



## Berks Society 9

Seven members of Society of Farm Women, Group 9, attended the Sept. meeting at St. Pauls U.C.C., Amityville. Hostess Helen Oxenford read the 23rd Psalm followed by the pledge of the Lord's prayer. Kathy Hafer has menu samples to make a Christmas party restaurant, but no decision was made, so the Program Committee will discuss their information, and make reservations for our party.

Tip Oxenford reported that about \$40 remains in the Sunshine Fund. Under old business, Karen reported she had new by-law books. County Board reported a picnic in Bethel, the spring rally is

in Somerset Co. The group will send a card to Fern Phillip's daughter, who has leukemia. The farm city banquet is Nov. 2. Berks Heim will have a Teddy Bear picnic—they will need hamburger makers. County convention cost is \$12. Joan Hafer will help with silent auction and Karen is doing youth awards. Each group was asked to donate to the Ag Awareness program. The society will give \$15. Karen will try to go to the Berks Heim Bingo—they are asking for \$5 in quarters from each group for prizes. Karen shared program ideas with Cathy. Carol Stoudt, county secretary, took our picture. The meeting adjourned for food, a Silent Auction (made \$36) and Bingo.

## Berks Society 3

Group 3 of the Berks County Society of Farm Women held its September meeting at the home of Wendy Shane, Sweinhart Road, Boyertown. The program for the evening was "Getting your affairs in order."

A nominating committee was appointed for the upcoming election in November. A donation was made to the DARE program at the Earl Elementary School.

Six members of Group 3 attended the annual convention of the Berks County Society of Farm Women held at the Berks County Agricultural Center in Leesport on October 7.

Members surprised the hostess with a baby shower following the business meeting.

The next meeting will be a mystery dinner held at the home of Mayetta Shane, Valley Road, Boyertown, on October 24.



## Strickler Receives Excellence Award

LEESPORT (Berks Co.)—Fay B. Strickler, extension home economist, Berks County, received the NAEHE Continued Excellence Award in Dallas, Texas on October 18. This award is presented by the National Association of Extension Home Economists.

Fay has already been awarded the Distinguished Service Award and has continued to be involved in professional improvement programs, the promotion of professional development of others, and leadership.

Collaborating and partnership with human service agencies, professional associations, and health-care institutions are the key to reaching new audiences and increasing participation in food and nutrition-related programs such as Safe Food Handlers Training, My New Weigh of Life, Spotlight on Food, Diabetes and Health and the EFNEP Program. After receiving grants totaling \$10,000, thousands of at-risk disadvantaged youth learned to make better food choices by participating in the Big & Little Cooks-Cook Together Program. Fay has been an extension home economist for 22 years.

## Women On Investing

FLEMINGTON, N.J.—Rutgers Cooperative Extension will be offering a mini-series for women on investing. This educational program will be held on October 26 and November 2, 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Extension Center,

Route 31, Flemington. Joseph Sudol, CFP will be teaching the program. There is a fee of \$5 and pre-registration is required, the deadline is October 23. For further information, call (908) 788-1342.



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