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Berks Co. Society 12

The family picnic of the Society of Farm Women 12 was held at Crystal Cave. Seven women and their families toured the cave.

The next meeting will be held at Kauffman Barbecue Barn, Bethel. It will be held August 20, at 8 p.m.

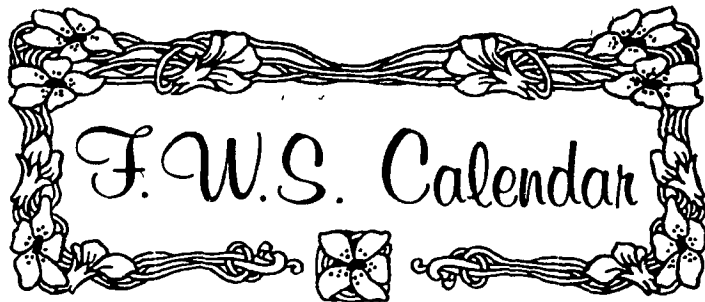
Fulton Grange 66

Fulton Grange 66, held their annual picnic Monday, July 27, on the Grange Hall grounds, Oakryn, with a large attendance.

The weather conditions were ideal for volleyball, horseshoes and other games.

David Wissler, in the absence of the Master, conducted a short business session when the tour and youth committees' reports were heard.

Fulton Grange's volleyball team placed third in the recent regional



Saturday, August 8
Lancaster Co. Society 19 meets to play miniature golf at Indian Springs

Monday, August 10
Lancaster Society 32 meets for a fun night at the home of Sandy Martin

Tuesday, August 11
Lancaster Society 22 meets with Vi Weller for an ice cream party and fun night

Wednesday, August 12
York Society 9 will entertain another group

York Society 7 meets for a family picnic at the Starview Sportsman

Lancaster Society 14 meets with Ruth Longenecker, meadow crafts from Kissel Hill

Thursday, August 13
Lancaster Society 21 meets with Barbara Long for a picnic and swim party

Saturday, August 15
Lancaster Society 3 meets at the home of Irene Eberly for crafts from Craft Corner with Mrs. Burkholder

competition held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett Kreider, Quarryville.

The Lecturer, Mrs. Jesse Wood, asked the members to enter the photo contest. Classes are: people, scenes, animals, flowers and close-ups.

Categories include slides, any size instant pictures and photos which must be at least five by five inches.

The next regular meeting will be held August 10 at 8 p.m.



Potatoes termed "potentially hazardous food"

PENN STATE — As a result of several cases of botulism caused by potato salad, the director of the Division of Retail Food Protection, Food and Drug Administration, has declared baked or boiled potatoes a "potentially hazardous food" and warns against holding potatoes at room temperature for any length of time.

Potato salad was implicated in three outbreaks, or 47 cases, of type A botulism in the United States since 1969. Baked potatoes used in preparing the potato salad which caused one of the outbreaks were left unrefrigerated after baking for a period of time prior to use in the salad.

Analysis by the Food and Drug Administration at that time identified type A and type B *Clostridium botulinum* spores on samples of raw potatoes obtained from the stock of one of the restaurants involved in the outbreaks.

As a result of the outbreaks, researchers have conducted various laboratory studies designed to determine how potato salad could become a vehicle for botulism. Results of these laboratory studies showed that potatoes inoculated with *C. botulinum* spores contain toxin when held at room temperature for some time following baking.

The FDA now considers baked or boiled potatoes a "potentially hazardous food," as defined in the agency's ordinances. According to the division director, the ordinances require that cooked potatoes be maintained either cold (45° or below) or hot (140° or above).

This will minimize the potential for toxin production in potatoes that may later be used without further preparation, or in soups, salads, or other food products which require little or no further heat treatment.

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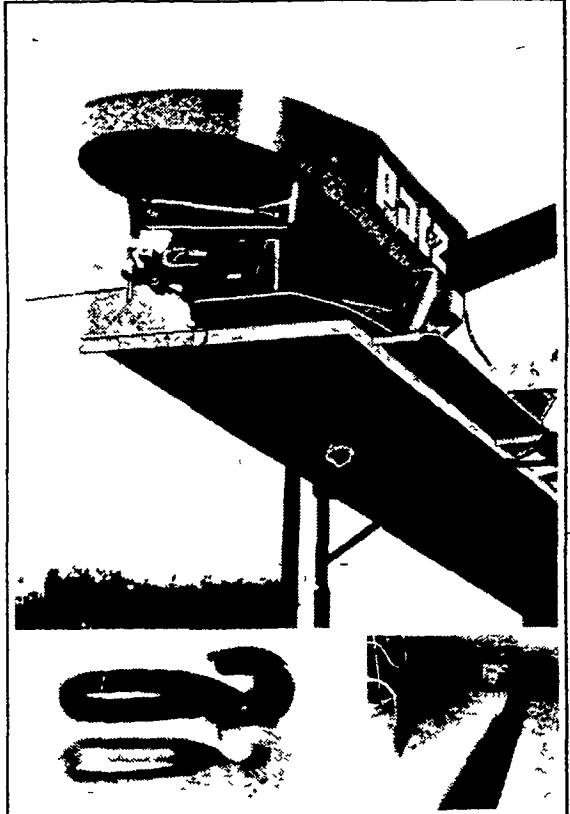
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