

2009 Colorado County Fair Activities Information

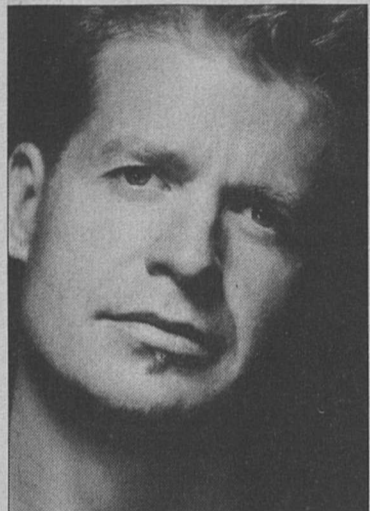
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sitions. Keith Gattis, Bobby Bare Jr., Charles Bracco and Bruce Springsteen provide the other four. Robison also produced the project.

Overlapping the album's theme of lost love is the dawning awareness of lost youth. "Gotta car full of dents/And a face full of lines," Robison sings in "Middle of the Night." And he ends the album with a sensitive cover of Springsteen's "Racing in the Street," which probes, among other things, an aging man's substitution of action for feeling.

Writing about his pain helped him relieve it, Robison says. "Basically, it was cheaper therapy. Once I got it down on paper and started looking at it kind of as an outside person, I was able to gain perspective on a lot of things."

Now — a year after his divorce became final — Robison says he can listen to his Beautiful Day songs and for "99 percent of the time" feel like they're about someone else.



Charlie Robison

John Anderson

21 Top Ten Hits, Three decades of Platinum albums, CMA, ACM and Grammy Awards.

It's been over a quarter century since John Anderson changed country music the first time.

That was back in the '80s when that jaw-dropping country voice combined with huge hits like "Wild And Blue" and "Swingin'" to pave the way for the decade's neo-traditional movement.

Well, it's 2009 and Anderson's back with Bigger Hands, an album that instantly reestablishes this country music icon as a contemporary musical force to be reckoned with. In other words, Bigger Hands is the real deal — undiluted, no-holds barred, full-on John Anderson. "I think we made a fine record, and I know we had a great time making it," says Anderson.

"With this record, the band worked hard, and James Stroud worked harder than I've ever seen him work," Anderson says. "I worked hard to write these songs, and I sure worked hard singin' 'em. It was a joy just to see everyone doing their thing. And that's what America and the music and whole deal is really all about — people doing what they do and liking what they like. They're all just looking for something real they can latch onto."

Josh Abbott Band

Current Texas Music Chart Single Spent 13 weeks in top 10 and 20 weeks in top 15!

Pat Green, Cory Morrow, Wade Bowen, Ryan James...and now, the Josh Abbott Band.

Some of the best artists in Texas country music have gotten there start in the West Texas town of Lubbock while attending Texas Tech University, and the next in

line for greatness is no different.

Formed in early 2006, JAB was founded by fraternity brothers: Josh Abbott, Austin Davis, Drew Hurt, and Neel Huey.

After playing mostly acoustic open mic night shows at The Blue Light, Josh and Austin called on Drew and Neel to give the band a rhythm section. On their debut night, The Blue Light packed in a full house and a sense of something special was present!

After a year of picking up local shows and Greek parties, the band released a self-titled LP in 2007 featuring four tracks.

Immediately, the band recorded a music video for "Buried Me" and entered it in the Music City Madness competition on CMT.com.

After beating out over 600 other videos, the live concept video made the final cut!

Southbound 955

Southbound 955, a Texas Country band from Fayetteville, Texas is made up of a group of teenagers trying to juggle their love of music along with their college and high school activities.

Each member of the band has grown up in the midst of the music business with relatives playing in various bands (in which some are still playing).

They came together after performing in an FFA talent contest. There the original four met a young female vocalist from Lexington, Texas, who later joined them.

For the past three years the band has been playing around the central Texas area opening up for artists such as: Honeybrowne, Roger Creager, No Justice, Todd Fritsch, and Tracy Lawrence.

