



NOW HOLD ON! Scotty Campbell assists two young children as they take rides on a miniature horse.

## Local road change-o



WHO GOES THERE? Michael, a South American Llama, peeks out of his cage to see what is going on.

"Anyone who wants to start their own zoo should be caught in a net," is not the typical phrase expected from a man who started a zoo by himself and has been at it for over 10 years. But to Scotty Campbell it makes sense.

Campbell had a hobby—one that included animals. After spending several years of his life in the South Pacific and coming in contact with many wild animals daily, Campbell wondered just what his relationship with these animals was. His answer was to start what is known as Scotty's Roadside Zoo on South End Road in Oregon City.

His idea was to take in abandoned animals that were still nursing, because he says they are easier to tame and raise that way. Campbell's hobby soon went outside his budget, and he was faced with a definite problem.

"The costs exceeded my ability and I wondered how the heck I could keep this going," Campbell explained. "There is no money to be made from a zoo."

The roadside zoo is still a non-profit organization. Campbell will argue that his three-acre dedication to abandoned animals is not a zoo but a sanctuary. Today, the project is called the Trail's End Wildlife Sanctuary, but due to federal regulations it has the label as a roadside zoo.

"When a person hears of a 'roadside zoo' they usually think of a bear tied to a tree. We are not that, but we still get that associated with us," Campbell said.

Occupants at the sanctuary range from two parrots to Bosco, a white-faced Capuchin monkey, to a 500 pound Siberian tiger that Campbell took in as a stray and sick nine-day-old cub. Along with the Siberian tiger and Bosco (both endangered species) there are two other animals that are currently on the brink of extinction.

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