

How to protect your personal identity.

By Lizzie Bailey

Identity theft is big business for criminals who hack into our computers to steal our personal information. Recently, identity theft became a very personal issue in my family as our information was compromised and a hacker opened a bank account in our names.

Our emotions ranged from disbelief that this was happening to us, to fright about all the damage the hacker could do to our personal affairs. Luckily, our bank contacted us as soon as someone tried to open a new account. It could have been a few days until I logged on to my account to discover this invasion of privacy, and I shudder to think what could have transpired until that time.

I immediately called my bank to ask how to protect our accounts. I was told to go to Experian, Equifax, and Transunion's websites to place a freeze on our credit files. I assumed that this would stop our personal information from being accessed by the hacker or other unauthorized individuals. Unfortunately, I learned from my bank that freezing my accounts would not necessarily block anyone from opening a new account in my name, as a credit report isn't automatically run on current customers opening a new account. The bank suggested that I contact CHEX Systems (a database utilized by banks to check a new customer's credit and band history) to freeze my files. I was able to use CHEX Systems website to place a freeze on our file information in their system.

From now on I will keep our accounts frozen. Fortunately, there are no fees involved to do a freeze. If you need to access your credit file to purchase something, you can unfreeze your files and then refreeze the file when you are finished. This is not complicated

and provides some peace of mind!

On a daily basis we expose ourselves to identity theft when we provide personal information, use our credit cards, purchase items online, on our computers.

It is not uncommon to watch the news and learn that a company or organization we do business with has been compromised. Protecting your personal information is very important to do.

Suggestions on protecting your personal identity are:

- **Shred mail** that contains account information before disposing.
- **Do Not share** your personal information on the phone.
- **Do Not share** your personal information on social media, or the internet.
- **Consider using a VPN** on your cell phone and computers. A VPN is a software program that scrambles information being transmitted via the internet.
- **Note:** Secure websites processing your transaction will have an "s" Example: https:
- **Do Not click** on links and provide your personal information, credit card numbers, etc. The IRS doesn't send emails or phone calls demanding funds. Spam emails can be very tricky because they look official. Block spam emails, and report them as spam.

The information for the credit bureaus and Chex Systems is provided in the sidebar. Each website has additional information on identity theft to read. It is well worth your time to read and research ways you can protect your financial information. Freeze your credit reports for an added layer of security. There is no fees to freeze your files witht the credit bureaus. You can do this yourself with no fees.

Experian

Phone: 800-916-8800

Website.

http://www.experian.com/freeze

-Select add a freeze

<u>Equifax</u>

Phone: 888-548-7878

http://equifax.com

- Scroll down page and select

Transunion

Phone: 800-916-8800 http://www.transunion.com

- Select Services
- Select Freeze credit report
- Create an account (no fee)
- Freeze vour file

CHEX Systems

Phone: 800-428-9623

Website:

www.chexsystems.com

Identity Theft Insurance

Consider purchasing identity theft insurance. Call your insurance agent to inquire about coverage and costs for such coverage. It is an added layer of protection is you experience Identity theft.



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From the President's Desk Wayne D. Campbell PA State Grange President

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National Grange Theme "Raised Right Here"

Debbie's recovery from her knee replacement has gone well. She has completed all her physical therapy and is very pleased with her range of motion. She provided a thank you to the people at the therapy center by taking chocolate and pumpkin whoopie pies in on her last day!

Fair season is right around the corner. Debbie and I are already talking about the supplies we'll need to buy, the helpers we'll need to recruit for in the Pomona Grange food stand, and most important, what will the weather be for the fair.

Now would be a great time to check your Pennsylvania State Grange Cookbook supply and make sure your Grange has plenty on hand to sell at your local fair or fundraising event. Don't forget you can also get Pennsylvania State Grange Apple Butter to sell.

This is a PA Preferred product that fits right in with the National Grange theme of, "Raised Right Here." My local Grange was worked out an agreement with a local Farmer's Market where they stock the PA Grange apple butter, and I drop off another when the stock gets low. We share the profit with the market and it is a win-win for the market and our Grange!

IIn March the Officers and Directors of the Pennsylvania State Grange gathered to discuss how people perceived the mission of the Grange. The one word that organization people perceive the Grange as being. The one word that stood out the most was, "Service." Service can be presented in a multitude of ways. It might be providing a meeting place for another group in your community, it might be a community dinner at no charge to help those less fortunate in your community or simply as a way of saying thank you to the community. Service can be a ride to doctor appointments, helping an elderly person take care of their property, or partnering with another community group to do a project that would be too big for either of you to do by yourselves. This might even lead to a conversation about the Grange and being able to invite someone new to attend your meetings to learn more about the Grange.

I have asked the Pennsylvania State Grange Officers to contact Granges and offer to do a program at a Grange meeting. These programs could be on how to do a community meeting to promote the Grange or teaching new and longtime members how to use the Grange benefits thus putting hundreds of dollars back into their pockets.

The Officers were also given the program developed by the National Grange in partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb on what to do when you receive a cancer diagnoses (or diagnosis of any other major illness). Please take advantage of this informative program by contacting a State Officer to come to your Grange. You can access

their contact information in our website at www.pagrange.org. Click on Documents and scroll down to the 2022 Pennsylvania State Grange Directory. You will find all officer contact information there.

The Pennsylvania State Grange has become very involved in the conversation about Solar Panels. We have been invited to meet with legislators to voice our concerns of the possible loss of Class One and Class Two farmlands to build these operations. We emphasize the Pennsylvania State Grange supports alternative energy development. We want to be sure all issues are looked at and people are given enough information to make an informed decision. It is imperative that one knows the consequences of their decision to lease or not to lease, as these contracts are many times for 25 to 30 years. Will your children want to deal with decommissioning the operation? Will it be an asset, or a liability should you decide to sell? Will you have to pay back taxes that were reduced because of programs you enrolled your land in? These are just a few topics to think about when considering a Solar Operation.

I started my article talking about fairs, and I'll end it the same way. Debbie and I are looking forward to seeing many of you this summer at the fair!! "Raised Right Here" is the 2022 theme of the National Grange ,and what a better place to showcase that theme than during our community and Grange fairs!

Fraternally, Wayne D. Campbell





Chaplain's Corner

Jodi Keith Kensinger

PA State Grange Chaplain

As I sit down to write this article, I find myself gazing out my window on what should be a nice spring day. But the wind is blowing, there are heavy snow flurries and snow is coating the lawn. It's supposed to be Spring with warm temperatures, blooming daffodils, and tulips starting to push out of the soil. Instead, Old Man Winter is having a hard time "letting go" and the cold and snow persists.

Today is Youth Mentor Trout
Day. Over the years I have seen
many pictures of families creating
life-long memories as they try to
catch a trout from a local creek or
river. Even on the coldest of days
and with smiles plastered on their
faces, the kids are having a
blast. These memories will be
with them the rest of their lives.

Fishing reminds me of Matthew 4:18-22 when Jesus called upon his first disciples to follow him. "As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers,

James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him." They were about to embark on a new life with no idea what was ahead of them.

Here in our world, Springtime is the time for planting, the time where we farmers are putting crops into the ground. My husband and his family are getting the equipment ready, the seeds prepared, and fertilizer arranged for whenever the ground thaws out and Mother Nature is inclined to allow the spring season to happen. Each Spring serves as a new beginning, just like Jesus calling to his disciples from fishing for fish to fishing for people, and to follow him on his ministry journey.

As I write, I want to ask each of you, "What is a new beginning in your life, this Spring? For me and our family, we are preparing for the birth of our first child in June. I am in the midst of getting the nursery ready, cleaning and baby-proofing our home, washing clothes, and hanging them up in the closet. And yes, I am nervous as you can imagine. I have lots of questions running through my head. I keep asking myself, "Am I ready?" Will I

be a good mother and good role model to our child and future children?





We are excited to share that Baby Kensinger will be arriving in June!

I am sure that the disciples had similar thoughts running through their minds when they left their homes, families, and the security of their current lives. They were willing and perhaps as excited as I am to bring a new life into the world. I Like Ben and I, this was a new beginning . . . a new beginning into a life of hope, love and miracles! This Spring, I remind you that this, too, can be the beginning of your new life!

Enjoy the fresh air, the warm sunshine, and beautiful flowers; and open your mind and heart to a new beginning with God as your guide!

Love Always, Jodi Keith Kensinger Pa State Grange Chaplin sunflowercow19@yahoo.com





Melanie Melius PA State Grange Family Activities Director

Sewing, embroidery and more...

Hello Grange Family and Friends, I hope you are all well and have survived the long, cold winter. I think I can safely say that like me, you are ready for winter to be over and Spring to have sprung. The weather today is balmy and warm and I am trying to spend a little time each day outside soaking up the sun, reading a book or crocheting.

My home Grange is busy getting ready for our annual Awards Night Oyster Soup and Potluck Dinner. That organizing the Subordinate, Pomona and State Grange activities and contests are keeping me on my toes.

On that note, have the Family Activities chairpersons in your local Grange received their Family Activities packets? This packet contains: contest descriptions and rules, the quilt block pattern with instructions, a picture of the PA State Grange quilt with raffle tickets, and other goodies. If you do not have a Family Activities packet, please check with Subordinate or Pomona Secretary. In addition, feel free to make copies and distribute to your local members.

Thank you to all the Granges that have bought, sold and returned your quilt raffle ticket stubs. The quilt raffle is a major fundraiser for the Family Activities Committee. With this money we are able to purchase award ribbons, develop next year's quilt and quilt block contests, as well as support all other contests and miscellaneous committee activities.



One of those contests is the 2022 Baking Contest. We encourage you to put on your apron, get out you mixing bowls, and whip up your favorite recipe. We are all looking forward to tasting your culinary creations at State Grange in York. This year, the baking categories are: Apple Dumplings (1 whole dumpling), Snickerdoodle Cookies (4 cookies), and No-Bake Cookies (6 cookies).

Our 2022 quilt block is pieced and is entitled "Lights and Shadows". The finished square should measure 12 1/2" X 12 1/2" which includes a 1/4" seam allowance. Please note that in a previous post, I neglected to mention the 1/2" square finish and I apologize for any inconvenience this might cause. The quilt block color scheme is: pink print, pink solid, white solid, light gray solid, agua solid, and agua print.

