

**Columbus Livestock Co., Inc.**  
  
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**Todd L. Keaton, owner**  
  
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We will be on the air at KULM, Columbus, Wednesdays from 6:30 to 6:45 a.m. and Thursdays, live at ring side, from 2:00 to 2:15 p.m.

If we can help you with marketing your livestock, please call Todd Keaton at 979-865-2584.

If you need a truck, trailer or men to work cattle, we're as near as the phone. Out of town, call collect; your calls are welcome. Try us on your next shipment. At our service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and we appreciate your business.

Columbus Livestock is located at 1064 Reese Lane, Columbus (off I-10 west, Exit 698, right on Reese Lane). Stop in at the "Auction Barn Cafe".

Receiving cattle on Wednesday; receiving pens remain the same. Same competitive market... Same unbeatable service... New "state-of-the-art" facilities to serve you, the seller. We appreciate your business!

**Market Report for Aug. 2, 2001**  
**Animals on hand:** cattle, 1587; two horses; two goats.  
**Number of sellers:** 272.  
**Packer cows:** higher dressing utility

and cutter cows, 44-49¢ per lb.; lower dressing utility & cutter cows, 39-43¢ per lb.; thin cows, 33-38¢.

**Packer bulls:** heavy weight bulls, 55-61¢; utility cutter bulls, 49-54¢.

**Head tested:** 115.

**Stocker/Feeder- Calves/Yearlings:**  
Steers #1: 200-300 lbs., \$1.20-1.30; 300-400 lbs., \$1.10-1.19; 400-500 lbs., 98¢- \$1.08; 500-600 lbs., 90-98¢; 600-700 lbs., 84-88¢; 700-800 lbs., 78-84¢.  
Steers #2: 200-300 lbs., \$1.00-1.15; 300-400 lbs., 95¢- \$1.05; 400-500 lbs., 88-95¢; 500-600 lbs., 80-88¢; 600-700 lbs., 77-83¢; 700-800 lbs., 72-77¢.  
Heifers #1: 200-300 lbs., \$1.05-1.15; 300-400 lbs., \$1.00-1.12; 400-500 lbs., 90-98¢; 500-600 lbs., 83-88¢; 600-700 lbs., 77-82¢; 700-800 lbs., 74-78¢.  
Heifers #2: 200-300 lbs., 90¢- \$1.00; 300-400 lbs., 88-97¢; 400-500 lbs., 80-87¢; 500-600 lbs., 76-82¢; 600-700, 70-76¢; 700-800 lbs., 65-73¢.

**Good stocker cow/calf pairs,** \$750-850 by the head; med. cow/calf pairs, \$675-725 by the head; common cow/calf pairs, \$575-625; good stocker cows & heifers, \$575-650; medium stocker cows & heifers, \$475-550.

# Veterans information seminar set for Aug. 15

Detailed explanations of benefits available to disabled veterans and their families will be presented at a Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Veterans Information Seminar.

Like all services provided by the nonprofit DAV, there will be no charge for this informative seminar, which will be hosted by El Campo Chapter #72. It will be presented from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, at the American Legion Hall, Hwy. 71 S.

A highly trained National Service Officer from the DAV's Houston office will conduct the seminar.

"This veterans' benefits experts

offers you the best counseling and claim filing assistance you and your family can get," said Arthur H. Wilson, DAV National Adjutant, in a letter inviting local veterans and their families to the seminar.

That's important, he said, because, "So many disabled veterans feel confused about benefits and services they've earned. There's so much to know... and so many changes from one year to the next."

Veterans and/or members of their families need not be DAV or DAV Auxiliary members to take advantage of this free DAV service. Bring your Department of Veterans Affairs claim number and Social Security number to the Seminar.

## ACT deadline is Aug. 17

The next ACT Assessment will be administered Sept. 22. College-bound high school students must register by Aug. 17, the deadline for having your registration postmarked. There is a late registration postmark deadline of Aug. 31, but an extra fee is charged.

Students can register for the ACT by getting information from their high school counselor or online at ACT's website [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

## Computers

virus until it is discovered and removed from your system.

This is an example of one type of virus. Others are far more invasive and can actually self-replicate and send themselves via e-mail to your entire e-mail address list.

How can you stop a virus or keep from being infected?

There are many anti-virus softwares available that will stop the vast majority of viruses out there. However, since new ones are coming out every day, there isn't one that will stop them all.

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## Library

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ory of Carl Seaholm III: Mae Ashby.

We have two additions at the library. Please come by and meet our new librarian, Mrs. Vicki Powers. And, while you're there, you can see our beautiful new carpeting. We are so glad to have Mrs. Powers with us.

