



Officers for the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County, which represents 741 members and 29 societies, include from left, Betty Gelb, treasurer; Elizabeth Robinson, secretary; Joyce Slaymaker, president, Corinne Nissley, outgoing president; and Kathryn Frey, first vice president.

Lancaster Farm Women Hold 76th Convention

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—It's been 76 years, but the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County have not stopped spreading happiness. This year, members raised more than \$4,700 for Christ's Home, a home for children; \$2,223 for the heifer project, which donates a food-producing animal to a needy family who in turns donates the first offspring to a needy family; and \$10,500 to local projects.

The county society held its 76th annual convention on November 6, at the Farm and Home Center, Lancaster.

At the day-long convention, a recap of the activities of the 29 county societies showed that members gave of themselves by donating time and money for the following: cancer pads, food bank, Meals On Wheels, libraries, Self-Help Warehouse, Lancaster AIDS, Seeing Eye, Springs of Living Water, Teen Challenge, Lung Association, and needy families.

In addition to the county project for Christ Home and the state Heifer project, more than \$10,500 was donated to other needs.

Much of the finances raised were earned by holding craft shows, food stands, and auctions. It was not all work for the members who also enjoyed eating

together, learning new hobbies and crafts, and enjoyed poetry recitals and dinner theaters.

"We did our share of laughing."

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On behalf of Lancaster County Society of Farm Women, Corinne Nissley, left, county president, hands a \$2,223 check to Arlene Witman, president of the state society, for the heifer project.



Deceased members are remembered by, from left, Fay Garman, Society 1; Ruth Schroeder, Society 13; Eileen Bruckhart, Society 5; and Torie Hostetter, Society 5.

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