

**Ida's
Notebook**
by
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Today January 24th is our 50th wedding anniversary. Of course, we do not know what the weather will be, but I can hope it will not be as bad as in 1948. That particular day Lancaster County had a blizzard. We got to the church all right but from there on it was a struggle.

Allen likes to tell the story of his uncle and aunt who lived in Philadelphia. They came to Lancaster on the train. When they got off and saw the weather conditions, they immediately got

on another train and returned to their home.

After the wedding reception, everyone battled snow drifts. My brothers-in-law had to walk to my parents home. And, I can still see them sitting with their feet in my mother's old coal stove oven.

Allen and I did not start on our wedding trip to Florida until the next afternoon. Weather can certainly change the best-laid plans of mice and men. A great aunt told me we should have

DOYLESTOWN (Bucks Co.) - Penn State Cooperative Extension is presenting a series of meetings focusing on establishing a small business, a part-time business, a home industry or part-time farming operation. The seminar series will include; Analyzing your market, pricing and advertising, financial records necessary for legal and successful business management, developing a business plan, taxes and tax records,

known better than to plan a winter wedding—she was married in December! I was surprised to learn that my Grandfather Shreiner was also married on January 24.

This year we don't plan a big celebration as our daughter planned one for our 40th anniversary. Maybe some of our children will come home and share a meal with us.

source of financial assistance, who qualifies and how to secure loans, managing techniques, success and failure factors and problem solving strategies.

Doug Tharp, Pennsylvania Technical Assistance Program (PENNTAP), will focus on linking small businesses with technology and information. Other program faculty are John Berry, James Sargent and Kay Hastings, Penn State Cooperative Extension Agents

and an educator from I.R.S. The series will be held from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. on February 12, 19 and 26 at Penn State, Berks Campus, Tulpehocken Road, Reading. One Penn State Continuing Education Credit will be granted to individuals attending the four-part series.

Registration fee of \$40 includes extensive educational materials. Call (215) 345-3283 for registration information.

Personal Care Home Training Offered

SCRANTON (Lackawanna Co.) - Penn State Cooperative Extension in cooperation with Marian Community Hospital is offering a six hour training for personal care home providers, or anyone caring for the elderly.

The training will be on Wednesday, February 11, at Marian Community Hospital, Professional Building, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person, and includes lunch and all training sessions. For more information call the Wyoming County Extension Office at (717)836-3196 by February 2.

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