### Talent Show produces local 'talent'

The Eagle Lake Prairie Chicken Festival is once again featuring a Talent Show on Saturday, April 8 from 1 to 5 p.m.

Contestants will be judged on originality, appearance, talent, showmanship and crowd appeal. The individuals who excel in all five areas will win a trophy.

Brent Beasley will serve as the emcee for the Talent Show.

There was a tremendous response to the Talent Show once again last year and it proved to be one of the highlights of the festival.

This year's Talent Show is offering trophies to five individuals whose talent stands out from the rest. The judges will be selected from Eagle Lake, Columbus and Sealy.

Even if you're not talented, don't miss the "talents" of your friends and neighbors. You won't be disappointed.

Who knows? You might even catch a glimpse of a rising star.

Laini Beckner, 8, a student at Columbus Elementary School, was the overall winner a year ago. She earned the judges' vote with her singing of "Honey Bun."

The other winners, by age group, included:

•9-year-old — Shelley Myres, a student at Eagle Lake Primary School, singing "A Tisket A Tasket."

•11-year-old — Alyssa Villanueva, who attends East Bernard Junior High School, singing "When You Were Mine"

•Teen — Will Carter, a Sealy home school student, singing, "Amazing Grace."

•Adult — Paula Richardson of Eagle Lake, singing "Becaue

You Love Me."

•Best group — St. Anthony, featuring Fernanda Locken, Brooke Dungen, Garrett Schindler, Christine Wostapek and Rafael Locken, singing "Summer Nights."

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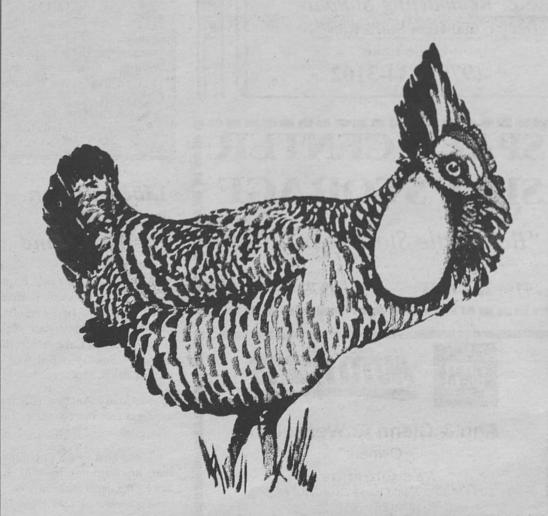
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