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B E T S Y H U B E R

National Master

In just 30 days I will be traveling to the National Convention in Stowe, VT! The staff here in the office are buzzing around like the bees in our hive on the roof. Great things are planned; I hope you will join us in Vermont!

Spoiler alert: There will be lots of talk about and with our young adult Grangers at this year's session. If you are in that Generation Y, I hope you will make a special effort

to attend and add your input. I am appointing a Grange Young Leaders Council to advise me on all things youth. Let me know if you would like to participate—this will be completely electronic meetings, no travel involved at this point.

Several of your National staff have been reading two books

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Members introduce FarmAid attendees to Grange

J ALLEN CAMERON
Connecticut Grange Member

In September, my wife, Shelley, my parents and sister and I had the honor of representing the Grange at the 2018 FarmAid Festival at the Xfinity Center in Hartford.

This was the second year the Grange has helped with the on-site Youth Market and exhibited as part of the Home-Grown Village.

The amount of people who attended that really care about agriculture was amazing. Everyone was alive with energy and passion and wanted to make sure America's farmers are able to continue to feed us and the world.

For us, it was a unique opportunity to educate and engage with the public in support of the Grange and farming. As an exhibitor in the HomeGrown village, you cannot just table and hand out materials – in fact, you can't hand anything out at all. You must have some activity and engage concert-goers in a discussion about your organization's mission or priority areas. For us, we were able to talk about precision agriculture (using a robot as part of the demonstration that really caught people's attention) and how it can increase our yields and reduce our use of water and pesticides, for example, but only if broadband internet is available to those in rural areas where farms typically lie.

We met people who knew of the Grange, Grange members, and people who have never heard of the Grange. It was amazing to hear stories from members that wanted to share our own stories and experience as Grange members to the public that had mostly not heard of us, but had a definite intersecting interest as ours.

We talked about what the Grange has to offer locally and nationally, and we came away with a feeling that the

day was a huge success, especially since several people gave us their name and contact information, saying they were interested to start their own Grange journey.

One of our youngest members, a Junior named Quinlan Maus, was even able to thank one of the artists - FarmAid board member John Mellancamp's

nephew, Ian Mellancamp, who performed early in the day – for caring about farmers and gave him a Grange t-shirt.

Maus and several other Junior members who took part in the event, selling produce to concertgoers and talking about the importance of farms for us all, were the true stars of the show that day.



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MASTER'S ADDRESS

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by Sarah Sladek, The End of Membership as we Know It and Knowing Y. You'll be hearing much more about the information Ms. Sladek puts forth in these books because it is fascinating and something we really need to pay attention to if the Grange is to have a future beyond the Baby Boomers.

Because of their upbringing and the changes in today's world, those born between 1982-95 are looking for something totally different in an organization than the previous generations were. For instance, they are turned off by anything resembling a "sales pitch"—so our membership programs and recruitment methods will not work with them. They are looking for meaningful relationships with people, not organizations, and they want member benefits, but

not the typical hotel discounts or insurance that we offer. They want training that can help them advance their careers, and opportunities to have exciting, cutting edge experiences. They will refuse to engage in anything negative, stressful, unorganized, or draining of their time and energy. They expect a great experience and want to connect with a great cause.

We are not neglecting our older members; in fact we are currently looking at a fantastic benefit for those over 65. But we need to plan for the future of the Grange and ensure its continued health and strength with our children's and grandchildren's generations. Stay tuned for much more information on this topic and specific things you can do to attract Generation Y to your Grange.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Membership Recognition

If membership recognition is received at the National Grange office by November 1, 2018 it will be processed and mailed before the National Convention on November 13. Any Membership recognition request received after Nov. 2, will be processed the week of Nov. 26.

Grange Supply Store

The Grange Supply Store will be open during National Convention. All orders placed online by Nov. 1 will be processed and mailed. Orders placed after Nov. 1 will be processed and shipped out the week of Nov. 26.



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Grange Youth team takes home hardware from National Junior Horticulture competition

CHARLENE SHUPP ESPENSHADE
National Grange Youth Director

For the first time, a Grange team competed in the National Junior Horticultural Association's plant identification contest. This year's team was a multi-state team including 2018 National Grange Youth Ambassador Tessa Taft of New York, 2017 National

Grange Youth Ambassador Asa Houchin of Ohio and Abby Kulp, a Wisconsin Grange member.

The team competed in multiple disciplines at the event held in St. Louis, MO, including identifying vegetables, flowers and nuts; judging classes of plants and produce; and a horticultural knowledge test. At the end of the contest, the trio earned the Grange division award, plus Tessa Taft received a \$100 cash prize as a National Winner. The team earned a plaque as well as individual medals for the win.

In addition to competing in the contest, the Grange team, along with National Youth Director Charlene Shupp Espenshade,

participated in workshops, meetings and other contests.

More than 150 young horticulturalists from across the country attended the event. Grangers were able to connect with others about what Grange brings to a local community and their state as well as raise awareness to the unique opportunity to compete in a Grange-only division. NJHA offers the opportunity for 4-H, FFA and Granges to organize and bring 3 to 4 member teams to compete in plant identification. There are also other contests the youths can enter including photography, public speaking, demonstration, poster display and flower arranging.

The National Grange Youth Department had an informational booth for attendees to gather



LEFT: A team of Grange Youth won the Grange Division at NJHA in early October. RIGHT and on NEXT PAGE: Some of the team members work to identify plants, vegetables and other horticultural products.

information about Grange youth programs and membership.

"This was a great way to cultivate a longstanding relationship between the Grange and NJHA," said Charlene Shupp Espenshade. "In addition to his love of the Grange, Wib Justi was engaged with NJHA. The legacy of the Grange connection is remembered during the flag presentation where the Grange flag is carried in along with the 4-H, FFA and state flags."

For the past several years, the NJHA officers had attended the National Grange Convention. This year, Taft, who is a National Grange Youth Ambassador, and Houchin who was a 2016-17 ambassador, were able to represent the Grange at the NJHA convention.

"I would encourage Grangers to take a look at the plant identification contest," Espenshade said. "Horticulture is a high-demand industry where there are more jobs than qualified employees. This contest can provide a career discovery opportunity for Grangers."

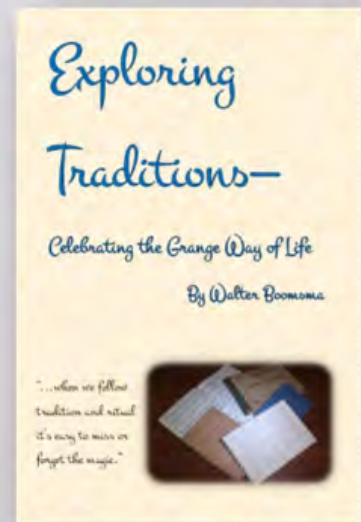
Information about the plant identification contest are available in the 2018 National Grange Youth Handbook and on the National Junior Horticultural Association website.



Book Signing!



Meet the author, discuss
the book, get it signed!



