

## **EDITORIAL: Big sale today.(Editorial)**

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Aug. 28--THE 2007 Junior Livestock Sale gets under way at 4:30 p.m. today in the Events Center at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. The annual sale is a great event at the State Fair, bringing more than 100 young participants in 4-H and Future Farmers of America programs to Pueblo this time of year. This year, the entries include 35 steer, 35 hogs, 35 lambs and six goats. The young exhibitors raise money for college or to participate in future livestock projects.

Buyers of the livestock contribute a special flavor to the event, bidding on the animals both for the fun of it and to reward the young exhibitors for their hard work and dedication in preparing entries for the State Fair.

Some of the major bidder groups are the Denver Rustlers, the Colorado Fair Ladies, the Pikes Peak Posse, the Pueblo Range Riders, the CSU Wranglers and Colorado Counties Inc. Some of the most active individual bidders in recent years have been members of the Sam Brown family of Pueblo.

The buyers' outstanding generosity adds greatly to the success of the event.

The Junior Livestock Sale supports the future of Colorado's agribusiness and offers valuable experience to the 4-H'ers and Future Farmers of America in the importance of raising quality livestock. They also learn a little of what it takes to pursue careers in agriculture.

While the most excitement is generated by the grand champion animals in each category, we urge bidders to help boost the prices paid for the other animals down the sale list. In reality, there's minimal difference in the quality of the animals entered and in the effort the youngsters put into the project.

Whether you intend to buy or not, the show is a wonderful thing to see. The auctioneers are top-notch and the action is fast-paced. It's an exciting event starring some of Colorado's finest young people.

Take in the Junior Livestock Sale. The youngsters deserve your support.

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