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at the refreshment stand at Oley on Thursday, July 12.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Randall Hetrick, R2 Oley on Tuesday, July 15. It will be a surprise night.

Lancaster Co. Society 3

Lancaster Society 3 met at the home of Vivian Stauffer, R1 Ephrata.

The recipient of the Society's Scholarship Fund is Lois Jean Wida, a Warwick graduate who will be attending the University of Delaware in the fall.

Nancy Balmer introduced Ken Hussar, Salunga, a fifth grade teacher at Penn Manor, who entertained with a banjo and guitar.

The next meeting will be an annual picnic to be held Sunday, July 20 at the farm of Earl and Barb Stauffer, R1 Ephrata. In the event of rain, the picnic will be held at Mt. Airy Fire Hall.

Lancaster Co. Society 31

Lancaster Society 31 met at the home of Ann Russer, R1 Holtwood.

Roll call was to name a safety hazard around the home which should be corrected. During the business meeting the following donations were approved: \$100 to the extension office for 4-H food

supplies; \$100 to the Gideons in memory of Amos Rutt and \$40 to sponsor a child going to camp at Black Rock.

Shirl Garner and Nellie Blake from the Lancaster County Lung Association gave a talk on Farmers Lung Disease followed by a question and answer period.

The next meeting will be held Monday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Millie Groff with Anna Mary Glick as co-hostess.

Lebanon Co. Society 14

Lebanon Group 14 held their June meeting at the home of Thelma Kreider.

Cpl Cousins of the Jonestown Barracks gave a talk and film, Lady Beware, on how women can protect themselves when attacked.

The family picnic will be held Sunday, July 20 at the Mt. Wilson Church of the Brethren pavilion.

Dauphin Co. Society 16

A Christmas in June meeting was held in the home of Marty Hertzler. Members answered roll call with what they want for Christmas this year.

The group decided not to order cookbooks but to develop a new cookbook this year.

Soft-sculpture Christmas ornaments were demonstrated by Sue Espenshade and members made their own ornaments.

The next meeting is Tuesday, July 15 in the home of Marion Messick. Patricia Huff, the Dauphin County home economist will give a demonstration on sewing for the home.

Lancaster Co. Society 7

Lancaster Society 7 met recently at the home of Mrs. John Shirk, Paradise.

The group will be entertained by Society 16 on Saturday, July 12 at the Kinzers Fire Hall at 12 noon.

Richard Warren showed slides and spoke on wildflowers at the June meeting.

The next meeting will be held Monday, July 14 at 7 p.m. at the home of Anna Eby, R1 Kinzers.

York Co. Society 2

York County Group 2 held its annual picnic at Lake View Park in Jacobus.

The group entertained Dillsburg Group 17. After a covered dish meal the group saw a fashion show directed by Ruth Santoga from The Rainbow Outlet.

Members of Group 2 served as models and Don Thomas provided background music.

York Co. Society 26

The June meeting of York Green Valley Society 26 was held in the home of Naomi Cashner. A summer luncheon was served.

The committee reported the Christmas banquet will be held December 6.

Group 29 will entertain Society 26 in August. The regular meeting will be held August 12.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Brend Grogg, R1 York Haven on Tuesday, July 8 a 12:30 p.m. Plans for the York County Farm Women' picnic to be held at the 4-I Center July 31 at 11 a.m. will be discussed.

Energy savings with irrigation

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how much water is in it.

A more objective approach consists of using irrometers. The Delaware Extension Service will be using these measuring devices this summer in an attempt to increase irrigation efficiency.

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