At the National Grange Convention
November 13, 2018 — 9:00 am—8:00 pm
Green Mountain Room
Stoweflake Inn and Conference Center Vermont



"DAYLIGHT AND DAWN"



Represented above are the Hon. O. H. Kelley, "Father of the Grange," and Ned Wallace Hill, son of Worthy State Master and Mrs. Hill. The photograph was taken during National Grange meeting in Atlantic City a year ago.

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EDITORIAL.

Do Lightning Rods Protect.

A very live question for consideration and determination by the Grange Fire Insurance Companies of this State is the question of lightning rods on farm buildings. Perhaps almost if not quite twenty per cent. of the buildings burned is caused by fires started by lightning. What per cent. of the buildings so destroyed have been rodged? What per cent. of those rods were of proper material, sufficient capacity and properly put up and grounded? When reference is made to lightning rods it need not imply that the farmer who invests in them needs to be skinned by a lightning shark. The Grange Insurance company that makes the investigation should go further and make provision whereby its people could be informed about the kind, quality and price of satisfactory rods. It should advise them upon how to put them up properly. This is something for which an expert need not be employed but when once understood can be properly done by people for themselves. Or should the Executive Committee of the State Grange take up this subject and institute the investigation and give out the information? Protecting barns and houses from lightning will protect both property and life. If the wire method will afford proper protection it certainly is inexpensive. It seems to Penn'a. Grange News also to be a

fair proposition that when buildings are adequately rodged that they should be entitled to insurance at better rates. At least this is true if there is anything in the findings recently made by an insurance company which was to the effect that four-fifths of the losses on farm buildings was caused by lightning and that a building properly rodged was almost absolutely safe. The earth connection of rods is the most important feature in connection with them as if the end of the rod is not in contact with permanent moisture it has no value.

A Modern Grange Bank Building.

The Grange National Bank of Smithport has brought a very desirable lot close to the courthouse at a cost of two thousand dollars. They are preparing to erect a new building to be in size about thirty-three by sixty-nine feet. They have employed a competent architect and are making provisions for having a building modern and complete in all respects. In addition to the banking room, vaults, etc., a room will be fitted up separately for use of ladies. Women who come to town will find in this room comfortable chairs, sofas, lavatory, and all toilet conveniences. Rooms will be similarly provided for men and equipped with tables, writing materials, etc., and they will be privileged to use this

PA State Grange digitization project has made available all issues of the State Grange newsletter to members and the public.

History, technology mix to make magic

Jenn Nauss
2018 National Grange
Outstanding Young Patron

Two years ago, the Pennsylvania State Grange restructured its History Committee to focus on several areas related to preserving and sharing the history of the organization.

I am proud to be part of the committee, which is under the leadership of chairperson Doug Bonsall, and encompasses three task forces – Archives, Oral and Written History, and Finance.

In past years, the Pennsylvania State Grange had an arrangement with the State Archives to microfilm paper records and return them to local Granges, as well as accepting paper records for permanent storage. Unfortunately,

this arrangement ended a few years ago due to storage and economic limitations with the State Archives. The History Committee recognized the importance of preserving the records of the State Grange and began pursuing other options.

Following a recommendation from archivists at the State Archives, the History Committee reached out to IMR Digital, located in West Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

We were expecting that the costs to preserve and digitize our records would be prohibitive, but we were pleasantly surprised that this was not the case.

IMR Digital met with members of the History Committee, tested samples, and provided estimates for the proposed projects. Best of all, the company was willing to work within the constraints

of the committee's budget to complete separate projects as funds became available.

With the generous donations of many Subordinate and Pomona Granges, as well as some individuals (following an appeal), the History Committee has been able to have all of their Newsletter publications, Journals of Proceedings, and Charter Applications both microfilmed and digitized. Microfilm continues to be the gold standard for long-term preservation of records, while digitization allows for easy accessibility. The committee has been hard at work to post digitized copies of these records to the Pennsylvania State Grange website (www.pagrang.org).

In mid-September, after seeing the work done by IMR Digital, National Master Betsy Huber and Communications Director

Amanda Brozana Rios met with Michael Glaser to discuss how the company could digitize some of our organization's most fundamental documents, including Oliver Hudson Kelley's journal written while he toured the South to view devastation from the Civil War, his hand drawn ideas for logos for the new organization and early iterations of the degree work.

"We hope these things, that had spent many years in a closet

on the 11th floor, will finally be preserved digitally and able to be viewed by members of the Grange, scholars and others," Huber said.

IMR Digital will have a table at the National Grange Convention Showcase where a representative will be able to talk to members who drop by about reduced cost services they can offer to digitize records of local Granges as well.

SEE FOR YOURSELF

PA State Grange Journals of Proceedings
pagrange.org/journals-of-proceedings.html

PA State Grange Newsletters
pagrange.org/newsletter-publications.html

More about the PA State Grange History Committee
pagrange.org/history-committee.html

Sign up now to show off code reading skills

\$300 top prize, lower prizes for second and third place in each division

Are you ready to crack the code? This year, the Assembly of Demeter and the National Grange Youth Department are sponsoring a code reading contest at the 2018 National Grange Session in Stowe, Vermont.

The contest is open to any Granger member. Details about the contest can be found in the 2018 Youth Department Handbook. The Assembly will be judging the contest. There are scheduled time slots for Thursday afternoon, after the youth tour. The Assembly can also work to schedule an alternative testing time slot if needed.

Thank you to the Massachusetts State Grange for sponsoring the prizes for this contest. The First Place winner in each division - Novice and Patron - wins \$300, while 2nd takes home \$200 and third \$100.

Voters enthused about midterms

J. BURTON ELLER
Legislative Director

Midterm elections are normally somewhat mundane without presidential campaign energy and excitement. Not this time! With less than four weeks to go before the elections for Congress, voter enthusiasm is at its highest level during any midterm election in more than twenty years according to the Pew Research Center. Plus, a record 72% of registered voters say the issue of which party controls Congress will be a factor in their vote this time.

About half of registered voters say they're likely to vote for the Democrat in their district while 42% say they'll likely vote Republican. The share of Democratic voters who express greater enthusiasm about voting is substantially higher than at comparable in three prior midterms, while enthusiasm among Republican voters is slightly higher.

When all registered voters, regardless of party, were asked to identify issues as "very important" to their vote, their responses were:

- Supreme Court appointments – 76%
- Health care – 75%
- Economy – 74%
- Gun policy – 69%
- Medicare – 67%
- Social Security – 66%
- Taxes – 66%
- Immigration – 65%
- Treatment of racial/ethnic minorities – 65%
- Environment – 63%
- Terrorism – 62%
- Federal budget deficit – 60%
- Trade policy – 55%
- Abortion – 53%
- Drug addiction – 53%
- Treatment of LGBT people – 47%

The Cook Political Report says the suburban voter may well play a major role in deciding the majority party in the House of Representatives. Voters in suburban districts tend to be wealthier and better educated than voters in either rural

ARE YOU READY FOR NOV. 6?