## Dress

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3. Hair must be kept clean, neat and trimmed to a moderate length. Sideburns must be kept trimmed and not longer than the bottom of the earlobe. All other facial hair must be shaved. Boy's hair may not extend below a dress shirt collar or be bound in any manner.

**Other Dress Code Items**

1. Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts may wear scout uniforms to school on meeting days.

2. Students will be allowed to come in other clothing to events outside the regular school day: dances, athletic events, TAAS Wipeout, etc. The clothing must follow the current Rice CISD dress code:

a. Pants must not be too loose, saggy or oversized. Pant legs are not to drag the floor. Belts must be worn if

the pants have belt loops.

b. Shirts or tops must be tucked in or be no longer than the top of the back pocket. If the pants or shorts do not have pockets, the shirt can be longer than where a back pocket normally appears.

c. Muscle shirts, crop tops, mesh knit shirts, tank tops, low cut tops or see-through tops are not permitted. The entire torso must be covered when arms are raised above the head. Sleeveless shirts are permitted if the shoulders are covered and the sides go up to the armpit.

d. Cut-offs, spandex, pajama or lounge-type outfits are not permitted.

NOTE: Exceptions to these rules may be left to the discretion of the principal in unusual circumstances.

## Raiders

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tremely well," said Roark.

Senior defensive end Trent Korenek has taken over a leadership role on the team and his actions on the field and in the weightroom show this. He plays the strong side end and battles tightends and usually the largest offensive tackle every play. Trent gets double-teamed almost every play and must be strong to be good. "Trent is a very powerful young man and must hold his ground to be effective.

Senior defensive end Quentin Whitfield plays on the weak side and is very effective on the wide open offenses we now see. Quentin finished the year with 11 sacks (6 against Sealy) and a bunch of tackles behind the line. He sees fewer big bodies than Trent, but must deal with running backs trying to chop his legs out from under him. Standing 6'5" and 225 pounds, Quentin is an imposing figure in pads and plays like he looks... intimidating.

Other offensive ends who will see time are senior Lance Bittner and sophomore Ed Thomas, as well as Jesus Ortiz, Andrew Varley and senior Jason Ishee.

Defensive tackles for the Raiders are many. Junior standout Tyreance Dabney will be a starter after playing well in district and in the playoffs. "Tyreance played as good as anyone we had versus Newton in the area finals. He played like we thought he could and lived up to his potential in that game. If he continues like he left off, he is headed for great

things.

The other tackle position will be filled by committee. "We plan on playing several kids in the other defensive tackle position. We have so many who played there last year. I feel we can platoon at this position to keep our line-man rested," said Roark.

The other tackles who will fill this spot are seniors Adrian Espinosa, Norris Powell, Ronnie Vasquez, Garrett Cranck, Jamie Hutchison and Bennie Glover.

An underclassman besides Dabney who will play is Kevin Shimek.

I hope all the Raider fans will come and support the team through the good and bad times.

This could be a great year for Rice and all the communities involved.

Give these kids a pat on the back and let them know your behind them as they put us on the map.

## Donations

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who continue to generously support our fund raising efforts like our Christmas Silent Auction which enables us to, in turn, contribute to the success of Eagle Lake community endeavors. We look forward to another successful year in our sorority.

## Lopez

relevant to the field.

"It's never too early in a young person's life to start exploring which career to pursue," said Donna Weldin, executive director of the NYLF. "That's why the NYLF/MED provides some of the essential resources for these individuals to determine where, inside the medical universe, they wish to land. This program offers students like Lopez a chance to complement their classroom experience thereby enhancing their current knowledge and often providing the vital first steps to becoming a medical professional."

Dr. Phil Berry Jr. former president of the Texas Medical Association and founder of Live and Then Give Organ Donation, welcomed the students to Houston and set the tone for NYLF/MED, stressing the importance of organ donation and medical research. "Every 15 to 16 minutes, in the U.S. alone, an organ is needed to save a life," cited Berry. "Currently, there are 26,000 people awaiting organ transplants, with a majority of those individuals needing a kidney." Berry related his personal experiences as a liver transplant recipient and suggested, "People need to become more educated on organ donation, and science must continue to further probe the virtues of such programs as the humane genome project, stem cell research and skin grafting."

During NYLF/MED, students had the opportunity to visit some of the best institutions of medical learning and research in the country, including Baylor College of Medicine, Sam Houston State University, Texas A&M University, the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, and several others. Not only did students visit these renowned places, they also interacted with doctors, nurses, scientists, and professors to gather a greater understanding of medical history, standards and trends.