It certainly looks like the rest of 2022 is going to be a busy one for our bakers, quilters, and crafters. Hopefully, you are all working on your contest entries . . . it would be wonderful to see our display tables at State Grange overflowing with all your creations. Please call me (814-360-7058) if you have any concerns or questions.

I look forward to seeing you at Family Fest 2022. The theme is "Winter Wonderland" and there are some great Christmas-themed craft activities.

Have a wonderful summer and see you all later.

Yours truly, Melanie Melius Family Activities Director Cell- (814)-360-7058 Email- melmelius59@gmail.com



Family Activity Contests Contest Guidelines...

Please remember there are 4 Classes:

Embroidery 15A-under 12"15B-over 12

Cross Stitch 16A-under 12"16B-over 12"

Counted Cross Stitch 16C-under 12"16D-over 12

Plastic Canvas 17

String Art also has 2 Classes

Large Art and Small Art classes.

Jewelry has 3 Classes Necklace, Bracelet, Earrings, and they can be made with anything - beads, stones, wire, wood, anything else you can think of.

Woodburning design of your choice max size is 16"x20" all work must be done by Entrant, **NO KITS!!**

Family Activity Quilt Raffle Mail your Grange's unsold tickets back to Melanie Melius.



Family Activity volunteers at the 2021 Pennsylvania State Session working on displays for the exhibit room.



Membership News Lizzie Bailey PA State Grange Membership & PR Director





My Dad the Teacher...

My dad had an 8th grade education, he served in the Navy during WWII, and he worked for 27 years at Letterkenny Army Depot till the day he retired. I can count on one hand the times I ever heard him grumble about anything. His possessions were few, but love was plentiful. He enjoyed the outdoors and at every opportunity we headed out to the woods and local creeks for adventures.

My appreciation for nature can be attributed to him. I remember countless fishing trips up and down the Aughwick Creek in Pogue, going to Saddleback in hopes of catching carp, and trudging across the field from our house to fish at the Spring Creek for trout. And oh, how I remember his treasured bait bucket! It wasn't as if the old round tin bait bucket itself was valuable, it was the contents...not just worms, they were night crawlers!

He taught me the "art" of hunting night crawlers in the evenings before our fishing trips. Best time to hunt crawlers was at dusk, right after a rainstorm. Both of us armed with our flashlights and an old tin can filled with dirt, we would be hunched over, delicately tip-toeing

across the lawn with our flashlights shining on every blade of grass. We were looking for movement for us to swoop in and grab them. I remember vividly how slimy night crawlers were and they would stretch out several inches, because when you grab them, they are retreating to the safety of their little holes they had burrowed in the ground. My priceless reward at the end of this adventure was my dad's beaming smile when we had our can filled with night crawlers.



It is funny when I sit here and think about it, dad taught me many things while hunting night crawlers; recognize opportunities, come prepared to do the job, have patience, stay focused, don't be afraid to get dirty, and be proud of a job well done!

I'm not sure, but hunting night crawlers may be a "lost art" even though we sure had fun searching for them! What I wouldn't give for one more night to hunt crawlers with my dad.

When I sit here and ponder, I realize I am making the same kind of memories with all my Grange family. You teach me things every time we are together. Just like growing up at home, I walk away with some very heartwarming moments and stories. This is a reason that I enjoy being a Grange member.

Remember this when you have visitors and new members at your Grange. A simple little activity could be a very heartwarming moment for visitors that will bring them back again to your Grange.

Yours in Grange service,

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Pennsylvania State Grange Zoom Cooking Class Sunday, May 22, 2022 I:00 p.m. Recipe: Apple Fritters

(150th Anniversary Cookbook)

To Register:
Call/Text Lizzie @ 717-254-9550
Email: lbailey13@comcast.net

Resolution Deadline

Monday, September 12, 2022

Email resolutions: president@pagrange.org

Mail: PA State Grange/Wayne Campbell 26 CJEMS Lane Mifflintown, PA 17059



Saturday, July 16, 2022 10 - 11:30 am

Family Festival Table Talk Discussions

Communications/Membership

Come join Lizzie & guests;
Tara Mondock, PSU Extension and Phil Vonada
National Grange Communications Director
as we have fun and explore
ways to grow our Granges!



Youth Committee
Ellen Wadsworth
PA State Grange Youth Director

Happy May Flowers! Thank you to all who have sent in appeal donations as well as sponsored a Youth Officer vest! We greatly appreciate your support and hope to make you proud of our PA Youth and Young Adults!

I hope you are able to invite your local Youth and Young Adults or our State Youth Ambassadors and Young Patron royalty to your Grange month meeting or event. If you were not able to have a youth visit you during Grange month, you are still welcome to invite them to speak or visit your meeting or event anytime. Please contact me at the info below to schedule a royalty visit.



As noted in other articles in this PGN issue, we want to make sure our youth are safe whenever they participate in a Grange event. If you are interested in volunteering with any Grangers under the age of 18, get registered on the State Grange Volunteer database and send in your required paperwork. By following these guidelines, we can help keep our future Grange Leaders protected.

We have several exciting events/contests planned for this year. Here are highlights of a few: **April 30** - DON"T FORGET: Combined Youth and Junior Meet-Up is taking place at Virginville Grange and Hookstown Grange from 1-4 pm! And did I say FREE?! Join in the fun on your half of the state or travel across to a new location and meet new friends!

June 17-19 - Combined Mid
Atlantic and Eastern Regional
Leaders Conference - "A
Monumental Experience in the
Nation's Capital". This conference
is open to ALL including Youth
and Juniors! The conference will
be held in Washington DC this
year. More info and registration is
available on the National Grange
website or at

http://form.jotform.com/2207358

Registration and hotel deadline is June 1st. Please contact me if you are interested in sharing a room with other youth.

June 24-26 - Our annual PA State Grange Youth Camp will be held. The theme is H2O22 - It's Just Water. Registration is available online at:

https://form.jotform.com/220255

July 14-17 - PA State Grange
Family Festival. The youth and
young adults will have several new
contests and events at Family
Festival this year! Both contests
below are open to all ages.



Chili Cook Off

Rules:

- 1. All entries must be submitted in a 6 qt crock pot.
- 2. Entries must be delivered to the Food Prep area, usually Building D, by 11:00am on Friday of Family Festival.
- 3. All entries must have a list of ingredients attached to the crock pot. No store-brought chili may be used.
- 4. All entries will be marked with a rating for the heat level (mild, medium or spicy).
- 5. Judging will take place no later than 4:30 pm on Friday.
- 6. All entries will be used for the Friday evening meal at Family Festival.

Classes: (All ages/divisions in same class)

- A. With meat (any type such as beef, venison, chicken, etc.)
- B. Without meat.

Judging Guidelines:

- A. Taste 50 pts
- B. Texture 20 pts
- C. Uniformity 20 pts
- D. Appearance 10 pts

Prizes:

1st: \$20.00 2nd: \$15.00 3rd: \$10.00

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PA State Grange Youth Camp 2022!!! June 24-26, 2022

JOIN US for the 2022 Grange Youth Camp at Camp Sylvan Hills, Howard, PA 16841 / (814) 355-5652

Name	M F
Address	Age DOB
City:	State:Zip:
Phone/Cell:	Grange/County:
E-Mail:	1 st Time Youth Camper: Yes No
Shirt Size: SML	XLXXLXXXL
*** ALLERGIES***	
Emergency Contact & Telephone	

Camp Fee for the Weekend: \$75.00 per person
(\$15.00 will be paid by the Jonathan Sattazahn Memorial Fund Account)

Each person will pay \$60.00

******SPECIAL — 1ST TIME CAMPERS ONLY \$30.00******

This fee includes lodging, 5 meals, activities, workshops, snacks and fellowship.

Participants need to bring their own bedding, towels, washcloths and personal toiletries.

Additional information and directions will be posted online or emailed or sent to you after your application is received.

Look for details/registration/payment online: https://form.jotform.com/220255897911159
PA State Grange Webpage and the Pennsylvania State Grange Youth and Young Adults Facebook page!
Or mail in paper copy and check to: PA Grange Youth, c/o Ellen Wadsworth, 362 University Road,
Lincoln University, PA 19352

QUESTIONS?? Email: Youth@pagrange.org / Cell: 417-967-6474 Registration and Camp Fee Deadline: 1 June 2022

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Cornhole Tournament

Rules:

- 1. The tournament will be held at Family Festival, primarily on Friday and Saturday.
- 2. Teams consist of 2 people. Both team members must be Grange members but don't have to be members of the same Grange.
 3. American Cornhole rules will be followed for Doubles Play.
 Website is:

https://americancornhole.com/rules/

4. Play schedule and bracket will be published after registrations are received for Family Festival.5. The tournament is planned for Single Elimination and includes a Loser bracket, however the Youth Department reserves the right to

adjust the type of tournament based on the number of teams entered.

6. All team members will exhibit good sportsmanship at all times. Divisions: Age as of Jan. 1st.
1. Junior, both members under 14
2. 14 and older, or mixed age including a Junior team member Prizes per team:

1st: \$40.00 2nd: \$30.00 3rd: \$20.00

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FEW FOLKS TO JOIN US IN THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY! Become a sponsor for a member of the Youth Officer Team for 2022. The Youth Officers selected for the 2022 Youth Officer Team will be presented with an official Youth Team vest (if they don't already have one), including the Grange logo and their name embroidered on the front. It's time for our State Youth Team to have a distinct identifier,

Committee has selected black vests for the Youth Team and gray vests for sponsors.

To sponsor a member of the Youth Team and receive your own gray vest, we are requesting a donation of at least \$100 to the PA State Grange Youth Department. Donations can be made by Granges, individuals or small groups but only 1 supporter vest per \$100 will be available. To sponsor a member of the Youth Team without a supporter vest, we are requesting a donation of at least \$60. If you have a specific office that you would like to sponsor, please annotate that on the form below.

