

# Ohio Granger

September - October 2022

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## Ohio State Grange



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The Future

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**NOTICE:** All Granges that are currently Federal Tax Exempt need to file the 990-n (Electronic Postcard) online for the Oct. 1, 2020 – Sept. 30, 2021 fiscal year between October 1, 2021, and February 15, 2022; NOT before and NOT after! Contact your tax professional if you have questions.

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**Ohio State Grange  
150 Years  
Looking Forward To The Future**

The Grange Year is winding down...we all had a great time at Junior Camp with 45 children attending.Please see Youtube for the 2022 video from the Camp.

The Ohio State Fair will be in full swing soon, thanks to all the people willing to work at the State Fair. It will be nice to see how the Fair goes since we have not had one for 2 years.

Convention plans are underway...all the papaer-work will be in this issue...room and food prices have NOT gone up! Amazing!

We had a very productive work day this past Saturday (July 16). There had not been a work day for 2 years! Wow the items really build up. Anyone willing to work in the archives for a few hours evey month, may use this as Community Service...We would welcome the help!

The Calendar will be in this issue. Some dates/times/places will be tentative.

In February (11 & 25), we will being having Secretary University. I think being a Secretary is one of the hardest jobs in the Grange. Sometimes Secretaries are elected with no advise or help, sometimes it's a "trial by fire". The State Office wants to help and guide you through this "fun time". Forms, pointers and advise will be offered. Hope to see you there. Officers School may be offered as well... eveyone needs all the help we can give.

**A few Granges are combining..remember, if you are wanting to combine, sell your Hall or close, please call the State Office.**

Please take care and enjoy the rest of your Summer!

Faternally,  
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As we are getting ready to start our new Grange year, I want to remind everyone that resolutions are due September 1 at the Ohio State Grange Office. Get your thinking caps on and get those resolutions in. There are lots of things going on in this country and state that we can do resolutions to let the public and our elected officials know what we think is good for the country and state, and even for the Ohio State Grange.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Ohio State Grange Conference in October. As you know with the COVID returning, we still need to be careful in our exposure to each other. I think we can still enjoy the convention, have a good time and make informed decisions and still be respectful of each others space.

Mark your calendars for April 22, 2023 for the Legislative Conference. Last year it worked great at the Ohio State Grange Office. However, if we get more people to sign-up, I will look for another place in the central Ohio area. I will start working on good speakers to talk with us about current events.

Remember to listen to the podcasts President/ Master Sue Roy and I are doing. We have about 10 podcasts out there and you can listen for FREE! The name is Buckeye Patrons Pulse Podcast and you can get it on Spotify or YouTube. We have some history and current events on the podcasts. I hope this next year we can get some guest speakers to talk with us. We do try to keep it under 10 minutes for each podcast. I know I can't sit much longer than that to listen to speakers. Although, you can pause it and take a break, then come back to it and finish listening. I will say that Sue and I are getting more relaxed at our recordings. You might even hear a laugh or two.

That's it for now and enjoy the last of the summer as we get ready for fall.

Take care,  
Margaret Ann Ruhl,  
Legislative Director

**Did You Know?**

Snakes are able to predict earthquakes.  
Many animals are able to predict earthquakes to varying levels of success. Yet, snakes are the most reliable, sensing earthquakes from as far as 75 miles away.

What's more impressive is that they can sense an earthquake as many as five days before it actually occurs!

When snakes sense an earthquake, they often leave their nests, even if the temperature is too cold.

**Did You Know?**

Crows often hold grudges against specific people. Crows are excellent at recognizing people's faces and are able to remember people for a long time!

This can be either a negative or positive fact, depending on how nice you are to them.

While crows can tell us apart, we would find it difficult to distinguish one crow from another.

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## “Celebrating and continuing the Deaf Activities into the future”

I want to THANK you all for the wonderful support you have given to the Deaf Activities. It has been a very trying time the last couple of years. I hope that 2023 will be better and things can get back to normal.

### Our GOALS and PROJECTS for 2022-2023 are as follows:

- STATE GRANGE DEAF ACTIVITIES FUND (monetary donations sent to the State Office)
- DOGS FOR BETTER LIVES (monetary donations sent to the State Office)
- DEAF SCHOOLS (monetary donations sent to the State Office, items brought to State Convention or times the Committee or I are attending meetings - Chairman will have a school list to inform members of the needs.
- HEARING AIDS, PARTS, and CLEANING ITEMS.
- HATS, GLOVES, and SCARVES (COLLECTED AT 2023 State Convention)
- DEAF ACTIVITIES CONFERENCE (Saturday, March 18, 2023, at State Office)
- DEAF ACTIVITIES REPORT AND PROGRAM OUTLINE TO STATE DIRECTOR BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2023.
- EAR PLUGS (call if needed)
- NEED ASSISTANCE (call or e-mail)
- REMEMBER: ALL MONETARY DONATIONS ARE TO BE SENT TO OHIO STATE GRANGE, EARMARKED FOR AREA WANTED.

### NOW HEAR THIS - TIPS ON HOW TO PROTECT AND TREAT YOUR EARS.

It's been said that we use our ears to hear and our brains to listen. Still, it's pretty hard for our brains to process the sounds that we can't hear in the first place! Nearly half of Americans older than 75 have some level of hearing loss, the National Institutes of Health says. Heredity and chronic exposure to loud noises are main causes. Hearing loss can't be prevented, but you can take steps to maintain and improve what you still have.

\*Earwax can clog the ear canal and muffle sounds. Experts suggest treatments like mineral oil, glycerin or ear drops to soften and remove the buildup. If you suspect you may have a hole in your eardrum, consult a doctor before using any of those products..

\*Noise-induced hearing loss is completely preventable. Avoid common sounds that are 85 decibels or higher.

\*Untreated hearing loss can grow worse over time. Visit your doctor, audiologist or otolaryngologist to have it tested. Bring list of symptoms you've been experiencing and note for how long you've been experiencing them. Take a friend or family member with you so they can help you field questions and advice. A hearing specialist may suggest hearing aids, cochlear implant or surgery.

### DECIBELS HOW LOUD IS TOO LOUD?

150	FIRECRACKER
120	AMBULANCE SIREN
110	CHAINSAW, ROCK CONCERT
105	PERSONAL STEREO AT MAXIMUM VOL.
100	WOOD SHOP, SNOWMOBILE
95	MOTORCYCLE
90	POWER MOWER
85	HEAVY CITY TRAFFIC
60	NORMAL CONVERSATION
40	REFRIGERATOR HUMMING
30	WHISPERED VOICE

85 decibels and below are the safe areas. Always need to protect your ears!(Source; National Institute of Deafness and other Communication Disorders)

Have a GREAT year! See you soon/ Stay safe and protect your ears.

### Leesville Grange #2078 Crawford County



Leesville Grange #2078 Crawford County fair booth picture presenting the theme by using crystal balls with pictures of community service, Grange activities and Grange contests. We attached an action statement to each picture

## All I ever needed to learn in Life



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This devotional was edited/adapted from a writing by Jean Dickson.

Yes, I've learned a great deal about Betty Crocker over the past forty-some years. I've sat at her table many times. Consider a simple box of Betty Crocker cake mix. You may think it's only a cake mix with the instructions for baking a cake on the back. But when I pick up this box and read the back, I saw the instructions of living a successful life!

First off, at the top, before the four steps to making a cake, Betty Crocker tells me what ingredients I will need. This tells me to succeed in baking a cake and in life, I need to be organized. She's telling me that I need to know where I want to go to be successful in life.

Step #1 says to heat oven and grease & flour the pan. From this, I learned that it doesn't just take planning - it takes action to make something work. All the planning in the world isn't going to make me lose weight if I don't diet or exercise.

Step #2 tells me to beat together the cake mix, water, oil, and eggs in a large bowl on low speed for 2 minutes. By this, Betty Crocker teaches me that you need more than just one ingredient to make things interesting. You need diversity. You can't mix a cake by mixing water with water - it won't work! In the same way, if I try to make people over so they are more like me, it isn't going to work. Differences need to be valued. Because without them, life is bland. It will taste like a cake made on low speed. This tells me that people need to work together, to make a team. It takes time to get from forming to performing.

Next, Betty Crocker tells me that I need to bake the cake in a 350 degree oven for 30 minutes. She tells me that I need a vacation to Cuba. No such luck! Think of heat as trials and tribulations. I'm telling you that, to succeed in life, you need to have some difficulties.

A cake placed into a cold oven isn't going to rise or become fluffy. The baking powder needs heat to work. In the same way, we aren't tender of heart and compassionate without trials and tribulations. Before facing the heat of unemployment, how many of us think about the poor? If we do, it's generally either to think ourselves better than they or to give them a fleeting thought as we'll give money to our favorite charity. But after some time without a job, we gain compassion and tenderness towards the needs of the poor; we understand their concerns.

