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First Time Sheep Exhibitor Wins Big
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LOUISVILLE, KY - November 20, 2014 - The Sale of Champions at the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) was held on the evening of November 20th. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion steers, hogs, and wethers were sold.

Victoria Ralls, 21, of Talent, Oregon, sold her Reserve Grand Champion for $10,500. The wether was purchased by the Jefferson County Farm Bureau, North American Country Store, Ketcham’s Sheep Equipment, Willoughby Sales, Middlesworth Club Lambs, and West Coast Pipeline.

This year was Victoria’s first time showing at the NAILE and also her first time showing sheep. Victoria grew up raising and showing cattle. She decided to come to the NAILE when her friend bought her a wether lamb. Victoria is currently a student at Oklahoma State University and is majoring in Communications Sciences and Disorders. She is the daughter of Kristi and Peter Ralls.

The NAILE is an annual event that attracts thousands of livestock producers from across America. More than 200,000 visitors attended the big expo, and nearly 29,095 livestock entries competed in ten species categories. The NAILE is the largest purebred exposition in the world, and successful competitors take home over $750,000 in premiums and awards. The North American International took place in Louisville, KY during November 8-21.

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