



# Eagle Grange #1

Route 15 & East Blind Road  
Montgomery, PA 17752



November, 2021

## Fraud & Scam Prevention Topic on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Please take special note that our meeting this month will be on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> to avoid conflict with General Election on our usual first Tuesday meeting day.**

Eagle Grange is sponsoring a free community education program on “**Fraud and Scam Prevention**” presented by State Police Trooper Lauren Leshar on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, The public is invited to participate in the program which begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Eagle Grange Hall, Route 15 and East Blind Road, Montgomery.

Trooper Leshar enlisted in the State Police in 2016 and is currently the Troop F Community Services Officer (CSO). She was appointed to this position in September 2021 and is currently assigned to the Troop F headquarters located in Montoursville, PA. Troop F consists of eight stations in nine counties of the state. Her responsibilities include organizing and attending community events, school events, updating school safety plans, providing car seat safety checks and installations, and answering media questions as the Troop F

public information officer. She also serves as the Animal Cruelty Liaison for Troop F, assisting troopers with animal cruelty investigations. Trooper Leshar has an extensive background in veterinary medicine and is a 2011 graduate of the University of Delaware earning a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science.

## Bring something made with apples + a paring or pocket knife

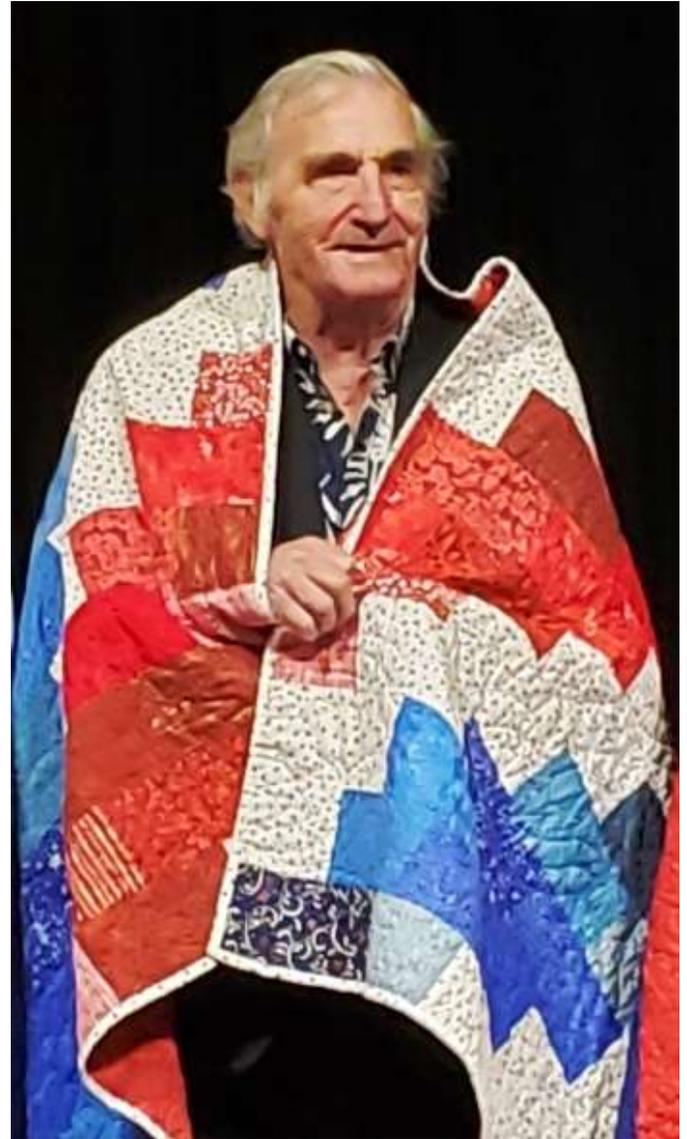


An apple themed social hour will be held after the program on Nov. 3. Attendees are invited to bring a paring or pocket knife and any type of refreshment with apples as one of the ingredients. This may be appetizer, main course entrée or dessert. Prizes will be awarded for the most unique apple creations. The knives will be used as part of a fun game of skill.

**We love our door prizes at Eagle Grange meetings. We welcome any prize you'd like to donate so 5 or 6 people can go home with a small gift.**

## Bernie Downey Receives Veteran's "Quilt of Valor"

Five Pennsylvania Grangers were honored for their military service during the recent annual session of the PA State Grange in Valley Forge. Our own Bernie Downey was among those receiving the coveted "Quilt of Valor" recognition.



Call David Troutman @ 570-220-1685 to arrange for use of Grange Hall. Both floors now have improved heating/cooling for year round comfort.

