



Eagle Grange #1

Route 15 & East Blind Road, Montgomery, PA 17752

January 2023



Reviewing 2022; Looking Forward to 2023!

Join us at Eagle Grange's next meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 (6:30 p.m. in the Grange Hall) to both look back at past accomplishments and plan exciting things for the coming year. During the program this evening we'll enjoy a pictorial review of Grange events during 2022 and then discuss how we might build upon this with more activities & projects for an even more successful 2023.

2022 Accomplishments Completed or in Progress	Plans for 2023 – To be discussed at planning meeting on 1/3/2023
Service Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free "Share the Love" Valentine's dinner FFA Blue Jacket scholarships School staff appreciation gift bags <i>Books for a Buck</i> – Montgomery Elementary Holiday food collection joint project with FFA Jingle Bell Jamboree Charitable gifts of \$2,000+ for various causes 	Service Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third "Share the Love" dinner – 2/11 FFA Blue Jacket scholarships Charitable gifts More family friendly events (like Jingle Bell Jam) _____ _____ _____
Property Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New exterior signage Paved parking lot Installation of kitchen exhaust hood Gifted piano, microwave & basement sump pump Planning for additional kitchen improvements 	Property Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kitchen improvements - countertops, sinks, faucets, possible additional oven capacity Completion of hood functionality/electrical outlets Permanent mounting of outdoor roadside sign _____
Fund Raising Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation of "Friends of Eagle Grange" Seven take-out dinners Continued sale of Grange cookbooks 	Fund Raising Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation – cookbooks & "Friends" Take-out dinners (proposed dates for 2023) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 3/25, 5/5, 6/17, 7/29, 9/23, 11/4 _____
Miscellaneous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Rally Entertained California Grange at picnic Exhibits at four local fairs Completed incorporation & property transfer Educational programs at all meetings 	Miscellaneous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Rally – 4/22 Fair exhibits Well run meetings/good programs Special events – St. Patrick's potluck, Hawaiian luau, picnic, Schneebeli Earth Science Center tour

Please join us for the discussion and share your ideas!

2022 Financial Statement - Eagle Grange #1

(January 2022 meeting through December 2022 meeting)

Starting Checkbook Balance		\$ 12,508.41	<p>Notes (rounded to nearest dollar)</p> <p>\$11,613- Net proceeds in 2022 from take-out dinners & projects</p> <p>\$30,259 - Friends of Eagle Grange donations received since inception in 2019</p> <p>\$76,252 – Total investment for property improvements 2020-2022</p> <p>*Represents remaining principal from sale of Grange real estate - Capt. John Brady, West Branch, Lycova, Bottle Run & Delaware Granges merged into Eagle</p> <p>Custodial account principal may be used only for property improvements and/or 10% per year for community service; principal of \$31,500 was with-drawn in 2020 - \$30,000 for property improvements and \$1,500 for community service (donations to fire companies)</p>
Receipts			
Take out dinners & other projects gross income		18,496.00	
2022-2-12 Share the Love Valentine Dinner	2,424.00		
2022-3-25 Pork & Sauerkraut	2,035.00		
2022-4-9 Road Rally	320.00		
2022-5-24 Roast Beef	2,457.00		
2022-6-25 Baked Ham	2,420.00		
2022-8-13 Pulled Pork	2,555.00		
2022-9-24 Chicken Breast	2,629.00		
2022-11-12 Turkey	3,656.00		
Contributions - Friends of Eagle Grange		11,750.41	
Cookbook sales		1,984.00	
Dues income		1,715.00	
Fair exhibit premiums		1,000.00	
Hall use donations		780.00	
Interest on custodial account w/State Grange		624.14	
Designated donations – food collection, Scout project, etc.		410.00	
Memorials – Elizabeth Anstadt		200.00	
150th anniversary – sale of remaining t-shirts & booklets		166.00	
Miscellaneous		309.00	
Total Receipts 2022		\$37,434.55	
Expenditures			
Property/Capital Improvements		24,416.92	
Take-out dinners & other projects expenses		6,882.86	
2022-2-12 Share the Love Valentine Dinner	1,115.64		
2022-3-25 Pork & Sauerkraut	822.60		
2022-5-24 Roast Beef	954.03		
2022-6-25 Baked Ham	886.74		
2022-8-13 Pulled Pork	828.12		
2022-9-24 Chicken Breast	1,018.62		
2022-11-12 Turkey	1,257.11		
Property transfer tax and legal fees to State Grange		3,499.08	
Utilities		2,081.53	
Electric service	1,844.67		
Propane Gas	236.86		
Charitable Gifts/Awards		2,079.71	
State/National Grange dues		1,984.00	
Eagle Scout project supplies		1,118.96	
Insurance – fire, liability, officer bond		921.50	
Cookbooks		590.00	
Programs - honoraria/refreshments/mics. expenses		532.20	
Fair exhibit materials		200.51	
Routine Property maintenance		150.00	
Bank charges – checks/safety deposit box		131.39	
Postage		71.56	
Office Supplies		42.80	
Miscellaneous		60.00	
Total Expenditures 2022		\$ 44,763.02	
Ending Checkbook Balance		\$ 5,179.94	
*Custodial Acct. Balance held by State Grange		\$ 35,746.99	

Scenes from December 6th Holiday Dinner



Right before our very eyes that evening, Jeff Baker from Lewisburg gave a very inspiring chalk art presentation entitled "Be Passionate" combining his outstanding artistic skills with the spoken word and music.