Throughout the program, Lopez and fellow students experienced problem-based learning in a series of intense and stimulating simulations, many exercises of which are faced by students in medical school. NYLF/MED culminated in the Public Health Symposium, in which students developed programs to directly impact their communities on the issues of adolescent health, health care for the elderly and chronic disease, among others. The goal of the exercise was to encourage the

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Wharton, El Campo or Bay City Campuses, 979-532-6303; Richmond Campus, 281-342-1496; Sugar Land Campus, 281-243-8410. Registration dates by location are Wharton, Monday, Aug. 20; Ft. Bend Technical Center at Richmond, Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 21-22; Sugar Land, Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 21-22; Bay City, Thursday, Aug. 23; Palacios, Monday, Aug. 13.

### 113th Birthday celebration scheduled

Maude Conic, a resident of Avalon Place in Wharton, will be honored on her 113th birthday with a reception Wednesday, Aug. 15, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the dining room at Avalon. There will be live entertainment and all are welcome to come and celebrate the birthday of the oldest known living Texan!

## Fair

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Exhibits, call Darlene Hayek at 979-263-5665.

All other information can be obtained by calling Carolyn Walla at the Fair office, 732-9266; or Fair President Mack Janak at 263-5160.

The Fair runs Sept. 13-16 at the Colorado County Ag Complex on Hwy. 71 Bypass near Columbus.

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student to develop and implement programs that address concerns on public health issues in their communities.

Many who participate in our program arrive thinking they have a clear idea of the type of medicine they want to practice," concluded Weldin. "By opening new doors for them, students can confirm or adjust their professional plans accordingly prior to

college."

They NYLF is a nonprofit, educational organization which brings various professions to life, empowering outstanding high school students with confidence to make well-informed career choices. For additional information on NYLF programs, visit them on the Internet at [www.nylf.org](http://www.nylf.org).

| 2001   | Property Tax Rates in                 | Colorado County              |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| This notice concerns 2001 property tax rates for Colorado County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value. |                                       |                              |
| General Fund   | Farm to Market/<br>Flood Control Fund | Special Road/<br>Bridge Fund |
| <b>Last year's tax rate:</b>   |                                       |                              |
| Last year's operating taxes  | \$ 2,178,641.36                       | \$ 1,002,511.09              |
| Last year's debt taxes   | \$ 305,492.15                         | \$ .00                       |
| Last year's total taxes  | \$ 2,484,133.51                       | \$ 1,002,511.09              |
| Last year's tax base   | \$ 893,250,356                        | \$ 884,044,996               |
| Last year's total tax rate   | \$ .27810/\$100                       | \$ .11340/\$100              |
| <b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>   |                                       |                              |
| Last year's adjusted taxes<br>(after subtracting taxes on lost property)   | \$ 2,476,411                          | \$ 999,222                   |
| + This year's adjusted tax base<br>(after subtracting value of new property)   | \$ 969,888,629                        | \$ 960,555,099               |
| - This year's effective tax rate<br>for each fund  | \$ .25532/\$100                       | \$ .10402/\$100              |
| Total effective tax rate   | \$ .35934/\$100                       |                              |
| x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes<br>notices and holds hearing   | \$ .37012/\$100                       |                              |
| In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:  |                                       |                              |
| - Sales tax adjustment rate  | \$ .00                                | \$ /\$100                    |
| - Effective tax rate   | \$ .00                                | \$ /\$100                    |
| <b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>  |                                       |                              |
| Last year's adjusted operating taxes<br>(after subtracting taxes on lost property<br>and adjusting for any transferred function,<br>tax increment financing, state criminal<br>justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent<br>health care expenditures)  | \$ 2,821,468                          | \$ 999,222                   |
| + This year's adjusted tax base  | \$ 969,888,629                        | \$ 960,555,099               |
| - This year's effective operating rate   | \$ .29090/\$100                       | \$ .10402/\$100              |
| x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate  | \$ .31417/\$100                       | \$ .11234/\$100              |
| + This year's debt rate  | \$ .02909/\$100                       | \$ .00000/\$100              |
| + This year's rollback rate for each fund  | \$ .34326/\$100                       | \$ .11234/\$100              |
| This year's total rollback rate  | \$ .45560/\$100                       |                              |
| A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:   |                                       |                              |
| - Sales tax adjustment rate  | \$ .06532/\$100                       |                              |
| - Rollback tax rate  | \$ .39028/\$100                       |                              |
| For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:  |                                       |                              |
| + Additional rate for pollution control  | \$ .00                                | \$ /\$100                    |
| - Rollback tax rate  | \$ .00                                | \$ /\$100                    |

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