Fraternally,
Ellen M. Wadsworth
PA State Grange Youth and Young
Adults Director
youth@pagrange.org
417-967-6474

Youth Officer Team Sponsorship

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similar to those of the FFA and

Sponsor Name:	
Address:	
	Email:
I/We would like to sponsor	office
Select one: \$100 donation to sponsor a member of t \$60 donation to sponsor a member of the	he Youth Team, receive a supporter vest, size: ne Youth Team
Please send this form and sponsorship to: El 19352	len Wadsworth, 362 University Road, Lincoln University, PA



Rachel Bailey
PA State Grange
Deaf and Community Service Director

Continue to do good deeds!

Happy Summer Friends,

It's the dog days of Summer and I hope everyone is getting their fill of long sunny days, cookouts, vacations, and fairs. There will be many ways to show off this summer's hard work this Fall where I look forward to seeing everyone at State Session which is approaching fast!

The Deaf and Community Service Committee has been hard at work in restructuring the programs in which you all can participate.

There are several ways to do so and be competitively awarded for your hard work! For the full list of projects and competitions, please refer to the guide to contests packet in which all of the contests have been updated since previous years for Deaf and Community Service.

Community Service Project of the Year: Entry forms for this contest are available online and must be received by the DCS director no later than September 15th. This is your opportunity to put the spotlight on a special project that your Grange has worked extra hard on. The winning prize is \$100 for the subordinate or Pomona Grange. Sign-A-Song Contest: Show off your ASL skills with the entire body at State Session. Please have three copies of lyrics and your music on a device or CD to be played while performing. Top performer will be awarded \$50.

Deaf Awareness Poster: Help us create awareness by educating others on people in our communities that are deaf or hard of hearing. Use your creativity to spread the message by creating a poster or display that can be used to highlight the importance of this issue. The winner of each division will be awarded \$100.

Service Project: This year at State

Session, we are collecting items for Just For Today Recovery and Veteran's Support Services (JFT). The program's director, Steven Barndt, is well connected to the community between Cumberland, York and other counties where their services are offered. During the pandemic when most recovery groups were shut down, JFT remained open and provided their services throughout the darkest days of lockdown. Their locations offer a safe space for those in recovery and fun, family friendly programming. Please consider making financial contributions made out to Pa State Grange DCS with JFT in the subject line. If you would like to

James Simpson



I am always so inspired by all of your personal and group efforts within the Grange. I want to take a moment to remember one of Madison Grange's members, James Simpson, who was known for living life to the fullest while mastering ASL after losing his hearing at a young age. His loss of hearing did not keep him from accomplishing things like building his own home, marrying the love of his life, Sara, and being a devoted servant with the Grange. James passed away January 19, 2022 at the age of 90 years old. His earthly presence will be greatly missed by all.

bring physical **donations to State Session,** JFT would appreciate:
new socks and underwear, paper
towels, toilet paper, cleaning
products, personal care items like
toothpaste, deodorant,
toothbrushes, body wash,
shampoo/conditioner, and other
useful products pertaining to daily
life.

Keep doing any and all acts of kindness! I look forward to seeing you all soon!

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Jenn Nauss PA State Grange Lecturer

Mark Your Calendars!

Greetings from South Central PA!

As we get nearer and nearer to summer, there are several events and activities on the horizon! Mark your calendars and plan to attend for fun, learning, and fellowship! Now is the perfect time to get a start on your entries for the Lecturer's Programs and Contests. Details can be found in the Guide to Contests and Programs found at: https://www.pagrange.org/lecturers.html.

Eastern Regional Leadership Conference June 17-19, 2022 - Washington D.C.

This year's National Grange Eastern Leadership Conference will be held in Washington, DC at the National Grange Headquarters (note the change in location). This conference is for Grangers from Maine to Florida and will include workshops for all Grange leaders, including Lecturers. Plan to attend this conference, which is a great opportunity for leadership training and meeting Grangers from across the region.

Register online at:

https://form.jotform.com/220735869225159 Registration is due by June 1st.

Hotel: Quality Inn Tysons Corner, 1587 Spring Hill Rd., Vienna, VA 22182 Make reservations at: (703) 344-8020 Room block under National Grange - rate is

\$79/night, which includes free parking

Travel to the National Grange Headquarters by car (\$18/day garage parking or use the Metro for

For more information, visit:

\$28/weekend)

https://nationalgrangeyouth.org/regional-conferences/eastern-regional-conference/

Family Festival July 14-17, 2022 - Centre County Fairgrounds

The Lecturer's Committee and State Grange have several exciting activities planned for this year's Family Festival! We hope that you'll join us for the following:

- Guided Tour of the Penn State Arboretum Friday,
 July 15 Leave the fairgrounds at 9:15am Cost:
 \$10/person
- A docent will lead the group on a tour of the Arboretum at Penn State University, a beautiful living "museum" of a wide variety of plants, trees, and flowers.
- Travel to the Arboretum is by carpool.
- The cost includes a bagged lunch.
- Paint and Sip Workshop Friday, July 15 3-4pm Cost: \$10/person
 - An instructor will lead the group in completing a painting. This is a fun activity for both experienced and novice painters, alike!
 - The cost includes all needed materials.
- Family Movie Night Friday July 15 7-9pm
 - Join us for a family-friendly movie and enjoy a popcorn bar!
- State Grange Talent Contest Saturday, July 16 7pm
 - Prepare your entries for this year's Talent Contest.
 Information about rules and prizes is in the Guide to Contests and Programs found on the Lecturer's page of the State Grange website.
 - The evening will also include the naming of the Outstanding young Patron and a special presentation about the 2023 150th Anniversary Session.

Pennsylvania State Grange Regional Leadership Conferences September & October 2022

The Lecturer's Committee, in conjunction with some of the other State Grange departments, is hosting a series of Regional Leadership Conferences. These started in 2020 right before the start of the COVID pandemic. We are excited to hold another series this year and hope you will join us. These conferences are meant to provide meaningful leadership training for ALL Grange leaders, including Lecturers. There is a registration cost of \$15/person, which will include lunch and all materials. See the schedule and registration form on the next page. All conferences will run from 10am–3pm on the following dates:

- September 10, 2022 Big Knob Grange Hall, Beaver County. Register by August 20th.
- September 17, 2022 Progress Grange Hall, Centre County. Register by August 27th.
- October 1, 2022 Kutztown Grange Hall, Berks County. Register by September 10th.

The conferences are being held across the state to allow all Grangers to participate without traveling a significant distance. Grangers are welcome to attend ANY conference, not just the one located in their geographical region!

Program Ideas

May:

Foster Care Month - Invite a Social Worker from a local foster care/adoption network to talk about the importance of these services. Open the program to the community as a forum for anyone interested in learning more or considering becoming foster parents.

May 29 - Learn About Composting Day - Plan a program about composting and teach members (and the community) how to start composting. Invite a Grange member or a community member who currently composts to lead the program.





June:

Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month - Many people are impacted by Alzheimer's, dementia, and other neurological events, like strokes, brain injuries, etc. Invite a medical professional (doctor, speech-language pathologist, nurse, etc.) to speak about this topic. Perhaps they can share early detection signs, how to help a loved one who has dementia or who has had a stroke or brain injury.

June 30 - Meteor Watch Day - Invite a local scientist (professor, science teacher, or other local expert) to lead a program on space. Hold part of your program outside to watch the night sky and have the expert point out what you are seeing!

Jenn Nauss PA State Grange Lecturer



COMING SOON - STATEWIDE INITIATIVE/THEME!

At the 150th Anniversary Kick-Off last September, Dr. MeeCee Baker gave an inspiring keynote address, challenging the Grange to PIVOT and make some much needed changes. Among her suggestions was the adoption of a state-wide initiative or movement. On March 5th, the State Grange officers and department chairs met at the State Grange office to continue the discussion that was started at the kick-off. The department directors are currently working on plans for a new statewide initiative or theme to unite Grangers across the state to work toward this common goal. Look for more information about this in the near future!



History Committee

Doug Bonsall

PA State Grange History Chair

See the latest 150th anniversary update on the State Grange website by clicking on

https://www.pagrange.org/stategrange-150th-anniverary.html

2023 State Session

Plans are coming together for the 151st annual session of the PA State Grange to be held in Morgantown, Berks County, October 19-22, 2023. The city of Reading was originally envisioned as the location to culminate the celebration of 150 years of Grange history in Pennsylvania since the State Grange was organized there in 1873 and it was there the 75th, 100th, and 125th anniversaries were celebrated. However, lack of suitable facilities now available in Reading necessitated the move to Morgantown. Headquarters will be at the Holiday Inn Morgantown, adjacent to Exit 298 of the PA Turnpike. This facility has very adequate facilities for business sessions, display rooms, banquet service and lodging. Some special anniversary events, including the conferral of the Fifth & Sixth Degrees in full form and an anniversary historical pageant, will take place in the nearby Twin Valley High School auditorium.

The 2023 session is a collaborative project of all Granges in Pennsylvania rather than the responsibility of any one region of the state. In adopting this plan, voting delegates committed their Granges to support the initiative with

funding and volunteer help. The State Grange History Committee was appointed by the PA State Grange President as the coordinator of session arrangements. Fund raising continues with the "Light the Cake" project, sale of commemorative memorabilia and sponsor opportunities.



Call the History Committee to purchase a candle!

Looking for: Sixth Degree Members for 50 or More Years

If you received the Grange Sixth Degree in or before 1973, the 150th anniversary celebration will include a special recognition for you. It is planned to provide certificates and the traditional fresh rose to mark this milestone at the conferral of the Sixth Degree in Morgantown. But, help is needed to identify and locate current contact information for persons eligible to receive this recognition. Please provide the following information if you are one of these special persons:

- Your first/last name (women who received the degree under a different name, please also provide the name at the time the degree was received)
- **Year the Sixth Degree received** (if not sure of the date, the location where received will help)
- **Name, number (if known) and the county of the Grange** you belonged to when you received the Sixth Degree
- Name, number and county of your current Grange membership
- **Your current contact information:** Full mailing address, e-mail address and phone number with area code.

Please provide this information <u>no later than December 31, 2022</u>, to: Susan Tau, 14587 West Road, Saegertown, PA 16433–8720, (phone) 814-763-4831 or (email) <u>setau919@windstream.net</u>. Upon receipt, the information will be verified in the annual Journals of Proceedings where degree initiates are recorded. More details about the recognition will be sent by e-mail (or mail) to individual honorees prior to October, 2023.