# New Cookbook Available at All Grange Functions

Pennsylvania State Grange  
Cookbook



1873-2023



*Celebrating 150 Years of Service,  
Fellowship, and Timeless Recipes*

New PA  
State Grange  
COOKBOOK  
Now  
Available!

To purchase, contact Daisy Styer at  
(570) 546-5861 or visit us at the next  
take-out dinner on November 6th.

The Pennsylvania State Grange has published a new limited edition cookbook (just 5,400 copies) in honor of the organization's 150th anniversary! This is the eighth in a series of the ever-popular cookbooks published by the State Grange. The new 472-page book contains over 900 favorite recipes from Grange members and friends joining previous editions printed in 1925, 1950, 1972, 1984, 1992, 1997 and 2010. The pre-order price of \$20/book is good only through the end of 2021.

You'll find quite a few of the recipes in the book were submitted by some of our good cooks at Eagle Grange. We purchased 6 cases (90 books) so act quickly to get your copy and perhaps buy several to give as holiday gifts. **Please note the remaining stock of earlier cookbook editions are being sold at the discounted price of \$15 each while supplies last.**

# Highlights from an Action Packed October Meeting



One item of very Old Business was the formal gifting of the Grange's antique corner cupboard to the Lycoming County Historical Society Museum. It seems the piece was taken to the museum in the early 1970's for safekeeping after several acts of vandalism at the Grange Hall, but somehow the legal transfer of ownership was never completed. The cupboard has been displayed at the museum for the past 48 years.

Above and below: Scott Sagar (left), Museum Curator of Collections, and Grange President David Troutman (right) sign the Deed of Trust to transfer ownership. The cupboard is now the property of the museum but the agreement guarantees its return to the Grange if the museum ever decides to remove it from its permanent collection.



The Clinton Township Park, located just outside Montgomery on Route 54, recently received a donation of \$500 from Eagle Grange to assist with the on-going development of this recreational area. Karen Williamson, Grange Treasurer (second from left), presented the contribution to township supervisors (left to right) Matthew Dodge, Patrick Deitrick and Lanny Wertz at the Grange's October meeting when Board of Supervisors Chair Deitrick shared highlights of improvements planned for the park.



Anna Bush from the Penn State Extension Service office in Mifflinburg, presented an interesting program on "*Biology and Management of a New Invasive Pest – The Spotted Lanternfly*". This insect pest, originally from Asia, was first discovered in eastern Pennsylvania in 2014 and is spreading throughout the state. It is destructive to trees, certain crops and ornamental plantings.

**Please help to spread the word about our last dinner for this year.**

We need helpers Friday to prepare (pare potatoes, bake pies, etc.), volunteers to roast turkeys and helpers on Saturday to do all kinds of jobs. Donations, especially baked goods and pies for the bake sale table, are welcome.

# Take-Out Dinner

*Sponsored by Eagle Grange #1*

**Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021**

**Turkey & All the Trimmings**

Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Cranberry Relish, Pickles, Roll & Butter, Homemade Pumpkin Pie

*Suggested Donation - \$12*



**Advance reservations suggested\***

Contact Joann Murray @ 570-547-1340

*\*Limited # of meals available without reservations*

**Pick-up 2-4 p.m. @ Eagle Grange Hall**

Rt. 15 & East Blind Rd., Montgomery, PA

**Next Take-Out Dinner – February 12, 2022**

*Free “Share the Love” Stuffed Chicken Breast*

Please note new date **Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**; this is a change from the date announced in last month's newsletter.



## **Holiday Magic for the Pennywise**

**Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021**

*A 2-hour workshop; 6:30-8:30 p.m.*

### **Eagle Grange Hall**

*Intersection of Route 15 & East Blind Road, Montgomery, PA*

*Led by Cheryl Miller, Marion Grange #223, Centre County, Retired Extension Educator, Penn State Cooperative Extension*

With the holidays approaching many hosts/hostesses are looking for ways to host the perfect event to celebrate Thanksgiving, Hanukkah or Christmas. This workshop will help you:

- \* *Host an outstanding holiday party on a budget*
- \* *Save money by applying pennywise principles to your party planning, resulting in an event that will bring comfort and enjoyment to all your guests without breaking the budget.*
- \* *Plan a frugal event - by selecting economical recipes, following money saving shopping tips & re-purposing holiday decorations.*

**Advance registration by 11/10/2021 is required**

Contact Doug Bonsall at: [douglas.b@verizon.net](mailto:douglas.b@verizon.net) or 717-921-1957

**Registration fee payable at the door**

\$10/person to cover food and craft supplies

# Coming Events

**November 3** - Grange Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.; **note change to Wednesday to avoid conflict with General Election**; program on **Fraud & Scam Prevention** by PA State Police; Bring a paring knife or pocket knife for a fun activity.