Know your state's voter registration laws
Some states registration deadline has already passed, but others allow you to register up to election day. Check your state's laws at:
vote.org/voter-registration-deadlines/

Check your registration status
This free nationwide tool takes seconds to use and will confirm if you are registered to vote, found at:
vote.org/am-i-registered-to-vote/

See what you need at the polls
Some states require identification and there are different acceptable forms depending on the state. Learn what you will need at:
ncsl.org/research/elections-and-campaigns/voter-id.aspx

PRO TIP: If you're recently married or changed your name for any other reason, you will have to re-register before election day. Check with your local Voter Registration Office now

Don't forget: You can help others do their civic duty by offering a ride to the polls or informing them of how easy it is to vote.

districts or urban cores. They are tied less to one political party than either rural or urban residents. So, the big political question this year just may be, "How will suburbia vote?" We'll find out November 6.

e-Medicare: another step that is strengthening Medicare

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eMedicare is here to give you access to accurate and valuable information, presented in ways that make sense. Whether you choose to interact with Medicare online, on the phone, or through other channels, our goal is to make sure you have personalized guidance to make good decisions about your health care and coverage.

To meet these needs and provide the level of customer service that you've come to expect, we're working to update and improve the Medicare resources you know and trust. We're building these improvements based on data from millions of interactions, feedback that you give us, and targeted research. And as always, we'll continue to ensure

that your personal information is safe and secure.

We've already started some of these improvements – have you noticed? If you have or make a personalized account at MyMedicare.gov, and you've gotten your new Medicare card in the mail, you can go online anytime to log in and view or print a copy of your card. No more waiting for a replacement in the mail if your Medicare card takes an unexpected turn through the rinse cycle! Also, in your Medicare & You handbook this fall, we've included some new charts to give you a simple overview of the types of coverage choices available in Medicare.

These are just a couple of early changes, and there are more on the way. We're committed to giving you a seamless Medicare experience, whether you're looking for quick answers online or comparing costs and coverage in different health plan options. To stay on top of eMedicare improvements and other important news from Medicare, sign up for our email list and follow us on Facebook.

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You may be older than 14, but you're never too old to be a Junior at heart; submit your entries

SAMANTHA WILKINS
Junior Grange Director

For those of us who had the opportunity to be a part of the Junior Grange, we can't help but smile when we think about all the great times we had. We smile when we think about the camp we attended or the traveling we did. We think about the wonderful lessons learned and the activities we participated in. Some of us even remember the contests that we may have entered and how we received a ribbon or a small prize. We look back now with the thought that 'those were the simple days' or 'I wish I could relive my Junior days yet

again.' And for those of you that never had the chance to join the Junior Grange you've often wished that you had that opportunity, because you too have heard the stories of years past.

Well this is your opportunity to relive those memories or create brand new ones. The National Junior Grange department is celebrating its 130th birthday and wants to invite you to become a Junior Granger.

If you are a Junior at Heart here is your opportunity to participate in the program once again. Juniors at Heart, better known to some as Subordinate Grange members,

can enter the following Junior Grange Contests: Creative Art, Handy Craft, Creative Writing, or Mini Scrapbook for a small \$5 entry fee.

You have from now until 9 a.m. Tuesday of National Session to get your entries submitted. If you or a friend who can deliver your submission will not be attending the National Grange Session then you may mail your entries, all mailed submissions must be postmarked by Oct. 20, 2018.

Please see attached flier and spread the word to your Grangers now! We are looking forward to seeing the submissions.



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Convention Lapel Pin - \$3.00

Clip-On Pocket Flashlight Screwdriver Set - \$2.50

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TTGW T-Shirt - \$12 & up

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GROW Club seeks donations for silent auction

Christopher Szkutak
GROW Club President

The 2018 National Grange Session is quickly approaching and I know we are all excited about visiting with our Grange friends from across the country. As you are preparing for your trip, I wanted to send a quick reminder that the National Grange GROW Club will once again be holding a silent auction to raise money for our youth college scholarship fund and to support youth activities. The auction will be held

in the Showcase at the convention. The GROW Club board members are kindly asking any delegate or individual willing to donate items for the auction to please bring them with you to the National Session, and drop them off at the Showcase.

Please feel free to pass this email along to your state delegation as well. We graciously accept any item or donation you can possibly make to the auction. Your support of the GROW Club and our scholarship fund and youth activities are greatly appreciated!

Lecturer's round-up and preview

Brothers and Sisters,

Duane and I just returned home from attending the 80th annual session of the Montana State Grange. This session always proves to be one of the highlights of our Grange year and we love the feeling of family, the fellowship and the fun! Oklahoma, we are so looking forward to our first Oklahoma State Grange session and are glad it is Sooner, than later.

In order to raise funds to assist with running the following National Lecturer programs

and contests, I will be selling lapel pins at the upcoming annual session of the National Grange in Stowe, Vermont. Please see the sales flyer in this newsletter to find out how you can make sure to get your hands on these beautiful pins. Thanks for your support.

2018 Grange Foundation Raffle

We are getting down to the wire - please, please be working to sell every last one of your 2018 National Grange Foundation raffle tickets. The three raffle prizes this year are beautiful, handcrafted works of art and are sure to be treasured keepsakes for generations. See the flyer attached for photos of the three raffle prizes. Remember, all proceeds from the sale of these \$5 tickets go to support the Grange Foundation.

Tickets can be sold to anyone, not just Grange members – sell them at your community events, office, church, booster nights and everywhere else you interact with people. Also, Granges may want to buy several tickets and then use the prize you win as the prize for your own fund-raising raffle. Send me a photo of your creative ticket-selling venture and you may just make the next edition of this newsletter (I keep thinking that eventually someone will send me a photo of something).

2018 Grange Foundation Mercantile

Last call! I would like to continue to highlight the Grange Foundation Mercantile and to emphasize the importance of the generosity of our members and friends who donate their beautiful handicrafts to the cause. Every single dollar earned from the sale of these donated items goes to the National Grange Foundation. Remember, if you cannot hand-deliver your donated items to Stowe, Vermont please ship them to our National Grange headquarters where they must be received by November 1st. You will find both the Mercantile Flyer which provides information on how to donate and the Mercantile Donation Form attached to this newsletter.



Sister Karen Lee, a member of Smith Valley Grange in Montana, donated her first-place quilt to our Under Our Wings (Quilts of Valor) program. THANK YOU KAREN!

Quilts of Valor / Under Our Wings Partnership

My shout out this month goes to Sister Karen Lee of Smith Valley Grange #130, Montana, who donated her beautiful first-prize winning quilt to our National Grange Quilts of Valor Foundation / Under Our Wings program. I can't wait for this awesome quilt to be presented to a Grange veteran.

Contact me to find out how you or your Grange can get involved and make a difference through this wonderful program and partnership.

2018 Quilt Block Contest

It is so much fun to unlock the mailbox each day and find envelopes containing Tender Heart quilt blocks. Remember, all quilt blocks must be received by me by October 31, 2018 in order to be judged and then make the cross-country trip to Vermont. Keep them coming!

Yes, there will be a 2019 National Grange Quilt Block contest. The block has been selected and the information will be released at our upcoming 152nd annual session in Stowe, Vermont. There is much to love about the 2019 block!

2018 Photography Showcase

Each State Grange is reminded to select a Best of Show photograph from your state competition to enter in the 2018 National Grange Photography Showcase. There are not specific rules for the National Grange Photography Showcase – each state simply selects their best photo and brings it to the national convention this November in Stowe, Vermont. It is the responsibility of the State Lecturer to complete the submission form for their state and to send it to me by October 31, 2018 – this way I know how many to expect. The photos entered in the Photography Showcase will be judged and a first, second and third prize will be awarded.

