

Farm Women Societies

Society 4

Farm Women Society 4 held a luncheon meeting at the Mountville Church of the Brethren with 18 members of Society 19 and County Officers as guests. Devotions were given by Mrs. Marian Kauffman.

Mrs. Opel Ruhle, president of Society 19, brought greetings. Mrs. Helen Hess, second vice-president of the State, brought remarks from the State. Mrs. Mary Funk, county treasurer, represented the County Officers.

Mrs. Ann Nolt, president of Society 4, presided at the business meeting. It was announced Carole Kreider, 1973 graduate of Hempfield High School, was given the Society's award for home economics. A note of appreciation was received from Miss Kreider.

A request from the Cancer Society was presented, asking for drivers to transport patients to and from the hospital who need radiology treatments. One Society 4 member is now providing this service.

Mrs. Helen Kauffman, chairman of the special activities committee, reported on the "Make a Dime Grow" project with \$69 realized to date. She also informed the group of a bus trip August 8 to the "Tobias Animal Farm" above Dauphin.

The program of the day was "Eating Customs of Our American Ancestors" by Mrs.

Phyllis Ballinger, secretary of the Board of Directors of Landis Valley Association of the Pennsylvania Farm Museum.

The committees for the meeting were:

Luncheon—Mrs. Mary Snyder, Mrs. Helen Kauffman, Mrs. Clara Musser, Mrs. Ruth Bushong, Mrs. Flossie Garber, Mrs. Franna Wile, Mrs. Mary Greider and Mrs. Anna Campbell.

Table decoration, Mrs. Shirley Newcomer; favors, Mrs. Mollie Schroll; program, Mrs. Lorna King.

A family picnic will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 28 as a covered dish supper at Salunga pavilion.

Society 9

Farm Women Society 9 members toured Cramer's Ceramics at Pequea RD1 during the June meeting hosted by Mrs. Elmer Huber, Pequea RD1. Mrs. Clyde Dunkle and Mrs. Alfred McClenaghan served as cohostesses. Mrs. George Trout presented the devotions.

The tour of the ceramics hobby shop included all phases of the process beginning with the mixing of the clay, the pouring into molds, and instructions on how to proceed from the greenware stage which is where most ceramic hobbyists begin. A small finished ceramic piece was presented to each person attending the meeting.

During the business portion of the program under the direction of Mrs. Paul Zercher, president, a gift of \$25 was sent to the Welsh Mountain Clinic

The next meeting, a covered dish picnic for members and families, is planned to be held at 6 p.m. July 12 at the home of Mrs. Helen Campbell, Willow Street RD1. In the case of rain on that date, the meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Paul Swearingen, Willow Street.

Society 10

Farm Women Society 10 entertained members of Society 25 recently at a luncheon meeting in Gimbel's Community Room. Mrs. Harry Weider was in charge of devotions. Miss Ida Kunkle, president, represented the group as hostess.

Mrs. Lois Harting, Lancaster, spoke on the colonial German art "Fraktur". She illustrated how the work is done using a feather quill and wrote a sample for each guest. Mrs. Harting discussed the history of the "lost art" which is recently being revived by interested persons like herself. Fraktur is the fancy lettering that is used to decorate birth certificates, baptismal certificates and marriage licenses. She related a few amusing anecdotes on her conquest of feathers for the hobby.

In June members of Society 10 met in the home of Mrs. Mahlon Delp for the regular business session of the group. Mrs. Jacob Evans served as cohostess. Mrs. Clarence Reinhold led devotions.

Miss Ida Kunkle, president, reported on the Spring Rally held by the State Society in Johnstown in May. Miss Kunkle also announced that the picnic and board meeting of the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County will be held at noon Wednesday, August 1, at Central Manor Camp Grounds. All County Farm Women and families are invited. Each is to provide a covered dish and place settings for herself. Beverage will be supplied.

Mrs. Robert Albright was guest speaker, telling about a trip to the Holy Lands. She passed snapshots and told what she observed of the culture and the serious experiences and emotions she felt.

The July meeting of Society 10 is planned at 1:30 p.m. July 7 at the home of Mrs. Frank Hodecker, 970 Rohrerstown Road.

Society 22

Farm Women Society 22 members were entertained by Mrs. Caroline Kunkle of Leola, the 1971-72 Mrs. Fire Chief of Lancaster County. She presented a program of fire prevention in the home. Some of the members shared their close calls and near-misses.

The Society met at the home of Mrs. Paul A. Witmer, 447 N. George St., Millersville. Mrs. Harold Zook served as cohostess and led in devotions. Mrs. Carl Diller led the group in singing and also reported on the trip to Johnstown for the State Convention which was attended by seven members of Society 22.

The president, Mrs. Jay Landis, reported on County Board news. Mrs. Henry Hess presented the highlights of the Society's scrapbook and passed it around for all to see.

The nominating committee for next years officers consists of Mrs. Kenneth Hoover, chairlady, Mrs. Lester Landis, and Mrs. Clarence Rohrer. Mrs. Henry Balmer, 1551 Mentzer Road, Lampeter, was installed as a new member.

The following members volunteered to help entertain the guests at Conestoga View along with members of Society 20: Mrs. William Weller, Mrs. Harold Rudy, Mrs. Robert Houser, Mrs. Henry Balmer, Mrs. Willie Zodet, Mrs. Kenneth Funk, Mrs. Jack Robinson and Mrs. Jay Landis.

The next meeting will be in the form of a "penny social" to be held at 7 p.m. August 14 at the home of Mrs. Amos Miller, 1150 Penn Grant Road, Lancaster. Gwyn Martin will serve as cohostess

Society 29

Farm Women Society 29 members met last week at the home of Mrs. Ronald Ober, 90 Indian Rock Dam Road, York.

After the business meeting, the guest speaker was introduced. Mrs. Annie Senft, York, spoke on "Antique Buttons".

Mrs. Senft showed cards of antique buttons displayed in groups of animals, pictures, glass, brass, stars, etc. She explained that the star with five points represents the Star of Bethlehem, the six pointed star the Star of David, the seven pointed star the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, the eight pointed star the Star of Baptism, the nine pointed star the nine days in the Upper Room praying, the 10 pointed star the Ten Commandments, the 12 pointed star the 12 apostles or Tribes of Israel, the 14 pointed star the 14 stages of Christ to the Cross. Mrs. Senft also gave Biblical passages relating to many of her buttons.

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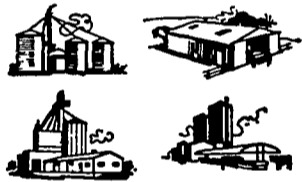
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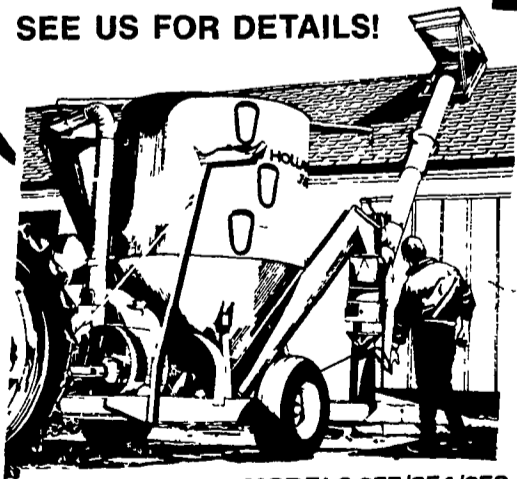
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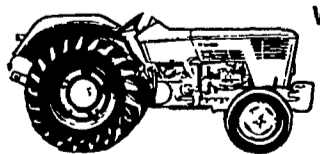
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