

# 'Greatest Woman' Honored At Lancaster Farm Women Convention

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— When Dr. James Singer addressed the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County, he promised to give an award to the greatest woman in the room.

About 240 women listened attentively as Singer extolled the virtues of the greatest woman who was to be revealed at the end of his speech given at the 79th annual convention held last Saturday at the Farm and Home Center.

Singer likened the woman to Christ, for standing up for what she believed when it wasn't easy. He said that "she wasn't all talk, that she walked the walk."

At the end of his speech, Singer instructed all the members to look into their cosmetic mirrors to see the greatest woman in the room.

"You are the only mother to your children, the only wife to your husband. No one can take your place as mother, wife, and grandmother to your grandchildren. There is only one you in all of history. You are the greatest

woman in this room," he said. "I ask God to give each of you the award of his love."

Interspersing humor and anecdotes, Singer referred to his own mother who raised 10 children. He said that he was generally suspected of being the culprit whenever something went wrong.

"Next to God and her family, mother loved you best," Singer told the Farm Women members. His mother, Elsie Miller Singer, was a member of Society 5 before she passed away 10 years ago.

Kathryn Fry, president of the county organization, presented a check for \$3,225 to the Lancaster County Hospice. The money was raised by the 28 county societies during the past year.

In addition, each society also contributes money locally to organizations and victims of misfortunes.

Allegra Leininger, vice president of the organization, recapped some of the societies' activities, such as talent night, travelogues,



Elected to lead the county Society of Farm Women, which includes 28 societies and 240 members, are from left, Verna Hostetler, treasurer; Julia Zahn, secretary; Allegra Leininger, vice president; and Kathryn Fry, president.



Pennsylvania Farm Women president Dottie Strickler, right, congratulates 90-year-old members Mary Nolt, left, of Group 11 and Martha Herr.



In charge of the memorial service, from left, are Ethel Gerlach of Society 25, Mildred Kreider of Society 18, Torie Hostetter of Society 5, Flossie Morrison of Society 9, Ida Jane Zercher of Society 9, and Lorraine Hathaway of Society 9.



After his talk to the Society of Lancaster County Farm Women, Dr. James Singer spoke individually to many members.



Lancaster County Dairy Ambassadors, from left, Katie Hess of Mt. Joy, Heather Brubaker of Manheim, and Lara Welk of Quarryville, offer a milk toast at the Farm Women's convention.

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