2018 Evening of Excellence

The 2018 National Grange Evening of Excellence to be held on Friday, November 16th at the Spruce Peak Performing Arts Center in Stowe, Vermont is sure to be fantastic. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for the details.

National Weather Service Partnership

To date, I have not received any testimonials, photos or anecdotal evidence of any type that any community or Junior Grange or Grange member in the country has taken advantage of our partnership with the National Weather Service to help improve data collection and severe weather warnings within their communities. If you are working with your local National Weather Service office please let me know the nature of your partnership and the benefits associated with said partnership. Also, let me know if we need to provide additional information or if it needs to be presented in a different way.

I appreciate the efforts of each and every one of you to share this information and these documents with your Granges, fellow Grange members, friends, neighbors and family. It is the work each of you do at the local level that makes these programs a success and I appreciate and thank you for your efforts!

I look forward to seeing many of you in Stowe, Vermont next month. Travel safe.

For additional information, I can be reached by Email at lecturer@nationalgrange.org or by phone at 509.953.3533 (voice or text).

Be a DO'er!

Fraternally yours,



Christine E. Hamp, Lecturer
National Grange



NOTICES

Junior SAS and Speech
entries due Nov. 1

SPECIAL SCREENING
Stowe Room at Convention
Hotel; 6:45 p.m. Thursday,
Nov. 15 "Rooted:
Cultivating Community
in the Vermont Grange,"
which will be airing for the
first time on Vermont Public
Television



FUN-draiser

During the 151st Annual National Grange Convention in Spokane, National Lecturer Chris Hamp unveiled challenge coins as a fundraiser for the department, through the Grange Foundation, and a way to celebrate the DO-ers of the Grange.

There are a limited number of the 250 coins remaining to be sold. These beautiful, American-made coins make great thank you gifts for speakers/presenters or awards for Grangers of the year, besides being a must-have for all Patrons. Don't get caught without a challenge coin in your pocket. Get your order in today!

Coins measure 1-1/2" and are \$20, plus shipping.

Order your challenge coins by contacting National Lecturer Chris Hamp at (509) 953-3533 voice/text or by email at lecturer@nationalgrange.org.



Print and play at your next Grange meeting. Send to Junior/Juvenile Grange friends. As you play, reflect on great memories and experiences you had as a Junior/Juvenile and think about how important it is that the next generation have those same opportunities.

Junior/Juvenile Grange BINGO

Learned the Junior Pledge \$1	Competed in a Junior/Juvenile Grange contest \$2	Expressed my opinion in public/gave a public speech \$5	Attended a State Grange Convention \$3	Found a Grange mentor or older Junior/Juvenile to look up to \$4	
Became familiar with how meetings were conducted \$4	Developed a new Skill \$3	Helped lead a Service or Outreach project \$5	Performed a Drill \$2	Own Junior or Juvenile Grange apparel \$1	TOTAL _____
Learned by writing an essay as part of a Junior/Juvenile activity \$4	Earned a Junior/Juvenile Grange Badge or Passport Stamp \$3	FREE SPACE 	Communicated with someone using American Sign Language \$5	Have a Junior or Juvenile Grange Pin/Jewelry \$2	BONUS Any Postage Stamp +\$2 Any Diagonal +\$5 Any Straight +\$7 Whole Border +\$13
Created a Fair Booth or Parade Float \$1	Held a Junior or Juvenile Grange office \$2	Felt empowered by voting on a motion \$4	Learned respect for the Flag \$3	Learned to listen with an open mind to someone with an opinion different from my own \$5	
Made a crafted item \$2	Displayed a Talent \$3	Attended Junior or Juvenile Grange Camp \$4	Made a friend I would not otherwise have met with Junior/Juvenile Grange \$5	Sang from a Junior Grange songbook \$1	

BINGO!

What was your Junior/Juvenile experience worth? Your BINGO may reveal a small part of the answer. Consider donating your "BINGO total" to the Grange Foundation - ATTN: Junior Grange Fund to help the next generation live, learn and grow through the Junior Grange.

Send your donation to Grange Foundation, 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006.



152ND ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANGE CONVENTION

NOV. 13-17, 2018

**STOWEFLAKE RESORT
& CONFERENCE CENTER
1746 MOUNTAIN ROAD
STOWE, VT 05672**

[nationalgrange.org/
convention](http://nationalgrange.org/convention)

ONLINE REGISTRATION CLOSED. Register On-Site.
Convention hotel is SOLD OUT. Check website for other options.

There are still several hotels closeby with great rates.
DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR YOUR 7TH DEGREE
\$30 fee to take the Degree
FREE TO SEE if you are already a 7th Degree member



GRANGE EVENING OF Excellence



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

DOORS @ 7 P.M. | PROGRAM @ 7:30 P.M.

SPRUCE PEAK PERFORMING ARTS CENTER | STOWE, VT

Speeches

Vocal & Musical Performances

Variety Acts

Sign-A-Song Demonstrations

**Learn who has been selected 2018-19
National Grange Youth Ambassadors and Young Patron!**

ALL ARE WELCOME

Calling all crafters

Grange Foundation



The Grange Foundation Mercantile is seeking donations of **high-quality handcrafted items** (quilted items, embroidered items, hand-sewn aprons, doll clothes, handmade jewelry, baskets, etc.).

Donations may be hand-delivered to the 152nd Annual National Grange Convention or sent to the Grange Foundation.

If delivering to the Stoweflake Mountain Resort and Spa, in Stowe, Vermont, donations must be received by Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Donations sent must be received by no later than November 1 at the National Grange Headquarters. Packages should be addressed **GRANGE FOUNDATION, Attn: Mercantile, 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006.**

Once received, the items will be prepared for sale at the Mercantile and all profits will go to the Grange Foundation, a charitable 501(c)(3) organization.

All donations will receive a thank you letter recognizing the item(s) donated by the Foundation.

Questions or inquiries?

Contact National Grange Lecturer Christine Hamp at lecturer@nationalgrange.org or by phone at (509) 953-3533.





The Grange Foundation Mercantile

DONATION FORM

2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Grange Member: ☐ Non-Member: ☐

Grange Name: _____ No.: _____ State: _____

Estimated \$ Value: _____

- EACH item donated must have a completed Donation Form.
- Please bring all donations with you (or send with a friend) to the 152nd National Grange convention in Stowe, Vermont.
- If shipping donations, all donations must be received at the National Grange Headquarters by October 31, 2018.

Ship donations to: Christine Hamp, Lecturer
National Grange
1616 H Street NW
Washington DC 20006



2018

American Handicraft Raffle

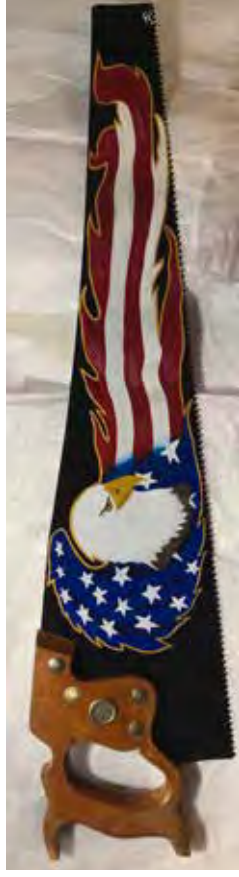
to benefit Grange Foundation, a charitable 501(c)(3) organization



Win one of three hand-made items.

