



Farm Women Societies

York Society 11

York County Farm Women Society 11 Potosi met at the home of Sandy Keiser with 15 members attending. Members were served a luncheon at noon by the hostess. The meeting began with scripture, prayer, and flag salute. Secretary Charlotte Dubbs read a story on dandelions written by her daughter, Joyce Bupp followed by roll call response "Something I remember about the dandelion."

The treasurer distributed 10 Spring Rally tickets to members who ordered them. All members are to wear hats. June 15 the society will entertain Group 34 for lunch at Hometown Lutheran Church at 12:00 o'clock.

The tickets for the County quilt

project were distributed. The quilt was made by members throughout the county and will be given away at the convention.

Another quilt is being made with 34 blocks representing 34 groups and will be given away at the county picnic in July at the 4-H center. Chances for this quilt were distributed also. The proceeds from the quilt will be used to host the State Spring Rally in 1994 in York Co.

The program committee, Mildred Bupp and Chrystal Breneman conducted an auction of donated items of baked goods and hand-crafted items.

The May meeting will be hosted by Alice Krout.

Lancaster Society 20

20 members and 3 visitors of Lancaster Farm Women #20 enjoyed a tour of the Lancaster County Winery on Thursday, May 6. Following the tour they gathered at Willow Valley for lunch. During this time the president, Nancy Axe, conducted a short business meeting at which time they were reminded of the yard sale at Nancy's home in Strasburg on Saturday June 5.

She mentioned that the gathering for Farm Women's Day will be at the Dutch apple, also that the County is in need of a 2nd Vice President. From the three charities listed for the County Farm Women #20 voted for Christ Home in Paradise. Seven members will be attending the Spring Rally in Hagerstown, Md. on May 26th.

Lancaster Society 19

The Lancaster County Farm Women's Society #19 visited Abner Zook's 3-D carvings display on May 8.

The lunch stop was Rissler's Restaurant.

Oberholtzer's Green Houses was the next stop for members to

enjoy and pick up flowers.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Naomi Spahr, June 12. Members will go to Conestoga View May 20th to play bingo with the guests.

Eighteen members are going to the Spring Rally in Hagerstown May 26.

Berks Society 4

Mary Jane Schneider was guest speaker when Berks County Society of Farm Women Group 4 met in the Boyertown RD 4 home of Ferne Kulp. She spoke on "Mid Winter Mourning," a book she wrote on the Opera House fire in Boyertown.

In observance of Mothers Day each one received 9 plants and a poem, "Angels in Disguise," was read.

The June meeting will be at the Powdermill Hollow Road home of Elsie Rothenberger where a pound auction will be held.

Berks Society 1

The April meeting of Berks County Society of Farm Women Group 1 was held at the home of Pauline Hartman in Oley. President Ruth Walters presided at the meeting with 18 members answering roll call. A new member, Geraldine Marsteller, was welcomed into the group. The featured

speaker of the evening was Arlene Hafer, a nurse at a local nursing home.

Fifteen members will attend the annual Spring Rally in Hagerstown, Maryland on May 26.

Joan Haas will host the May meeting at which counted cross stitch will be demonstrated.

Lancaster Society 24

Twenty-two members of Farm Women #24 met recently at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center, Lancaster for their April meeting. The group entertained guests from Farm Women #8 and the county officers. The program of the evening featured Pearl Veronis from the Greek Orthodox church, who lectured on the history of the

Orthodox religion both here in this area and overseas in Russia. Following this the group enjoyed a salad dessert treat, and each guest received a flower plant as a favor.

In May, the society will hold their next meeting at the home of Anna Mae Snader, Leola, when the program will be presented by Peggy Atkins, a Cataract Support counselor.

Berks Executive Board

Berks County Society of Farm Women executive board meeting was held at the Agricultural Center on May 3 with 16 members present. Group #1 held devotions with Ruth Walters reading a poem "Extra Prayer," followed by The Lord's Prayer and flag salute. How did you cope with the Blizzard of 1993 was the roll call question of the evening; but to get us thinking spring, President Phillip read a poem "Mother's Garden."

The bingo party was held at Berks Heim on April 8, and the volunteer dinner was held on April 21.

Scenic River Days this year will be July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1. Plans are being made to have another successful year.

Berks County's bus to Hagerstown, Maryland is filled and will be on its way to the spring rally on May 26, leaving Klein's at Douglasville 6 a.m., Bethel 7 a.m. Ladies don't forget your hat and gloves.

Dorothy Stricker, state first vice president, reported one bus has gone on their trip to Holland, Michigan. Next year's trip is planned for the Canadian Rockies in June 1994.

Congratulations to Group #8 on their 25th anniversary celebration at the Shartlesville Grange on April 30.

Group #2 was saddened with the death of member Betty Stump on April 1.

Tickets were distributed by Sandy Rauenzahn, chairperson, for the quilt project for Berks County.

A motion was made to give a monetary gift to the Dairy Princess Pageant promotion committee.

Next executive board meeting is on June 28 at the Agricultural Center. Note change of date; due to the 4th of July holiday.

complete the agenda and make this "the best convention ever" according to Bixby of Penn State Extension. Challenged to provide varied opportunities for self-development and social interaction for single adults. More than 25, Bixby commends the convention planning committee for its outstanding job.

Whether single by virtue of divorce, separation, death of a spouse or by choice, the convention offers something of interest for everyone. Workshop presenters are experienced professionals who are donating their time to present workshops. Topics range from serious legal and sexual issues related to being single to the more light hearted issues of travel and dating.

Registration fees offer full weekend resident and commuter options as well as a special one-day registration alternative. The convention is jointly sponsored by Bloomsburg University's School of Extended Programs, Penn State Cooperative Extension, and the O.A.S.I.S. singles organization. For information and registration, contact The Magee Center, 700 West Main Street, Bloomsburg, PA 17815 or phone (717) 389-4420.

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Slated for June 11 through 13, 1993 the convention theme of "Living, Learning and Laughing" will be evident throughout the weekend activities. Participants will live and dine on campus, learn from more than 25 workshops, and laugh at an improvisational theater production focusing on issues of singledom. Informal discussions, country dance instruction, a banquet and dance

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