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Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess Heidi Miller, left, and her sister Holly, Dauphin County Alternate, have a unique way to promote the dairy industry — through song. Turn to page B6 to learn more about them. Photo by Lou Ann Good

In New Economy, New Holland Sales Stables Upholds Traditions

Part 1 of 2

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Editor's note: This article is part one of a two-part series on the New Holland Sales Stables. The stories will not only highlight the history of the operation, but also present a few of the people who have contributed to its growth and success.

NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — For New Holland Sales Stables, becoming the largest auction barn east of the Mississippi was not a carefully calcu-

lated move. It was simply the result of taking care of business.

"There's all the business you'd ever want out there. It's more important to take care of what you have first and the business will come," said David Kolb, sale barn manager.

The business has profited from this management philosophy. "The sale barn grows every year on its own," said Kolb.

He credits auction employees as a large reason for the continued progress of the business. The sales stables employs 20

full-time and 40-50 part-time workers, mostly retired farmers or producers who come in to work one day a week.

In 1972 Abram W. Diffenbach and David's father, Norman Kolb, became the sole owners of the sales stables when they purchased the business from 12 stakeholders. Diffenbach was involved with the establishment since 1962 and was president and general manager since 1965. Norman's father, Aaron, was one of the original founders of

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Ag Industry 'Circles the Wagons' To Protect Against FMD

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Foot and mouth disease was the center stage topic of discussion and learning for 150 interested producers, FFA and 4-H students, and veterinarians gathered here at the department of agriculture building Wednesday evening.
Hosted by Agriculture Secre-

tary Samuel Hayes and state veterinarian John Enck, the meeting included not only a presentation but also question-and-answer time.

The first of 14 meetings that will educate producers across Pennsylvania about the disease the meetings are the result of efforts by Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA), the

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NPPC Cancels World Pork Expo To Protect U.S. Swine From Foot And Mouth Disease

DES MOINES, Iowa — In an effort to be proactive and help protect the health status of the U.S. swine herd and protect U.S. pork producers, on Thursday the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) announced the

cancellation of the 2001 World Pork Expo.

"We have seen tremendous devastation in countries around the world from foot and mouth disease outbreaks. The U.S. has

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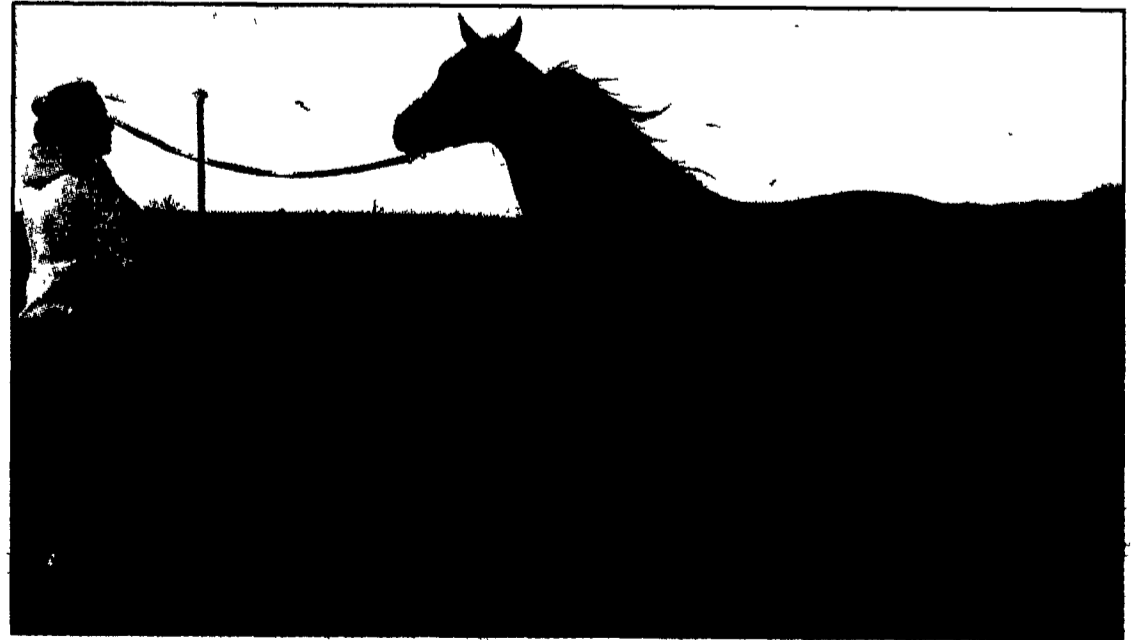
Horse Farms Open For Tours April 21-22

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — What's more fun than a spring day in the country? A spring day in the country visiting horse farms with family and friends, watching a newborn foal, learning about horses, their training and care, and perhaps taking an introductory riding lesson.

On Apr. 21 and 22, 18 professional horse farms, most of which are normally closed to the public, roll open their barn doors and give visitors the chance to learn what goes on behind the scenes.

Show barns, breeding stables, boarding and lesson facilities, a showgrounds, a horse rescue and a mounted police facility will band together for one weekend only to demonstrate the variety of ways horses are used and

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CM Zarius, a 3-year-old Arabian stallion from Country Manor Arabians in Washington Boro, above, will be featured on the ninth annual horse farms open house presented by Pennsylvania Equestrian newspaper. Here, owner Peggy Ann Broome with the stallion. Broome and her husband John sell Arabians of Crabbet lineage. Zarius is in training with Randy Stoneback Arabians. The farm, which is reducing its herd, offers several Crabbet Arabians for sale.

In photo at top left, a woman leads a rider around during a tour. Six of the 18 stables participating in the open house, April 21-22, will offer 15-minute introductory riding lessons. The free event enables visitors to learn about stables and equestrian facilities in southeastern Pennsylvania.



Happy Easter
All the best wishes for a wonderful Easter from all of us here at *Lancaster Farming*