- 1) Queen-size (77"x90") Garden Path quilt made from blocks submitted to the 2017 National Grange Lecturer's Contest)
- 2) Spiderweb Star quilted table runner (16"x63")
- 3) Hand-painted Patriotic Saw (26" blade)

\$5 donation per ticket.



Raffle will be held during the Evening of Excellence at the 152nd Annual National Grange Convention on Friday, Nov. 16, 2018, at the Spruce Peak Performing Arts Center in Stowe, VT.

Need not be present or a member of Grange to win.

To purchase tickets, contact YOUR STATE GRANGE PRESIDENT
at OR National Lecturer Chris Hamp at lecturer@nationalgrange.org or (509) 953-3533.

Grange Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations may be tax deductible. Contact your financial adviser.





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Partners in the Mission

The National Grange has become a recognized partner in the mission of the Quilts of Valor® Foundation as an official Under Our Wings® program. This program allows Grange members to create quilts and present them to veterans in their communities or in the organization, and teach the art of quilting to novices and young people while completing this meaningful community service.

All quilts awarded should be reported to the National Lecturer so the information can be made official with the Quilts of Valor® Foundation. Labels are available through the National Lecturer to be sewn onto the quilt indicating the name of the recipient and Grange/member who made the quilt.

For more, contact National Lecturer Christine Hamp at 509.953.3533 or lecturer@nationalgrange.org or send mail to 16418 N. Birdie Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026.

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FINISHED QUILTS

Ideal size: 60" x 80"

QUILT TOPS

Follow QOV guidelines. Patriotic theme desired.

PRESENTATION CASES

See QOVF website for requirements.

Not a quilter? Donate!

SPACE

Offer your hall for "sew days"

RESOURCES

Give batting, fabric, longarm services

FUNDS

Raise money for purchase of supplies

Learn more about Quilts of Valor® Foundation at www.qovf.org.

Get Pinned!



A limited number of this gorgeous 1.25" printed pin on stainless steel with a clear epoxy dome and butterfly clutch are available. The pin features the 2018 Tender Heart Quilt Block from Missouri Star Quilt Company along with the Grange logo and foundational principles: faith, hope, charity, fidelity.

Proceeds go to support National Lecturer contests and programming.

Purchase from National Lecturer Chris Hamp during National Grange Convention.

Image above is actual size. Image below is enlarged to show detail.



1 for \$7.50
2 for \$12
3 or more for \$5 each

*Buy a few and resell
to members of your Grange!*

*For more information, contact
Chris Hamp at 509-953-3533 or
lecturer@nationalgrange.org*

*Mail order and payment to Chris
Hamp at 16418 N. Birdie Road,
Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026*



2018 Quilt Block Contest

RULES

- A. The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone.
- B. All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by **October 31, 2018**. Send entries to:

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer
16418 N. Birdie Road
Nine Mile Falls WA 99026
- C. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 152nd National Grange convention in Stowe, Vermont.
- D. The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- E. There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- F. All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and will be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity. You will receive a donation letter from the Grange Foundation acknowledging your donation.
- G. A 2018 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged.

GROUPS

- Group I – Adult (Age 14+)
- Group II – Junior (Age 13 and under)

PRIZES

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in both Groups.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entries.



2018 Quilt Block Contest

Tender Heart

(Credit to: Missouri Star Quilt Company)

Sherbet Pinks / Oranges - 4 colors, 2 light and 2 dark – prints or solids

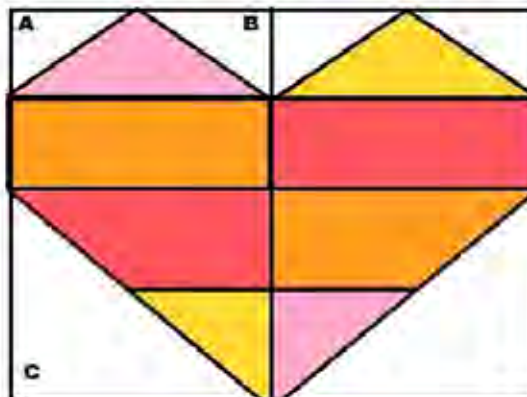
- Cut 4 strips, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 10" (one of each color).
- Sew strips together (ALL seams are $\frac{1}{4}$ "), along the long side, to make a strip set.
- Strip set should measure $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 10". Press all seams.
- Cut strip set in half, length-wise, to make 2 rectangles. Each rectangle should measure 5" x $8\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- Flip one rectangle around so colors are reversed.

White

- Use 100% cotton, solid white for the corners.
- Cut 4 squares, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- Cut 2 squares, 5" x 5".

Constructing the Quilt Block:

- Fold the four $2\frac{1}{2}$ " white squares once on the diagonal and press the crease to mark a sewing line.
- Place a creased $2\frac{1}{2}$ " white square on one corner of a 5" x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " strip-pieced rectangle with right sides facing. Stitch on the sewing line, then trim the excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the sewn seam (A).
- Repeat for the adjacent side of the rectangle (B). Make 2 and sew them together vertically.
- Fold the two 5" white squares once on the diagonal and press the crease to mark a sewing line (C).
- Place a creased 5" white square on top of one lower corner of the block with right sides facing. Stitch on the marked sewing line, then trim the excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the sewn seam.
- Repeat for the other side of the rectangle to make the bottom of the heart.
- Unfinished Block is $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ ".





2018 Quilt Block Contest

ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Grange Member: ☐ Non-Member: ☐

Grange Name: _____ No.: _____ State: _____

☐ - Group I (Age 14+)

☐ - Group II (Age 13 and under)

All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by October 31, 2018.

The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.

Please make as many blocks as you wish, but only one contest entry per person.

Each contest entry must have a completed Entry Form.

Mail entries to:

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer
16418 N. Birdie Road
Nine Mile Falls WA 99026

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Contribute Your Time and Talents to Building a Weather-Ready Nation

Do you love the weather? Interested in actually participating in the science? Well, citizen science may just be for you! Citizen science is a form of open collaboration in which anyone can take part in the scientific process to address real-world problems. You can help by taking real-time weather observations, alerting officials about severe weather occurring where you are, and contributing to NOAA research using an app on your phone.

Citizen science involves everyday people and plays a vital role in protecting lives and property. Help build a Weather-Ready Nation by becoming a citizen scientist!

4 Ways Grangers can become Citizen Scientists

Become a Storm Spotter under the NWS SKYWARN Program



SKYWARN
STORM SPOTTER

Do you know what to watch for when severe weather threatens? Help keep your community safe by volunteering to become a trained severe storm spotter for NOAA's National Weather Service. Storm spotters report hazardous weather to the NWS, which aids the warning process. Volunteers are trained by NWS meteorologists to identify and describe severe local storms, including severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, and floods.