Introducing......the 2022 Commemorative Anniversary Tumbler



After immediate and outstanding success last fall with the sale of an insulated tumbler featuring the 150th anniversary logo, it has been decided that another and different commemorative item will be made available in 2022 and 2023. This year's item is a 10-ounce vacuum tumbler (shown above) suitable for beverages of all kinds. Just 50 of these tumblers will be available on a first come first serve basis at a cost of \$15 each. The tumblers will be sold in-person only at the Family Festival in July and the State Session in October: due to the logistics and cost of packaging and postage, no mugs will be shipped. Pre-orders will be accepted to reserve one or more tumblers prior to the events where they will be on sale. If you wish to place an order, please contact Doug Bonsall at PO Box 765, Dauphin, PA 17018, (phone) 717-921-1957 or (e-mail) douglas.b@verizon.net.

Historical Booklet

A special booklet for the 2023 session is being planned that will include pictures and narrative to tell the story of the Grange in Pennsylvania, in addition to the usual program for the convention. The book will include an opportunity for ads to be submitted; look for more information about this early next year.

Sponsors

We are pleased to announce that some sponsorships have started to come in from Granges and individuals who wish to support the 150th anniversary at an amount larger than the purchase of \$1-\$150 birthday cake candles. The opportunity also exists for businesses to become a sponsor, with each level providing complimentary ad space in the 2023 historical booklet. Each of the six sponsor levels is designated by a precious gem, the color which related to one of the levels of the Grange. A big vote of thanks to each of the following sponsors received to date:

- Diamond (\$5,000 or more) -Perry Valley #1804
- Gold (\$3,000-\$4,999) none to date
- Rose Quartz (\$2,000-\$2,999) none to date
- Emerald (\$1,000-\$1,999) Anonymous (1); Crawford County
 Pomona #26



- Sapphire (\$500-\$999) Mary Humpton in memory of loved ones from East Lynn Grange
- Ruby (\$250-\$499) Harveys-Aleppo #1444, Mary Sproat, Greene County Pomona #63

Acts of Service

Continue to report the many and unique ways that community, Pomona and Junior Granges are reaching out to serve their areas during the 150th anniversary celebration. Granges are encouraged to submit brief descriptions about any number of acts of service to Doug Bonsall (douglas.b@verizon.net) or Jenn Nauss (jnauss89@gmail.com) so they may be added to the on-line spreadsheet of projects on the State Grange website. Click on the Acts of Service dial found at: https://www.pagrange.org/stategrange-150th-anniversary.html to see the innovative things going on to serve local communities and spread the word about our State Grange sesquicentennial.

Doug Bonsall, Chair
PA State Grange History
Committee
douglas.b@verizon.net
717-921-1957 or 717-460-0723





Family Festival

"WINTER WONDERLAND" Schedule of Events July 14-17, 2022



	Thursday, July 15		
1:00 - 4:30	Registration- Bldg. C		Saturday, July 17
5:30 - 6:30	Dinner – Bldg. D	7:30-8:30	Breakfast - Bldg. D
7:00-8:00	Welcome & Betsy Huber & Wayne		(Announce Young Patron Finalists)
	Campbell Workshop - Bldg. A	8:30	Group Photo – Location TBD
8:00-8:30	Rootbeer Floats	9:00-12:00	Junior Activities
8:30	Vespers – Bldg. A	9:00-10:00	Christmas Hot Pad Workshop - Bldg. C
9:00-11:00	Hot Potato – D&CS	10:00-11:30	Young Patron Interviews - Bldg. D
	Quilt Block Painting-Bldg. C	10:00-11:00	Christmas Hot Pad Workshop- Bldg. C
11:00	Quiet Time & Lights Out	10:00-11:30	Media Alerts/Press Releases – Phil & Lizzie-Bldg. A
	Friday, July 16	12:00-1:00	Lunch - Bldg. D
7:30-8:30	Breakfast – Bldg. D		(Impromptu Question to Young Patron
7.50 0.50	Quilt Block Painting-Bldg. C		Finalists)
9:00-10:00	English Paper Piecing Christmas	1:00-4:00	Youth Activity –
	Ornament- Bldg. C	1:00-3:30	Quilt Block Painting-Bldg. C
9:15-??	Tour-Arboretum at Penn State - Carpool	1:00-2:30	Progress Children's Fair
	Bagged Lunch Included	3:00-4:00	Bike-A-Thon
9:30-11:30	Registration – Bldg. C	2:00-3:00	Christmas Ornament Workshop-Bldg. C
10:00-11:00	English Paper Piecing Christmas Ornament– Bldg. C	5:00-6:00	Dinner – Bldg. D Baked Ham; Scalloped Potatoes;
12:00-1:00	Lunch – Bldg. D		Corn; Sweet Potatoes; Applesauce; Tossed Salad
2:00-3:00	D&CS Poster Workshop	6:00	Corn Hole Finale
2:00-4:00	Registration – Bldg. C	7:00	Talent Contest – Bldg. A
3:00-4:00	Legislative Updates – Carrie Nace – "A"	2.62.23	Introduction of Royalty
3:00-4:30	Sip & Paint – Lecturer's Workshop		History Committee – talk about
3:00-5:00 5:30-6:30	Junior/Youth Water Games		Anniversary Celebration – Doug
5:30-6:30	Dinner – Bldg. D – Chili; Hot Dogs; Baked Potatoes; Salad; Dessert		Bonsall/Jenn Nauss
	Hosted by Youth Department		Vespers – Bldg. A
	nosted by Touth Department		Hot Potato - D&CS
7:00-9:00	Family Movie Night - (B) - Includes-		Snow Cones
	Popcorn Bar and Ice Cream - Sundaes	11:00	Quiet Time & Lights Out
9:00	Vespers-Bldg. A	D&CS Committee is having a Silent Auction all weekend, donations are appreciated, Thank you!	
	Hot Potato – D&CS		
9:30	Knowledge TEST – Bldg. D	reckens, do	and die appreciated, main your
11:00	Quiet Time & Lights Out		Condess July 10





ABORETUM AT PENN STATE



Sunday, July 18

7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast – Bldg. D 9:00 – 10:00 Worship Service – Bldg. A 10:00 Clean Up and Depart

Assistance cleaning and packing up of Bldg. D is much appreciated

Thank You! Wishing you a safe trip Home!



Pennsylvania State Grange Family Festival July 14-17, 2022

	Meals are listed on page 25.		
Name:	MEALS (please check desired meals -		
Email:	Children 4 and under are Free, ages 5-11 half price.		
Phone:	All Meals \$49.00		
Grange:	Thursday Dinner \$8.00		
County:	Friday Breakfast \$5.00		
Tara (Car and alah / NOT and and and	Friday Lunch \$6.00		
Tent (\$25 per night/ NOT per person)	Friday Dinner \$6.00		
Tent mates:	Saturday Breakfast \$5.00		
	Saturday Lunch \$6.00		
RV/Camper (\$35 per night/space,	Saturday Dinner \$8.00		
NOT per person) (Fees have increased)	Sunday Breakfast \$5.00		
RV/Camper-mates:	Tent Fee Per Night X \$25.00		
P = -	RV/Camper Fee Per Night X \$35.00		
Length: Ft. Trailer or Motor Home			
(Circle)	RV Dumping Fee (\$25.00)		
Dump prior to leaving (Fee \$25)	Registration Fee (\$5.00/person-4 and under Free)		
Day of Arrival:	Arboretum at Penn State (\$10.00) Includes a bagged lunch (Carpool)		
Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday			
TOWNSHIP TO PERSON STATES AND ADDRESS OF THE	English Paper Piecing Christmas		
Chili Cook-Off Contest – at least 6 qt. slow	Ornament Workshop (\$5.00)		
cooker; Must be taken to the dinner area	Choose 1 st and 2 nd Choices		
by 11:00 am.	Fri-9:00;Fri-10:00;		
Corn Bread Contest – Must be taken to the	Christmas Hot Pad Workshop (\$5.00)		
dinner area by 4:00 pm.	Choose 1st and 2nd Choices		
These entries will be part of the	Sat-9:00;Sat-10:00		
dinner for Friday night.	Quilt Block Workshop (\$50.00)		
Hotel- Please make your own reservation	Sip & Paint (\$10.00)		
Reservation block reserved at—			
Ramada Conference Center	Christmas Ornament Workshop \$5.00		
1450 South Atherton St.	T-Shirt - (Please Circle Size)		
814-238-3001	Child S M L XL (\$8.00)		
\$99.00 PLUS TAX PER NIGHT	Adult S M L XL (\$10.00)		
Use Group Code PAGRANGE22	Adult 2XL 3XL 4XL (12.00)		
	Pocket - No Pocket		

Deadline for rate is June 18, 2022

*** Please note: PA State Grange is discounting
each space \$5.00 for Tents & Campers. Centre Co.
Fair have increased their prices.

R.S.V.P by June 15, 2022

Make checks payable to: PA State Grange

PA State Grange Attn: Family Festival

26 CJEMS Lane Mifflintown PA 17059

Send Registration & Payment to:

Total Cost

Tour Information



Pennsylvania State Grange Agricultural Wine Tour Wednesday, October 12, 2022



9:30 a.m. - Board the Bus Wyndham Hotel 2000 Laucks Road York, PA 10:00 a.m. - Ag Farm Tour PA Dairy Princesses Milk and Cheese Sampling

Box Lunch
Scenic Drive
Games and Sampling

1:00 p.m. - New Oxford Square Dawg Gone Bees - Mead/Honey Brookmere Winery DEJA BREW Coffee & Bakery



D. Scott Hartwig Historian-Author

Only 55 Seats on Tour Bus!

3:00 p.m. - National Cemetery in Gettysburg

Featuring Historian-Author - D. Scott Hartwig
Discussing Abraham Lincoln, the Gettysburg Address,
as well as William Saunders - a Grange Founder and
Landscape Architect of the National Cemetery

4:15 p.m. - Pickett's Charge (drive-by tour)

5:30 p.m. - Dinner at The Lodges of Gettysburg

Appetizers, Salad, NY Strip Steak & Parmesan Crusted Chicken topped with Tomato Bruschetta, Chef's choice potato, vegetable Sweet Tea/Coffee, and Cake.

