

# Seamstress Is Runner-Up In National Competition

GAY BROWNLEE

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ELVERSON (Berks Co.) —  
Jessica Coriell had a wonderful  
experience at the Make It Yourself  
With Wool National Competition.  
The 23-year-old, who had never  
before competed in a contest, was

named the second runner-up when  
the event on January 7-9 was held  
in Denver, Colorado.  
She said in a recent telephone  
conversation that she had tried to  
appear stunning at all times during  
the weekend because Jodell An-  
tram, Somerset, the state director  
and her adviser had suggested it.

"One of my goals was to look  
like I walked out of SAKS Fifth  
Avenue," happily recalled the  
state representative named on Oct.  
17 at the Galleria Mall in Johns-  
town, Cambria County, where the  
state competition was held at Bos-  
cov's Department Store.

Fashionability, after all, had  
counted for 60 percent of the final  
score, followed by 40 percent for  
the garment's construction.

For her pinstripe suit in a brown  
wool, Coriell blended two patterns  
to create a full-lined suit that fea-  
tured a mink collar on the jacket  
and a slender skirt with a straight  
slit.

Combining the patterns, given  
the difficulty of matching delicate  
pinstripes, was understandably a  
challenge, as she acknowledged.

But with meticulous care, it was  
managed for the elegant and  
sophisticated effect that was in-  
tended from the outset.

She comes honestly by the  
pride evidenced in the care the fu-  
ture tailor gives to her work. It has  
evolved from an expert in the  
family — Maria Coriell, her  
grandmother.

With needles and thread, excel-  
lence only is demanded by Mrs.  
Coriell who has been a profession-  
al tailor for many years.

"Looking over her shoulder is  
how I learned to do it," reported  
the granddaughter who gives the  
overall credit for her success to the  
Lord.

She is the middle daughter of  
three born to Ron and Rebekah  
Coriell, taking her place between  
Jennifer, 25, and Johanna, 21.

"For me it's kind of carrying on  
a heritage," Jessica said, thought-  
fully, recalling how first, she  
learned to make clothes for dolls.

As her skills developed, more  
difficult projects were tackled  
such as skirts, vests, etcetera.

Her valuable gifts included a  
serger donated by Simplicity Pat-  
terns, Inc.; a \$125 savings bond  
from Superior Farms; a sewing  
book from Fairchild Books and  
Visuals, and fabric from Burling-  
ton Menswear.

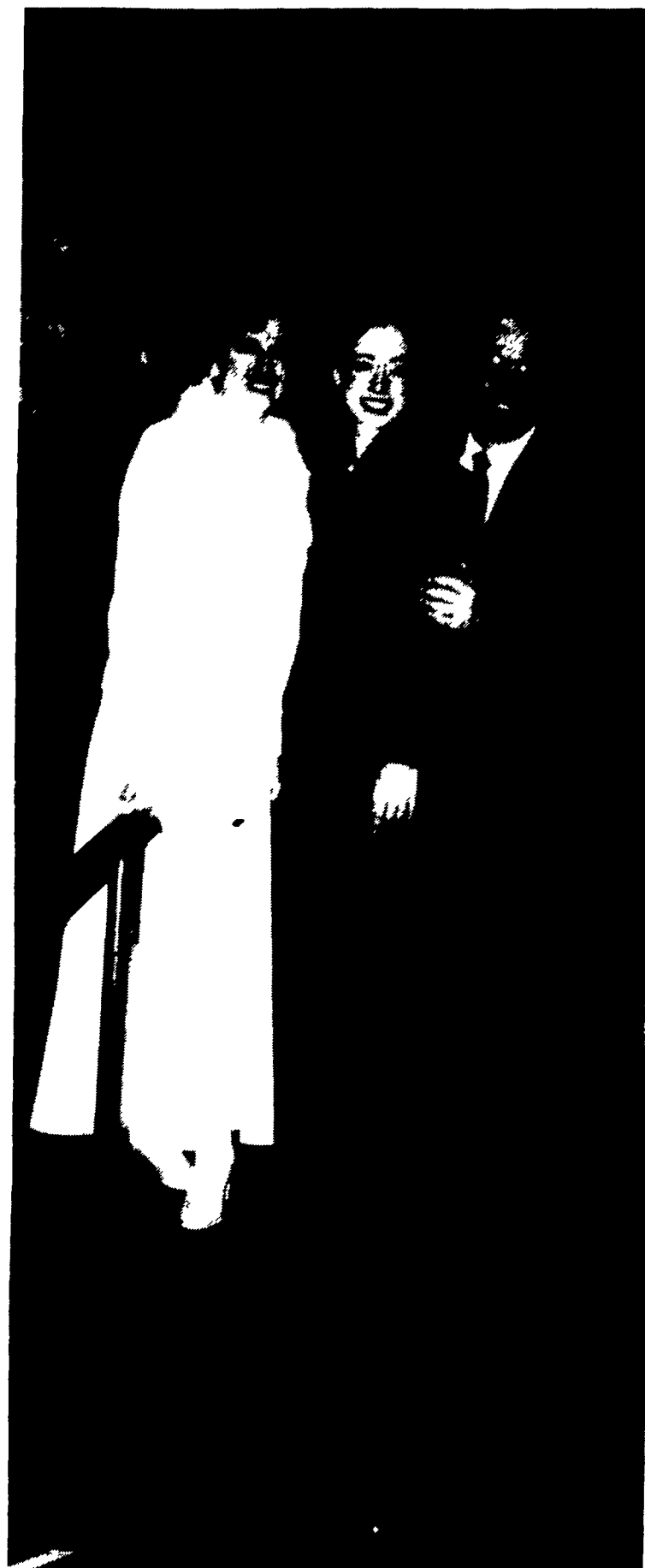
Heidi Shryock from Clearview,  
Bedford County, the Pennsylvania  
junior winner, also participated at  
the event.

While there, the contestants  
could choose from various work  
shops, those they wanted to at-  
tend.

Antram reported that Brother  
International demonstrated sew-  
ing and knitting on its sewing ma-  
chine.

AAA Sewing and Vacuum was  
sponsored by PFAFF. It showed  
how simple life can be for the seri-  
ous seamstress and tailor with an  
ultra-modern iron and ironing  
board.

Nowadays, the material that al-  
ways drove them crazy by sliding  
away, won't slide anymore thanks



Jessica Coriell, Elverson, standing center, with her par-  
ents Ron and Rebekah Coriell, was named the second run-  
ner-up in the Make It Yourself With Wool National Competi-  
tion.



Heidi Shryock, Clearview, the Pennsylvania junior win-  
ner, and Jessica Coriell, Elverson, the senior winner in  
Make It Yourself With Wool recently returned from the na-  
tional competition held Jan. 7-9 in Denver, Colorado. They  
appear in the garments constructed by themselves for the  
wool competition.

to suction used in the ironing  
board itself.

A study in Danish knited lace  
was offered as well as contour  
sewing demonstrations.

Make It Yourself With Wool  
was held in conjunction with the  
American Sheep Industry's an-  
nual convention and business  
meeting.



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