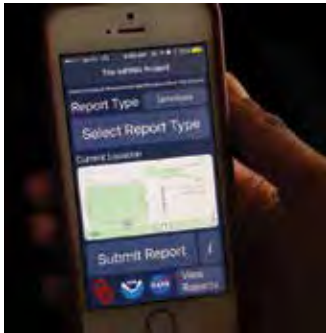
Interested? Visit the **NWS SKYWARN** Web site then contact your local NWS office to find out about free local and online training. Many offices require training, which typically is about 2 hours.

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/skywarn/>

Become a NWS Cooperative Observer

The NWS Cooperative Observer Program is truly the Nation's weather observing network of, by and for the people. More than 8,700 volunteers take observations where they live, work, and play. The NWS depends on thousands of volunteer observers committed to taking observations at the same location for 10 or more years who report weather and climate information on a daily basis using the phone or Internet. NWS provides the training, equipment, and maintenance, you provide daily data! Data from the program supports warnings, forecasts, and helps build a long-term weather history for an area. This program has existed since 1890 and is one of the few programs that measures snowfall and its water equivalent.

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/coop/>



Use mPING to Report Precipitation

mPING. (Meteorological Phenomena Identification Near the Ground project). Weird name, cool app! Users can report the type of precipitation they are experiencing. No need to measure! Use the free mobile app to send reports anonymously. Reports are automatically recorded into a database, which improves weather computer models. The information is even used by road maintenance operations and the aviation industry to diagnose areas of icing.

<http://mping.nssl.noaa.gov/>



Join the CoCoRaHS Community

The Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow Network is a volunteer network of observers who measure precipitation from their backyard. Any age can volunteer.

CoCoRaHS sells low cost equipment to help volunteers get started. Observers enter their observations onto a website. Data is used by a wide variety of users ranging from meteorologists and hydrologists to insurance adjusters and engineers.

<http://www.cocorahs.org/>

NOAA Citizen Science

NOAA Community of Practice works to compile best practices, share resources, and maintain a searchable database of citizen science projects. Find out more at: <http://www.noaa.gov/office-education/citizen-science-crowdsourcing>

NOAA also supports Citizen Science projects studying marine biology, satellite data verification, water quality, and more!

<https://ccsinventory.wilsoncenter.org/>



Photo: NASA



For more information, contact National Grange Lecturer Christine Hamp by email at lecturer@nationalgrange.org or by voice/text at (509) 953-3533.



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2019 WALL CALENDAR

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JULY 23-28, 2019

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JULY 23-28, 2019

GRANGE REVIVAL 2019 REGISTRATION

_____ I am attending on my own, not as part of an established group

_____ I am attending as part of an established group

For group registrations: Please indicate the NAME of the responsible PARTY ORGANIZER who we should contact regarding event details and payment.

Complete & return ASAP to:
Christine Hamp, 16418 N Birdie
Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026.
Call or text (509) 953-3533 to
reserve cabins or full hook-up
campsites in advance.

You do not need to have all members of your party register at the same time or arrive/attend the event on all of the same days, but please be sure they know the name of their PARTY ORGANIZER to put on their registration forms so we can place families/groups together on site.

Bring your friends. You need not be a Grange member to attend.

REGISTRATION FEE PER PERSON (by age)

Pre-Junior (0-4 yrs old):	\$20
Junior (5-13 yrs old):	\$35
Youth (14-35 yrs old):	\$60
Subordinate (36+ yrs old):	\$70
Golden Sheaf members:	\$60

Some activities at Grange Revival may be require certain safety gear/equipment rental or supply purchase for a small fee. A full schedule will be provided in early 2019 with fee information and additional options may be posted prior to or at the time of the event. If you have ideas for activities or questions, please email grangerevival@gmail.com.

LODGING FLAT RATES (one-time fee PER PARTY)

Lodging reservation deposit is non-refundable.

Dry tent or car site	\$10
Dry RV w/ access to dump site	\$25
Hook-up RV, tent or car site*	\$60

Cabins - Variable; see Lodging Registration

*A max of 8 people are allowed per hookup site. No max for dry sites.

** Non-refundable 50% deposit due upon registration to hold spot for any hook-up camping sites and 25% non-refundable deposit for any cabins; first-come, first-served basis. Spots not paid in full by February 1, 2019 will be released to waitlist.

EVENT REGISTRATION

Your Name _____ Expected Shirt Size _____

Registration type: _____ Pre-Junior _____ Junior _____ Youth _____ Subordinate _____ Golden Sheaf

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

How do you plan to get to Grange Revival? _____ Driving _____ Seeking Carpool _____ Flying _____ Other/Unsure

What days do you plan to attend Grange Revival?

_____ July 23 (arrive after 8 a.m.) _____ July 24 _____ July 25 _____ July 26 _____ July 27 _____ July 28 (leave by noon)

LODGING RESERVATION

_____ Dry camping, no dump/hookups (\$10 one time)

_____ tent _____ car _____ RV

_____ Hook-up camping (\$60 one time)

_____ tent _____ car _____ RV

_____ Cabin Rental (one time rental fee, varies, see chart)

(Cabin name: _____)

_____ Off-Property

By signing below, I understand and agree to the following:

I will not damage event property and will report any defects with venue property to the owners/employees of Mulberry Mountain as soon as possible. I will attain necessary licenses and use recommended safety equipment while on property. I will assist in keeping the grounds clean and listen to all instructions related to campfires, cooking, swimming, recreational water use, etc. Campfires may only be created in approved facility fire rings. If I bring any weapon, including a firearm, large knife or other object, it will be secured by lock in my vehicle or other place where access by attendees is restricted. I will not smoke indoors in any part of the facility and I will not bring or consume any illegal drugs. I will not engage in or enable any minor to engage in underage drinking. I will not be inebriated when tending to a fire, participating in water activities or any other activity that may put myself or others at harm. If I am the responsible party for a minor child, I will ensure the child has appropriate chaperones if outside of my immediate care. I may be asked to leave the event with no refund if I violate any of these policies or act inappropriately for a Grange event. If I provide a form of payment that is declined or returned, I will be charged an additional \$40 insufficient funds fee that must be satisfied before the end of the close of the event or within 5 days after the event ends. I understand I will sign a full conduct and rules policy prior to or at the event and that this is an introductory piece to that full agreement.

CABIN FLAT RATES (one-time fee for full event rental)

You may choose to split the cost for this rental with attendees who stay in the cabin with you as you see fit. You may work with another attendee or set of attendees to take the cabin rental for part of the week. Once the cabin is booked, you may choose how many and who to allow to sleep/use your cabin. We will not be responsible to assist you with finding cabin-mates or filling the cabin on days you may not be able to use it. B=bedroom; LR=Living room

Dower House	\$1,250
B1: 1 King + 1 Full; B2: Twin	
Annie's Cabin	\$750
B1: 1 Queen	
Barn Loft	\$1,125
B1: 1 Queen; B2: 2 Twins; laundry.	
Outlook Cabin	\$1,750
B1: 1 Queen; B2: 1 Full; B3: 1 Full; LR: Sleeper Sofa	
Star I Cabin	\$1,000
B1: 1 Queen; LR: Sleeper Sofa	
Star II Cabin	\$1,500
B1: 1 Queen + 1 Full; B2: 1 Full	
Lakeside Cottage	\$1,350
Bedroom 1: 2 Full; Living Room: Full Sleeper Sofa	
River Cabin	\$2,000
B1: 1 Queen; B2: 1 Queen + 1 Full; LR: Sleeper Sofa	

Signature (of attendee, or if attendee is under 18, of parent/guardian)

Date

PAYMENT (Group registrations and/or lodging reservations may be made in one payment for all/some attendees in the party. Please attach/enclose registration forms of all those who are covered by your payment.)

