

## Farm Women Societies

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meeting there was a report by the treasurer Mrs. Charles Gable that \$165 was donated during the year 1976 to the following charities: March of Dimes, Conservation Society of York County, Heart Fund, Guatemala Earthquake Cause, Cancer Fund, Easter Seal Society of York County, Arthritis Fund, Sheltered Workshop for York County, Care, South Central Pennsylvania Lung Association, and Multiple Sclerosis Society.

It was announced that plans are being formulated for the 25th anniversary of the Society, April 26, at 12:30 p.m. at Avalong Farms Restaurant, York.

Next meeting, February 22, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. John Massa will include a health and safety program.

### York Co. Society 20

David D. Weston, police chief of Shrewsbury Borough, will speak on "Police Safety," at 1 p.m. March 8 meeting of Society of Farm Women, group 20, at the home of Mrs. Clara Shaffer, Shrewsbury.

Each member is asked to take a kitchen item for the Robert Strickler family, whose Stewartstown R2 home was destroyed by fire New Year's Day. Mrs. Rosalie Winters is in charge of the program.

The group has sent gifts to the Harrisburg State Hospital Volunteer Resources, York County Mental Health Association, and York Day Nursery and Kindergarten.

Following adjournment of the Society's March meeting, members will visit the nursery and tour the replica of York County Court House.

Plans for a bus trip will be finalized at the March meeting. Suggestions of sites to be visited may be submitted to Mrs. Sarah

Richardson or Mrs. A. H. Shaub.

Members wishing to assist with the York Hospital Fete, Mary 20-21, at York Fair grounds, are asked to contact Mrs. Richardson by April 1.

Mrs. Richardson said the county officers will sponsor a bus trip to the northeastern states, through the New York area and Twin Mountains in New Hampshire, July 9 to 18. Reservations can be made with Mrs. Sherrill Trimpey.

Mrs. Lula Rennoll and Claudia Bailey are in charge of arrangements to entertain Group 5 from York, the date will be announced. Mason-Dixon, Group 22, is planning to entertain the local society.

The group is contributing \$5 for prizes at the county spring rally May 11 at Fawn Grove.

### York Co. Society 26

The February meeting of the Etters, Green Valley Society Farm Women Group 26 of York County was held at the home of Mrs. Richard Beard, York Haven R1 at

12:30 p.m. A valentine luncheon was served by the hostess to the 15 members and two guests attending.

The Society signed "Get Well" cards to shut-in members. An auditors report as well as a report of the state convention were made. New year books were passed out.

The Society approved a donation of \$25 for the American Heart Association.

Members observing January and February birthdays are Mrs. Kohler, Mary E. Hake, Barbara Sanger, Ruth Kann, Ethel Wilt, and Mrs. Amanda Weirman.

Group 26 will entertain the Dover Society of Farm Women Group 4 in April. It was also announced that the state Farm Women Spring Rally will be held at Memorial Hall, York Fair Grounds, Wednesday, May 11, 1977. A group bus tour is also being planned.

The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Donald Muth, Etters R2. The date is Tuesday, March 8, and the time is 7:30 p.m. At this time, the Society will discuss and make plans for the group's Spring events.

## Conservation officers met

ATLANTA, Ga. - More than 2,000 conservation leaders from across the nation met here recently to discuss issues affecting the condition and future of the nation's natural resources.

Lebanon Countians attending the 31st annual convention of the National Association of Conservation Districts February 6-10 were George Wolff of Myerstown; Donald Bollinger of Kleinfeltersville; and Clair Gerberich of Jonestown.

Senator Herman E. Talmadge, chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, keyed the session. He commented on the successful 40-year history of soil and water conservation districts in voluntary conservation programs and their emerging role in non-point pollution control.

Talmadge noted that conservation districts,

through the Soil Conservation Service, have offered the nation's farmers "40 years of friendly advice and tremendous technical service helping them with their conservation problems." He encouraged districts to maintain their leadership role in providing local guidance in soil and water conservation.

George R. Bagley, president of the National Association of Conservation Districts discussed the growth of stature of conservation districts, and their increasing participation in all facets of resource management. He advised districts to extend the opportunities for the public to participate in their important programs.

Bagley emphasized the need for common sense in implementing water quality plans by "marrying the traditional goals of conservation with those of water

## Garden Spot observes FFA Week

NEW HOLLAND, Pa. - Members of the Grassland Chapter join with over 500,000 other FFA members in the United States in celebrating National FFA WEEK which starts today, Feb. 19.

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National FFA Week always includes George Washington's birthday in observance of his leadership in promoting scientific farming practices. Washington is considered the patron saint of the FFA and has come to symbolize the FFA Treasurer.

According to President Linford Weaver, East Earl, the Grassland Chapter will wear their FFA jackets on Wednesday, there will be a display in the showcase of

the main lobby at Garden Spot High School, newspaper articles in local newspapers, spot announcements on local radio stations, FFA placements given to local restaurants, brochures given to two agribusinesses, and on Friday FFA napkins will be provided in the cafeteria of the Garden Spot High School. Organized in 1928, the FFA

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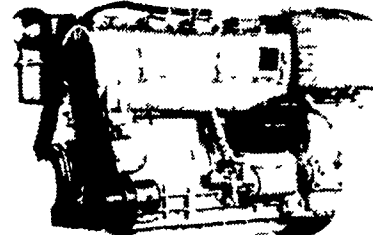
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