Speaker: Secretary Russell Redding Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture "New Birth of Freedom"

A thought-provoking look at agriculture's role in shaping and defining our nation, from past to the future.



Sec. Russell Redding PA Department of Ag

"Dinner Only" Tickets Are Available!

Tickets per person: \$55. Questions, call 717-254-9550.

Includes box lunch, wine sampling, snacks on bus, and dinner. Coordinators of fun on the bus: Terra Ingram, Rachel and Lizzie Bailey.

FARM

Able-Services provides day program services for adults with special needs. Able-Services provides a welcoming, caring program for participants, allowing them to explore community interests and develop and expand skills for independent living.

CHANGING LIVES one family at a time



LEG UP FARMER'S MARKET

York Tour

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Ticket Cost is \$25.

Tour - Leave Wyndham Hotel at 11:30 AM. Return to Wyndham Hotel at 7 PM.

Leg Up Farm Tour and the Leg Up Farmer's Market (There is a deli, pizza, for a lunch and/or baked goodies.)

Turkey Hill Experience Tour is 1.5 hours

National Watch and Clock. Tour is 1.5 to 2 hours

The bus will stop for dinner at the "Round the Clock" Diner. Dinner is dutch treat.



ROUND &CLOCK DINER

York PA's Best Diner!



The Turkey Hill Experience features interactive exhibits allowing you to learn about dairy culture, the story of Turkey Hill Dairy, and how the company's ice cream and iced tea flavor are selected and created. You will truly experience what it's like to be a Turkey Hill Dairy ice cream maker for a day, including the opportunity to create your own virtual ice cream flavor. In addition, you can sit in our vintage milk truck, milk our mechanical cows, star in your very own Turkey Hill commercial, and enjoy plenty of free samples of iced tea and ice cream! Visit the Turkey Hill Experience in Columbia, PA - right here in Lancaster County.



The National Watch & Clock Museum has been delighting and educating visitors with the art, science, and history of timekeeping since 1977. Operated by the National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors, the Museum features the largest collection of timepieces in North America – more than 13,000 from around the world, including a German table clock from about 1570. Visiting the NAWCC Museum is the closest you can come to time travel. From prehistory to the space age, the items on display delight visitors of all ages. At the Museum one can enjoy the sights and sounds of watches and clocks from around the world, be inspired by the artistry and science of timepieces, and marvel at the inner workings of timekeepers of all shapes and sizes.







2022 Pennsylvania State Grange 150th Annual Session Hotel Reservation Information

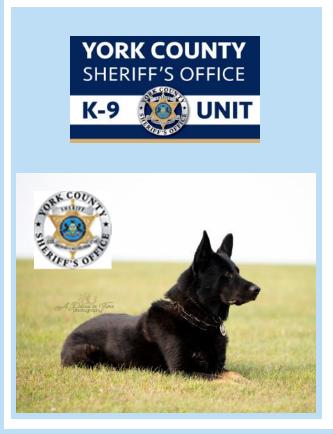
Wyndham Hotel Reservations Information:

Call: 717-846-9500 Press "0"

Room Block: PA State Grange

Queen double beds - \$149. a night

King Bed/pullout sofa sleeper - \$149. a night



York County K-9 Program Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022 8 p.m.

2022 Pennsylvania State Grange
150th Annual Session
Wyndham Hotel
2000 Laucks Road. York



The York County Sheriff's Office will be providing a presentation and demonstration about their K9 unit at the Wyndham Hotel, 2000 Laucks Road, York on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 8 p.m.



Tentative Schedule 150th Annual PA State Grange Session The Wyndham Garden York (HQ) 2000 Loucks Rd, York PA 17408

Thursday, October 13, 2022

1:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting 1:00 pm Exhibit Room Set-up by Committees

4:00 pm – 9:00 pm Convention Registration 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Exhibit Entries Accepted

6:00 pm Legislative Meet & Greet or Workshops

7:30 pm State Officers Rehearsal

8:00 pm K9 Demonstration – Lt. David M, Godfrey, York County Sherriff's Office

Friday, October 14, 2022

Committee Meetings at their discretion

8:00 am - 6:30 pm 8:00 am - 10:30 am Exhibit Entries Accepted 9:00 am OFFICAL OPENING

12:00 pm Luncheon (General and Past Officer Luncheon) Mtg. Room C

1:00 pm Judging of Exhibits 1:45 pm Session Reconvenes Suggestions for Officers

Two-minute comments for candidates

Continue work on Resolution

5:30 pm Dinner Recess 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Exhibit Room Open

7:00 pm - 7:30 pm Quilts of Valor Presentation

7:30 pm Presentation of the 3rd and 4th Degrees

9:30 pm Youth Officers Rehearsal

Saturday, October 15, 2022

8:00 am - 1:00 pm Convention Registration

(Registration will have someone "on call" the rest of the day)

9:00 am - 6:00 pm Exhibit Room Open

8:30 am Session opens with Youth Officers

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Junior Jam Registration *Depending on Jam Schedule*
11:30 am Additional Suggestions for Officers and Election of Officers

12:00 pm Youth Luncheon
2:00 pm Session Reconvenes
5:30 pm Dinner Recess

7:00 pm Conferral of 6th Degree 8:00 pm Installation of Officers Closing of Session

Closing of Session

Foundation Scholarship Auction

TBD Youth party

Sunday, October 15, 2022

8:00 am Church Service

9:00 am - 10:30 am Junior Grange Meeting/Degree

10:00 am - 11:30 am Pick-Up All Exhibits

10:30 am - 12:30 pm Sign-A-Song & Public Speaking

12:30 pm Milk Punch Reception1:00 pm All Granger Banquet





REGISTRATION FORM

Pennsylvania State Grange - 150th Annual Session October 14-16, 2022

Wyndham Garden, York PA

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please complete a separate form for each person attending. Additional forms are available at www.pagrange.org or by calling the State Grange office. (717-737-8855)

Please check all that apply:		
State OfficerPast State OfficerJunior	Yout	h Guest
Junior ChaperonePomona Delegate	_Subordinate	Delegate
Dept. Director/CommYouth C	Officer	
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY FO	OR NAME BADG	<u>E</u>
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Address	00000000000	
Phone () Email:	il	
Grange Name & NoCounty	<i>i</i>	
ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE POST MA	ARKED RV S	SEPTEMBER 15, 2022
There will be a \$10.00 Late fee assess	ed after deadli	ne registration.
Registration Fee	\$20.00	<u> </u>
Wine Tour; Ag Farms; National Cemetery and more – Wednesday	\$55.00	
Includes Bagged Lunch and Dinner (50-person limit)		
Historic York County tour - Thursday		
Leg Up Farmer Tour and Market; Turkey Hill Experience		
Natl Watch & Clock; Round-the-Clock Diner (Dinner on your own)		
Leave at 11:30 – return around 7:00 pm (48-person limit)	\$25.00	
Junior Jamboree (age 5-14)	\$25.00	Include all activities and food
Past Officers Luncheon – Friday (buffet)	\$25.00	
Children (4-10)	\$12.50	
Youth Banquet – Saturday – 12:00 pm	\$25.00	Open to Everyone
Children (4-10) meal available at	\$12.50	_
All Granger Banquet – Sunday – 1:00 pm	\$36.00	Open to Everyone
Children (4-10) (Chicken Fingers; French Fries		
or Mac & Cheese; Applesauce & Dessert	\$18.50	
Adults - for the All Granger Banquet (indicate your choice)		
Parmesan Crusted Chicken Herb Crusted Beef Round	Тор	Vegetarian Lasagna Roll
Continental Breakfast will be available Friday, Saturday & Sund	ay	
Total Enclosed	\$	
Please check if you will be participating in the following:		
Public Speaking Sign a Song Youth O	uting	_
Send form and payment by S	September 15,	2022
Make Checks payable to PA State Grange South Central Conver	ntion District	
Mail to: Debbie Campbell, 1791 Shull Hill Road., Newport, PA		
Questions can be directed to Lizzie Bailey (717) 254-9550 Ibaile		net: Robert Bair (717) 873-8275
grange2022Session@yahoo.com	,	, (,
NOTICE: Gluten Free and/or Vegetarian meals are available. Any diet Please list them here:	ary or allergy co	ncerns must be known prior to State Session.



Junior Committee Philip Vonada PA State Junior Grange Director



How is summer almost already here? There is so much to look forward to!

I hope you're making plans to join us for Junior Grange Camp (June 26-July 2) and Family Festival (July 14-17)! Camp registrations are due on June 1st, by visiting www.tinyurl.com/jgcamp2022 or filling out the form on page 26. Family Festival registration is due June 15th!

There's going to be a ton of fun at camp - from celebrating the winter holidays, to a "snowball" fight, and the usual camp activities - fires, games, and a whole lot more!

We will also be picking our new Junior Grange Ambassadors at camp! As a reminder, the PAJG Ambassadors will be one male and one female, who have celebrated their 12th but not their 15th birthday by December 31st of the year they are competing at State Camp. (This means Junior Ambassador candidates may range in age from 11 to 14 during camp. Candidates are not limited to the number of times they may compete in these years.) The full rules can be found on the Junior page on pagrange.org.

The Ambassadors are the face of the Junior Grange Department and get to participate in several fantastic opportunities, including National Grange, the PA Farm Show, Royalty Day in Harrisburg, and the DC Experience with the National Grange. Please go to page 30 to hear from Sadie and Harvey about their time in Washington DC - they were fantastic representatives of the Juniors across our state!

We are also seeking Counselors and Helpers to help us run Junior Grange Camp! Helpers must be between 15 and 18 as of the start of camp, and anyone over 18 will be a counselor. Email me (pajuniorgrange@gmail.com) to get a copy of the Counselor/Helper application. Note that no staff will be able to come without current clearances. Submitting an application does not guarantee you will be able to attend camp.

Clearances

Speaking of clearances, this has become a very big issue for me and the whole State Grange, the National Junior Grange, and the National Grange. It is imperative that EVERY Junior Leader, Assistant Leader, and anyone else who is left in charge of children in your Grange have ALL of their clearances on file with the PA State Grange! This isn't meant to be any reflection on you as a leader, but rather a layer of protection that keeps our

children safe, as well as your home Grange all the way up through the National Grange. Please read the article from Barb Schroeder and the Executive Committee to learn more.