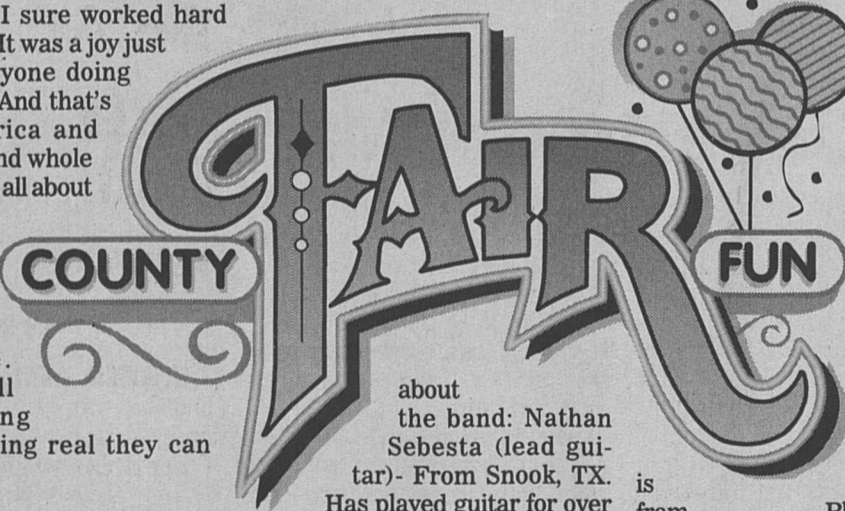
The band consists of Aaron Keilers, guitar and vocals; Walter Krchnak bass guitar and vocals; John Minarcik, guitar and vocals; Matthew Sodek, drums; Nicole Koch, vocals; and the latest addition to the band, Bryson Martinek, lead guitar.

Their style of music consists of Texas country, with some traditional and southern rock as well. They perform tunes from various artists such as: Randy Rogers, Stoney LaRue, Roger Creager, Eli Young Band, Honeybrowne, Reckless Kelly, George Strait, Lynyrd Skynyrd, AC/DC, Miranda Lambert, Kellie Pickler, and more.

Broke 60

Broke 60 has opened up for artists such as Aaron Watson, Todd Fritsch, Brandon Rhyder, No Justice, and have also played venues along with Roger Creager, Eli Young, Jason Boland, Ryan Turner etc.

A little bit



about the band: Nathan Sebesta (lead guitar) - From Snook, TX. Has played guitar for over 6 years, sings backup vocals, and writes songs. Currently attending South Plains College in Levelland, TX. Chip Wied (bass) - From La Grange, TX. Used to play drums for the band but now plays bass. He keeps the band hydrated! Jimmy Rohde (drums) - From Fayetteville, TX. Has played drums for years and knows how to do it well...nickname "Can't get right". Jose Salazar (lead vocals) -

Flaton, TX. Writes songs and plays rhythm guitar. Vet student at Texas A&M.

Katelyn & Christopher Hobaugh

Katelyn Hobaugh will take the stage with her brother, Chris. Katelyn has performed at the CHS talent show, the presentation of the Magnolia Belles during the Texas Live Oak Festival, the Columbus Chamber of Commerce July 4th Fireworks Display at Beason's Park, the Colorado County Fair Queens pageant and the Colorado County Fair and other events.

Charles & The Fabulous 4

Charles is just a friendly musician who loves to play traditional dance music. He also likes to visit with the fans that come out to enjoy great live music. Charles always looks forward to meeting new people and making new friends. His band performs at dances and clubs every weekend in the Central Texas area.

The Hit Men

Featuring KULM - FM's Darrel Appelt.

Fine Arts Department Offers Three Contests

Residents of Colorado County are invited to enter the Art Show, Photography Contest and the Western Art Contest to be held in conjunction with the county fair, September 10-13.

The Art Show will offer divisions for pre-school art, youth art from elementary through high school and for adult amateurs.

The show is open to all subject matter and media, including sculpture.

All work will be judged on its own individual merit.

First, second and third place ribbons will be given.

All blue ribbon works in each division will compete for a Best of Show rosette to be awarded the most outstanding entry in each division.

Further information can be obtained from Art Show Chairman Deborah Petrosky at 979-732-3564.

The Photography Contest is open to youth and adults. The youth will be divided into three groups for judging: primary, ages 4-8; junior, ages 9-13; and senior, ages 14-18.

The adult entries will be grouped into three sections: amateur, semi-professional and professional.

Color and black and white photographs will be accepted.

Adult entries must be enlarged to 8 x 10 inches or larger.

Youth entries need not be enlarged but must be mounted or matted so they can be hung.

