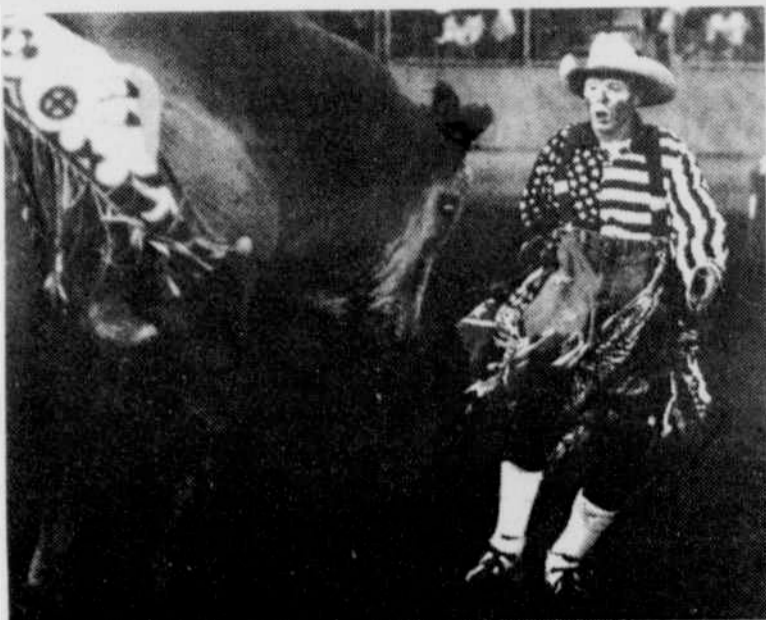


## Bullfighter earns claim to "Runnin' Rebel" moniker



**Tim Vredenburg**  
"Runnin' Rebel" Tim Vredenburg, who will make an appearance once again this year as bullfighter at the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo, credits his strong faith with his success.

Vredenburg, born and raised in Roseburg, Oregon, the "Runnin' Rebel" earned his name while fighting bulls in high school rodeo. It was there that he realized his love, passion and gift for the sport that he ultimately commits to God.

During his academic career at Georgetown College (Kentucky), Tim maintained a healthy schedule of bullfighting in the southeast as well as his homeland, the Pacific Northwest. In just a few short years in the Northwest Professional Rodeo Association, Tim won the respect

of his peers by receiving "Bullfighter of the Year" both in 1996 and 1997. With a few accolades under his belt, the "Runnin' Rebel" took his talents to the Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association where he continues to impress upon others his ability to "save cowboys from bulls with God."

While attending Georgetown College, Tim met and married Darcy Foust, a native of Lexington, Kentucky. On October 31, 2000, the Vredenburgs welcomed their newest addition, Owen Taylor. Tim, Darcy and Owen rely daily on their faith in the Lord, Jesus Christ, and are active in the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. They are committed to having church services at rodeos and welcome the opportunity to share their faith with others.

## What is 4-H?

What is 4-H? - Friends, fun and learning about nature, cooking, growing plants, photography, animal care or working together to help others.

Who can belong to 4-H? - Anyone kindergarten through 12th grade. You'll find 4-H throughout your county, state, country and the world. Kindergartners through third graders must join 4-H adventure clubs. In Morrow County, there are over 450 members in grades four through 12.

Look what you can do in 4-H? - Members are enrolled in animal science, natural science, home economics and expressive arts project areas.

What do you do in 4-H? - It depends on you. 4-H members may be friends in the same grade or school, or groups may include people from other communities. Clubs decide how often to meet and elect officers to conduct club business. Your club may decide to be active in the community, raise money for charity, become involved in recycling projects or build nature trails. You can go on field trips or to 4-H camp. The choices grow as you get older.

Does 4-H cost a lot? - There are no state or national dues nor is there a required uniform. You pay \$3.50

per year for project materials and insurance in most clubs. A horse project is \$4.50. Your 4-H club may decide to collect dues to fund special activities.

How do you join 4-H? - It's easy. Choose the project you like. Ask some friends or brothers and sisters to join you. Ask parents, grandparents, adult friends or neighborhood adults to be your leader. Several adults can share this responsibility. You need only two members, but you can have as many as you like. Determine the projects your club would like to enroll in and visit the Extension office or call an agent for help. There are also numerous active clubs that welcome new members.

4-H is "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow" and "learning by doing." - Learning how to set goals and work toward those goals: responsibility --for an animal, finishing projects, choosing how much to learn and deciding how involved in 4-H to be: leadership, decision-making, cooperation and how to present yourself and ideas to others.

For information about the 4-H Youth Development program, contact the OSU Extension office in Heppner, 676-9642, or 1-800-342-3664.

## "Barrelmaniac" to liven up rodeo Have a laugh with JIMnALAN



**Joe Sanford**

Sylvester "Joe Sanford, rodeo clown and barrelman, plans to get a real workout at this year's Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo.

While Sanford is an expert in the rodeo arena, he also has an alter ego-as a husband, father and educator.

Sanford, 47, lives in Pasco, Washington, with Linda, his wife of 18 years, and their two children, 15-year-old daughter, Kali Lynn, and 17-year-old son, Cody Joseph.

Sanford teaches school in Pasco as an elementary physical education instructor. He is also a high school wrestling coach and has been coaching for 22 years. In addition he also coordinates and coaches a youth program of over 180 wrestlers, ages five-14.

When possible his family accompanies him to the rodeos. Kali and Cody are both a part of clown acts while Linda helps prepare and takes videos. Cody is in most of his clown acts and has become quite a performer and celebrity, especially with the kids in the audience. He has worked the barrel for the past couple of years and is now learning to fight bulls.

Cody is also quite an athlete. He plays football, wrestles and runs track in high school. This year he made the varsity wrestling team again and

### Pedal Power tractor pull just for kids

Attention all kids--get those leg muscles ready for fair. Steve and the crew from Pioneer Implement in Hermiston are bringing back their tractor for the Pedal Power Tractor Pull at 5 p.m. Wednesday at the fair.

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was first team all conference. He placed ninth at the AAAA state tournament. He also participates in track and has qualified for the first round of the state track meet in the pole vault.

Sanford started competing at Little Britches Rodeos at age 10 and retired from riding in 1982 at age 28. He won various junior rodeo titles from calf roping to year-end all-around awards. In 1977 he was Region IX Collegiate Bareback Champion and a CNFR qualifier for Central Washington University in Ellensburg, Washington. He also won a NAIA 150 lb. National Wrestling Championship for CWU in 1978.

Sanford began fighting bulls and clowning at age 16. He has worked at Little Britches, high school and college rodeos throughout his career as well as some amateur associations. He has won various competitions, awards and honors as a bullfighter and clown and strives to maintain that same quality in every performance as a barrelman and clown today. In 1989 he joined the PRCA as bullfighter/clown and since 1992 has worked mainly as a barrelman/clown.

## Have a laugh with JIMnALAN

The JIMnALAN SHOW is about "feeling good-about life, yourself and the people around you."

Their performance emphasizes being able to laugh with and at yourself. "The JIMnALAN show is amusing to kids of all ages. Whether it's a county fair or a gymnasium packed with school children, Jim and Alan are received with enthusiasm and delight," said a spokesperson. Their love of performing and entertaining is reflected in their energetic presentations.

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