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Mandrell, Federation Fete 1,500 At Poultry Fund-Raiser

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HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.) — More than 1,500 poultry industry representatives, fam-

ily, and friends each paid \$125 a ticket Wednesday night to support the 27th annual Pennsylvania Poultry Federation Fund Raising Banquet at the Hershey Convention Center.

The Wednesday night banquet featured a potpourri of selections, including country western and old time rock 'n' roll, from entertainer Louise Mandrell. Mandrell

created her own nationally syndicated television special and a stage show, "Love My Country," which she wrote, produced, and performed in Opryland's Acuff Theatre.

John Hoffman, Federation president, said the banquet is the primary source of funds for the state poultry federation, which benefits producers with a wide range of services.

The Federation is a 501(c)(5) nonprofit organization serving the Pennsylvania poultry industry. Its activities directly and indirectly affect the economic health of the industry through legislation and government relations, disease control, research, public relations, promotion, publications, youth programs, conferences, and scholarships.

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Lambs And Youth Raise Spring Hope

MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — Frisky lambs and 4-H youth go together to make us think of spring and give us hope for new beginnings and future generations. The young people in the photo belong to Ed and Larue Donough and are often seen with their Suffolk/Hampshire sheep and lambs at local and state shows. They are Ryan, 10; Joelynn, 6, and Travis, 14. Lambs

make good projects because they take less space than some of the larger animals.

But sheep, lamb, and wool production is also big business. For example, this week the Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service reported that wool production in the state during 1993 totaled 708,000 pounds with a value of \$255,000. A total of 101,000 sheep and lambs

were shorn during the year, and the average fleece weight was seven pounds.

Nationally, 9.93 million sheep and lambs produced 77.3 million pounds of wool with a value of \$39 million, which proves you can have a lot of fun around the sheep farm in spring, but it is serious business, too. *Photo by Everett Newswanger, managing editor.*

Miss Magic Flair Grand At Spring Holstein Show

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Miss Magic Flair, a 4-year-old Holstein owned by Donald and Barbara Reisinger and Heidi Miller, was named grand champion of the Pennsylvania Spring Holstein Show, the first show of the season, held last Friday in the Large Arena of the state Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

The spring show, called "Pennsylvania on Parade," was the 41st spring show of the state association and was judged by Richard Keene, of Gilbertsville, N.Y. There were 278 head checked in for the competition.

Keene had judged Flair as a younger cow and said she has improved nicely since then.

The daughter of Romandale Magic and Cliff-Spring-B Enhance Finesse, Flair was bred by Reisinger, of Carlisle, and Miller, of Tamaqua, and was named the best udder of the 4-year-olds.

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The grand champion of Pa. Holstein Association's spring show, Pennsylvania On Parade, is Miss Magic Flair, the 4-year-old Holstein on the right. Pictured from the left are Michele Claypoole and husband Alex who holds daughter Kaitlyn, while daughter Nicole holds the banner, Mark Campbell who holds daughter Sarah, and leadman Bob Morrell holds the halter of

the reserve grand champion. Continuing from the left is leadman Tim Coon, who holds the halter of Miss Magic Flair, Russell Miller, Barbara Reisinger, Donald Reisinger and Heidi Miller, who holds the banner. Barbara Reisinger and Heidi Miller are both owners of Miss Magic Flair. *Photo by Vern Achenbach Jr.*