Yes, trial and tribulations tenderize our hearts. But we can't be left too long in the oven of tribulation. Otherwise, we become dried out, hard and bitter in the same way a cake left too long in the range will turn into a hard dry mass.

Yes, everything I need to know in life about compassion, I learned from Betty Crocker.

The final thing Betty Crocker teaches me about life is that you've got to frost the cake. You've got to add something especially delicious to an already tasty cake. Betty tells me that to change my life from satisfactory to sensational, I need to do something for myself, take time for myself, and find out what completes my soul. Yes, everything I need to know in life about living life to the fullest, I learned from Betty Crocker. So, the next time you are at a supermarket, pick up a Betty Crocker and place her in your cart. Because all you need to learn in life, can be learned from Betty Crocker!

This writing is in no way suggesting a person should read the directions on a Betty Crocker cake mix for a better way of life. Of course, the answer for that is by reading your Bible as much as you can for life's questions. But, it gives some food for thought!

### Rural Life Sunday

For the last couple of years, we have done a little different agenda regarding Rural Life Sunday. It is nice to have the all of the hosting local/county Granges involved for this event. And, to entice others to come, instead of having a covered dish dinner, a box lunch is enjoyed by all. This has been a great "selling" point and the attendees don't need to prepare anything but just come and enjoy the day. The thought is also to have some door prizes to be given out at the luncheon/dinner. The format of the day is: 1) attending the morning worship service, 2) eating a box lunch at 1:00 PM & 3) Rural Life Sunday service at 2:00 PM with participating Grangers from the host county. Please let me know if your county would be interested in hosting Rural Life Sunday on May 7, 2023.

### Did You Know?

Cherophobia is the irrational fear of fun or happiness. Do you hate all things fun? You might have Cherophobia! People with this phobia tend to avoid any kind of situation that others might classify as fun or joyful.

The word Cherophobia is made up of the Greek words chero, meaning "to rejoice," and phobia, meaning "fear"

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# **Ohio Lecturers: Educating and Entertaining For 150 Years**

Wow! Ohio State Grange is turning 150 years old. This brings back many memories as I was named Ohio State Grange Princess when we were celebrating our 100th anniversary. I remember traveling to many Granges as they celebrated their individual anniversaries. Let's fill this year with activities to promote Grange within our communities. Hold open houses, recognize community leaders and continue our tradition of community service. I have included some contests that connect with our anniversary celebration.

Lecturer's contest county winners will need to be checked in from 4:00-9:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 27 or by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 28 for judging. Deputies/Delegates remember to have your paper work filled out and contest items correctly labeled.

Congratulations to Cindy Campbell, Morgan Grange Knox County who was selected Best of Show with her Reading at the State Grange Talent Contest. Cindy is eligible to represent Ohio at the National Grange Evening of Excellence in Sparks, Nevada.

Special thanks to my committee Bev Foutz of Butler County and Brenda Widder of Tuscarawas County and to my family for all their help and encouragement during the past year.

### **LECTURER'S REPORTS**

Report forms for the 2022-23 year will be included in the Lecturer's packet which will be distributed at the 2022 State Convention. Report forms will also be available on the State Grange website. Review these forms soon. All Lecturers should submit a year-end report. The information is helpful in planning new programs. This is not a contest. Every Lecturer who reports will receive recognition. The deadline for these reports is September 1, 2023. For Lecturers who choose to compile and submit a notebook of their programs, will be judged and prizes awarded.

### **PROGRAMS TO SHARE**

Lecturers and Grangers may submit one program that they planned and presented in each category. The categories are:

1. Celebrating Ohio State Grange's 150th Anniversary
2. Safety – Use any safety topic that is appropriate for your Grange.
3. Any Topic

You may include copies of special songs, skits. All program material will be returned. If you wish to share your program or idea, please mark SHARE so it can be copied

before being returned. Deadline to submit programs is September 1, 2023. Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third place programs in each category.

### **CONFERENCES**

There will be a state-wide Conference for Lecturers/Program Directors and Community Service Chairmen on March 25, 2023, beginning at 9:30. Light breakfast starting at 9:00. The conference will be at the State Grange headquarters in Fredericktown.

### **CREATIVE WRITING**

Class A Poetry – Adult/Subordinate, including Non-Members

Class B Prose – Adult/Subordinate Theme – My Best Grange Memory

Class C Read-the-Book – Fiction

Class D Read-the-Book – Non- Fiction

Class E Write-a-song – Adult/Subordinate

### **RULES FOR CREATIVE WRITING ENTRIES:**

1. Poetry entries are limited to 300 words.
2. Class A Non-Member entries must be sponsored by a local grange. And is the only category open to non-members.
3. Prose entries limited one typed page.
4. Read-the-Book is limited to 300 words. Tell why you enjoyed the book and why you think someone else would enjoy it. Include the suggested age level of the book.
5. For Class E, write new words to a familiar song that can be used in a grange program. Song should contain 2-4 verses. Include the song title of the tune used. Do not include the music due to copyright laws.
6. All entries should be mailed or emailed to the State Lecturer by September 1, 2023. Entries will be displayed and /or published in the Ohio Granger only if a statement granting permission is signed by the writer is included.
7. Winners will be announced in the Ohio Granger.

### **HEIRLOOM PROGRAM ACTIVITY**

Create an activity that can be used to reinforce one of the Quotes in the National Grange Heirloom Program. Information on the Heirloom Program is available at [www.nationalgrange.org](http://www.nationalgrange.org) under Programs. This could include puzzles, skits, Lecturer's program, songs, etc. The quote with the month used should be included. Entries will be displayed and /or published in the Ohio Granger only if a statement granting permission is signed

by the writer is included.

### **RULES FOR HEIRLOOM PROGRAM ACTIVITY**

1. Entries should be labeled with Name, Grange, County
2. Item should be the work of the entrant.
3. Entries will be judged on creativity, clarity of directions, appropriateness to Grange.

### **ART CONTEST**

Class A Scene – Member or Non-Member

Class B Americana – Anything that represents our country.

Class C Animal

Class D People

Class E Computer generated Art

### **RULES FOR ART CONTEST:**

1. Entries may be in any medium, including fibers except ceramics.
2. Class for each entry must be chosen by the artist and indicated on the entry label attached to the back of the entry. Entry labels are in Lecturer's Packet and on OSG website.
3. Charcoal and pencil entries must be treated for permanence to avoid smudging.
4. All entries must be the original work of the entrant except Class E (Computer Generated Art) which is created or manipulated on the computer, then printed.
5. Size of entries must not exceed 24" x 36". There is no minimum size.
6. Nude entries will not be accepted.
7. All entries must have a firm backing so they can be properly displayed.
8. Non-breakable covering is acceptable. Glass covered entries will not be accepted.
9. Best of Show in 2022 may not enter the same category in 2023.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

Class A Scenery

Class B Celebration

Class C Agriculture/Farming

Class D Animal(s)

Class E Grange Activity – Make sure that the Grange name/emblem can be seen.

Class F Any subject that does not fit into other categories

Class G Any Subject – Non-member

### **RULES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:**

1. Film or digital
2. Class for each entry must be chosen by the photographer and indicated on the entry label attached to the back of the entry. Entry labels are in Lecturer's Packet and on OSG website.
3. Photographer may enter only one photo per class
4. Photographer may enter all classes using different photos in each class
5. Photos must have been taken after September 1, 2022 by the entrant

6. Print may be made by commercial process

7. Size of entry, including matting, must not be smaller than 4" x 6" or larger than 11" x 14"

8. Non-breakable covering is acceptable. Glass covered entries will not be accepted.

9. Best of Show winners in 2022 may not enter same class in 2023.

10. No professional photographers may enter.

### **AWARDS**

Awards for the Handmade Game, Art, Photography and Creative Writing will be a placement ribbon and \$10.00 for first place; \$8.00 for second place and \$5.00 for third place.

### **TALENT CONTEST**

Grangers of all ages are encouraged to share their performing art talent by entering the Ohio State Grange Talent Contest. The Talent Contest will be held at The Ohio Eastern Star Home Community Room, 1451 Gambier Rd., Mt. Vernon OH 43050 on Saturday, June 18, 2023 beginning with the Juniors at 1:00 pm followed by the adult contestants. Deadline to enter is June 1, 2023.

### **INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES**

A Vocal Solo

B Piano Solo

C Instrumental Solo

D Reading

### **GROUP CLASSES (Any age for Subordinate)**

E Vocal Duet

F Vocal Group (3 to 6 members)

G Grange Chorus (7 members or more)

H Grange Family Talent

I Variety Act (must include music)

### **RULES FOR TALENT CONTESTS:**

1. Entry blanks will be available in the Ohio Granger and on the Ohio State Grange website. Entries must be to State Lecturer by the June 1, 2023 deadline. Number/title being performed MUST accompany the entry.
2. All contestants MUST be Grange members in GOOD STANDING. The accompanist may be any age, member or non-member. Family Talent entrants must be related members of one family and must be Grangers, except for children where there is no Junior Grange. In group entries or families, the participants need not be members of the same Subordinate Grange.
3. Contestants will introduce their number at the beginning of their performance.
4. An individual Granger may make only one entry in each class.
5. Junior Grangers may be part of entries in Subordinate-group classes; however, entries in Subordinate group classes

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must be composed of a majority of Subordinate members. Exception: Family Talent.

