



**Pennsylvania State Grange welcomes  
John and Susan Plank  
2018 National Grange Representatives  
to the  
146<sup>th</sup> PA State Grange Session  
Cranberry Township, PA**

National Grange Assistant Steward John Plank is a third generation Granger. At age 5 he started out in Deacon Junior Grange, and after his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday he joined Deacon Grange #2315.

He and his wife of 36 years, Susan, are very active in Grange and their church.

Currently John is the National Grange Assistant Steward, President (Master) of Indiana State Grange, co-editor of the Indiana State Grange newsletter, member of Union Pomona #50 and Pleasant Grove Grange #2338. In the past 48 years John has held many different offices in Local and Pomona Grange. At State he held Assistant Steward (twice), Steward, Overseer and President. John and Susan were State Young Couple in 1988 at National Grange in Redding, CA. They met many Grangers their own age and made lifelong friends. It was an experience that they will always remember.

While dating John, Susan realized that she would have to join Grange if she wanted to keep him. So she became a Granger, and for 37 years she has held offices including Lady Assistant Steward, Lecturer, Treasurer and many more at the Subordinate, Pomona and State Grange levels. She retired from Evonik in 2014, the same year as John. She now enjoys staying home and taking care of the house, yard and garden.

At their church, John has served as Lay Leader, PPR committee, Church Council Assistant Chairman, Financial Secretary, Trustee member/Chairman, Finance Chairman and Bountiful Blessing Chairman.

John retired from Saint Joseph's College in 2014 after 26 years as the Electrical/HVAC Supervisor. He served on the Financial Advisory and the Presidential Advisory Council at Saint Joseph's College. After retiring from SJC, he started working part-time for a local electrical contractor and enjoying more time with his family.

Together the couple have three children, four grandsons and a granddaughter and in November they will have grandchild number six (John is hoping for another granddaughter). Susan and John have been doing more traveling the past couple years especially during January and February. They are starting to like the warmer weather down south. They enjoy their yearly summer trips with their whole family and someday soon hope to start taking each of their grandchildren on trips.