

# HAPPENINGS

## Alpacas of Prairie Station Encounter



Momma Alpaca keeps careful watch over her baby at Prairie Station located in rural Mineral Point. Becki, Mickey and Sarah Badger assure her they mean no harm. Alpacas have been domesticated for over 5000 years. The baby, at the time this picture was taken was only 8 days old.

On June 12 the Prairie Station Encounter from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be held. This is an opportunity for area people to have an opportunity to have a close encounter with the animals. There will be door prizes, kids' crafts, spinning demonstrations, a store, and food.

Come out and hear about the Alpacas which produce one of the world's finest and most luxurious natural fibers. Soft as cashmere and warmer, lighter and stronger than wool, it comes in more colors than any other fiber producing animal.

Prairie Station is located on 39 west of Hwy 151, turn left on Bur Oak. When you get to Miller Road, after a short drive you'll be at Prairie Station. (Watch for full story next week in The Democrat Tribune how Barb Kackley, the Badger children's grandmother, decided to grow her own fiber for spinning in her country house where three generations call home).