6. Vocal contestants may use recorded accompaniment only if it contains minimal back-up.

7. Memorization is not required in piano and instrumental categories. Music and music stand should not interfere with performance.

8. A time limit of FIVE MINUTES will be observed for each contestant. Score points will be deducted for exceeding the maximum time: one point per minute or part thereof will be deducted from the final score.

9. All entrants compete at State contest.

10. During the Talent Contest, a "Best of Show" will be chosen to represent Ohio in the "Evening of Excellence" at the National Grange Convention in November. "Best of Show" winners cannot enter the same class the following year, but may enter a different class.

**AWARDS**

Awards for Talent will be plaques for state winners and ribbons for other participants.

**Heirloom Program**

The National Grange Heirloom Program focuses on different quotes for our Grange lessons. The monthly quotes are taken from our First Four Degrees, Installation Ceremony and Declaration of Purposes. Granges are encouraged to discuss the quote of the month at their meetings and possibly do an activity related to the quote. More information is on the National Grange website under Programs. There are pictures for your Grange Facebook page, Posters to promote activities in your Grange and activities for your members.

**The quotes for the fall are listed here.**

A.1 (September) – "We recognize that education is a continuing process. We encourage all to continue their education... [...through adult education classes, by continued reading, observation and such other methods as may be available, including radio, television and the internet. We recognize the valuable contribution made to education by the printed word, especially in newspapers, periodicals and books, and will continue to advocate their widespread availability.]" (Grange Declaration of Purposes)

A.2 (October) - "While in Faith and in Hope this world may disagree, All mankind is concerned in Charity." (Third Degree; Flora)

A.3 (November) – "We acknowledge the broad principle that difference of opinion is no crime, and hold that 'progress toward truth is made by differences of opinion,' while 'the fault lies in bitterness of controversy.'" (Grange Declaration of Purposes)

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Secretaries, the third quarter report and the Subordinate/Pomona Officers report forms are due by October 5. The information on the report forms is very important for the annual roster. Please ask your Officers and Directors to bring address labels to a meeting to make it much easier to complete the forms. I cannot thank you enough for everything you do for our Organization. It is always a pleasure to visit or speak with you and learn about your Grange. I encourage you to contact me at any time if you have questions, suggestions, or just to say hi. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the 149th Annual Session.

**MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

**70 years**

Janyce Burluson, Clear Creek Valley #1843, Fairfield  
Mary Lee, Painter Creek #1923, Hardin

**65 years**

Phillip Greenisen, Willow Grove #1688, Columbiana  
Dale Osborn, Painter Creek #1923, Hardin

**60 years**

Louise Dudgeon, Monroe-Dan Emmett #847, Knox Co.  
Rodney Newell, Monroe-Dan Emmett #847, Knox Co.  
Jim Black, Painter Creek #1923, Hardin Co.

**55 years**

Larry Sanor, Willow Grove #1688, Columbiana Co.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**April – May - June 2022**

Arianna Griffith	Sheffield Star #1610	Ashtabula
Jay Pieren	Lisbon #1568	Columbiana
Reegan Ginnery	Richland #1899	Fairfield
Sam Norris	Greenwood #1061	Hardin
Melody Norris	Greenwood #1061	Hardin
Sabrina Wade	Monroe-Dan Emmett #847	Knox
Doris Bishop	Loudon Center #2276	Seneca
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Hey everyone!



Hopefully, you have had a great summer and have made lots of memories! As of this writing, we just finished Youth Camp at Hocking Hills! We had 11 youth who joined us in Hocking Hills, where we had a pizza making contest, went swimming and to a fun house, and had lots of laughs. Our community service project sent over 100 bags filled with individual hygiene items that we packaged to the Inspire shelter in Logan. A special thank you to Ewing Grange for joining us for a potluck on our last evening! We hope to see you next year! Speaking of camps- Please mark the following tentative dates in your calendar for 2023 camps: Winter Camp- January 13 – 15, 2023. Summer Camp: July 8 – 10, 2023. Stay tuned for additional details and locations!

**2023 Activities and Contests:**

- **Baking Contest:** Your favorite Chocolate Chip Cookies: Share your favorite recipe for Chocolate Chip cookies! Recipe must be submitted and must use regular semi-sweet chocolate chips and must not contain a pre-made mix.
- **Washi Tape Craft:** You will need an embroidery hoop (not to exceed 12” diameter), wax paper, and washi tape (available on amazon, oriental trading, or in any craft store/department). Cut a circle of wax paper about 1 inch larger than your embroidery hoop. Use the washi tape to create a pattern or design on the wax paper circle. Once your design is complete, place the wax paper tightly between the hoop pieces and tighten the hoop at the top. Trim excess wax paper. Complete details can be found on Pinterest by searching for Washi Tape Suncatcher by Fun365.

- **Emoji Jar Craft:** You will need a glass baby food jar or similar type jar (a 5 or 10oz jar would be perfect!), acrylic paint in preferred colors, black sharpie marker, and a small paint brush. Begin by painting the inside of your jar yellow. Create the emoji of your choice on the outside of the jar using the sharpie and paint. Complete details can be found on Pinterest by searching for Emoji Mason Jars by Our messy table.
- **Youth Ambassador:** Come to convention (October 27-30th) ready for an interview and a simple quiz for a chance to represent Ohio’s youth at state-wide events!
- **Ohio State Junior Fair Board:** This is a fantastic opportunity to serve on the Ohio State Junior fair board! More information to come during winter camp on selection process, but please let us know ASAP if you are interested!
- **Youth Delegate:** If you have big ideas about how to improve Grange and our communities, this is the opportunity for you! As a delegate, you will have the power to discuss and vote on all resolutions that come before the convention delegate body. 2022 delegates have already been chosen at summer camp but let us know if you are interested in serving in 2023!

As always, please reach out to us with any questions! We are currently seeing the most activity on our Facebook page. Please like the page if you haven’t already!

Cassie & Sarah



## Kevin Evans

### Community Service Director

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Welcome Community Service Directors. Ohio State Grange 150 Years Looking Forward To The Future won't this be a year to celebrate. How many times can you donate \$150 to help your community and celebrate our sesquicentennial as an organization in Ohio. How about a bake sale where items are \$1.50 and so on. I look forward to hearing what you do this year in regards to community service projects. We seem to be learning how to deal with the virus and resuming our lives creating a new normal. Remember Community Service is one of the main pillars of our Grange mission. You play an integral role in your local Grange activities that directly affect your community and members. Membership can be built on the foundation of your programs making people want to be part of the good works that you do so be sure to publicize them. Also remember to recognize those in your communities in the fields of education, law enforcement and fire fighters. This also puts your Grange in the spotlight. Refer to this issue for programs involving community service. But remember if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

#### **Community Service Annual Report**

As our title suggests, you are charged with supporting your local Grange in all the wonderful service projects that are done that support the communities in which we live. As part of that role, you should keep records of all the projects your Grange participates documenting the details of the projects, how many Grangers and sometimes non-Grangers helped with the project and retain copies of any publicity that shows the Grange in action. At the annual Ohio State Grange convention, the county deputies receive a packet for you which includes copies of the report form you are to complete. The deadline to submit all reports and nominations for the community service awards is September 1st each year. The reason for the deadline, is I must submit our top report and participation results to the National Grange Community Service director by October 1st. You will mail your report to me and the address is on the form. If you misplace any of the forms or need additional copies of them, all the forms are on the Ohio State Grange website under the forms section with the heading Community Service.

#### **Lecturer & Community Service Workshop**

Join us Saturday, March 25, 2023 for the annual Lecturer & Community Service workshop. You do not

have to be a Lecturer or Community Service Director to attend. The meeting is held at the Ohio State Grange Office, so bring a carload of Grangers with you. This is a day full of sharing information and participants leave with more than they arrived with. There is a minimal charge for the day which includes morning snacks and lunch. You will contact the State Grange office to reserve your seat for the day.

#### **Community Service Recognition Awards**

\*\*\*Teacher

\*\*\*Police Officer

\*\*\*Fire Fighter

\*\*\*Volunteerism

\*\*\*Granger of the Year\*\*\*

Recognition is another way we publicize our Grange by honoring those that play an important role in our communities. The National Grange has specific awards that recognize those in the occupational fields of Education, Firefighting and Law Enforcement. You can recognize both Grange members and non-Grange members for these awards and we can recognize both at the state level, however we will only send one entry for each of those awards to the National Grange from Ohio. Also, at the Subordinate and State level we also recognize individuals for their volunteerism and again you can honor both a Grange and non-Grange member for those awards. These are your awards and you should own them. Feel free to submit pertinent information that you want the judges to review so we have a clear picture of the achievements of your candidates – this should include supporting documentation like newspaper and magazine articles talking about their accomplishments and other awards they have received. Also, if you perform interviews with their family or work associates please include this information in the application. The judges only have the information you supply them with.

