

Community

Only the best market animals in Youth Livestock Auction at Fair

The annual Columbia County Fair Youth Livestock Auction allows 4-H and FFA members to sell animals to the public before they leave the fair. The auction will be held Saturday, July 22 at 3:30 p.m., in the beef barn.

If you purchase an animal at the auction, you will receive prize winning livestock raised by 4-H and FFA members as part of their market projects. Your purchase will help support the cost of these educational programs, but it will also provide choice beef, pork, lamb, rabbit and poultry for your dining pleasure.

Animals sold at this auction have been raised under stringent rules and have been

approved for the auction by the Market Grader and the auction committee. They must have earned either a blue or red ribbon in their confirmation class, and many of them will be either the champion or reserve champion in their class.

Auction buyers range from individuals to businesses and organizations. The purchase may be for personal use, to use as a fund raiser for another purpose, to donate to a food bank or other charity, for a company barbecue, or in many other ways.

However the auction livestock are utilized, the auction helps keep these valuable programs operating.

Fair events include logging show, tractor pull and much more

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The Columbia County Fair Logging Show will start Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. (registration starts at 9:30 a.m.). Logging show participants will accumulate points toward the Columbia County Logger of the Year. Final standings for the award will be announced following the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree Logging Show on August 5.

Another special activity on Sunday afternoon will feature the Northwest Tractor Pullers.

Highlighting the rural roots of county fairs throughout the country will be demonstrations of the 1924 Case threshing machine that is usually housed in the Farm Museum on the fairgrounds. You can watch it in operation on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Departments for both Open Class and 4-H/FFA exhibits include Art and Photography, Baked Goods, Beef and Dairy Cattle, Food Preservation, Floral, Goats, Horses, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Swine and Textiles. 4-H/FFA exhibits also extend to Cavies, Pigeons & Doves, and several additional classes.

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In spite of all the fun and all the competition, community needs haven't been forgotten in the fair schedule. On Sunday, everyone going through the gate will receive \$1.00 off the price of admission with a canned food donation. All goods and cash received for the food drive will be donated to the county food bank for distribution to community food banks throughout the county.

PCC placement tests scheduled at VHS

Placement testing for classes at Portland Community College will take place at Vernonia High School, July 20 at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, call 503-978-5303.

The food drive is organized by 4-H Club member Kristin Elkins, with the help of 4-H Clubs around the county.

A schedule of events and entertainment will be available each day at the main gate and information booth. See page 8 for more information and admission prices.

Calendar of summer activities for youth

Vernonia Head Start children's summer activities program continues through the middle of August with the following activities:

