

# Farm Women Societies

## Society 2

Society of Farm Women #2 met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Myer, of Myers-town RD1, Saturday, July 10.

The meeting was opened by singing "God Bless America." Mrs. Eva Keener conducted the devotions.

The president Mrs. Marlin Hosler had charge of the business session.

The Lancaster County Farm Women's picnic will be held at Manor Campmeeting Grove instead of Safe Harbor park Wednesday, Aug. 4.

Mrs. Alvin Graybill, Mrs. Abner Brandt, Mrs. Eva Keener and Mrs. Laysen Shenk will spend Aug. 22 - 23 - 24 at Camp Swatara.

Twenty-three members and friends attended. A covered dish supper was held and games were played. The next meeting will be a family picnic at Kauffman's Park, Manheim, Saturday, August 14, at 6 p.m.

## Society 14

Farm Women Society 14 held a covered dish supper Wednesday night at the William S. Tinney Memorial Pavilion in Strasburg.

Hostesses were: Mrs. Henry Rohrer; Mrs. Amos Ranck; Mrs. Ralph Metzler, and Mrs. Everett Newswanger. About 65 persons attended.

Speaker for the evening was Miss Mary Harnish, R. N. She has spent the last 21 years in a Tanzania leper colony. Miss Harnish has been commended by the President of the American Leprosy Mission for her outstanding work in physical therapy and for constructing special shoes and artificial limbs.

The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. August 11 at the home of Mrs. John Hershey, Paradise RD1. Mrs. Melvin Kreider who will speak on human relations.

## Farm Women Calendar

### Saturday, July 17

2 p.m.—Farm Women Society 8, entertain Society 16, home of Mrs. Mary Sarver, Mount Joy RD2.

6 p.m. — Farm Women Society 30, splash party, Media Heights Country Club.

### Sunday, July 18

Farm Women Society 3, family picnic, Walter's Park.

### Tuesday, July 20

Farm Women Society 4, bus trip to Ocean City, N.J.

### Thursday, July 22

6 p.m. — Farm Women Society 23, family picnic, summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frey, Long Level.

Farm Women Society 26, bus trip to Ocean City.

### Saturday, July 24

8:30 p.m.—Farm Women Society 28, attend play, Longwood Gardens Open-air Theatre.

## PP&L Residential Rates Lowered by Tax Change


PP&L customers served under residential rate schedules RS and RH will find their future electric bills for service rendered on and after July 1 reflecting the repeal of the six per cent State Sales Tax.

"Current bills will include the sales tax only for service rendered through June 30," said PP&L's Lancaster Division vice president, Brent S. Shunk.

The removal of the sales tax is part of the Pennsylvania State General Assembly's tax reform code of 1971. The reform code leaves the application of the sales tax to all other electric service unchanged.

## Ladies, Have You Heard?

By Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist



### How To Dress Up Potatoes

You can dress up potatoes by having them wear their "jackets" to dinner. But there are so many other ways to adorn this versatile

vegetable that you could serve potatoes every day for months and never have the same dish twice.

As a kitchen staple, potatoes are a classic. They're easy to store — simply keep them in a dark and cool, but not cold place. And it's easy to stretch them to feed more people.

Mashed potatoes are a perfect starting-off point for your imagination. Here are some simple ways to dress them up.

Mix crunchy peanut butter into hot mashed potatoes just before serving.

Combine mashed potatoes with mashed turnips and top with butter.

Make golden potatoes by combining finely shredded carrots and shredded cheddar cheese to mashed potatoes.

Serve seasoned mashed potatoes over split frankfurters.

Stir drained sliced canned mushrooms into mashed potatoes.

Now that warm weather is here, cold potato salad is a great favorite, and lends itself to many variations. Every homemaker seems to have a special recipe for it.

When you're grilling outside, wrap some potatoes in foil and roast them on the coals while your meat is cooking.

Potatoes are great—dressed up or down—and at any time of the year.

### Keeping Ice Cream At Its Best

You can keep ice cream at top quality in your home freezer for some time. But your freezer must be at zero degrees or lower.

When you buy ice cream at the supermarket, put the package into the insulated bags you'll find at the frozen food counter or check out point. Plan your

shopping within the store so that ice cream and other frozen foods are your last items to select. Then go directly home with your groceries rather than do other errands.

Put the ice cream in your freezer or freezer section of a refrigerator. To prevent partial thawing and the icy or sandy textural changes that sometimes occur in ice cream, the temperature of your freezer must be zero degrees or lower. If the ice cream is soft when you take it from the freezer, the temperature isn't cold enough. You may need to change the setting to a colder temperature or perhaps your freezer needs defrosted to maintain the proper temperature.

Most quality defects of ice cream arise from improper handling. But if you store it zero degrees or lower, you can satisfactorily store ice cream for a few weeks or months without flavor or textural change.

When you're ready to serve the ice cream, a warm scoop may make dipping easier. Or perhaps letting the ice cream "warm" up to about 10 degrees will make it easier to serve. But when you're finished serving, place the remainder of the package back into the freezer at once.

Remember, to retain top quality ice cream once you get it home, store it at zero degrees or lower.

## County Extension Board Slates Family Dinner

The Lancaster County Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Association board will hold a family dinner meeting at the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant, Bird-in-Hand, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 27.

Wives and husbands of board members have been invited to attend, along with county commissioners, presidents of various farm youth organizations and Penn State University Extension administrators.

### Food Safety

Because food spoilage bacteria thrive at 40 degrees and above, it's essential that you keep cooked meats at room temperature for the shortest time possible. Cool leftover cooked meats quickly and refrigerate them promptly, advises Mrs. Ruth J. Buck, Extension foods and nutrition specialist at the Pennsylvania State University.

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