



Lancaster Co. Society 1

Farm Women 1 met at the home of Ann Shreiner with Margie Hershey as co-hostess. Nineteen members and two guests attended Yearbooks were

distributed. They were prepared by Dorothy Hollinger, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brubaker, Mr and Mrs. Leon Ulrich and Mary Clark.

Delegates will attend the State Convention at Harrisburg to represent Society 1.

A donation of \$35 was given to the Lutz Community chest.

The next meeting of Society 1 will be held February 7 at the home of Betty Sheaffer.

Lancaster Co. Society 6

Farm Women Society 6 held their January meeting at the home of Martha Eshleman.

President Sara Myer and two delegates, Muriel Saylor and Martha Eshleman will represent the group at the convention in Harrisburg.

President Myers also was appointed to serve on the Sunshine Committee in the surrounding community by the Executive Board.

The Reverend Earle Fike, pastor of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren spoke on the theme Faith and Hope for the New Year.

Cumberland Co. Society 10

Cumberland Farm Women 10 met recently at the home of Mrs. Abbie Myers, Newville. Fourteen members answered roll call by relaying something that happened to them in 1980.

Mrs. Gertrude Staver had charge of business. Donations were given to the Lung Association and the Salvation Army.

Thank you notes were read from the ladies who went to Georgia to attend the Flower Judging Contest

The Spring Rally will be held May 21, 1981, at Dickinson College, Carlisle.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Marie Myers, Shippensburg R5, on January 15, 1981. Roll call will be, "my broken new year's resolution."

PENNSYLVANIA AGRICULTURE



WE'RE GROWING BETTER

Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



Last night just about dusk I walked through our meadow and looked along the river for our five large white-grey geese, which disappeared a week ago, a few flakes of snow began to fall softly. I do wish it would snow during the day so that I could at least enjoy the sight of the flakes floating down.

Then I spoke to some hunters that I spied in our woods but they said they knew nothing about our waterfowl. Some wild ducks and wild geese are shot here on the Conestoga.

So this morning after clearing the walks and porches of three inches of fluffy white snow, filling the furnace with expensive coal and making the beds, I sat down to write my diary. Then I picked up a colorful seed catalogue that also contained "everything for the garden." And I would say that that was a correct description of the contents.

What first caught my eye was a picture of a snake.

Now I'm not too fond of snakes to start with as I sometimes am surprised to find them coiled under a lima bean bush. So, I assumed that now, not only were earthworms, praying mantis, and ladybugs being sold — but also snakes.

Upon closer inspection I realized that this was an inflatable reptile made of vinyl that was used to scare off birds.

The bright colors of the lilies, irises and dahlias are almost unbelievable in their beauty and perfection. They entice one to place orders for them immediately. But now seed companies are more and more getting into accessories to gardening. Not only every imaginable tool to raise vegetables is for sale but also many appliances for preserving your home-grown produce.

Also sold are pest controls, wearing apparel and indoor gardening supplies. So, if you need it, they've got it.

Del. Holstein breeders to meet

ODESSA, Del. — The annual meeting of the Delaware Holstein Breeders Association will be held on Saturday, January 31, 1981.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. with an open house at Lloyd and Dave Sheats' farm on Route 9 east of Odessa. Visitors will have a chance to see the Sheats' new feeding and waste

management facilities.

Following the open house, lunch will be available at Odessa Fire Hall. Principal speaker will be Dieter Kreig, editor of Farmshine.

In case of snow the meeting will be postponed until February 7. For further information or reservations contact Charmaine Busker, 302-856-9081.



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