Information on clearances can be found at

pagrange.org/juniors.html. They are FREE for volunteers, so there's really NO REASON to not get your clearances taken care of!

Finally, I want to say THANK YOU to every individual and Grange who has given our annual appeal so far! I am so grateful for the outpouring of support from every corner of the state. It means the world to each of our Juniors to know that they have such amazing Grange support!

Contest Feature

Coming up in July is Family Festival - and one of the highlights is the Talent Show! I want to encourage you all to enter!

Categories:

- 1. **Vocal** individual and group acts
- 2. **Instrumental** individual and group acts
- 3. **Other Acts** any performance of a group or individual that involves dancing, gymnastics, etc. Any performances portraying an entertainment act using dexterity

and gracefulness. This class also includes any performance that involves an oral presentation, such as skits, readings, etc.

Rules:

- 1. There are two age categories-5-9 and 10-14.
- 2. Acts have five minutes from the time the contestants enter the stage until they exit the stage
- 3. First-prize winners from the previous year may not enter the same category, unless they have moved to a new age category.
- 4. Group and individual acts are judged against one another. A contestant may enter both as an individual and as a part of a group.
- 5. Any act deemed inappropriate will be disqualified from competition.
- 6. Groups minimum of 2 members, maximum of 6 will be judged based on the age of the oldest member of the group. All members of the group must be of Junior age.

Judging Guidelines:

- 1. Stage presence 15 pts
- 2. Appropriate dress 5 pts
- 3. Skill of presentation 60 pts
- 4. Suitability of the act 15 pts
- 5. Audience appeal 5 pts

Awards for Talent Contest: These are given in each category in each age division (5-9 and 10-14)

1st - \$20.00

2nd - \$15.00

3rd - \$10.00

Note: Groups will receive one check to be split among all members.

Can't make it to Family Festival?

You can check out the **National Junior Grange Digital Talent Show**, which ALSO offers cash prizes! Learn about it in the National Junior Grange Program Guide here;

https://www.nationaljuniorgrangecontent/uploads/2021/12/2022-Junior-Program-Guide.pdf

Save the date for:

Junior Grange Ambassadors

throw the first pitch at the Harrisburg Senators Game - June 7

PA Junior Grange Camp - June 26-July 2 at Sylvan Hills Christian Camp, Howard, PA (Register:

tinyurl.com/jgcamp2022)

Family Festival - July 15-18 at Centre County Grange Fairgrounds (Water Games on Friday, and Junior Activities throughout the weekend!) State Grange (Contests, Junior Jam, and fun!) - October 14-16 (Contest check-in on the 13th, Junior Jam begins on the 15th, York, PA

National Grange - November 15-19 in Sparks, Nevada

I look forward to seeing you all soon! And as always, be kind,

Philip J Vonada
PA Junior Grange Director
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South Williamsport, PA 17702
814-404-7985
pajuniorgrange@gmail.com

2022 Family Festival MEALS

Any items are subject to change

Thursday Dinner - Baked Ziti; Plain and BBQ Chicken; rolls; tossed salad

Friday; Saturday; Sunday Breakfast

Pancakes-French Toast/Syrup/Butter Scrapple/Sausage/Bacon

Eggs made to order

Toast; English Muffins; Bagels

Milk; OJ; Coffee; Hot Tea

Cold Cereal Fruit Cocktail

Friday Lunch

Hoagies — Ham; Hard Salami; Bologna; Meatballs; Tuna Salad; Tossed Salad

Fruit — Watermelon; Cantaloupe;

Blueberries; Grapes

Pickles; Pickled Eggs-Red Beets

Nacho's & Cheese

Applesauce

Pudding; Dessert

Friday Dinner

Hot Dogs Baked Potatoes Chili from Cook-Off Tossed Salad: Cookies

Saturday Lunch

Pudding & Dessert

Taco Salad; Tossed Salad Nacho's & Cheese Grilled Cheese; Tomato Soup Applesauce;



Saturday Dinner

Baked Ham; Corn Scalloped Potatoes Sweet Potatoes

Apple Sauce; Tossed Salad

Dessert



June 26 - July 2, 2022 - Sylvan Hills Christian Service Camp, Howard, PA

Age 7 - 14 as of the start of camp

<u>Please fill out one application for each camper</u> Counselors/Helpers: Please contact Philip to receive a registration form!

Camper Name	M F
Address Phone _	
City/State/ZIP	T-Shirt Size (circle one)
Email	YS YM YL Adult: S M L XL 2XL 3XL
Date of Birth / / Age on 12/31/2022	
Grange Name & Number	
First Year at Camp? Yes No How many years in Jr. Gra	ange?
Any application received after 67 an additional \$20 and are not guestion. Camp Packets with more information will be mailed/e-mailed to all camp	
\$165 Full-Week \$15 per camper is subsidized by the Jonathan Sattazahn Memorial Fund Half-Week Option (Weds-Sat) is available for first-year 7 and 8 y	rear-old campers ONLY
Sibling Discount: 1st Child = Full Price; then \$15 off for each child after Sibling discount not applicable for half-week campers	r. (2nd = \$150; 3rd = \$150; etc.)
FOOD DONATIONS Each family can save \$10 if you would be willing to bring a food donate. The item(s) we would like you camp Packet or e-mailed directly to you. Note: If you forget to bring your donation to camp, you WILL be cheat the work of the camp and the work of th	ou to bring will be included in you narged the additional \$10.
Rayment Options: Enclosed is my check pay Please email me with a line	/able to PA Junior Grange nk to pay online
Mail completed forms and check PAJG c/o Philip Vonada, 358 Clinton Street, South Willi or scan and email to: PAJuniorGrange@gme Online form available at: https://tinyurl.com/jg	amsport, PA 17702



Pennsylvania State Grange Cookbooks



\$30 each Order Cookbooks at: www.pagrange.org/

Call 717-737-8855

Pennsylvania State Grange Lapel Pins



\$5

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Apple Butter

The Pennsylvania State Grange has been able to purchase one batch of Apple Butter to sell for this year. The 91 cases of Apple Butter have been distributed throughout the State for your convenience in picking it up. Please contact one of the following people to arrange picking up Apple Butter if your Grange would like to sell it.

Contact the Pennsylvania State Grange office at 717.737.8855 or call Wayne at 717.275.5045 for pricing.

Union Grange, Susquehanna Co. Wayne Oakley 570.575.9978
Progress Grange, Centre Co. Tammy Jurkowski 814.404.2460
Hickory Grange, Clearfield Co. Debra Kramer 814.771.8459
Crawford Pomona, Crawford Co. Sherman Allen 814.671.9947
Fairview Grange, Beaver Co. Chuck Campbell 727.601.3184
Pennsylvania State Grange office, 717.737.8855 or 717.275.5045

Developing a relationship with road side produce markets and country stores has proved successful for several Granges in marketing the product.



Government Matters
Carrie Nace
Novak Strategic Advisors

GOVERNMENT MATTERS

It is hard to believe that we will be headed towards summer when you read this while, I write, outside it is 29 degrees with gusty snow squalls. However, there are glimpses of light in the darkest of times and I predict bright and warm days ahead.

I am looking forward to getting out to see many of you as I speak to your Granges this spring. My deepest gratitude to those of you who extended an invitation and I hope to get out to speak to as many of you as possible. I sincerely want to hear what is on your mind so I can better represent you and your concerns at the Capitol.

In addition to the formal speaking engagements, I have been delighted by the attendance on my monthly "Legislative Zooms". We have had two Zooms to date and I am looking forward to continuing these meetings. I am inviting all of you to join when you can. They are held the second Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. Lizzie has graciously agreed to send out email blasts with the log on information. These interative Zooms are a chance for us to informally discuss legislative issues and priorities. Most importantly, I gain invaluable feedback on where the Grange should go legislatively. It also gives me a chance to get to know our membership better. If you

have any questions or need more information please reach out at carrie@nsallc.com or 717-424-5832. Looking forward to talking with you all.

Legislative Meetings Broadband

On Monday, March 7th, Pennsylvania State Grange President Wayne Campbell, Jeanne Shearer of Windstream and I met to discuss Windstream's advancements in deploying fiber lines in rural Pennsylvania. Broadband deployment in rural Pennsylvania has been a top priority for the Pennsylvania State Grange for many years and it was great to hear from a company that is putting boots on the ground working to deploy durable fiber lines. We also discussed the federal funding given to Pennsylvania and how it is instrumental in getting unserved areas of Pennsylvania the broadband they so desperately need.

Jeanne invited the Grange to speak at the opening of one of their projects in Crawford County. Vice President Dick Mangel represented the Grange at the event.

Solar Policy Discussion in the Capitol

The Pennsylvania State Grange has been increasingly involved in shaping policy around Solar Development. Specifically, how it affects the food supply when Class 1 and Class 2 farmland are taken out of production. It was a focus of our Farm Show Panel this year.

In early March, Senator Chris Gebhard's staff requested a meeting with Wayne and I to discuss the Pennsylvania State Grange's concerns over the loss of this farmland. The Senator's office read articles on our discussions on solar development and how it is affecting Grange members and wanted our insight. The Senator's staff asked input as they put together draft legislation addressing the issue.

Farmers Breakfasts

Recently, many members held Farmers Breakfasts and the Grange was pleased to be able to attend many of them.

On **February 24th**, Rep. Torren Ecker held his farmers breakfast in Arendtsville, PA and I was honored to be a guest speaker along with three other women in agriculture. I spoke on my love of the agriculture community and the goals and priorities of the Grange.

On March 11th, Nace, Campbell and Lizzie Bailey traveled to Rep. Perry Stambaugh's farmers breakfast in Perry County. We had the opportunity to discuss Grange issues and priorities with Congressman G.T. Thompson who was a guest speaker and the Republican Chairman of the Federal House Agriculture Committee.

On March 18th, we attended Rep.

Johnathan Hershey's Farmers Breakfast at Walker Grange #786, in Juniata County, where Secretary Russell Redding spoke. Hershey is a member of both the House Agriculture Committee and the Appropriations Committee.

