

Mrs. Ober, a Town Girl Who Really Mastered Farm Life

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She wants to go camping with the Girl Scouts this year. Next year she plans to be a leader of a troop.

The Girl Scout cookies went on sale last week. This is an annual event to raise funds to build and maintain their camps.

Mrs. Ober has been a helper with Mount Joy 4-H Club first year sewing girls and will help this year. They also have a cooking club.

She organized Farm Women Society 29 two years ago and has served as their president ever since. They have 29 members from Marietta-Mount Joy area, all under 35 years of age. All but five of them are farmers' wives. They contribute to Lancaster County Farm Women Society projects.

They are going to give a donation to the Harold Barley Fund. He was a dairy farmer from the Millersville area who fell in a tobacco shed and is paralyzed from the waist down. Their society has speakers come in for their programs and sometimes someone teaches a craft.

Ronald is a member of the Farmers Association and Sandra served on the Women's Committee picnic committee last year and has been appointed on the scrapbook committee this year.

She belongs to the Mount Joy Joyceettes. She models for their annual fashion show.

They donate to Messiah Children's Home, Community Council and the Mount Joy Library, give a scholarship to the outstanding Donegal High School senior girl in the business course and athletic trophies to the outstanding senior boy and girl athlete.

Obers are members of the Donegal Presbyterian Church where they served as sextons for two years. They now regularly attend Saint Marks United Methodist Church and Sunday School in Mount Joy where Mrs. Ober sings alto in the choir and teaches a class in their Daily Vacation Bible School. This is a large church and there are over thirty in the choir. Mrs. Ober grew up in this church.

Mrs. Ober is a member of Elm Tree Elementary PTA and is serving on their program planning committee.

Obers entertained two fresh air children from New York City last summer and one girl the year before.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ober are active in sports. Ronald is a member of the Donegal Wrestling Club. Donegal High School gym opens every Sunday at 2 p.m. and they can go there to practice.

Their summer sports include swimming, boating, water skiing, camping and trail riding. They belong to Mount Joy Lions Club's swimming pool club and do a lot of swimming in summer. They have a 14 foot motor boat and go boating and water skiing at Long Level.

They borrow a friend's camper and go on weekend camping trips to the seashore or to the



Mrs. Ronald M. Ober, Girl Scout Consultant for Junior Troops of Donegal Neighborhood, is proud of her hat decorated with Scout souvenirs from around the world.

mountains. Each has a Honda 90 trail bike which they ride on hills and trails in the woods.

Mrs. Ober belongs to the YWCA so she has been able to go swimming this winter. She also took an advanced swimming course. She loves to walk and walks everywhere possible. She takes her children on hikes frequently to find things like dried weeds for her craft projects. She is looking forward to training their colt to be ridden this summer.

Sandra graduated from Donegal High School and was an academic major. In school she played hockey, was on the track team and was a majorette in the band.

Mrs. Ober says, "I like any kind of music." Besides singing, she plays the piano and a baritone uke.

She also likes to dance. As a little girl, she took tap dancing lessons. She says, "I like to square dance." They had a square dance in their barn last year and hope to have one this year.

Sandra antiques furniture and has painted several rooms in their house.

She is becoming quite a gardener. They have a sizeable vegetable garden and are going to plant strawberries this year. Her grandfather is teaching her to grow roses and chrysanthemums. She has started several of each.

She has learned to freeze and can vegetables and fruits and wants to learn to make jelly and pickles.

Obers belong to a pinochle club that plays once a month.

As far as crafts go, Sandy is willing to try her hand at just about anything. She makes trees and wreaths of pine cones and nuts. She has made a lot of pictures using a picture frame

and fastening artificial flowers and fruits on a burlap backing. She made papier-mache angels and a nativity scene.

In needlework she does crewel embroidery, cross stitch pictures, knits scarves and right now is knotting a yarn deep-pile rug. She says, "I like sewing, make most of my own clothes."

Here is a recipe Sandra learned to make as a Girl Scout and, girls, here are the necessities to take along on your camping trip to make it: kettle and soap, stirring spoon, knife, tablespoon and can opener.

CAMPFIRE STEW

- 2 lbs. hamburger
- 1 onion, pelled and cut in small squares
- 1 tablespoon fat
- 2 10 3/4 oz. cans condensed vegetable soup
- Salt and pepper

Put fat in bottom of kettle. Add salt and pepper to hamburger and separate hamburger into little pieces or make little balls of it. Fry hamburger with the onion until the onion is light brown and hamburger is well browned all over. Pour off excess fat. Add vegetable soup.

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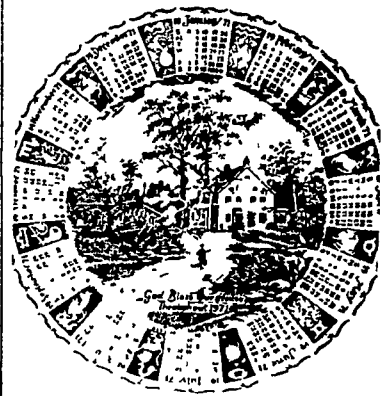
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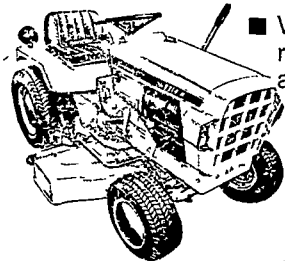
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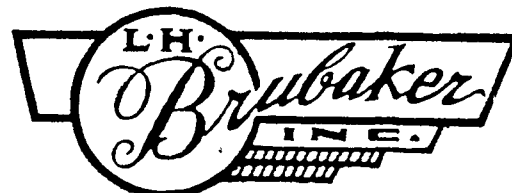
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