

Smokeout starts with Cigarette Mash

The "Cigarette Mash" is the name of a community dance to be held Friday, November 16, from 8-11 p.m. at Vernonia High School to help promote the Great American Smokeout.

The Smokeout is an annual nation-wide event, sponsored by the American Cancer Soci-

ety, when millions of smokers are encouraged to spend twenty-four hours without smoking. By not smoking for 24 hours, the ACS feels smokers will be encouraged to quit for a life time. Quit smoking literature is available at the Vernonia Health Center. The purpose of the dance

is to carry the anti-smoking theme to our youth, says Barb Fulmer, public education chairperson for the Vernonia unit of ACS. By reinforcing the negative, unhealthy and unglamorous aspects of smoking, the ACS hopes to develop a smoke free young America by the year 2000.

"We need to get to our children with this message while they're young," Fulmer said.

Music for the dance will be provided by DJ Steve Gustovich. There will also be a balloon mashing contest, refreshments and fun for all. Admission is \$3 per person.

4-H gives awards of recognition

The annual 4-H Youth Recognition Night, held Oct. 17 at St. Helens High School, was attended by more than 120 Columbia County 4-H members and their families.

Winners of the Intermediate competition for Record Book were Jaime Harding, gold; Fawn Daniels, silver; Jennifer Curtis, bronze. Junior Record Book winners were Kelli Pellham, gold; Michael Bingaman, silver; Keith Pendell, bronze.

Medals were presented to members in nine categories: Tony Chapman, Beef; Keri Velliquette, Goat; Fawn Daniels, Safety; Heidi Tarter, Agriculture; Jennifer Curtis, Horse; Nathan Pieren, Horse; Laura Hill, Achievement; Jaime Harding, Leadership; Jill Heade, Citizenship.

A Rabbit Carcass Contest, a new competition based on the percentage of edible meat, was held in conjunction with the animal auction at the

county fair. The top three winners were Leslie Hepler, first; Nora Constance, second; Matt Kosto, third.

In an event organized by club members, teen leaders and junior leaders were recognized for their help with 4-H club activities. Representing the members, Tony Chapman and Heather Anderson named the following for recognition:

1990-91 Junior Leaders- Vickie Johnson, Sarah Nichols and Tracie Smith.

1989-90 Teen Leaders- Lisa Bagley, Laura Hill and Maria Robinson.

1989-90 Junior Leaders- Jamie Anderson, Harry Cooney, Jennifer Curtis, Crystal Davis, Jaime Harding, Jill Heade, Julie Hodges, Andrea Humbert, Marianne Korsmo, Becky Krieger, Marie Leamy, Korey Olson, Mindy Riggs, Melissa Schmidlin, Adam Simpson, Melissa Teuscher, Pieter VanWeel, Keri Velliquette and Debbie Walker.

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For reservations call 429-9501 or 429-0445. The service will be limited to the first 20 children, early reservations are urged.

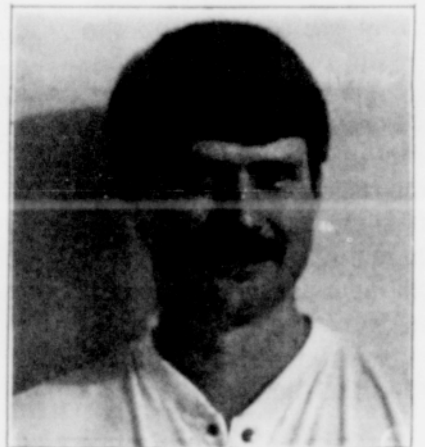
Barbecue to raise fireworks funds

The Cookshack will be the site of another Chicken Barbecue fundraiser for the 4th of July Fireworks, Mario Leonetti announced. The dates set are November 3 and 4.

Volunteers are needed to help with the project, Leonetti said. Anyone interested in helping may contact him at the Cookshack, 410 Bridge Street, or call him at 429-7970.

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