**Host - Karen Williamson**

**November 5** – **Work day** for take-out dinner – 10 a.m.; lunch provided; **Volunteers to roast turkeys are needed**

**November 6** – **Take-Out Turkey Dinner** – See Page 5. Help needed from 10 a.m.; lunch provided

**Donations Are Always Welcome!** We've been given the corn for this dinner by two friends in Perry & Juniata Counties and a donor has come forward to provide the turkeys. If anyone is interested in donating potatoes, ingredients for the cranberry relish and pumpkin pies, and other miscellaneous things like milk, rolls, etc., contact Doug Bonsall at 717-921-1957.

**November 17** – **Note date change!!!!**  
**Holiday Magic for the Pennywise workshop**;  
See Page 6. This is a special outreach program for the whole community.

**December 4** – **Pomona Grange #28 meets @ Eagle – 1 p.m.**; Continue planning after the recent consolidation of Lycoming and Montour Counties; light refreshments afterward

**December 7** – **Eagle Grange Holiday Dinner – 6 p.m.** Program on “Bells from Around the World” and musical entertainment by local bell choir; meat, beverage and place settings provided; bring a favorite casserole, salad or dessert to share  
**Hosts – Jenn Nauss & Doug Bonsall**

## Good Representation at State Grange

**Jenn Nauss & Daun Williamson were Eagle's voting delegates at the 149<sup>th</sup> State Grange session in Valley Forge, October 15-17.** Other members attending included: Doug Bonsall, Bernie & Beth Downey, Jordan Downey, Phil Vonada and Mike Wallis. Two questions receiving preliminary approval were the sale of the National Grange headquarters building in Washington, DC and adding a \$2 per member annual assessment designated to support the Grange youth and junior programs. Both issues now go to National Grange for consideration.

## In Memory - Bob Hively

Our fraternal circle has once again been broken with the passing of **Robert “Bob” Hively, 83, of Lewisburg on Sept. 29, 2021.**

Brother Hively was a charter member of Eagle Junior Grange when it formed in 1945. In January, 1953 he graduated into Eagle #1 and held continuous Grange membership for 68 years. For a number of years he and his wife Jean were members at Bottle Run Grange which then consolidated into Eagle a few years ago.

Bob was the inspiration behind the showing of the Alvria documentary movie in July and the McNett Country Band concert in the park this past September. He attended the State Grange kick-off luncheon on September 18<sup>th</sup> and is shown above participating in the candle lighting service at that event. Eagle Grange was designated by his family to be one of the recipients for memorial donations.



## Pomona Granges Consolidate

The former Lycoming Pomona #28 and Montour-Northumberland-Union Pomona #31 officially consolidated as of 9/1/2021. There are three active Granges in Lycoming County, one in Montour and none in Northumberland or Union.

A luncheon planning meeting of the new Pomona was held on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> in the California Grange Hall. The group attending was small but participated enthusiastically to discuss:

- *the purpose of a Pomona Grange*
- *needs in the area served by this Pomona*
- *new name – NorthCentral PA Pomona Grange*
- *meeting schedule - every other month on the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December at 1 p.m. alternating among local Granges*
- *format – business, program + refreshments*

**Next meeting** – Hosted by Eagle on Dec. 4, 2021.

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# November 2021 Newsletter

## Eagle Grange Earns Multiple Awards

A picture of Eagle's "Farm Preservation" exhibit at the Bloomsburg Fair graced the back cover of last month's newsletter but at that time we didn't know the outcome. We're mighty proud to show off the blue ribbon earned there in competition among five Granges. That's three first place wins at three fairs in 2021!

Eagle Grange has had an especially busy year in 2021 celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and all that activity has earned additional recognition with three different awards. First, Eagle is among 21 community Granges and two State Granges that earned the distinction of **Distinguished Grange for 2020-2021** and will be honored at a reception during the 155th Annual National Grange Convention in Wichita, KS, in November. Betsy Huber, National Grange president, notes, "this is an especially great accomplishment this year because of the many extra challenges of the pandemic. You can be justly proud of receiving this award in these difficult times." Eagle's application for this award was completed by Jenn Nauss.

Second, at our annual Pennsylvania State Grange convention in mid-October, Eagle was also honored for its work in providing quality programs and service to the community. Our **Program Director's notebook** received 1st place honors and Eagle's **Community Service notebook** received 3rd place. Doug Bonsall compiled and submitted both of these notebooks. Thanks to all the members and friends of Eagle Grange for their hard work this year!

