

# Llama, Alpaca Festival Set

VERNON, Conn.—They have quietly and peacefully been making their way onto both commercial and hobby farms across the country, building a loyal, ever-growing following among those who appreciate their versatility, gentleness, beauty, and intelligence.

What animals could these be? They are llamas and alpacas, the South American relatives of the camel, that have been domesticated for centuries as wool producers and pack animals.

No longer thought of as an exotic fad for celebrities, llamas and alpacas are domestic livestock that have initiated many people into farming and helped to diversify established working farms. In this country, they are used for a wide variety of purposes. Their luxurious wool is warm, soft, and grease-free (contains virtually no lanolin) and is considered a fine fiber. They

are used as guardians for sheep and goats because of a natural wariness of coyotes and stray dogs. They are used as pack animals, and when mature, can carry up to 25 percent of their adult body weight (an adult llama will usually weigh between 250 and 400 pounds). They are not considered riding animals, but can be trained to pull carts—nursing homes and schools are often visited by llamas both for educational and therapeutic reasons. (They have very little odor, and remain calm, cool, and collected even if they have to go inside a building for the visit. This enables many people the chance to enjoy them, even if they can't visit a farm).

Last, but not least, another reason for owning llamas and alpacas is simply to enjoy their company, their beauty, and their serenity.

Where can you find out more about llamas and alpacas? Come to the Tolland Agricultural Center,

Rte. 30, Vernon, Conn., on Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be llamas and alpacas there from 35 farms, representing most of the Northeast states. Demonstrations will be ongoing throughout the weekend, highlighting the many uses of these versatile animals, and some of the participating farms will have llamas and/or alpacas for sale, as well as related products.

This event will be held indoors, rain or shine, and both parking and admission are free.

For more information, call Harmony Acres, (203) 644-1136 or Hindsight Farm, (203) 774-7623.



## ADADC Re-elects Johnson

SYRACUSE, N.Y.—Raymond Johnson was re-elected President of the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council, Inc. (ADADC) after the 35th annual meeting, held late February, at the Sheraton Inn in Liverpool, New York.

Johnson, a dairy farmer from Schaghticoke, New York, starts his 13th year as president of ADADC's board.

In partnership with his son Edward, Johnson operates a 530-acre Holstein dairy farm.

Other officers elected were Walter Kingston of Geneseo, New York, vice president; Paul Kirsch of Varysburg, New York, second vice president; Kenneth Dumont of Chateaugay, New York, treasurer; and David Hardie of Lansing, New York, secretary.

Elected to the executive committee were Warren Beardsley, Fairport, N.Y.; Donald Bergey, Millville, Pa.; Jo Collins, Rich-

field Springs, N.Y.; Wesley Coots, Hornell, N.Y.; Warren Herklotz, Franklin, N.Y.; Robert Pardoe, Milton, Pa.; and Elaine Streeter, Adams, N.Y.

Dairy producers representing New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania met in February to elect officers and review the advertising and promotion programs implemented by ADADC during 1994.

Accomplishments of ADADC's retail, nutrition education and publicity divisions of 1994 were highlighted through a video presentation, showing producers the value in generic advertising and promotion.

In his president's report, Ray Johnson spoke about both the national and local dairy promotion organization's commitment to deliver efficient programming.

At the national level, he cited the merger between United Dairy Industry Association and the National Dairy Board as evidence of cost savings to dairy farmers.

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Antiques: Copper wash boiler; wooden churn; cherry seeder; waffle iron; griddle; crocks; jugs; drop-leaf table; 2 school desks; 6 oak chairs - 1 rocker (not matched); oak dresser; 3 iron kettles; meat grinder; cross-cut saw; lard press.

Tools selling first: Bench grinder; sockets; sanders; electric drill; hand saws; Aldens 5-h.p. roto-tiller; log chains; wrenches; air compressor; garden & lawn tools; grindstone; walking plow; potato digger; hiller; lawn mower; wooden ladder; come-along; 2-1/4 floor jack; 7-1/4" saw; meat bench; weed eater; wheelbarrow; garden plow  
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