

# Fulton Grange hears national women's committee leader

OAKRYN — Fulton Grange No. 66 observed Community Night Monday, commencing with a covered dish dinner.

The Lecturer, Mrs. Howard W. Miller, Jr., was in charge of the special program which began with group singing, accompanied by Mrs. Richard Lefever, "America The Beautiful."

Mrs. Miller then presented certificates from the National Grange and pins from Fulton Grange for continuous membership to

the following: for 25 years — Mrs. Estil Vandament, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Sheetz; for 50 years — Martin H. Eshleman. Also honored were: Mrs. Dorothy Fitzsimmons, Miss Helen Lamborn, Charles McSparran and Lewis Good for 55 years; and Norman Wood for 65 years. Mrs. Vandament, Martin Eshleman, Charles McSparran and Norman Wood each gave brief remarks.

Mrs. William Buffington, Lecturer of the Penn-

sylvania State Grange and chairman of the National Grange Women's Activities Committee, was the speaker.

She particularly emphasized community service, legislative and women's activities in the Grange. Stating that the Grange organization is 113 years old and has a membership of over 500,000 in the United States, she noted, it has always been and still is very active in legislation

from local to national levels. It is a grass-roots organization, policies starting with the Subordinate Granges and acted upon by County, State and National Grange, she said.

It is a family fraternity and from its inception women were on a level with men. Women promote sewing and needlework contests in the Grange and assist with the many other activities such as working for the deaf. The Grange was the first organization to have a song book printed in sign language. They also offer scholarships for workers with the deaf.

Citing just a few examples of Grange community service, senior citizens and other community groups meet in Grange halls. Medical health centers have been started by Granges. Education has been fostered and talents promoted.

Mrs. George Hough exhibited an oil painting in the art contest which will compete in the State Grange contest.

Thomas C. Galbreath, master, presided at a short business session and gave a report of attending the Young Marrieds weekend at Edgewater Acres.

The tour committee reported the bus going to Annapolis, Md. October 1 is full and they may also take a van. They will leave Quarryville at 7:15 a.m. and Fulton Grange Hall at 7:45 a.m.

Grangers signed a petition circulated by the American

Mushroom Industry which will go to President Carter asking him to limit mushroom imports to 32 percent of the prior yearly consumption.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett Kreider will represent Fulton grange at the Pa. State Grange session in Lewistown October 27 to 30.

William Buffington, Kennett Grange No. 19, Chester County, gave some remarks.

The new officers will hold a meeting at the Grange Hall Tuesday, September 30, 7:30 p.m.

It was announced that the Department of Environmental Resources and the Pa. State Grange will hold a joint meeting at Lower Swatara Township Building on route 441 Monday, September 29, 7:30 p.m. to which farmers are invited. It will deal with the effect of TMI on agricultural land. New officers will be installed at the next meeting of Fulton Grange October 13.

Lancaster Co. Pomona Grange No. 71 will meet at Fulton Grange Hall Saturday, October 18, 8 p.m.

## Cost sharing available to Carroll County farmers

WESTMINSTER, Md. — Farmers in the northwest section of Carroll County, Md., can now receive up to 75 percent cost sharing for installing measures to control animal waste and sediment pollution problems under the new, experimental Double Pipe Creek Rural Clean Water Program.

Maryland was one of 13 states to have its application for an RCWP project approved and was among the first three states to receive funding. Congress approved about \$3.9 million to provide technical and cost-sharing assistance to farmers in the area to clean up pollution problems over the next 10 years.

The program is administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through farmer-elected Carroll County ASC Committee. Technical assistance and other support is provided by the, Soil Conservation Service, Carroll County Soil Conservation District, Extension Service, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and other interested groups.

According to Randy Bachtel, SCS soil conservationist, the purpose of the program is to provide an incentive for farmers to correct pollution problems voluntarily. Many of the

practices that have been approved for cost sharing, he added, are also time saving and energy efficient.

Under the program, farmers can receive up to a maximum of \$50,000 to install any of 11 approved best management practices. Of the 1,195 farmers in the project area, about 290 are considered as "critical" areas and have been targeted to have water

### 4-H dressage show held in Maryland

GAITHERSBURG, Md. — The first Maryland State 4-H Dressage Show was held recently at the Potomac Horse Center near here. The purpose of the show was to help 4-H horse club members polish their skills in a European style of horsemanship which is becoming popular in the United States.

Laura Brotzman, 17, of Elkridge was the top performer of the day, taking both high score champion and reserve champion honors with her Morgan horse, Meleah-Oz. The pair also won first place in Open Senior Training, Level III, and Open First, Level I.

In addition, Laura used a different Morgan horse, Statesman's Mistress, to win first in Open Senior Training, Level I, and second in Open Senior Training, Level III.

quality plans developed.

Bachtel said that the goal of the program over the next 10 years is to install 115 agricultural waste management systems; 50,000 feet of diversion terrace; 25 farm sediment basins; and 300,000 feet of grassed waterways.

For more information contact the SCS office at 301/848-6696 or the ASCS office at 848-2780

### Another Howard County resident, Rob O'Connor, 11, of Wilde Lake village in Columbia, placed first in both First Year Junior Training, Level I, and Open Junior Training, Level I. He was riding There's Hope.

Amber Morrison, 14, of White Hall, and her horse, Tuffy, placed first in Maiden Junior Training, Level I; they received a third-place ribbon in First Year Junior Training, Level I.

A Carroll county gal, Felicia Guarino, 15, of New Windsor, won first-place in First Year Senior Training, Level I, and placed third in Maiden Senior Training, Level I. She was riding Small Wonder.

Miss Davida Dougherty of Clarksburg (Montgomery county) served as official judge for the 4-H dressage event.

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