



Lancaster Society 8

Lancaster Society 8 met recently at the home of Helen Mariner. Virginia Ranck, Paradise, told about life on their farm and of the pleasure they have when they have overnight guests and serve them a full-course breakfast. They have entertained folks from many areas.

The County Convention will be Nov. 2. The group will hold its Christmas party Dec. 11 at noon at Wolgemuth's Inn, Elizabethtown.

The next meeting will be at the home of Gladys Ney on Oct. 19 at 2 p.m. An auction will be held. Members may bring crafts, food or other items to sell.

Lancaster Society 11

Lancaster Society 11 met recently at the home of Betty Brabson.

Several members registered for the County Convention on Nov. 2.

Mrs. Dorothy Gerlach provided the program, "I hear the Reapers Song."

The next meeting will be on Oct. 21 at the home of Dorothy Boas.

Lancaster Society 10

Lancaster Society 10 met Oct. 5 at the Refton Fire Hall. The group elected the following new officers:

President, Nancy Starr; vice president, Susie Dietrick; secretary, Kathryn Hebbe; treasurer, Eve Getle; assistant secretary, Jennie Shoemaker; corresponding secretary, Alma Grebinger.

The group made plans for the coming year. President Kathy Scott reminded members of State Farm Women's Day on Oct. 14. The following homes will be open to the public: Joan Denlinger, Strasburg, and Fran Souders, Mt. Joy.

Christmas in October is Oct. 21 and 22 at the Farm and Home Center.

The group decided on a \$1 membership fee. The state convention is planned for Jan. 13 and 14.

Berks Society 11

Berks Society 11 met in October at the home of Jean Erb. President Wendy Lingle presided over the meeting. Five members will attend the County Convention.

The December meeting was changed to Dec. 9 and the Christmas party was set for Dec. 7 at the Bethel Community Center.

A silent auction was held after the meeting.

The next meeting will be a surprise program on Oct. 28.

Lebanon FFA'ers to receive American Farmer degree

LEBANON — Steve Wenger and Mark Patches, both of Lebanon, have been nominated to receive the American Farmer degree, the highest degree presented by the National FFA Organization.

These FFA'ers are among 658 members who will receive their American Farmer degrees during a special ceremony on Nov. 15, during the National FFA Convention.

Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patches, Lebanon, and is currently farming with his parents. He earned the American Farmer degree on the basis of his Supervised Occupational Experience Program. Mark's projects were dairy animals, field crops and steers. He was also active in the Cedar Crest FFA.

Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wenger of Lebanon, and is currently farming in partnership with his father.

He earned his degree on the basis of his Supervised Farming Program, which included dairy animals, capons and field crops. In addition, Steve was Cedar Crest's FFA chapter president for two years and was chairman of various committees.

To qualify for the American Farmer degree, FFA members must have advanced through a

system of degrees unique to the FFA organization. FFA members begin as Greenhands, and after one year of membership may be advanced by the local chapter to the degree of Chapter Farmer.

The third degree, that of State Farmer, is presented by the state FFA association to not more than three percent of the state's FFA membership in any one year. Only students who have earned the State Farmer degree are eligible for the American Farmer degree.

Little Lions FFA

The State College "Little Lions" FFA Chapter held its Annual Greenhand Initiation at the Emil Peters Farm in Port Matilda.

Those members receiving the Greenhand Degree were: Chad Brown, Dustin Brown, Jeremy Brown, John Deibler, Denny Frantz, Rich Ghaner, Glenn Hagenbuch, Gerald Harpster, James Holsinger, Ron Houtz, Doug Moore, Jim Pressler, Glenn Reitz, Ginger Reynolds, Mark Reynolds, David Schown, Ken Sharer, Mike Weaver, Shawn Wolfe, Tony Baird, Michelle Fischer, Ed Maxwell, Sue Wilson, Joy Gates, and Steve Belinda.

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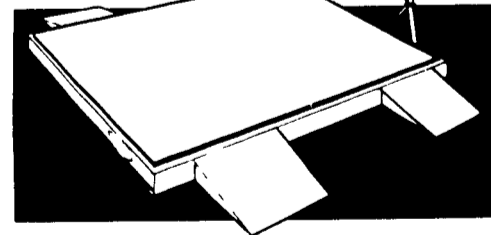
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