

Meet the New Dairy Princess Ambassador for Columbia County

Teri McGettigan was crowned as Columbia County's Dairy Princess Ambassador (DPA) for 2014-2015 by Kiara Single outgoing DPA.

Teri is the daughter of Terry McGettigan and Cora VanOsdol of Warren, Oregon. She is a senior at Oregon State University, pursuing a degree in Agricultural Management with a minor in Animal Science. Last year, Teri traveled the state as Rodeo Queen representing Tillamook County. She was a previous county Dairy Princess Ambassador in 2011-2012. She is a graduate of Scappoose High School and former 4H member, showing dairy, horse, poultry, plus static exhibits. Besides her studies, she stays busy on her family farm.

Coronation was held Saturday, May 17, 2014 at the Sauvies Island Grange, which was transformed into a lively "Moodi Gras" celebration. Guests feasted on hors d'oeuvres, desserts, ice cream sundaes and milk of course, provided and served by the Columbia County Dairy Women, who sponsor the county Dairy Princess program. Heidi Wismer, a former county and state DPA, emceed the event. Teri was first interviewed by judge and dairyman, David Wismer of Wismer Dairy in Gaston, Oregon. She then presented a required milk commercial and a speech entitled



"Country Strong" to about 65 guests, dairy dignitaries and visiting royalty.

Before the "crowning moment," Kiara Single, highlighted her year as outgoing DPA and was presented with scholarship awards, graciously donated by area businesses and organizations. Kiara will continue her studies at Portland Community College this fall.

Princess Teri is already on a yearlong adventure around the state and county, appearing in parades, fairs and festivals; fulfilling a mission to promote dairy products and educate the public about dairy farming and the dairy industry. In January 2015, she

represents Columbia County at the Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador contest held in Salem. She is available for guest appearances at area events and schools to promote dairy and good nutrition. Contact Diane Larson, President of Oregon Dairy Women's Association at (503)312-6130.

Come and meet Dairy Princess Teri at the Milking Parlor & Red Barn at Oregon State Fair, August 27-September 1st, the Scappoose Sauerkraut Festival September 20th, the Fall Festival at St. Fredrick's Parish, and the Children's Fair October 25th both in St. Helens.

Hot Dogs For Sale at 'The Dog Park'

A new business, 'The Dog Park,' officially opened for business on August 1st during Jamboree. The business, a hot dog cart run by Eric Urban, will be serving Hebrew National all beef hot dogs and will be located at the corner of Bridge and Washington next to the Vernonia Senior Center.

The business will be open just through the rest of the summer and on selected weekends through the fall. Hot Dogs will cost \$2. Toppings will include ketchup, yellow and spicy brown mustard, chopped onions, jalapenos and sweet relish. All will be served on a steamed bun. You

can add chips and a drink to your dog for just \$1 each.

"This is mainly a summer business for me," says Urban, who teaches Life Skills to K through 8 special education students at Vernonia Schools. "Once school starts I will try to be out at city events and on as many sunny weekends as I can."

Urban expressed thanks to The Black Iron Grill & Black Bear Coffee Company for letting him use their kitchen for food prep and clean up, and also to The Sentry Market where he orders and stores the hot dogs and buys fresh onions and condiments.



Michael and Steve Calhoun had a reservation for the first hot dogs to be sold on opening day of 'The Dog Park.'

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