If you have a state winning award recipient, the Ohio State Grange will pay for the convention banquet meal ticket for the award recipient. If the award recipient wants to bring family members to see them get the award, typically the local Grange or Pomona will pay for any additional banquet tickets. Otherwise, you must ask the award recipient to pay for the meals. Orchestrating what meals they want, how many are attending for table placement is all information that will need to be finalized quickly when we are preparing for convention.

## Ohio State Grange Hall of Fame

Another recognition for Ohio State Grange members for notable service above and beyond, is by submitting a resolution to the Ohio State Grange office in Fredericktown by the resolution deadline. The resolutions are all reviewed at convention and brought before the delegate body. Those individuals who have received this prestigious award are listed on a plaque at the Ohio State Grange Office.

## Ohio State Grange Community Service Project

We continue to support the Flying Horse Farm with financial donations. A camp for medically fragile children who attend at no cost as part of the SeriousFun Children's Network. A place where children are not defined by their illnesses. They deliver unforgettable camp experiences that have a lifechanging impact. Please send your Grange's donations to the Ohio State Grange office, designating the Flying Horse Farm. We typically present the total donations to them at our annual convention.

## National Grange In Action Program

For a third year, I am asking Ohio Granges to participate in the National Grange "Grange In Action" program which is explained on the National Grange website. It is so simple you email a one sheet page to them with at least 3 photos of what your Grange activities are with them labeled. All Granges that satisfy the requirements as they have listed are recognized at the National convention. Let us keep Ohio as a State Grange in Action by our participation.

## University Grange Scholarship

### Guidelines

1. Applications shall be submitted to the Ohio State Grange office at 16303 Village Parkway, Fredericktown, Ohio 43019-9585, Attention "University Scholarship/Master,President". The application deadline is July 1, with the selection being made by August 1. Applications are available from The Ohio State Grange office.
2. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:
  - a. Applicant must be a current Grange member in good standing.
  - b. Applicant must be a currently enrolled student at any of The Ohio State University campuses.
  - c. Applicant must meet any additional scholarship eligibility criteria established by The Ohio State University.
  - d. Award will be based on applicant's involvement in Grange activities, related community service work, grade point average, involvement in other youth groups, and leadership activities.
5. The number and amount of scholarships awarded will be based on the amount of money earned on the scholarship endowment account as reported to the State Grange by The Ohio State University.

## Family Campout

Family campout was held on June 24th-26th. This was held at Whispering Hills RV Park in Big Prairie Ohio. There were 29 in attendance. The weekend was filled with activities, just relaxing and enjoying the beautiful weather. Saturday afternoon we traveled to Putt N Stuff for a fun time. Enjoyed bumper boats, go carts, laser tag, arcade, children's indoor playground, climbing walls and miniature golf. Saturday evening we enjoyed a pot luck and relaxing with friends around the camp fire. Sunday morning was good byes and packing. Family campout will be held at Whispering Hills again on June 23rd-25th 2023. For more information contact Mike and Debbie Russell at 937-541-1903 or [debbiekussell@yahoo.com](mailto:debbiekussell@yahoo.com) for more information on prices or contact the camp.



## University Grange Scholarship WINNER

Ohio State Grange has awarded the University Scholarship to **Ryan Patton, member of Ewing Grange # 2082, Hocking Co.** Congratulations Ryan

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**2022-2023 Junior Grange Program****8 and Under****Sprinkle Drop Cookie**

## Ingredients

- 1 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1½ cups granulated sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon cream of tartar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup sprinkles (separated ¼ in mixture, ¼ to drop

batter in, add sprinkles in bowl if needed for batter)

## Instructions

Preheat the oven to 350° F. Line a large cookie sheet with a silicone baking mat or parchment paper. To soften the butter quickly, microwave for 10-15 seconds, otherwise let it come to room temperature.

Combine the butter with the sugar and beat on medium speed until well creamed together.

Add the eggs and vanilla extract. Mix into the butter and sugar until the eggs are well beaten.

In a separate bowl, combine the remaining dry ingredients. Slowly add into the batter and beat on medium-low speed with a mixer until most of the flour is incorporated, then add the sprinkles and mix to combine.

Increase the speed on the mixer and beat until the dough comes together.

Use a large cookie scoop to portion the dough. Drop each spoonful of cookie dough in the remaining sprinkles so that only the side that will be on the cookie sheet is uncovered, then place on the prepared baking sheet about 2 inches apart.

Bake at 350° F 10-12 minutes. Allow cookie to cool on the baking sheet for several minutes and then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely

**9-11 years old****Melt in Your Mouth Cookie**

## Ingredients

- 1 cup softened butter
- 2 cups flour
- 3 cups confectioner sugar
- 1 cup nuts
- 1 tsp. vanilla

## Instructions

Cream butter; add rest of ingredients. Roll in small balls, push down with fork. Bake 350 Degrees until light brown

**12-14 years old****Amish Oatmeal Cookie**

## Ingredients

- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 cup butter
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 ½ cups flour
- 3 cups quick-cooking oats
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- Powdered sugar for rolling dough

## Instructions

Cream brown sugar and butter together. Add the eggs and vanilla. Mix until well combined. In separate bowl, stir together the baking powder, baking soda, flour, oats, and salt. Fold into wet ingredients. Chill for at least 1 hour in the fridge. Form into balls and roll them in powdered sugar. Place on a cookie sheet with parchment paper and press the balls down a bit. Bake at 375 degree for 9 minutes. Don't over bake them. Let them cool on rack

**Baking Rules**

There are 3 age groups – 8 & under, 9-11, and 12 – 14. Age shall be as of January 1, 2023, Contestants must be a Junior Grange member in good standing. Contestants must be at least 5 years of age by the county contest.

Place 3 muffins, 3 cookies or 3 bars on a disposable plate for judging.

Local Junior Grange contest is to be held at the Leader's discretion. The Junior Deputy oversees the county contest and bringing the county winners to Deputies Conference for judging.

All juniors are to compete in the county in which they reside, unless their parent(s) or grandparents belong to a Grange in another county, in which case they will compete in the latter county's judging in which their family is involved.

The following information must be neatly printed and securely fastened to all entries: name, age, (as of 1/1/23), date of birth, Junior Grange name and number and county represented.

**WEAVING INSTRUCTIONS**

## Sewing Contest

### Cardboard Weaving

#### Supplies

- piece of sturdy cardboard
- a round container or bowl to trace
- pencil
- scissors
- yarn
- plastic sewing needle



#### DIRECTIONS

- First you will need to start by making the cardboard circle- 4-5 inches across is a good size
- Cut Circle out (can trace bowl to get form)
- Draw an ODD NUMBER of evenly spaced marks around the edge of the circle. You can eyeball the spacing, or use a finger for spacing, but you need an ODD number of marks, otherwise your warp threads (or spokes) will show through your weaving.
- With your scissors, snip a 1/4-inch notch into each pencil mark.
- Secure a piece of yarn into one of these notches, leaving a tail hanging behind the cardboard.
- Carry the yarn across the loom to the notch directly opposite, and up the back of the loom to where you started.
- Insert the yarn into the next notch over, and repeat what you did last time, taking the yarn down the front to the opposite notch and up the back again.
- Continue winding around the loom this way until you get to the last notch. NOTE: to finish, you'll take your yarn across the loom to a notch that's already been used. It will look like you have two spokes going into this notch, but you'll fasten them together in a minute, and treat them as one when you're weaving.
- Cut your yarn, leaving a tail, and tape the loose ends to the back of your loom.

Your loom is warped! It's time to weave!

- To begin, thread a 1-2-foot length of yarn through your needle.
- Slip the yarn underneath all of the warp threads and knot them together in the center of the loom. You'll notice your double spoke comes together so you can treat it as one. Trim the tail of the knot, leaving enough to trap underneath the first few rounds of your weaving.
- To begin weaving, slip your needle under one of the warp threads at the center of the loom, and then over the next. Continue weaving in a circle, over and under, around the loom, pulling your yarn gently to close in any gaps as you weave.

#### CHANGING YARN COLORS

- When you reach the end of your yarn, tie a new color on with a double knot. You can either trap the tails of your yarn under the next couple of rounds or weave them in or trim them when you finish your project.

- Continue weaving in circles until you get to the end of your warp strings.

- Cut your yarn, leaving a tail.

#### HOW TO TAKE YOUR WEAVING OFF THE LOOM

- To take your weaving off the loom, remove the tape from the back of the cardboard, and cut through the middle of the warp threads that crisscross the cardboard.