Secretary Russell Redding and Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

On Monday, March 21st the Grange met with Secretary Russell Redding of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and his entire administrative team at the request of the department to discuss the Pennsylvania State Grange's legislative priorities. Broadband. Solar and the Over Order Premium were among the topics of conversation in the hour and a half long meeting. We were honored to discuss our priorities with the department and we look forward to working together to move Pennsylvania agriculture forward.

Milk Bills Passed by House Agriculture Committee

The Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives returned to session after a six week break for budget hearings the week of March 28th. The House Agriculture Committee went to work and passed a series of bills dealing with Dairy. Bills passed by the committee include: HB2397 (Lawrence): The Whole Milk in Pennsylvania Schools Act authorizes the provision or sale of Pennsylvania milk in Pennsylvania schools: Provides Pennsylvania

milk that is offered for sale shall be deemed as intrastate commerce: and Provides the school board or other governing entity of a Pennsylvania school may elect to utilize funds from state or local sources to obtain whole Pennsylvania milk or reduced fat Pennsylvania milk to provide or sell at the Pennsylvania school. Passed unanimously.



HB223 (Lawrence): The Keystone Opportunity Dairy Zone Act provides for the creation of keystone opportunity dairy zones to facilitate the economic development of the dairy industry; authorizes expenditures; provides exemptions, tax deductions, tax abatements and tax credits; creates additional obligations of the commonwealth and local governmental units; and prescribes the powers and duties of certain state and local departments, agencies and officials. Passed unanimously.

HB1847 (Sappey): Amends Milk Marketing Law, renaming the Milk Marketing Board to the Pennsylvania Milk Board.
HB224 (Lawrence): Amends the Milk Marketing Law, in general powers of the board, providing for board established premiums; and in prices of milk, providing for board established premiums, further providing for cooperatives, and further providing for the Milk Marketing Fund.

Telehealth

In addition to the above mentioned bills, the House Insurance Committee passed a bill to allow more access to telehealth, an issue the Pennsylvania State Grange supports.

HB2419 (Pickett): removes a statutory barrier giving the Department of Human Services more flexibility to issue waivers to accommodate individual clinics in providing mental health services. The legislation will allow licensed prescribing professionals to work within their scope of practice as is the case in the physical health care arena.

I hope each and everyone of you has an amazing spring and summer and I look forward to connecting with as many of you as possible. As always reach out anytime at carrie@nsallc.com or 717-424-5832.



My Time at the Washington DC Experience

In March, I had the opportunity to participate in the National Grange's Washington DC Experience. While I was in Washington, I learned about several different things, such as several of the different ways that the government operates. I learned what grassroots advocating is. I also learned the most effective ways to get Representatives to listen to the issues you have and how to get them to push a solution for this problem.

This weekend of learning started on Saturday March 12, however I did not arrive until Sunday the 13th. The trip started out when we traveled from our hotel to the National Grange headquarters on the Metro. Once we arrived at the Grange office, we were given a presentation on "What the government is, grassroots advocating, and Grange policy" by Sean O'Neal, who is the Legislative Assistant for the National Grange. Later that day, we toured the Smithsonian Museum of American History, toured the Grange building, and took a night time trolley tour of the city later that night.

The next day, we headed back to the Grange headquarters for more workshops that consisted of; a virtual tour of the National Postal Museum, a presentation on rural broadband - what it is and what the Grange's goals for it are, a presentation on rural healthcare problems, a presentation on the importance of rural aviation, and also a presentation on the mental health crisis in America. After the presentations we had pretend interviews to practice for the meeting with our representatives the next day, then we had activities led by Cole Settle and Amber Corll, the National Grange Youth Ambassadors, and Cade Howerton, one of the National Junior Ambassadors.

On Tuesday, we had meetings with our senators and got a private tour of the US Capital building (my favorite part). For the rest of the



day we all had free time so my family walked around the capital some more and saw the White House and the Washington Monument. The meetings with our senators were the last of the trip so later that day after supper we left for home.

One of my favorite parts of this trip was the personal tour of the US Capital Building because I liked to be able to have the tour in a small group with all people I knew and not need headphones. I also enjoyed being able to see the tunnels and subways that the congressmen use, and the way things work from the inside. Another one of my favorite parts about this trip was the National Grange building because of the placement, the view, having a home base, and learning more history of the Grange. I really enjoyed this trip and would definitely recommend it to other people because I learned a lot about the Grange and the US Government. Also on this trip I got to meet new people, and also got to spend time with my friends from other states that I otherwise wouldn't have gotten to see for a very long time.

Harvey Reyburn, PA Junior Ambassador



From March 12-15th, I attended the National Grange Washington DC Experience. For me this trip was a very good learning experience. I learned about issues rural communities are experiencing that I did not know about. One example is rural broadband, where many communities are experiencing no internet which can hinder kids abilities to learn remotely. Some of the other topics discussed were the challenges with Rural Aviation and the cost of fuel, Rural Healthcare was about the lack of medical providers in the less populated areas, and finally Rural Mental Health that dealt with the lack of specialists available in rural America.

While listening to all of our speakers talk about these topics, it opened my eyes to the actual issues that are going on in rural communities right now.

After learning about these issues, we had the opportunity to meet with representatives from Pennsylvania Senator Pat Toomey and Senator Bob Casey's offices. While we were in these meetings, we brought up many of the topics we had learned about and some of our very own personal experiences since I also live in a rural community.

We didn't only learn about important issues, we also got to explore Washington DC and have some fun. We took a moonlight monument trolley tour and explored the Smithsonian Museum of American History where we got to see some really cool things. We were also honored to receive a private tour of the United States Capitol building even though it was closed to the public.

My favorite thing about the experience would be meeting fellow Grangers from across the USA. My overall experience of the DC Experience was amazing because I went out of my comfort zone and talked about issues that affected me and other Grangers in rural communities.

Sadie Johnson PA Junior Ambassador

What's happening across PA ...



The PA State Grange is beginning a planning/visioning process to discuss the future of the Grange in Pennsylvania.

We are looking for **dedicated volunteers** who are interested in being part of this **long-term process**.

The committee will be comprised of members of different ages, geographic areas, and Grange experience. From those who volunteer, a committee will be appointed by the Executive Committee to ensure a fair representation.

If you are interested in volunteering and being considered for the committee, please contact **pagrangeplanning@gmail.com** or call the State Office at **(717) 737- 8855.**

Hamburg Grange #2103











Justine and Keith Danenhower and Michael Adams.

Chicken Pot Pie Fundraising Dinner Susan Boehm and Keith Danenhower

THANK YOU to everyone who came out to the Hamburg Grange pot pie dinner on March 20th. We served over 500 and were totally sold out about 2 hours after we started! We were completely blown away by the community's support and I'm sure the two families we were raising money for felt the same.

What's happening across PA...

WINDFALL #257

Windfall #257 honored their 50, 60, and 70th year members with a dinner and a program afterwards. Rev. Garry Zuber of Troy, PA gave an interesting program on gratitude and gave each of us a "thank you" card that his granddaughter had made to send to someone who had blessed you in some way.

Rev. Zuber presented 70 year membership certificates to Ellen Foust and Paul Brackman, 60 year membership certificates to Kay Saxton and Jim Denkenberger, and 50 year Golden Sheaf booklets to Lynn and Betty Shedden.







STONY POINT #1694

Stony Point Grange members prepared and served Presidents Day meals on February 22 to 191 clients of The Good Shepard Center in Greenville. Left to right in the photo are: Ruth Gruber, Jason Gruber, Stanley Gruber, Kathy Ammann, Nick Ammann, Martha Gruber, and Ken Ammann. Missing are Tom and Hazel Harpst and Pat and Marlene Boyd.



Walker #786

Walker Grange #786, located in Mifflintown, Juniata County prepared Representative John Hershey's Farmers' Breakfast on March 18, 2022.



Grange members served up pancakes, sausage, fruit, and sweet breakfast treats for the event attendees. The annex was filled with attendees who came to hear Rep. Hershey, Secretary Redding, and David Swartz retired PSU analyst who talked about risks and threats for farmers.









Wayne Campbell, Rep. John Hershey, Art Hershey, and Secretary Russell Redding.

Pennsylvania State Grange



Pennsylvania State Grange was invited by Secretary Russell Redding to meet with PA Department of Agriculture staff to discuss current Grange legislative policies.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TREXLERTOWN #1755

Mothers & Others All Ages Welcome!

You're invited...

TREXLERTOWN GRANGE MOTHER'S DAY TEA



SATURDAY MAY 7, 2022 1 P.M.



Menu
Variety of Sandwiches
Desserts
Tea/Coffee/Milk Punch

Reservations Required: Donations accepted Limited Seating!



Text/Call: 610-392-1423 or 717.254.9550

Trexlertown Grange#1755,

1183 Grange Road, Wescosville, PA



Pulled Pork Sandwich Dinner

On **Saturday June 25**, Trexlertown will be holding a **Pulled Pork Sandwich Dinner**.

The dinner is \$12 per person.

This meal can be take out or be eaten at the grove pavilion by the Grange Hall. Musical entertainment will be provided at the pavilion.

To **reserve your meals**please **call 610-392-1423 or 610-398-1110.**

UPCOMING EVENT

PROGRESS #96



Progress Grange #96 is holding its 6th Annual Children's Fair on Saturday July 16th from 10am-3pm.

For more information please email progressgrange96@gmail.com

or visit us on our Facebook page fb.me/ProgressGrange96

UPCOMING EVENT

VIRGINVILLE #1832

Mother's Day All You Can Eat Buffe Dine-In or Takeout

Sunday May 8, 2022 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. Virginville Grange

Reservations strongly recommended.

Limited walk-ins welcomed.

\$18 for adults
\$9 for children ages 5-10
Tax Included.

Preorder whole pies to take home for \$11.



Dinner reservations, whole pie orders & take out platters are due by Sunday April 24th!

Please call Jenn Berger at 610-823-4813.

What's happening across PA...

