow.

JR. OPEN BEEF HEIFER SHOW

Class 18: Tim Buhler, Columbus; and Russell Stewart, Columbus.

Class 19: Amanda Labay, Altair; and Lance Heger, Weimar.

Class 20: Natalie Knackstedt, New Ulm; and Daniel Perkins, Columbus.

Class 21: Patrick Markwardt, New Ulm; Mindy Malatek, Columbus; and Kaylee Malatek, Columbus.

Champions: grand exotic female, Tim Buhler; reserve exotic female, Amanda Labay.

Overall grand champion, Heather Shanks; overall reserve champion, Tim Buhler.

FRYER RABBITS

Grand champion, Andrew Varley, Sheridan; reserve, Tiffany Varley, Sheridan; third, Jenny Hajovsky, Sheridan; fourth, Lacy Krueger, New Ulm; fifth, Amanda Izard, Cat Spring; sixth, Samantha Krueger, New Ulm; and eighth, Stacy Markwardt, New Ulm.

BREEDING RABBITS

Class 1 (senior doe): Kimberly Varley, Sheridan; Samantha Schobel, Columbus; Amanda Janik, Weimar; Lacy Krueger, New Ulm; and Tiffany Varley, Sheridan.

Class 2 (senior buck): Stacy Markwardt, New Ulm; Courtney Wied, Cat Spring; Andrew Varley, Sheridan; Dannah Krueger, New Ulm; and Amanda Janik, Weimar.

Class 3 (jr. doe): Dannah Krueger, Lacy Krueger, Stacy Markwardt, all of New Ulm.

Class 4 (jr. buck): Lacy Krueger, Stacy Markwardt, Dannah Krueger, all of New Ulm.

Champions: overall grand, Lacy Krueger; overall reserve, Stacy Markwardt.



'Get ready...'

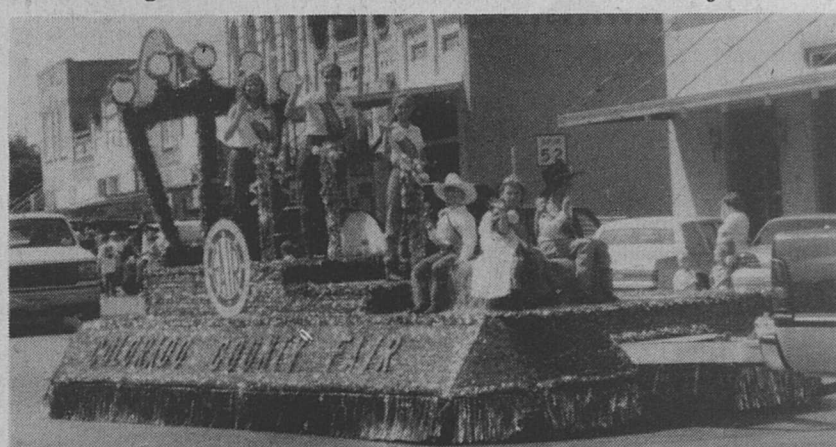
Just beginning to learn the finer points of gathering candy during a parade, Dylan Ferguson, 22-month-old son of Chris and Lina Ferguson of Eagle Lake, listens intently to his Mom for vital instructions. He did a good job for someone just learning, even though he refused to put the first piece in a backpack his Dad was holding for him. He just didn't want to give it up.

Photos by Jeannine Fearing



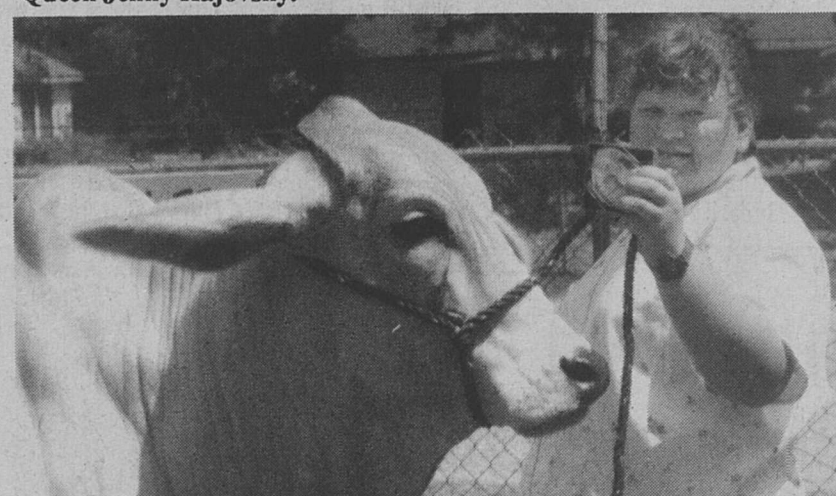
Lookin' good!

The Mighty Raider Band from Rice High School was looking good during this year's parade in spite of the fact that they were in full uniform for the trek through downtown Columbus... wool uniforms! Good job!