- Next, gently pry the warp threads out of the notches to release your weaving from the loom.

- Lay your project on a flat surface, and tie all of the loose tails together in sets of two. Be sure to tie the tail of your colored yarn to one of the warp threads so your weaving doesn't unravel.

- If you want your finished piece to lay flat, don't pull too tightly when knotting, or the edges of your project will curl.

- If you want to make a bowl, do pull your warp threads together a little more tightly so the edge of your weaving curls inwards.

- Finish your project by weaving the leftover tails of the warp threads into the back of your piece of art.

**\*\*TWO ADDITIONAL SEWING PROJECTS CAN BE FOUND UNDER FAMILY ACTIVITIES THAT JUNIORS CAN PARTICIPATE IN\*\***

#### Craft Contests

### Tissue Paper Stained Glass Painting

#### SUPPLIES

- Tissue paper squares
- Watercolor panel (thicker than watercolor paper and will allow for less warping)
- Water
- Spray bottle (or paintbrush)
- Crayon (optional)

#### DIRECTIONS

- Choose whether you'd like to use the crayon to draw a design on the panel for your project. If so, first you will draw a design (words, patterns, etc) with white crayon on the watercolor panel. This design will show up after you apply the squares. NOTE: Because you are drawing white on white, your drawing won't be visible until the final step.

- Pre-wet the watercolor panel by spraying it with a spray bottle filled with water. You can also choose to use a paintbrush if you'd like.

- Apply the tissue paper squares randomly or in a planned arrangement. We recommend spraying or painting some more water over the squares to accelerate the color "bleeding".

- For best results, allow the water to dry before removing the squares.



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- Once you remove the squares, the color will have transferred onto the watercolor panel, revealing your drawing and the color from the squares!

#### Salt Painting

##### SUPPLIES

- black paper (Heavier paper like card stock works great. It can be any color but black gives a great contrast.)
- white glue
- salt
- watercolors (you could even use diluted food coloring)

##### DIRECTIONS

- After the gluing is done, sprinkle salt all over the wet glue.
- Dump off the excess salt and let the salt and glue dry.
- Take a paintbrush, get it wet with liquid watercolor paint and begin painting over the salt covered glue! It's almost like magic how as soon as that paintbrush touches the salt, the color just transfers from the brush to the salt.



#### Paper Cup Lantern

##### SUPPLIES

- Standard 8 oz size paper cup
- Hole punch
- Battery operated tea light
- Pencil or marker as a way to mark the dots to be punched (optional)



##### DIRECTIONS

- Mark the cup with the design of your choosing
- Leave at least a one inch section from the bottom of the cup all the way around (when hole punching this will appear to the junior as the top) so the tea light will be unseen.
- Hole punch the preplanned design or a random design into the cup.
- When hole punched to satisfaction, add the battery operated tea light to the cup.

#### Fridge Critters

##### SUPPLIES

- Standard wooden open and close clothespins
- Markers or paint
- Scissors
- Craft foam
- Google eyes
- Glue
- Pipe cleaners
- Sequins, yarn, dental floss



- Construction paper, Pom Poms
- Yarn
- Magnets

##### DIRECTIONS

Use Markers or Paint to first color the clothespin the color of the critter being made. Then using the other craft items decorate your critter. Paint and decorate a standard clothespin to resemble any type of "critter." Ideally the clothespin will still be functional to hold papers or pictures so take care not to glue the clothespin closed. Add googly eyes, tails, horns, anything that the critter might need. Use glue or a peel and stick magnet and attach this to the underside of the critter.

##### CRAFT RULES

1. Three age groups: 8 and under, 9-11, 12 – 14. Age shall be as of January 1, 2023. Must be a Junior Grange member in good standing (except non-member craft). Must be at least 5 years old by the county contest.
2. Local Junior Grange contest is to be held at the Leader's discretion. The Junior Deputy oversees the county contest and bringing the county winners to the state session for judging.
3. All Juniors are to compete in the county in which they reside, unless their parent(s) or grandparents belong to a Grange in another county, in which case they will compete in the county where their family are members.
4. The following information must be neatly printed and securely fastened to all entries: Name, address, age (as of 1/1/2023), and date of birth, Junior Grange name, number and county represented. Scoring for Craft and Family Activities Committee Contest: Workmanship 30 points; Originality 40 points; Creativity 30 points.
5. State Awards: 1st place - \$5.00; 2nd place - \$4.00; 3rd place - \$3.00; 4th place - \$2.00; 5th place - \$1.00, plus ribbons for first eight places and county winner ribbons for each county winning entry brought to state judging.

#### \*\*\*\*\*ALL JUNIOR ENTRIES COME TO STATE JUDGING\*\*\*\*\*

##### Art Contest

There are five categories for Junior Art Contest this year.

- a. Mythological Creature
- b. City Scape
- c. Cartoon Character
- d. Portrait
- e. Computer Generated Art

Criteria for judging art entries:

1. How well the artist uses the medium selected.
2. Craftsmanship and skill.
3. Composition, presentation, or subject.
4. Originality.
5. Theme and its treatment.

## RULES FOR JUNIOR ART:

6. All entries must be the original work of the member except category E (Computer Generated Art) which is created or manipulated on the computer, then printed.
7. All entries must be completed after September 1st of the previous year.
8. Entries are judged based on subject categories.
9. Nude or inappropriate entries will not be accepted or displayed.
10. Size for all classes: Artwork must not exceed 24" x 36" including frame. There is no minimum size. Miniatures will be accepted in all categories.
11. All entries must be framed or have a firm backing so they can be properly displayed.
12. Non-breakable covering (such as Plexi-glass) is accepted. Glass covered entries will not be judged. **DO NOT SEND ANY GLASS WITH ENTRIES** (backing or frames).
13. Computer enhancement of artwork and/or art generated by using computer printers is not permitted except by Category E.
14. Sculpture is not accepted, however paintings on saw blades, wooden objects, etc. that are of sturdy and non-breakable nature are accepted.
15. Age of the Junior Granger as of January 1 of the current year, must be on the registration card, firmly attached to the back of the entry.
16. There are three age divisions for each category: Ages 8 and under, 9-11, and 12-14.
17. Entry card must contain the following information neatly printed and securely attached to the back of the artwork: name, address, age (as of 1/1/23), date of birth, Jr. Grange name and number; and county represented.

### Photography Contest

There are five categories:

- a. Country Scene
- b. Sunrise/Sunset
- c. Pets – may contain one of more pets
- d. Grange/Community Service Activity (Must show a Grange name, logo, or something identifying at least 1 person or place involved with Grange.
- e. Patriotic

Criteria for judging photographs:

1. Only prints are accepted for judging – no slides.
2. Photographer must be specific as to the category entered, for each photograph as shown on the entry tag.
3. Each photograph may be entered in only one category.
4. Participants may enter all categories, using different photographs
5. Participants may submit only one entry per category.
6. Entries must have been taken after September 1st of the previous year.

7. Prints may be by a commercial process, but photographs must be taken by the junior entering
  8. Frame of stiff backing is required for all photographs.
  9. Size of entry including frame and backing, must be no smaller than 4" x 6" or no larger than 16" x 20".
  10. Non-breakable covering (such as Plexi-glass) is accepted. Glass covered entries will not be judged. **DO NOT SEND GLASS WITH ENTRY.**
  11. Only traditional printed photos will be accepted. No computer altered or photocopies are allowed however, the source of the image may be traditional film or digital image
  12. Age and birthdate, of the Junior Member, as of January 1 of the current year **MUST** be on the registration card attached to the back of the photo.
  13. Panoramic photos, close-ups and black and white photographs may be entered in the appropriate category, based on subject of the photograph.
  14. There are three age divisions – 8 and under; 9-11 and 12 to 14.
- Participant's identification information for Art and Photography entries: Name, age (as of 1/1/23), complete address, date of birth, Junior Grange name and number, county and category entering. Art and Photography Awards: First, second and third place ribbons as well as \$5 – 1st place; \$4 – 2nd place; \$3 – 3rd place prize will be awarded in each age group and each category in the Junior Division of the Art and Photography contest.

### Junior Sign A Song Contest

Song, Phrase, Poetry, and Spoken Word – Individual 8 and under, 9-11, and 12 -14. Group 5-14(2+)

All signing contestants will perform at the state talent contest.

The audible word, which must be used while the contestant is signing, may be a recording, an adult, another junior or the contestant themselves.

ASL (American Sign Language) shall be used.

Entry blanks must be submitted by June 1st to Sarah or me Other than the above, the rules of the talent contest apply.

Awards: A plaque will be given to the state winners in each category. Entries are judged based on subject categories.

### Junior Prince and Princess/ Mr. Junior and Miss Junior Granger

Open to all Junior Grangers ages 5-7 (Mr. Junior and Ms. Junior Granger), 8-13 (Prince and Princess) as of September 30, 2023.

