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Lancaster Society 14

On January 7, eight ladies from our Society 14, sewed at the Lancaster General Hospital from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Members completed 115 new items.

Members held their January meeting with an all day sewing at the home of Arlene Esbenshade. The hostesses were Mildred Herr, Hannah Brackbill, and Esther Landis who served a lunch of sandwiches and salads. Members completed 52 cancer pads for the Office of the Aging. After lunch three members, Gladys Esbenshade, Anna Marie Groff, and Jean Thomas, shared some favorite readings and stories.

On February 10, members attended the W.G.A.L. Live program and appreciated seeing and hearing what goes on before and during the Live program. Pupils

from Garden Spot High School participated in the discussion on teenage sex. Lori Burkholder hosted the show. Members had lunch at the Woods Edge Restaurant followed by the business meeting.

On March 10, the Society met at the Strasburg Fire Hall. Twenty-six members answered the roll call with two guests present. Hostesses served jello salads, party mix, and mints. President Viola Hostetter opened the meeting and Ellen Newswanger had devotions. The speaker, Clair Hollinger, gave very interesting stories all with a spiritual meaning.

The program committee has planned an interesting day on April 28. We are going by bus to Cape May, New Jersey on a Whale Watch.

York Society 11

Society 11 of York Farm Women held its February meeting at the home of Orpha Innerst. The program committee, Melba Dise and Naomi Bupp, conducted devotions. Nineteen members answered the roll call question: If I were President, I would....

The majority of members responded that top priority would be to put prayer back in public schools and balance the federal budget.

Games and quizzes were part of the program that stressed Valentine's Day and Lincoln's and

Washington's birthdays.

Appropriate prizes were given to Sarah Snyder, Arlene Miller, and Crystal Brenneman.

Orpha Innerst and her daughter-in-law showed members a video of the George and Orpha Innerst's farm and the improvements made in the meadows and along the creek. The improvements won the Innersts a Clean Water Award from the Chesapeake Bay Clean Water Improvement Act.

Members enjoyed soup, salad, and dessert with the Innersts.

York Society 26

York County Group 26 met at B.C. Restaurant at Newberrytown on Tuesday, March 9. Martha Yost was hostess and Mary Conley was in charge of the program.

Fifteen members were present and one visitor attended.

Edith Hake joined as a new member.

On April 6, members will take a bus trip to Washington, D.C.

The next meeting will be at the same restaurant on April 13.

Berks Society 4

Berks County Society of Farm Women Group 4 met in the home of president Mary Fizz, Powdermilk Hollow Road, Boyertown.

Joyce Greenman, Boyertown, was installed as a new member.

Spring events are bingo for residents at Berks Heim on April 8. The volunteer recognition dinner will be April 21 at Berks Heim Annex. Several members plan to attend the Spring Rally to be held May 26 at the Ramada Inn in Hagerstown, Maryland.

A video, Cubs and Kittens and other Wild Babies, was enjoyed by all during the social hour.

The group will meet at the Bechtelsville home of Charlotte Mauger on April 6, at 7 p.m. when they will visit The Eagle Crest and Keystone Railroad at the home of Dr. Edwin Kuser.



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National African Violet Convention

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — From April 19 to April 24, Lancaster County will be host for the National African Violet Society of America's 47th annual convention. Activities during the conference held at Lancaster Host Farm include presentations and lectures

on the care and use for African violets, a flower show featuring flower arrangements, dish gardens and specimen displays by commercial and amateur growers. On top of this is a trade show featuring commercial exhibitors from through-

out the United States.

This year's conference is extra special because the first African violet postage stamp approved by the United States Postmaster will be unveiled on April 24 during the conference.

For a full schedule of events or registration information contact: African Violet Society of America, Mr. Frank Senna, 13 Harvard Way, Oakland, NJ 07346 OR Penn State Cooperative Extension, H. Bruce Hellerick, 1383 Arcadia Road, Room 1, Lancaster, PA 17601, (717) 394-6851.

Contestants Needed

The time is fast approaching to pick 1993 Dairy Princesses. Potential contestants are needed for Dairy Princess, Dairy Maid and Dairy Miss.

DAIRY PRINCESS candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be 16 years of age as of January 1, 1993 and have not reached her 24th birthday by December 31, 1993.

2. Must fall into one of the following categories:

a. Be a daughter of a dairy farmer, a dairy farm manager, a herdsman or a dairy industry representative.

b. Be a fulltime employee on an operating dairy farm.

c. Be employed by a dairy farm store.

d. Be the owner of at least two dairy animals in a 4-H or FFA project prior to May 1, 1992.

DAIRY MAID candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be 13 years of age as of Jan. 1, 1993 and have not reached her 16th birthday as of Dec. 31,

1993.

2. Must fall into one of the following categories:

a. Be the daughter of a dairy farmer, dairy farm manager, or employee.

b. Must own dairy cattle.

c. Must be the daughter, granddaughter, niece or sister of someone employed fulltime in dairy related industry such as hoof trimmer, dairy-grain supplier, raise dairy replacements, milk inspector, dairy cooperative employee.

DAIRY MISS candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be six years old as of January 1, 1993 and no older than eight years of age by the same date.

2. Be the daughter of a dairy farmer or dairy farm employee.

For more information about the York Dairy Pageant Program, contact Pam Kilgore, R.D.#2, Box 147, Airville, PA 17302: phone (717) 862-3117.

Or in Berks County, Debbie Dietrich, 57 Ralph Ave., Sinking Spring, 19608. (215) 678-5734.

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Pennsylvania Farm Show -- Jason Stoltzfus (above right) with his 1992 crossbred Intell Steer, Intellimoo, with Hamilton Bank representatives (L to R): Darvin E. Boyd, Agri-Finance Director; Robert D. Spencer, Chief Lending Officer; and Donald M. Cooper, Chairman and President, Hamilton Bank. Ryan Tracy (right) with his lamb shown at the Manheim Community Farm Show. Hamilton Bank purchased these animals and donated them to the Lancaster County Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Sheep Club Banquet at the Country Table Restaurant on February 4. The additional meat product was donated to the Lancaster County 4-H Swine Club. Jason is the son of Frank and Irene Stoltzfus of Elizabethtown. Ryan is the son of Gerald and Helen Tracy of Elizabethtown.



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