

# Auction will fund Miss Rodeo trips

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A dinner/auction on Sat., Feb. 26, will help Jessica West, Miss Rodeo Washington, compete for the Miss Rodeo U.S.A. title.

The fundraising event will take place at the Cowlitz County Exposition Center, 430 Washington St., in Longview.

West, 22, is the daughter of Rob and Rhonda West of Yacolt. She was crowned Miss Rodeo Washington last year in Ellensburg.

Everyone is invited to attend the event which will start at



**JESSICA WEST** will compete in December for the Miss Rodeo America title.

6:30 p.m., said West. Tickets at \$25 per person may be purchased at the door. Reserved seating can be ordered through West at 607-4444.

The purpose of the fundraiser is to raise travel expenses for the rodeo queen, including expenses for West's attendance at a December 2006 Miss Rodeo America Pageant in Las Vegas, NV.

West, a 2001 Battle Ground High School graduate, is a student at Clark College. She plans to complete a communications major at Washington State University in Pullman.