Pageant will be Saturday Evening of the Ohio State Grange Convention.

This will be a two-part Pageant -starting with an informal interview the afternoon of the pageant, and a resume of Junior Grange Activities, along with church, community, school, clubs, and different activities for the past two years.

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## **Juniors continued from page 15.**

Entry Forms will be in the July-August Granger and in 2022-2023 Junior Leader Handbook.

Entry forms along with the resume due to Sarah or I by Sept 1st. There will be no county contest, so more than one can run from each Junior Grange/County.

The reigning Junior Prince and Princess must remain active in Junior Grange for their reign.

### **Junior Talent Contest**

Vocal Solo. Vocal Duet

Reading. Dance Solo

Dance Duet. Piano Solo

Instrumental Solo Chorus (4 or more)

Miscellaneous (anything not covered above)

Three age groups: 8 and under, 9-11 and 12- 14 (except Chorus, which is 5 to 14). In other categories with multiple participants, the age group will be based on the oldest participant. Must be 5 by the State Contest and cannot be 15 by September 30, 2023. Must be a Junior Grange member in good standing. Age break is based on age at the State Talent Contest.

Accompanist may be a Junior or Adult or may use a tape or CD with minimum voices on the recording, or a karaoke type CD with vocal entries. Dance and miscellaneous entries may have voices with their music.

There will be no district contest; everyone will compete in the state contest.

Memorization is required in all categories except Piano and Instrumental Solo (Juniors only).

A five-minute maximum time limit applies to all categories.

Each Junior may compete in a given category only once per year.

Entry blanks are available in the Junior Leader Handbook or Ohio Granger Magazine, or the State Grange Website and must be to the Junior Directors by June 1.

Number/title being performed MUST accompany the entry. The date and location will be in later articles

Awards: A plaque will be given to the state winner in each category and participation ribbon will be given to the other participants in the state contest

### **Junior Grange Camp**

Date – July 5- July 8th

Age: Must be at least 5 years old by June 24 and cannot be 15 by September 30, 2023.

Jr. Camper cannot be a Subordinate Grange member.

Non-members of the previously listed ages may attend provided they join the Ohio State Junior Grange #1076 while at camp.

Registration forms will be available in a future Ohio Granger Magazine, in the Junior Leader Handbook, or

on the Ohio State Grange Website at [www.ohiostate-grange.org](http://www.ohiostate-grange.org) under forms.

Registration is due to Sarah or Elizabeth Tolley by June 10th. Camp will be held at Camp Otterbein in Logan Ohio. (Electronic Form is available)

Cost will be included in a future Ohio Granger magazine along with additional details.

### **Junior Grange Lock-in 4/1-4/2**

We are planning a Lock-in to provide a fun spring activity with our juniors. This will be located at the Ohio Grange State Office and will have entertainment and or day trips to be determined, as well as crafts and fellowship

### **Day Trips**

We are planning two separate outings for the day. All family and friends will be welcome. We hope these trips will allow other families to be introduced to Grange and provide fun trips for our juniors across the state to reconnect.

2023 Dates-

5/27/23- More info to come

9/23/23- More info to come

**Membership Contest** The Junior Grange membership contest runs from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023. Entries must be submitted by September 1, 2023. There will be an entry form in the Junior Leader Handbook and a future edition of the Ohio Granger Magazine.

### **Junior Grange Report**

Please refer to the current Junior Leader Handbook for the details on completing the Junior Grange Report.

We greatly appreciate each Junior Grange in completing and submitting this report no matter how much or how little your Junior Grange is currently doing.

This report helps us gauge what parts of the program need changing, and which Junior Granges are active across the state.

If you need a copy of the report form, please contact either State Junior Grange Director and we will be more than happy to help.

### **National Junior Programming**

These are just some of the programs the National Junior Grange has to offer, if you interested, please reach out to us for more information or visit the National Junior Grange Website- <https://www.nationaljuniorgrange.org/>

### **Junior/ Youth Workshop 3/11/23**

This will be held at the State Office. During this event we will be talking about our programming, crafts



along with special speaker on promoting membership to help grow the future of the grange, lunch and dessert are included- We hope to see all of you there.

### Facebook Group

The Junior Grange has a Facebook Group, which is where all updates go out quickly. Please Join our Group (Junior Grange-Ohio)

### YouTube Video

For Promotion to Junior Grange and Junior Camp we have linked our videos to our YouTube Channel. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC82--yOzvTTxJgi5lFpK-MuQ>

Fraternally Yours,  
Beth and Sarah

### Did You Know?

The original London Bridge is now in Arizona.

The London Bridge, originally constructed in 1831, was starting to fall apart by the 1960s. As a result, the City of London decided to sell it and build another.

In 1963, American entrepreneur Robert P. McCulloch bought the bridge. He dismantled it and shipped it to the United States piece by piece.

The bridge moved to Lake Havasu City in Arizona. McCulloch founded Lake Havasu City, and he wanted the bridge to serve as a tourist attraction.

The reconstruction took three years to complete. The attraction opened on October 10, 1971, with fireworks, entertainment, and celebrities.



**State Junior Grange Officers**



**Junior and Youth Royalty**



**Ohio State Junior Grange Camp**

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STAY CONNECTED  
STAY POSITIVE**

This summer Thor is saving the world with his hammer, the Minions are trying to make us laugh and Maverick is back to do a flyby of the tower, all in the movies of course, but the Ohio State Grange Family Activity committee is here to give the Grangers in Ohio the opportunity to help others with: "VOSH", Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity; "99 4 the ONE", an outreach in Butler County, find one in your county; "Case For Smiles", pillowcases for terminally ill children, Linus Blankets for children to comfort them in times of chaos and homemade comfort toys to hang onto.

We also want to give you the opportunity to show off your talents in baking, sewing, crocheting, knitting, woodworking, needlework and quilting. We have changed some projects and followed the Delegates passing of a resolution and divided the knitting and crocheting into their own classes. In the next several pages you will gain information on the new and the steadfast community service projects and contests to hopefully challenge and intrigue you. We took some of the suggestions we were given and employed them into this year's adventure. Please read on and let us know what you think: Harry Traxler, Wyandot County, Deb and Mike Russell, Miami County, Jan and Wayne Doner, Mercer County, Staci Miller and Katelyn Fullmer, Stark County our fantastic committee and friends. Ann and I will always try to answer your questions and get things to you in a timely manner, call, text or email us. Check out the Ohio State Grange Family Activity facebook page. Ann has posted quilt block squares for the National "Wonky Star" quilt and this year's Ohio's "Reading Room" quilt blocks. She posted pictures from both "Spring Flings". And just some happy howdy doody have a great day things.

The "Reading Room" quilt is at the quilters now. When it is done Ann will post pictures on the facebook page. The quilt will be auctioned off at the state convention the end of October. If you would like to bid and cannot be at convention 1) give someone your money, a trusting soul, 2) let Ann or I know your top bid and we will bid for you or 3) call us that night and bid through us, just a couple suggestions on how you might obtain this unique quilt.

Talking about unique quilts let's add people to that uniqueness. This year we felt the passing of a special lady Judy Lauby. Mrs. Lauby was the assistant Ohio State Granger piano player, financial secretary to the Stark County Pomona Grange, many things to Lake Grange and a super super special lady to her family friends. We would like

to honor Mrs. Lauby by doing a quilt block in her honor. We will be doing the Notable Music Quilt Block. Please read on.

2023 Spring Fling are 99% confirmed, get your calendars out, April 15 at Valley College Grange in Wooster, Ohio and April 22 with Fairfield County Granges hosting at Frontier Church of God in Amanda, Ohio. Fliers will be mailed out later to give directions to both and times to be there. Hope to see you there.

At 2022 State Convention the Family Activity Room will be open to receive contest items from 7:00 pm to 9:30pm.

Now for what you really want to read and take in the OSG Family Activity year in print:

### **Family Activity Community Services Projects**

#### **Notable Music Quilt Block in "Memory of Judy Lauby"**

We will be distributing a piece of material during 2022 Convention. If you cannot make it to convention, please give us a call and we will mail it out to you. The requirement will be as followed:

- 12 ½ x 12 ½ inch finished block (this includes the seam allowance)
- Your design of quilt block
- Turn in at Spring Fling – must be to us no later than the Ohio State Baking Contest, May ??, 2023. May be dropped off at either Spring Fling Conferences (April 15th or April 22).
- We will be raffling it off at the 2023 Convention –Donation of auction to go to one of our projects

#### **The Sock Monster**

Collection of socks for the homeless or friends in need. You can collect socks and bring them to State Grange for "99 4 The One" or you can give them to a organization in your area. Please keep track on your report. "99 4 The One" will also take your single sock, your clean holy socks, mismatched socks they use these by soaking them in rubbing alcohol and Vaseline and them put it in a mason jar and set it on fire for about eight hours of light at night.