Registration(s) Indicate number of each.

Subtotal \$ _____

_____ Pre-Junior (x\$20) _____ Junior (x\$35) _____ Youth (x\$60) _____ Subordinate (x\$70) _____ Golden Sheaf (x\$60)

Lodging

Subtotal \$ _____

_____ Pay in Full _____ Deposit only at this time (25% of cabin rate; 50% of hook-up rate; 100% dry rate)

TOTAL PAYMENT TODAY: \$ _____

All hook-up sites and cabins must be paid in full by February 1, 2019.

_____ Pay by enclosing check/money order made out to Grange Revival

_____ Please Bill me via PayPal. Send invoice to email (if different from above:) _____

_____ Please charge my credit card \$ _____ (total registration fee+lodging deposit/fee)

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ CVC _____

**COMPLETE AND RETURN ASAP TO: Christine Hamp, 16418 N Birdie Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026.
Call or text (509) 953-3533 to reserve cabins or full hook-up campsites in advance.**



IT'S IN YOUR POWER. HELP REDUCE FOOD WASTE.

PLAN YOUR MENU & MAKE A STORE LIST

Take a minute to think through your week - will you cook each day? Will there be a night for leftovers? What will be served with each meal? Planning helps to curb purchasing excess items that just become waste. With a list, you're also less likely to impulse buy (saving money and the potential for items that will end up in your trash).

CHECK YOUR RECIPES & YOUR CUPBOARDS

Know how much of each item your recipes call for and see if you have something already on hand that you can use or substitute (you never know what a little tweak of ingredients may add to your beloved dishes). If you can, cross unnecessary items off your grocery list. You may also be able to avoid the dreaded half-used container by choosing a second recipe for the week that will allow you to use the rest of the product or buy a more appropriate size.

BE SELECTIVE AT THE STORE

If you're going to use produce right away, a bump or ding may be OK, and you may be the only one to see the product's value and save it from becoming waste. But, if it is for use later in the week, that bruise may lead to rot and you'll end up throwing it away. If you think you may not use all of the product or may not get to make the meal you're planning, choose a product with an expiration date farther in the future.

START WITH SMALL HELPINGS

You can always add more to your plate, but scraping uneaten food back to the communal bowl is definitely frowned upon and often finds its way to the garbage instead. You may even see an added benefit. If you have to choose to get more food, you'll also have to assess if you are still hungry, and it could reduce overeating.

SHARE, REPURPOSE OR STORE

Have food left even after preparing lunch leftovers for your family? Consider packaging it as a dinner for an elderly neighbor or asking a coworker if they'd like a homecooked leftover option for lunch the next day. If you have an item left over from a meal already prepared, add it as another side option or find a way to incorporate it into a snack or other dish you're making. Freeze or store food that won't be eaten before it may spoil. Find ways to make the food you prepare find its way to where it should be - into someone's diet, not someone's trash.

STICK TO YOUR MEAL PLAN

If you purchased food for six dinners but decide to skip one, you may start down a slippery slope of letting food spoil.

TALK TO YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Don't stock up on items that no one will eat. Know what people in your household want and avoid purchasing perishable items at times when they won't be used before they go bad.



Membership Matters Monthly Zoom Meetings

Through Zoom teleconferencing, join National Grange President Betsy E. Huber and select staff, officers and other guests on the third Tuesday of each month in 2018 to talk about membership issues and share your successes, ask questions and focus on what it means to be a Grange and a Granger in our 150th year.

Zoom is available for your connected device or landline telephone.

Download the app at zoom.us or call in to participate.

Go to **tiny.cc/1867** or call **(669) 900-6833**.

Use meeting ID **279 165 699** to log in.

Meeting as a Grange

Tuesday, August 21 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange President Betsy E. Huber and National Grange Communications & Development Director Amanda Brozana Rios

Huber and Brozana Rios will talk about ways to identify public spaces for meetings in your community and other options that may make new members feel welcome and allow you to hold Grange meetings in a fashion more like that in our manual. If you said you currently meet in a restaurant or a members' home, this is a great meeting to attend.

Know Your Mission

Tuesday, September 18 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange Lecturer Christine Hamp

Hamp will join us to discuss mission statements for local Granges and how they can help focus a Grange and ignite new fires. This is great for all Granges who have not yet adopted a mission statement or who do not have a fairly defined identity and outreach strategy.

Making Agriculture the Star

Tuesday, October 16 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange Overseer Phil Prelli and National Grange President Betsy E. Huber

Prelli and Huber will talk about how your Grange can embrace our agricultural past and make food and farming part of our success today and in the future.

Young and Willing

Tuesday, November 20 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange Youth Ambassadors/
Young Patrons (2017-18; 2018-19)

Youth leaders will talk about what excites them and how Granges can include youth in their programming, outreach and decision-making. This interactive discussion will encourage each Grange to think of new ways to talk to and about young potential members and those already in our Halls.

Cash in on Benefits

Tuesday, December 18 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange Sales, Programs, Benefits & Membership Recognition Director Loretta Washington

Washington will introduce new benefits, discuss benefits of interest to members and offer ways you can use benefits of Grange membership to strengthen current members' bonds with the organization and entice new members to join.

A New Year, A New Way to Help

Tuesday, January 15 @ 8:30 p.m. Eastern
Hosted by National Grange Community Service
Director Pete Pompper

Pompper will introduce great community service ideas from Granges around the country and talk about how a Grange can "get out of the slump" and take on a new project with new relevance to their community in 2019.

TARGETED CONVERSATIONS

Don't forget to fill out your Grange Health Survey (available at tiny.cc/GrangeHealth) to prepare for these conversations and know what conferences may be most important for your local Grange.

If you have suggestions for other Zoom conferences about membership or other issues, please contact Communications & Development Director Amanda Brozana Rios at communications@nationalgrange.org.

1 in 1,000 Club of the Grange Foundation



Only 1,000 numbered lifetime memberships for the 1 in 1,000 Club will be available for a one-time buy-in of \$1,000 each. All funds raised will be used for the good of the Order. Individuals may make a pledge to hold a space (provided the maximum of 1,000 memberships has not already been attained), but will not be provided a member number until their final payment is received. Membership is for individuals and groups. We apologize in advance, however, upon advice of nonprofit professionals and legal advisors, couple and family memberships are not available. Established, autonomous Groups (such as State Grange Foundations or non-Grange organizations) or local or State Granges are eligible for membership with special requirements.

