

# Livestock auction provides buyers with animals in top condition

The 1997 Columbia County 4-H and FFA Livestock Auction will be July 26, at the Columbia County Fair.

Animals to be auctioned are prize-winning livestock raised by 4-H and FFA members. Every purchase helps support the education program of these youth groups. It also provides the opportunity to select the choicest beef, pork, lamb and rabbit for your dining pleasure.

A sales catalog will be provided to all bidders, listing the animals, their weights and owners. As each animal is led into the ring, the auctioneer asks for bids in cents-per-pound. Anyone wishing to bid on an animal, may just raise a hand. If help is wanted with the bidding, Auction Committee members will provide assistance.

If you or your organization wants to help, but have no use for an animal, buy one at the auction, then resell it at market price to a commercial packer. Your actual cost will be the difference between the bid price and the market price.

The young people in 4-H and FFA programs are learning to produce the highest quality food for your table. Being responsible, engaging in financial obligations and learning how to manage their own business operations only scratches the surface of the educational benefits. On a small scale, their costs are higher than conventional producers, so your support is needed.



Showmanship is important to these 4-H Club members, as this photo taken in 1996 illustrates. Showmanship competition requires excellent performance by both the animals and their owners.

## Want to enter the fair? Here's how

Anyone interested in entering open competition at the Columbia County Fair needs to prepare immediately. The fair is scheduled for July 23-26 and has an outstanding array of exhibits and entertainment.

Open competition is available in the following departments: Livestock, Art & Photography, Culinary, Hobby, Agriculture, Floral, Textile.

For entry information, call the fairgrounds office at 397-4231.

## Food handler class available here

Columbia County Sanitarian Mark Edington will hold a food handlers' class at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 22, in the library at Washington Elementary School in Vernonia.

Those who successfully pass the food handler's test will receive a food handlers permit. Fee for taking the test is \$10. The booklet costs \$2.00.

Questions can be directed to Columbia County Public Health, 1-800-244-4790. Pre-registration is not required.

Participants will study the booklet, watch a film and have the opportunity to ask Eding-

## Annual Breakfast and Dog Show slated for Banks

Banks High School will be the site of the Banks Booster Breakfast and Tualatin Kennel Club Dog Show on Sunday, July 20.

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Tualatin Kennel Club's All Breed Dog Show will begin at

## Accreditation evaluation at Pacific

The Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges is considering the re-accreditation of Pacific University and is seeking public comment on the university's qualifications for continuing accreditation.

with graduate programs in education, occupational therapy, optometry, physical therapy, and professional psychology. It will soon be opening a graduate degree program for physician assistants.

An evaluation by representatives from the Commission on Colleges will take place on the Pacific campus October 14-16. Pacific University currently is accredited as a four-year undergraduate college

Colleges and universities in the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges must be re-accredited every 10 years. Pacific University was most recently accredited in 1987.

The commission on Colleges requests that comments about Pacific University be sent directly to the commission at 11130 NE 33rd Place, Suite 120, Bellevue, WA 98004. All comments must be received by the commission by September 14.

For further information, call 324-0515, or 324-8002.

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