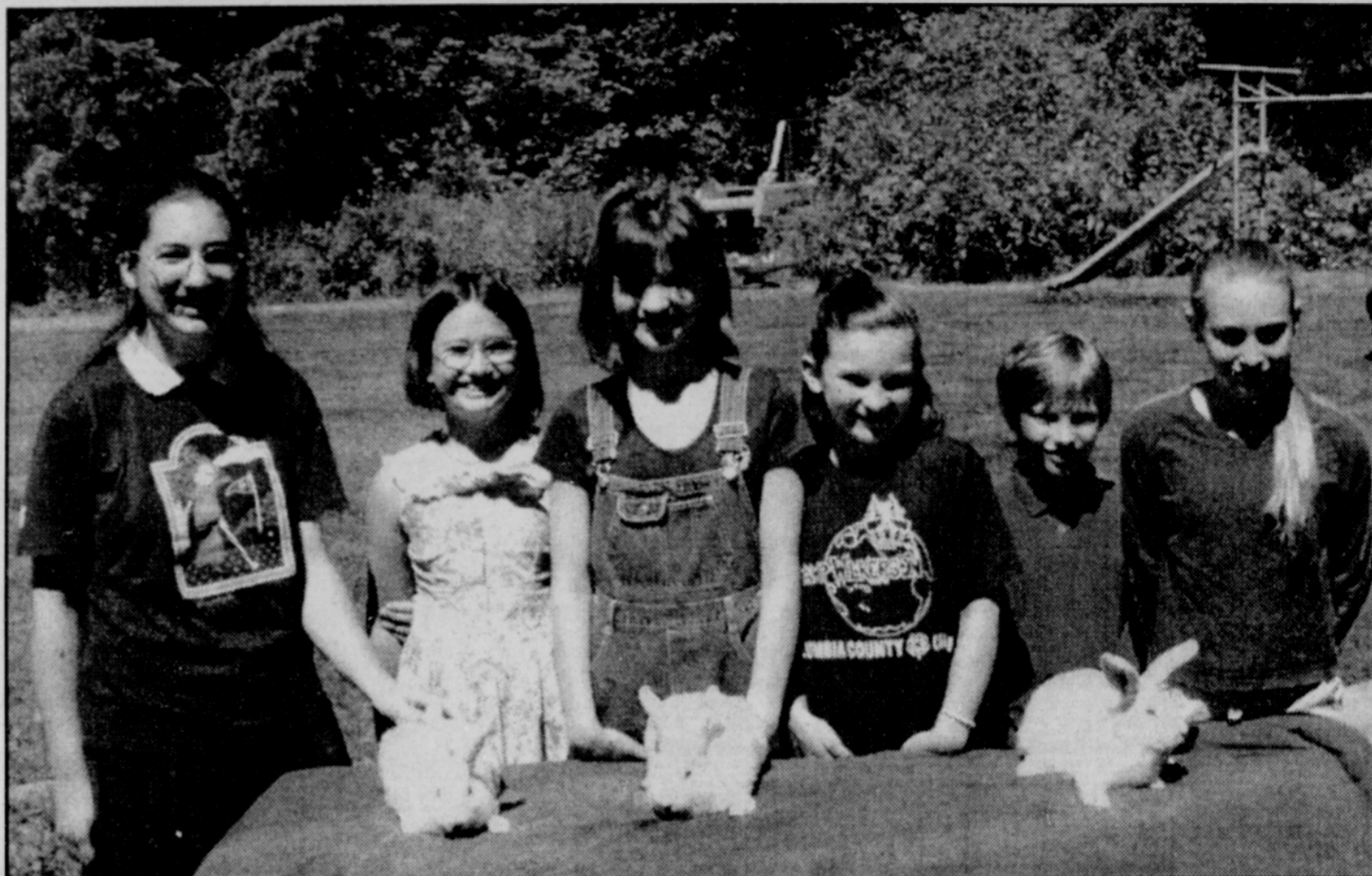
July 20 - Biking, 9 a.m.-noon, third through fifth grades. Bring your own lunch.

July 21 - Biking, 9 a.m.-noon, sixth through eighth grades, bring your own lunch.

July 24 - cooking, gardening, drama and music

July 25 - Making musical instruments, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Kindergarten and first grade

July 26 - Making musical instruments, 9:30-11:30 a.m.



Ready to show and auction their rabbits at the Columbia County Fair are Vernonia 4-H members, from left, Elizabeth Pelster, Juliana Pelster, Sarah Tatman, Katie Tatman, Elliott Graf and Amanda Watt. Elizabeth Pelster raised the champion pen of market rabbits at last year's fair. The group has already received assurance that the following individuals and companies will participate in the livestock auction: H&R Utility of Hillsboro, Gayle Gardner of Vernonia, Banks Feed, Lee's U-Catch of Vernonia, Frank and Karen Miller of Vernonia.

Use proper canning methods to ensure food safety

It's canning season. To be sure you and your family are safe when eating home-canned foods, make a point to check out the new OSU Canning Bulletins:

PNW 172 Canning Vegetables

PNW 361 Canning Meat, Poultry, and Game

PNW 395 Salsa Recipes for Canning

Second through fourth grades.

July 27 - Making and launching boats, 9:30-11:30 a.m., fifth and sixth grades

August 1 - Water fun for Kindergarten through second grade. 9:30-11:30 a.m.

August 2 - Photography for third and fourth grades. 9:30-11:30 a.m.

PNW 194 Canning Seafood**

PNW 300 Canning Tomatoes and Tomato Products**

PNW 199 Canning Fruits

PNW 355 Picking Vegetables**

The bulletins marked with asterisks are available free online at the OSU Extension and

Experiment Station Communications site at <<http://eesc.orst.edu>>. Click on Publications and Videos, then Family and Home, then Food Preservation and Storage, or search by name or publication number at any time. This is a very quick way to get the information you need. To order the other bulletins, you can call 397-3462



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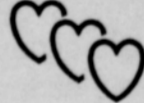
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