#### **VOSH**

VOSH is the longest running project for the Ohio State Grange Women's Activity and Family Activity. VOSH is Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity. VOSH-Ohio has served 16 countries since 1987. Your county could have an ice cream social just by collect-

ing unwanted prescription eyeglasses; Columbiana County received the ice cream social in August, 2021. Ask optometrists offices, Wall Mart optometric etc.

#### “99 4 the One FNA One Voice”

“99 4 the One” is an outreach in Butler County that gives personal products to the homeless in Butler and surrounding area. The outreach coordinator is Mike Adkins and his wife Trisha. Trisha is the daughter of Bev and Phil Foutz in Butler County. We are asking everyone to bring toothbrushes and paste, travel size body wash, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, first aid kits, feminine products, body wipes, wash clothes, razors, shaving cream and socks. We will box it all up and give to them. You can bring the items to either Spring Flings, deputy conference/baking contest and /or convention. These are also great items to give to missions in your own area also.

#### Case For Smiles formerly Con-Kerr Cancer Pillowcases

Case for Smiles pillowcases is one of our biggest community service projects. You have been putting smiles on children’s faces for 15 years. These simple pillowcases bring a great joy to the children with cancer and their parents. This little bit of brightness adds a lot to their day. The pattern is simple: see attachment.

Note: Make sure to wash the pillowcase and for the protection of the children with suppressed immunity, do not use any softener. In addition, please place each pillowcase in its own zip lock bag.

Drop off sites – please check their website “[www.http/cas-esforsmiles.org](http://www.caseforsmiles.org)”

Here are few frequently asked questions about Case For Smiles and their work.

Do you take cash donations?

We prefer checks, which can be made payable to Case for Smiles.

Where do I send the check made out to Case for Smiles?

Checks can be given to your Regional Coordinator or mailed directly to:

+Case for Smiles  
c/o Cheryl Ferraioli  
295 E. Swedesford Road #396  
Wayne, PA 19087

What can I donate other than fabric?

- Unscented detergent
- Ziploc plastic bags: 1 quart size (each pillowcase smile is delivered in its own Ziploc bag)
- Monetary donations are also welcomed! It currently costs about \$11.00 to make a pillowcase. Donations can easily and securely be made online.

How do I wash the pillowcases?

- Most chapters suggest the use of an unscented detergent in cold water with no fabric softener.
- Tampa hospitals require the pillowcases to be washed in

vinegar and water

- Dry the case – no scented dryer sheets
- Iron pillowcase and place in a Ziploc plastic bag

Can I deliver the pillowcases myself?

No. The hospitals each have standards we must follow, especially due to the children’s low immunity while under treatment. Additionally, many facilities have limited storage and we deliver based on available space.

Is it okay to put a note in the pillowcase?

Yes, a personal note may be inserted (no pins) into the plastic Ziploc bag. Personal notes cannot be of a religious nature.

Do you accept seasonal pillowcases?

Yes, the children love them. In fact, during Halloween, we have seen the children use their pillowcases as Trick or Treat bags. Please note seasonal bags cannot be of a religious nature or theme.

Can I receive a tax credit for sewing pillowcases?

Yes. We are a charitable, 501(c)3 organization. Provide your Regional Coordinator with your name, mailing address and number of pillowcases sewn and we will provide a letter reflecting your donation. All requests must be received by January 15th.

Sadly, I don’t sew, but I DO have many other talents!

What can I do to ‘help’?

Everyone has a talent that is needed to help with the pillowcases!

- Fabric needs to be cut and washed
- Pillowcases need to be ironed
- Pillowcases need to be picked up from drop-off sites
- Fundraising is necessary to purchase additional fabric, thread, and supplies.

\*\*Reach out to your Regional Coordinator to see what ‘talents’ are needed in your specific geography.

My school, scout troop, church group, youth group, etc. want to HOST a sewing event. HOW and what do we do to get this going?

What kind of fabric can I use to sew pillowcases?

- Fabric needs to be 100% cotton
- Remember to use fun, colorful novelty prints!
- Check with local coordinator for local hospitals specific requirements

for example: often time hospitals don’t allow flannel and RED pillowcases tend to bleed.

- We do not accept ‘No-sew pillowcases’.

What pattern can I use to sew pillowcases?

Hospitals use standard size pillowcases (20 x 26 inches)

Choose a bright and colorful fabric style:

- Border: 1/3 of a yard of fabric cut into a strip: 10 1/2 inches by 40 1/2 inches

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- Case: 3/4 of a yard: 26 1/2 inches by 40 1/2 inches

**Linus Blankets**

Linus Blankets have been well received by Grangers. We get lots of blankets at May’s deputy’s conference and at convention and we divide them out to go to drop off sights in as many parts of Ohio that have the drop off sights and Grangers going that direction. Here is a little about Project Linus: History:

Project Linus began in 1995 as the brainchild of Karen Loucks, who saw an article in parade Magazine titled Joy to the World. It was written by Pulitzer Prize winning photo-journalist, Eddie Adams. Part of the article featured a little girl who was comforted through her chemotherapy treatment by her blanket. Karen and some of her friends began making blankets and donating them to children at the local cancer care center. Since, then, Project Linus has given over 2,000,000 blankets to children worldwide in a variety of stressful situations. Our name is taken from Peanuts character that is never without a blanket of his own. Charles Schulz knew about Project Linus and approved the use of his lovable character in the cause of providing security blankets for needy children. As a result of Mr. Schulz’s support, Project Linus blanketeers sew identifying fabric tag with the Linus character on it to each blanket before delivery to the children.

**Mission Statement:**

Project Linus is a non-profit volunteer organization with a two-folded mission.

First, it is our mission to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gift of new, homemade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer “blanketeers”.

Second, it is our mission to provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

**BLANKET SPECIFICATIONS**

\*Make blankets from NEW (NOT RECYCLED), CLEAN, WASHABLE materials in infant, child or teen friendly colors.

\*Blankets may be crocheted, knitted, quilted, or no-sew fleece with a finished edge.

\*Make blankets from 100% cotton fabric, flannel, polar fleece or acrylic (NO WOOL).

\*Secure the batting into outer seams and if the blanket is tied, please anchor it every 4-6 inches, cutting ties to 1 inch in length.

\*Weave in all yarn ends on crocheted and knitted blanket.

\*Check your blanket carefully (double check and triple check) for straight pins and needles. PLEASE use only safety pins (not straight pins) to attach notes to quilts.

\*Avoid buttons or decoration items on a blanket. They can be a choking hazard.

\*Pre-wash all fabric that you feel may cause a problem with bleeding of colors in the fabric.

\*Avoid using fabric or yarn that has been stored in a damp area and has a musty smell. Mold spores can cause an allergic reaction in a child and are very difficult to remove from the fabric. Even if the musty smell disappears after laundering, the spores are still present and can cause serious respiratory problems in children.

\*Absolutely no odors of smoke and strong chemicals (including perfumed fabric softeners), or pet hair. Washing these blankets does not always remove the problem.

\*Blankets should be free of religious messages since they are donated to children of all faiths.

\*No holiday fabrics or panels (Christmas, East, Halloween, etc)

**SUGGESTED BLANKET SIZES**

(Measurements are approximate inches. Please remember that the sizes listed are just guidelines. They accept blankets of ALL sizes.)

Baby blankets.....no smaller than 36”x36”

Child.....40”x60”

Teen.....45”x72”

**HOW TO FINISH A FLEECE BLANKET**

\*No matter what method is used to finish a fleece blanket remove the selvedge edges (the wavy sides with small holes punched all along the side) and even up all sides.

\*They prefer single layer polar fleece blankets. They are lighter and easier for young children to handle. Double fleece blankets can be heavy and bulky.

\*You may serge or hem the fleece or cut a fringed edge.

\*You do not have to knot the fringe.

\*Do not cut the fringe any longer than 2” – 4”. Longer fringe tangles in medical instruments and tubes. Remember, the longer you make the fringe, the less blanket area there is for snuggling.

Please include contact info with blankets.

Ohio Chapters are listed on their website “projectlinus.org”

Prior to making any blankets or contributing other supplies, you are encouraged to contact your local chapter coordinator. This individual can let you know what blanket types and other items for which there are the greatest need.

**Family Activity Contests**

*ALL JUNIOR F.A. ENTRIES COME TO STATE JUDGING. THIS ALSO INCLUDES BAKING.*

**I. Caroline Hall’s Kitchen Stadium** – Subordinate – Members Only

DO NOT WRITE ON PLATES OR OVER TAPE YOUR INFORMATION TO THE BOTTOM OF THE PLATE OR CONTAINER. Just single piece of tape and put in-

formation on top of Saran Wrap. We take it off before judging and number & list each entry in a notebook. This is for state contest. Check with your county deputy for county rules.