When the member passes away, the membership may be first made available to an individual designated by the late Club member, but will require a "renewal" payment of \$1,000 in order to keep the membership number. Should the designated individual wish not to renew the membership, it will be offered to the person at the top of the waiting list (or general membership if 1,000 are not already assigned). Autonomous Groups, or local and State Granges who wish to hold membership in the Club will require a renewal payment of \$1,000 every 10 years in order to keep their membership.

Members will receive a special pin and certificate and be entitled to invitation-only events throughout the year and during National Convention.

This form reserves your place in the 1 in 1,000 Club. You will be provided full paperwork to complete the full and proper transaction of the donation including documents related to deductibility for your tax profession. ALL CONTRIBUTIONS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO THE NONPROFIT, CHARITABLE Grange Foundation.

INDIVIDUAL/GROUP NAME: _____

Address: _____

IF APPLICABLE: My primary membership is held in _____

Grange # _____, _____ (state).

Email (and/or phone): _____

I anticipate: _____ Paying one lump sum (net 60 at the time of invoice).

_____ Making payments equaling a total of \$1,000 within 12 months.

SIGNATURE: _____

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE

Final Payment Date: _____

Member #: _____

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Contribute to the National Grange Building Fund or Other Worthy Projects

With necessary repairs like the chiller unit, the National Grange is in need of your help. You can make a difference by donating directly to the National Grange. Donations to Grange Foundation help in many ways to strengthen our organization and ensure it truly lives on forever.

STEP 1. SELECT FUNDS OR PROGRAM(S) YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT.

Please indicate the amount you wish to donate to each fund or project. Choose as many as you wish to support and indicate the percentage or amount of your total donation you wish to go to each fund or project selected. If you do not indicate amounts, an equal distribution of your donation will be made to each. Unspecified donations will be credited to the Grange Foundation Endowment/General Fund.

NATIONAL GRANGE

A nonprofit, agricultural fraternity designated as a 501(c)(5) by the IRS.

\$_____ **National Headquarters Building Fund**

\$_____ Internship Program

\$_____ Legal Protection Fund

GRANGE FOUNDATION

A nonprofit organization, focused on the betterment of rural America and agriculture based on education and leadership development, designated as a 501(c)(3) by the IRS. Donations to the Grange Foundation may be tax deductible. Consult your financial advisor.

\$_____ Endowment/General Fund

\$_____ Junior Grange Fund

\$_____ Grange Youth Fund

\$_____ Community & Leadership Development Fund

\$_____ American Arts and Culture Fund

\$_____ Kelley Farm Fund

\$_____ Communication Fellows Program

\$_____ Grange Radio Project

STEP 2. CALCULATE YOUR TOTAL DONATION.

100% of all proceeds go to the programs you wish to support.

I am making a \$_____ donation to National Grange.

I am making a \$_____ donation to Grange Foundation.

STEP 3. PROVIDE YOUR PAYMENT DETAILS.

Check one.

_____ I have enclosed checks made payable to National Grange and/or Grange Foundation.

_____ I wish for my donation to be made via credit card.
(Visa, MasterCard and Discover accepted)

Name on card _____

Card Number _____

Expiration Date ____/____ CVC _____

Signature _____

You may also go online to www.nationalgrange.org/give or call Amanda Brozana Rios (202) 628-3507 ext. 102 to make your contribution today.

STEP 4. SEND YOUR COMPLETED FORM to the National Grange at 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006 and relax, knowing you have honored our past and helped to secure our future.



DEFINITIONS

FOOD SECURITY - One of the most widely used definitions comes from the final report of the World Food Summit of 1996, which said food security exists “when all people at all times have access to sufficient, safe, nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life.”

It is built on three pillars:

- Food availability: sufficient quantities of food available on a consistent basis.
- Food access: having sufficient resources to obtain appropriate foods for a nutritious diet.
- Food use: appropriate use based on knowledge of basic nutrition and care, as well as adequate water and sanitation.

FOOD LITERACY - Understanding the impact of your food choices on your health, the environment, and our economy.

FOOD DESERT - According to the USDA, an area void of fresh fruit, vegetables, and other healthful whole foods, usually found in impoverished areas. (Food Desert Map link: tiny.cc/find-food-desert)

LOW ACCESS COMMUNITY - An area with at least 500 people and/ or at least 33 percent of the census tract's population residing more than one mile from a supermarket or large grocery store (for rural census tracts, the distance is more than 10 miles).

Survey of Grange Attitudes, Outreach and Programming Activities Related to Food Security and Food Literacy

Please use definitions to the left to inform your answers.
Complete and return survey as soon as possible to
National Grange, 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006

TARGET SUBMISSION DATE: JUNE 30, 2019

Grange Name _____

Grange # _____ State _____

Primary Zip Codes served: Primary: _____

Additional: _____

For these questions, please answer on a scale of 1 to 4. 1 being “not at all important;” 2 “somewhat important;” 3 “important;” and 4 “our highest priority as a Grange.”

How important is food security for your Grange? _____

How important is food literacy for your Grange? _____

Prior to answering this survey, was your Grange aware if any of the top communities you serve are in whole or in part a food desert according to the USDA Economic Research Service? _____ Yes _____ No

ALL BELOW YES OR NO QUESTIONS ARE FOR JANUARY 1, 2017 through (planned) DECEMBER 31, 2019.

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food security? _____

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food literacy? _____

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food deserts? _____

Has your Grange held a food drive or done any community service involving collection or distribution of food for the food insecure in the communities you serve? _____

Has your Grange donated to any organization/program that helps those struggling with food security? _____

Has your Grange directly advertised programming or free/reduced price food events to those who participate in food programs (WIC, SNAP, etc.) or receive food aid (food pantry, free and reduced lunch program)? _____

Has your Grange (or affiliated Junior Grange) offered programming/events specifically for children to encourage food security (ex. nutrition/healthy meal workshops, cooking classes, backyard gardening)? _____

Has your Grange advocated for municipal ordinances or directives that would create/allow more access to food via concepts like edible landscapes, backyard chickens, creation of community garden plots, or other ways in which people can increase their food security independently or through community-owned spaces? _____

Has your Grange hosted an event, open to the community, at which a free meal was served? _____

Has your Grange hosted a low-cost meal event open to the community? _____

Has your Grange held a community forum or been involved in or organized an event to engage leaders/legislators and/or the public on an issue related to food security or food literacy? _____

Please indicate if your Grange has held any type of program in any of these areas in the past 2 years.

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|---|---|
| ☐ Canning/Jarring/Food Preservation | ☐ Other related program (describe): |
| ☐ Couponing/Food Budget | |
| ☐ Other Food Related Home Economics | |
| ☐ Nutrition | |

Have you in the past 2 years organized and/or provided space for any of the following?

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|---|--|
| ☐ Ride Sharing for Food/Groceries | ☐ Community Farmers Market |
| ☐ Food Pantry | ☐ Community Garden |

Please indicate if your Grange has held community forums or advocated on any of these areas in the past 2 years.

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|--|--|
| ☐ Increasing community availability of food access | ☐ Other related advocacy (describe): |
| ☐ Improved water quality | |

Please write a short narrative about why these issues are of importance to your Grange?

Name of Submitter _____

Position held if applicable _____

Address _____

Email _____

How many members does your Grange have (optional)? _____

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