The lights are dimmed to reveal new features in the artwork, including an eagle soaring over the landscape.



The finished picture was gifted to the Grange.



Ken & Nancy Eck of Muncy received the Grange's Community Citizen Award for their volunteer service to many causes.



The State Grange 150th anniversary candle is lit and a reading is given at each meeting during the year.

Joint Food Collection Project with Local FFA



Eagle Grange and the Montgomery High School FFA Chapter partnered this holiday season to collect food, paper and personal hygiene items for distribution to those in need by the Footprints of Montgomery Food Pantry. Here's the wagon load of donations received at the Grange; much more was received at several other collection points in the surrounding communities.



Even a certain red-suited visitor, presumably coming all the way from the North Pole, helped to carry the donations from the Grange Hall to the tractor & wagon waiting outside.



Grange and FFA members worked side by side to pack and load all the donations. Thanks to the Montgomery FFA for delivering everything to the food pantry.

Lots of Holiday Festivities at Jingle Bell Jam

A new and very popular service project sponsored by Eagle Grange



Try Your Skill at Getting a Present



Cookie Decorating Fun



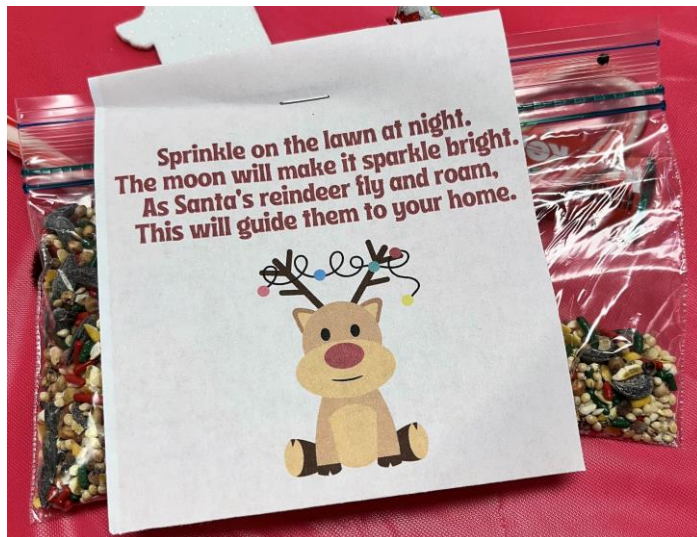
FFA Students Lead Craft Station



Colorful Holiday Snacks Served



Popcorn Provided by Thrivent Financial



Even a Tasty Treat for Santa's Reindeer

A big "thank you" to Jenn Nauss for organizing this event!

More Jingle Bell Jamboree Shots



Ever Hear of Making a Pretzel Wreath?



Reindeer Antler Ring Toss Game of Skill



Making a Tree Ornament to Take Home



Young (& some older, too) Enjoyed a Visit with Santa



Adding Decorations to the Wall Tree

"Share the Love" Take-Out Dinner

Sat., Feb. 11, 2023

Snow Date – Sunday, Feb. 12, 2023

A gift from Eagle Grange #1 to the community

Homemade lasagna, garlic bread, mixed green salad with homemade celery seed dressing, applesauce, red velvet cake



No charge for this meal; if you wish to "pay the love forward", donations will be accepted to support the Grange's services to the community

Advance reservations suggested; a limited number of additional meals may be available

Contact Joann Murray @ 570-547-1340

Pick-up 2-4 p.m. @ Eagle Grange Hall
Rt. 15 & East Blind Rd., Montgomery, PA

Next Take-Out Dinner

Pork Loin & Homemade Sauerkraut – March 25, 2023

Coming Events

January 3 – Grange meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Program – **A pictorial summary of the past year's activities and planning for 2023**

- Hosts – Libby Green & Ruth Lundy

January 21 – Pomona #28 @ California Grange; potluck lunch at noon followed by meeting/program

February 7 – Grange meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Program – **FFA Blue Jacket scholarship presentation**
Video of FFA-Grange cooperation and demonstration of FFA opening ceremony

February 10 – Work day for take-out dinner - 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; bring something to share for lunch

February 11 – "Share the Love" Lasagna Take-Out Dinner; see details above. Help needed from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; bring something to share for lunch.

2023 Grange Dues

Name(s) _____

\$ _____ Dues (\$50/adult; \$15/youth)

\$ _____ Voluntary additional donation

\$ _____ **Total**

Please make checks payable to: **Eagle Grange #1**

If you are able, please consider making an additional donation to support Eagle Grange. You may pay your 2023 dues in person to the Secretary at the next meeting.

*If mailed, please send to: **Jenn Nauss, 10 West Schoolside Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055***

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January 2023 Newsletter

Eagle Recognized as 2022 “Distinguished Grange”



Betsy Huber (left), President of the National Grange, presented a 2022 Distinguished Grange Award to Eagle #1 vice president Phil Vonada in November at the national convention held in Nevada.



David Troutman (right), Eagle's President, accepted the Distinguished Grange Award recognizing outstanding achievement for the year from Phil Vonada during the annual Holiday Dinner in December.

Note Phil Vonada's colorful attire at both events!