

Farm Women attend annual Fall convention

By Melissa Piper
Lancaster County Farm Women met last Saturday afternoon at the Farm and Home Center for their annual Fall convention. Representing the 31 societies in the county, the farm women were present for a business session as well as afternoon entertainment. Mrs. Carl Johnson, former president of the county officers, was in charge of the morning business session. Reports were given by the county officers as well as by the local groups. The morning devotions were given by Mrs. Henry Reist. A presentation of funds for the Farm and Home Center highlighted the morning session. Jay Landis, president of the foundation directors, accepted the

check in the amount of \$2000 from Mrs. Carl Johnson. The societies had agreed earlier in the year to donate the money to the foundation for toward a piano for the basement meeting rooms. Following the noon meal, a memorial service was held to honor those members who had died during the year. Mrs. Albert Fry of Society 27 was in charge of the program. Devotions and poems were included in the service. The Hershey's a family musical group, entertained during the afternoon session and presented a myriad of songs and instrumental numbers. Mrs. Ruth Hand, home economist for Schuylkill County, was the keynote speaker for the day. Mrs.

Hand entitled her talk "Still Holding at 39" and gave insights into staying young both mentally and physically. The newly elected county officers were then installed by Mrs. S. Lee Richards, state president of the farm women. Mrs. Robert Gregory Lititz R1 was installed as the Lancaster County president. A special highlight of the program was a fashion show and parade of bicentennial dresses constructed by the farm women. Outfits depicting the colonial days and early settlers were in evidence. Many of the women added a touch of nostalgia to their outfits by carrying baskets and shawls passed down by their families.



Mrs. S. Lee Richards (far left) State president of the Farm Women Societies installed the newly elected Lancaster County officers during their annual Fall convention held Nov. 1. Officers (from left) are Mrs. Robert Gregory - president; Mrs. Carl Diller - 1st vice-president and Mrs. John Ruhl, second vice-president.

Gregory Goshorn was the judge. After the judging and unmasking a reading of scripture was given by Mrs. Carl Seiverling, followed by the Lords Prayer and flag salute. The election of officers was in charge of Mrs. Harvey Zimmerman and Mrs. Eugene Stump with the following new officers for a two year term: President - Mrs. Quentin Gettel, Vice President - Mrs. Daniel Harnish, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clayton Schmehl, Corresponding Secretary - Mrs. Ada Wolfe, Treasurer - Mrs. Clarence Klahr.

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Berks Co. Society 2

The Society of Farm Women 2 of Berks Co. met in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Carl Miller, Bethel, R1 for their October meeting with 22 members attending. Most of the ladies came masked with the following receiving these prizes: most hair-stuffing - Mrs. Clayton Schmehl, longest hone - Mrs. Carl Kauffman Jr., saddest face - Mrs. Mildred Emerich, best dressed man - Mrs. Clarence Klahr, and last one guessed Mrs. Mildred Emerich. Mrs.



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