Additional information available

from Photography Contest Chairman Tracy Wegenhof at 979-732-6187.

All elementary, junior and senior high school students attending Colorado County Schools are eligible to enter the Western Art Contest.

All work must depict a western theme.

Elementary, junior high and high school work will be judged separately.

There will be three sections in the contest: illustrations, cartoons and three-dimensional work such as sculptures made of clay or other types of constructions.

Students may enter one piece in each section if they so desire.

There is no entry fee for the Western Art Contest.

Chairman Melissa Kilpatrick can be reached at 979-732-8781 for additional information.

Entry forms and catalogues with complete rules for all three contests are available at the County Extension Office and Potter's Western Store in Columbus, Weimar City Hall, First National Bank in Eagle Lake, Heinsohn's Store in Frelsburg, Bernardo Farm and Ranch Supply, Larry's Super Service in Garwood, Nada Grocery and Sandy Creek Drive-in in Sheridan.

The deadline to preregister entries in all three contests is Friday, September 4, with no exceptions.

Colorado County Fair Parade

Entry forms for the 31st Annual Colorado County Fair Parade slated for Saturday, September 12, are now available to pick up.

The parade will take place in downtown Columbus beginning at 10 a.m.

The theme for this year's parade is "Aloha, It's Luau Time".

Categories for judging will include antique vehicle, float, equestrian, commercial, service organization, educational and marching/twirling.

First, second and third place rosettes will be awarded in each category, along with rosettes for the most outstanding overall entry and the best themed entry.

Entry forms are now available at the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce located in the Stafford Opera House at 425 Spring Street and at Potter's Western Store at 2106 Highway 71 South in Columbus.

Persons needing additional

information should contact parade chairman Kim Dyer at the Chamber office at 979-732-8385 or at home at 979-942-0673.

The deadline to enter the 2009 parade is Wednesday, September 9.

Hamburger Supper

Open House • Meet the Teacher Night
 Wednesday, August 19 • 5-6:30 p.m.
 at Sheridan Elementary School \$5 a plate
 The plate will consist of a Hamburger, Chips, drink and a cookie.
 Get tickets from any student council member or call 234-7334 or 234-3988
 Thanks in advance for your support

REWARD!!!

For anyone having information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s) who desecrated and destroyed the Judy and Stephen Curtner Family tombstone, gravesite, ornaments and all flowers at the Geiger Cemetery between June 11-14. Please contact Sheriff Micah Harmon at the Lavaca Sheriff's Dept. at 361-798-2121.

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**Are there any requirements for receiving e-statements?
 The only requirement is a valid e-mail address, Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.5 or better and Internet Explorer 6.**

**What accounts will be on my e-statement?
 Any account on which you are an owner. The number of e-statements will be the same as the number of paper statements you are currently receiving.**

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Tips For A New School Year

By Sally Robinson and Keith Bly
 UT Medical Branch Galveston

A new school year is about to begin.

As you prepare your child for his or her time in the classroom, remember there is more to getting ready for school than just buying supplies.

If your child will be walking or riding a bicycle to school:

—Make sure he wears a helmet that meets safety standards.
 —Map out her route to school before the first day.

—Teach your child to obey all traffic signals and signs and to look left, then right, and then left again for moving vehicles before he crosses the street; to cross at an intersection; and to never dart into the street from behind

objects, such as bushes or parked cars.

—Make sure your child knows to look out for cars, because even though adults in cars should be sure to look out for children while driving through school zones, this does not always happen.

—Don't allow your child to wear headphones or play handheld video games while walking to school.

If you drop your child off at school:

—Stay until she makes it into the building. Don't feel pressured to drive off just because other cars are waiting.

—Make sure you know who lives along your child's path to school.

—Parents can visit their local police station to see if there are any registered sex offenders along their child's route.

Other safety issues to consider when sending your child back to school include:

—Buy jackets and sweatshirts without drawstring around the neck or hood. Drawstrings can be caught in car or school bus doors or on playground equipment.

—Check playground surfaces at your child's school to make sure there is a 12-inch depth of wood chips or other padding

—Make sure that if your child rides a school bus, he knows to remain seated at all times, to keep the aisles clear, to not throw objects, to not shout or distract the driver, and to keep his hands and arms inside of the bus.

—Teach your child that the driver has a blind spot and to be careful when boarding or exiting the bus.

—Teach your child to resolve problems without fighting.