

Ida's Notebook

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Shuffling through some papers recently, awakened a lot of old memories. There in a big brown envelope were the records of the 4-H clubs in which I was a leader for 15 years. The first drafts of programs for the year with correc-

tions for plans that didn't work out certainly jarred my memory.

Each month we visited a greenhouse, a veterinary clinic, a television station or something connected to the children's projects. Our membership varied from 15

to some 30 youngsters in our Community Club. When my youngest child went off to college, I decided to give up the leadership as many members in the suburbs had a lot of other commitments and did not finish their projects.

For several years my daughters conducted cooking classes in my large, new kitchen. A complete meal was prepared at each meeting and these gatherings were well attended. I didn't need to lift a finger as my girls ordered the food, supervised its preparation, cleaned up afterward and collected the money.

Many papers that I've saved include brochures of our travels. I suppose they should be thrown away, but one imagines that someday we'll sit down and look them over again. Then there are personal letters and cards that bring back memories of past times.

After phoning several retirement communities, I found a

Creative Sewing Classes Offered

YORK (York Co.)— Several sewing classes are being offered by Penn State Cooperative Extension. They will help the creative sewer learn advanced sewing skills. All the classes will be held at the extension office meeting room, 112 Pleasant Acres Road, York, PA.

Sewing an Ultrasuede Skirt, March 6, 13, 20, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Sewing an Ultrasuede Jacket, April 6, 10, 17, 24, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

home for last year's "Reader's Digest" magazines and for the colorful "Modern Maturity" magazines. My children have also subscribed to "Country" and "Country Woman" for us. These are beautiful magazines, but often, I never even remove their plastic covers. Therefore, I'm glad to find someone who has the time to enjoy them. My reading is mostly confined to the daily newspaper and farm magazines.

Serging I, March 14, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or April 4, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Serging II, March 21, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or April 11, 6:30-9:30 p.m. This class is for experienced serger users who want to learn to do more stitches on the serger.

Philly Fabric Tour, March 5. Take a bus trip to fabric shops in south Philadelphia for a large selection of silks, woolens, linens, cottons, and designer fabrics.

French Heirloom Sewing, February 28, March 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Participants will learn French Heirloom sewing techniques that can be done with a sewing machine using the finest English lace and cotton Swiss batiste.

For a breakfast or teatime treat, spread Ricotta cheese on a toasted English muffin and sprinkle it with cinnamon and sugar.

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