

# Umatilla County Fair

## NEWS RELEASE

Below you will find a courtesy copy of a news release that was just issued by the Umatilla County Fair. Please feel free to forward to others who would be interested in this information. If you have any questions, please direct them towards Peggy Clough, Umatilla County Fairgrounds Manager at (541) 567-6121. or email to : [peggyc@co.umatilla.or.us](mailto:peggyc@co.umatilla.or.us)

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## 2007 Livestock Sale

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The 2007 Umatilla County Fair Youth Livestock Auction was a huge success. Total receipts set a record at \$228,222 compared to \$180,000 in 2006. 4-H and FFA youth from throughout Umatilla County wrapped up fair week by selling 120 hogs, 85 sheep, 23 steers, 10 pens of rabbits and 1 pen of chickens. Highlights of the sale included: Kenadi Hill of Hermiston exhibited the Grand Champion Market Lamb selling to NW Farm Supply and Premier Northwest Trailers for \$5.50 per pound. Ashley Appleton, Hermiston, sold her Reserve Grand Champion Lamb for \$4.00 to Jim Lunders Suffolks. Marie Pedro of Hermiston exhibited the Grand Champion Market Steer which sold to LGW Ranch of Hermiston for \$4.70 per pound. Rebecca Bennett of Hermiston sold her Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer to Swaggart Brothers Inc. Anna Unruh of Pendleton exhibited the Grand Champion Market Hog which sold to Swaggart Brothers Inc. for \$3.40 per pound. Katie Primmer of Stanfield sold her Reserve Grand Champion hog to ConAgra Foods/ Lamb Weston for \$3.75 per pound.

The UCF bump program contributed over \$14,500 to this year's sale by "bumping" the hogs to \$3.00 per pound, the sheep to \$4.10 and the steers to \$1.96. This program was started over eight years ago by Kent Madison, Jim Purswell, Jim Pittam and Steve Mills. Each year they use donations from a number of individuals and businesses to add money to exhibitors. This year the bump program was organized by the Hermiston FFA Alumni Association as the group's community service project. Bob Barton, a representative of the association, reports that over 34 individuals and businesses contributed to the bump buyer program.

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