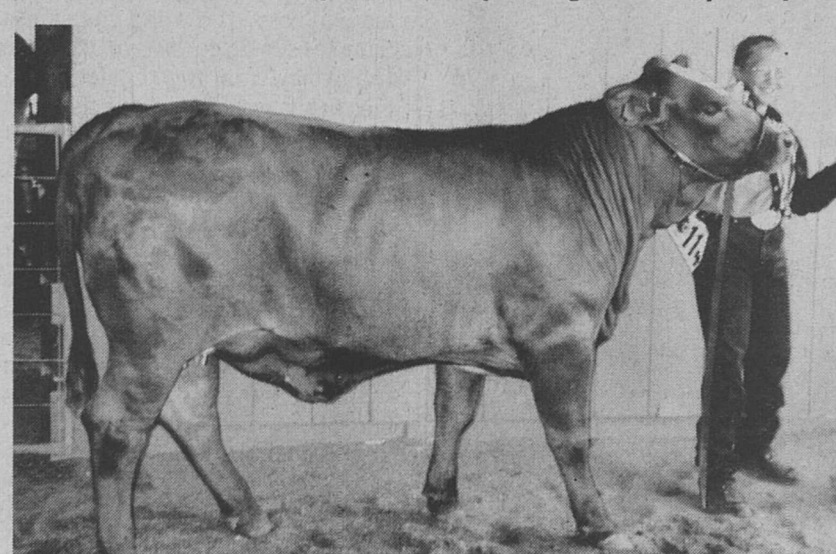
1997 Colorado County Fair Royalty

Representing the Colorado County Fair this year are Little Mr. & Miss Cody Kohleffel and Koree Robinson; Jr. Mr. & Miss Jacob Wayne Weishuhn and Christine Wostarek; Jr. Fair Queen Jamie Gerik; and Fair Queen Jenny Hajovsky.



Grand champion junior open beef heifer

Not only did Heather Shanks, daughter of Eugene and Debbie Shanks of Eagle Lake, take the grand champion American breed during the Junior Open Beef Heifer Show, she also took home the award for overall champion heifer and was chosen junior showman for steers and heifers. Her brother, Brandon, took top showmanship among the senior participants.



Reserve champion commercial heifer

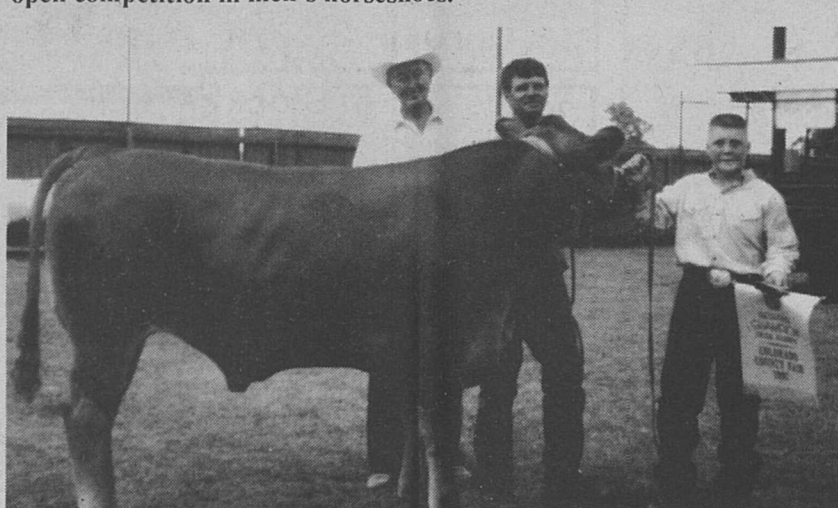
Camille Staff, daughter of Frank and Monica Staff of Nada and a member of the Rice Jr. FFA, showed the reserve champion commercial heifer, "Diamond", during this year's livestock competition at the County Fair.

Photo Courtesy of Janet Mahalite and Monica Staff



Men's open horseshoe champs

Mark Hoffman of Columbus and Gerald Hoffman of San Antonio took the open competition in men's horseshoes.



Reserve champion market steer

Jacob Little, son of David and Debbie Little of Garwood, took home the designation of reserve champion in the Market Steer Show. Jacob is pictured with his dad and an unidentified man.

Photo Courtesy of Debbie Little



Barbecue champs

Genuine Cookers of Weimar took the top cooking prize. Pictured are Jackie and James Kainer.

Headlight Photos by Lynda Appelt



Reserve, in-county barbecue

The in-county team of Clayton Garner, Roy Roberts and Annita and Freddie Norsworthy took reserve champion barbecue, in-county entry.



Open barbecue

First place pork and champion beef cookers in the open competition were Joyce McGary, George Tofel and Helen and Edward Kruppa.



Reserve open barbecue

Fayette Power won the honors for their barbecue beef. The team is made up of Daniel Kasper, Darrell Pfeffer, Gary Pavalock, Glenn Polasek and Colton Brueger, proudly holding the trophy.



Women's hay haulers

The team of Vivian Spanihel of Garwood, and Michelle Spanihel and Rachel Weishuhn of Matthews took top honors in women's hay hauling.

The Eagle Lake Community Buyers would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all of the donors for their contributions to the buyers' fund for the Colorado County Fair. Three projects were purchased.

Our goal is to continue working for the youth of our community and support them in future endeavors.

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