GOUGLERSVILLE #1743

The Gouglersville Grange Tractor Engine Show for 2021 was a huge success. The Grange was blessed with wonderful weather, great food, and a nice turnout. Special features last year were "milking the cow" with an International, tractor games and fun rides for the kids. The high point of the weekend featured a memorial to the late Wilbur Lutz, a long-time Grange member. An avid collector of Cletrac tractors, the memorial features one of Wilbur's favorites. This year's upcoming event will take place on September 24th & 25th 2022. Join us for two days of community fun, a celebration of the agricultural lifestyle, and as always, good food.











BIG KNOB #2008

Big Knob Grange #2008 held a Benefit Pancake, Buckwheat Cake and Sausage Dinner on March 1. The dinner was to help with the medical expenses for two local women. We served 490 dinners, had a basket raffle and a bake sale. Our proceeds totaled \$11,000! We were able to present a check in the amount of \$5,500 to each of the families.



HICKORY #1285



In the photo from left to right are Oklahoma Teacher and Grange Member Mrs. Heather Shirey, Jr. Grange Member Wren Shirey, Grange Member Tom McFall, Josephine Elias (student), Jace Kephart (student), Jr Grange Member and student Alyson Kalgren, Julianna

The Hickory Grange #1285 of DuBois recently donated \$1,000 the the Oklahoma Elementary School Arts in the DuBois Area School District. The art teacher Mr. Cherubini is raising money to put in a kiln for the students in grades K-4 at Oklahoma Elementary. The kiln will allow the students the hands on experience of creating pottery. Elias (student), Colby Shick (student), Arden Mohney (student), Grange Member Debra Kramer, and Oklahoma Art Teacher Mr. Matt Cherubini.

MARION #223







In January, Marion Grange #223 gathered over 200 items to be donated to the Centre County Child Access Center located in Bellefonte. The Child Access Center works to promote the physical and emotional security of children and their families and provides a safe, supportive environment for monitored custody exchanges and supervised visitations.

At their February meeting Marion Grange #223 put together 40 Jared boxes for boys and girls that will be donated to local hospitals. The mission of the Jared Box Project is to entertain and put a smile on the faces of children in the hospital. It was started in 2001 by the children at Our Lady of Victory School in State College, PA to honor their classmate and friend, Jared. He was a brave little boy who battled cancer with courage and faith. His story continues to inspire people across the United States. Since its inception, more than 986,000 boxes have been delivered to over 400 hospitals across the country.

ONTELAUNEE #1617



Kneeling: Angie Davis, Pam Shealer, Fran Merkel Middle row: Nettie Kauffman, Darlene Savage, Ruth Steinhauer, May Blatt Back row: Mike Davis, Dennis Savage, Ray Davis, Marvin Heck



Rev. Nacy Clark



First row: Chloe Shealer, Coy Koller, Bryce Davis Back row: Emma Potts, Angie Davis, Alexa Davis, Daniel (Shorty) Unterkofler, Jen Koller, Wyatt Koller

Ontelaunee Grange Community Night Program.

Community Service is a big part of the Ontelaunee Grange and tonight three programs were highlighted. The Ontelaunee Grange donated \$1,500 to the Schuylkill Valley Community Library Building Fund and \$1,000 to the Hope Rescue Mission for a stair chairlift. The money raised for these programs come from fundraisers and the Ontelaunee Grange Breakfasts tips.

The Ontelaunee Junior Grange presented \$8,000 to Bailey Unterkofler and family from their spaghetti dinner fundraiser. The money was raised to help with medical cost for Bailey's Hodgkin's Lymphoma cancer treatments. The Ontelaunee Grange also recognized their Grange members with membership awards. Recognized for 75 years - Ruth Rausch, 65 years - Ray Davis, Nettie Kauffman and Ruth Steinhauer, 60 years - Marvin Heck, Frances Merkel, May Blatt, 55 years - Allen Davis, Larry Glesinger, 50 years - Clyde Kramer, Linda Kramer and Miriam Manwiller, 45 years - Lynn Kauffman, 40 years - Richard Schanaman, 35 years - Michael Davis, 30 years - Angela Davis, 20 years - Dennis Campbell and Karl Engle, 15 years - Pam Shealer, 10 years - Richard Henry, Darlene Savage, Dennis Savage

Entertainment was provided by Rev. Nacy Clark, entitled "Humor for the Health of it". Thank you for everyone's support of the Ontelaunee Grange and all our programs.

HISTORY OF THE YOUTH AND JUNIOR CAMPS



The idea of Youth and Junior Camps, now one of the most popular summer events for the Grange's younger members, was so new and almost revolutionary that many concerns were raised by leaders when

first proposed in the 1940's. Elizabeth Millard (later Norris), Pennsylvania's Juvenile Grange Superintendent at this time, spent many hours in consultation with National Master Albert S. Goss who pointed out the problems that might occur that could disrupt the stability of the State Grange but, nonetheless, gave words of encouragement to proceed with plans for a Pennsylvania Juvenile Grange camp. The first camp was held for a full week at Camp Brule in Forksville, Sullivan County, in 1947.

The first PA State Grange Youth Camp was a weekend event held in August 1953 at Seven Mountains Boy Scout Camp north of Lewistown.



Spanish Rice

1 lb. ground beef1/2 cup ketchup1 small onion, chopped3 Tbsp sugar1 small green pepper, choppedsalt to taste1 cup cooked ricepepper to taste

1 (10.75 oz) can tomato soup

1 Tbsp chili powder

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef with onion and green pepper. Drain. Mix meat mixture will all other ingredients. Put in a greased casserole dish. (I usually double the recipe. A double batch fits in an 8" x 11" casserole pan.) Bake until hot and bubbly.

Emma L Hammond, Fairview #1351

This recipe can be found in the Pennsylvania State Grange's 150th Anniversary Cookbook.

Beef Nacho Casserole



1 lb. ground beef2 cups tortilla chips, crushed1 cup frozen corn, thawed2 cups shredded cheese

1 (12 oz) jar salsa optional toppings: shredded lettuce,

3/4 cup mayonnaise tomato, sour cream

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef and drain. Stir in corn, salsa, mayonnaise and chili powder. Layer 1/2 each of mixture, chips and cheese in a 9" x 13" or larger pan. Repeat. Heat until cheese melts, between 10 and 20 minutes. Tope with shredded lettuce, tomato and sour cream if desired.

Sue Bankert, Red Lion #1781

This recipe can be found in the Pennsylvania State Grange's 150th Anniversary Cookbook.

Member Benefit Highlights

Are you planning a summer vacation this year? The Grange offers discounts at 2 major hotel chains worldwide!





As a member of the Grange you will receive up to 20% off at both Wyndham Hotel & Resorts and Choice Hotels. Whyndhan has over 7,500 locations worldwide. There are also over 4,000 Comfort Inns, Comfort Suites, Quality, Sleep Inns, Clarion, MainStay Suites, EconoLodge, and Rodeway Inn hotels worldwide. Both of these companies require and ID code for the discount, so please call 717–737–8855 or Brittany at 717–743–9787 to get the ID discount code.



Do you own a pet? Do you have pet insurance in case something happens to him or her? The National Grange offers Pet Insurance though Nationwide Insurance Company.

Nationwide Insurance provides affordable pet health coverage from preventive care to significant medical incidents. National Grange members are eligible for a 5% discount (or more for multiple pets) which make this peace-of-mind protection even more affordable. Find out why Nationwide is the #1 choice in America for pet insurance. For more information go to https://benefits.petinsurance.com/national-grange



Welcome New Members!!!



South Auburn #1188 Izabella Tvler Kimmerlings #1529 Sherry Paulk East Franklin #1709 Carol Stewart **Hamburg** #2103 **Briggett Cogland**



Pioneer #1777 Robert Pensinger (June 1936)



CORRECTION:

In the March/April Issue, Donald Shartle was referred to as David Shartle. We regret this error.

In Memoriam

"Well Done Good and Faithful Servant..."

Baileyville #1991

Anna Margaret Peters Elizabeth (Betty) Deibler Hickory Grange #1285

Carmichaels #1389

Virginia Kerr Centre Hill #885

Elroy Dixon

Edinboro #947

Eleanor Smiley

Forest #853

Jeanne Reinhard

Gouglersville #1743

Marian Weitzel

Gail Kalgren

Nertta McFall

Keystone #2 Irene Blank

Mt. Nebo #1872

James R Reid Richland #1413

Audine Smith

Russellville#91

Samuel Reyburn

Shavers Creek #353

Bernice Mowrer

Twin East Hanover #2089

Evelyn Donmoyer

Turbett #781

Diane Ditmer Victor #159

Lanny McCoy

Wills #1690

Betty M Mancini William Knight

We are looking for couples who met in the Grange to give us their love story. Some of these stories will then be published in a later issue. So if you and your spouse met in the Grange please send your love story to

pagrange@pagrange.org.



All dates are tentative and subject to change.

2022-2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

5th: Cinco de Mayo 30th: Memorial Day



JUNE

14th: Flag Day
24-26th: Youth Camp;
Camp Sylvan Hills
26-July 2nd: Junior
Grange Camp; Camp
Sylvan Hills

JULY

4th: Independence Day 14-17th: Family Festival; Centre County Fairgrounds



AUGUST

9-11th: AG Progress Days; Pennsylvania Furnace



SEPTEMBER

5th: Labor Day



OCTOBER

14-16th: State Session; York, PA 31st: Happy Halloween!



NOVEMBER

11th: Veterans Day 15-19th: National Grange Convention; Sparks, Nevada 24th: Happy







JANUARY 2023

1st: Happy New Year 7-14th: PA Farm Show



FEBRUARY

20st: President's Day



MARCH

12th: Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks forward)

Thanksgiving



APRIL

9th: Easter 22nd: Earth Day



Pennsylvania State Grange

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- Wyndham Hotel: Members save up to 20%
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- National Grange Travel Center
- Office Depot/Office Max/Shop.com
- TSYS Merchant Solutions

Pennsylvania State Grange Benefits

- American Income Life: All members receive a \$3000 Accidental Death Benefit.
- Avis Car Rental: Discounted Member Rates.
- BJ's Wholesale Club: Save \$15 on Basic, or \$30 on Rewards Membership, plus 1 free month.
- •Tickets At Work: Offers discounts on movie tickets, concerts, travel, theme parks, and shopping.



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The Pennsylvania State Grange also offers scholarships and interest free loans.