**Class A: Everything Cookie**—Thanks to Rick Feister, Unity Grange, Mercer County

1 cup butter                      1 cup white sugar  
1 cup light brown sugar      1 egg  
1 cup vegetable oil            2 teaspoon vanilla  
1 teaspoon baking soda      1 teaspoon Cream of Tartar  
1 teaspoon salt                1 cup coconut  
1 cup rolled oats               3 cups all purpose flour  
1 cup Rice Krispies

12 ounces semi-sweet MINI chocolate chips  
Mix ingredients in order given. Drop by the tablespoon on a greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 12 minutes.

**Class B: Men's: Cool Whip Cookies**—Thanks to Harry Traxler, McCutchen Grange, Wyandot County

Prep time: 35 minutes    Cook Time 12 minutes    Total Time 47 minutes

1 box (15.25 oz/432g) Lemon cake mix  
2 cups Cool Whip, thawed  
1 egg  
½ cup powdered sugar

1. In a large bowl, add the cake mix, Cool Whip and egg. Beat with a mixer until smooth and combined. Note: It's will be very sticky. Cover bowl and chill in the fridge for 30 minutes.

2. Place powder sugar in a bowl. Using a cookie scoop, drop the chilled dough into the powdered sugar. Roll with your hands to make a ball. Place balls on a greased cookie sheet about 2 inches apart.

3. Bake for 12 minutes or until bottoms are golden brown at 350 degrees F. Let cool 5 minutes on the cookie sheet before transferring to a cooling rack.

4. FYI – THESE COOKIES SPREAD.

**Class C: Buckeye Brownies**—Thanks to Mary Bebout, Morgan Grange, Knox County

1 package brownie mix  
2 cups powdered sugar  
½ cup plus 6 tablespoons butter softened and divided  
1 cup creamy peanut butter  
6 ounces milk chocolate chip

Prepare and bake brownie mix according to directions in a 9 inch x 13 inch greased pan.

Mix together powdered sugar, peanut butter and ½ cup butter. Spread over cooled brownies.

Melt chocolate chips and remaining butter over low heat, stirring occasionally. Spread over brownies. Let cool and cut into squares.

Makes 2-3 dozens.

**Class D: Seven-Layer Cookie** from 1967 Ohio Grange Magazine – copied straight from “HEC” section

The following recipe will be used:

1. ¼ pound of butter or oleo – melted in 13” x 9” x2” pan
2. Add in layers as listed – do not stir.
3. 1 cup graham cracker crumbs.
4. 1 package (6 oz.) chocolate chips.
5. 1 package (6 oz.) butterscotch chips.
6. 1 cup shredded coconut
7. 1 cup English Walnuts – chopped.
8. Pour over above 1 can Eagle Brand Milk.

Bake at 325 degrees 25 to 30 minutes. Cut into bars 2” by 2”.

**II. Spring Fling Craft** – Subordinate and Potential members - only those that attended. Please.

What we make on April 15, 2023 in Wayne County & April 22, 2023 in Fairfield County. Starts at 9:30am and over about 3:00 pm

Rough Agenda: 9:30 Greeting & Introduction of committee and special guest.

Talk about our projects and community services projects.

10:00 - 11:30 speakers

12:00 (noon) lunch

1:00 Start the craft for the afternoon

2:30 – 3:30 Spring Fling is finished

**III. Comfort Toy Contest** – Subordinate – Members only

Toys must be soft sculpture, filled with a commercial fiberfill. Entries must conform to U.S. Safety Regulations with no sharp edges that might injure a child; trimmings must be secure with no buttons or glue-on eyes. Only one toy per person is allowed for judging. All judging will be done at State Level. Toys are judged on cleanliness, safety, general appearance and workmanship. Only the comfort toy winning your county contest will be accepted at convention. Not all hospitals are accepting homemade items at this time for donation. We will NOT be returning the toys back to the exhibitors. All toys received will be donated to a local hospital to comfort the children who must be there for treatment or come into the emergency room..

Size Limited to 12” x 12” X 12”

**IV. Home-Subordinate- Members and Potential Members**

**Class A: Bat House**

Build a Bat House. Thank you Nation Wildlife Federation. I love bats because mosquitoes LOVE to bite me. Pesticides can be harmful to mosquitoes’ predators as well as mosquitoes. According to Bat Conservation International, one little brown bat can eat 60 medium-sized moths or

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over 1,000 mosquito-sized insects in one night!

Bats are also interesting because:

- In many ecosystems, they play a key role in pollinating plants.
- There are more than 1,300 species of bats in the world!
- Some bats use echolocation, or high pitched chirps which bounce off objects in front of them, to find their way in the dark.



Before I share my bat house building experience, let me say that I am no carpenter. This was my first time using a circular saw. Hopefully this can help even the least handy person build a bat house.

Why Build a Bat House? You might be surprised: bats don't always live in caves. Some bats spend winter months in caves, but most bats spend summers in trees, under bridges or in old buildings, where they give birth and rear young.

Your goal is to make a bat house that mimics the space between bark and a tree trunk. That would be the bats' ideal nursery. That's why the space inside a bat house is very narrow, unlike a bird house which would house a nest. Bats like tight spaces. They also need it nice and warm for the babies. That's why we paint the box a dark color in most climates and why we caulk the sides to keep the heat in. Also, you'll be using a saw to rough up inside the box. That makes it more like tree bark and easier for the bats to climb up.

You might wonder why you need to build a bat house. Why can't the bats just find a nice tree? That is the challenge for many bat species as forests are cleared. Ideally they would live in a natural home but we build bat houses to help those who can't find space in a forest.

A bat house is also a great way to provide cover for wildlife, as well as a place for wildlife to raise young—two components of becoming a National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitat site.

How to Build a Bat House. First I printed a bat house construction plan from Bat Conservation International's website. (They also have a Bat House Builder's Handbook available for free in a digital version on their bat house pages.) The big surprise was that this bat house ended up being bigger than I expected: two feet wide and almost three feet tall! According to their website, a successful bat house can be smaller (14 inches wide instead of 24 inches wide), but this one was designed to easily use up a 2 foot by 4 foot piece of plywood with fewer cuts.

That was not how I had pictured a bat house. Have you ever seen bat houses for sale that are smaller or shaped

like a bird house? I have. That just means those houses were made by people less acquainted with bat needs.

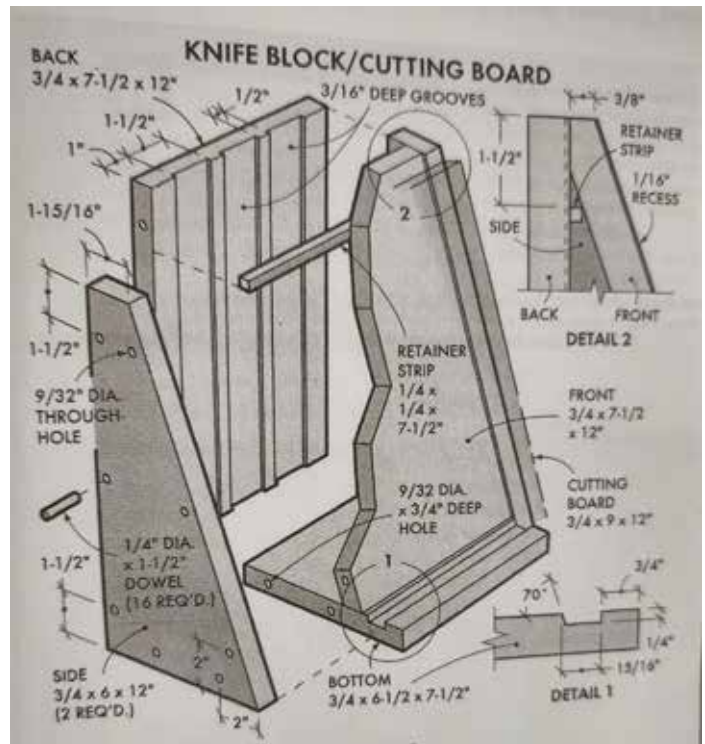
I read over the plan and I found that I needed a location with:

- lots of sun;
  - at least 15 feet off the ground (to protect against predators); and
  - ideally a water source nearby (so the mother bat doesn't have to leave her young for too long).
- Interestingly, bats are less attracted to bat houses mounted on trees. There's a few reasons for this:
- It's too easy for predators to get bats as they exit
  - The branches causing obstructions to exiting bats which drop down then up into flight
  - It's too shady from branches above.

Bat houses mounted on buildings retain heat better and are less accessible to predators. You can put them on a pole though. Luckily my townhouse is three stories high and has a sunny side. It's also near a stream. So I felt I probably had a good site.

You can go to the following sites to download plans: <https://www.batcon.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/4-Chamber-Nursery-House-Plans.pdf> also see: <https://batcon.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/RocketBoxPlans.pdf>. Plans will be available at convention and OSG website and Family Activities facebook page.

**Class B:** Knife Block with Cutting Board from December-January 1995 Workbench magazine



Make the project out of a tight-grained hard wood such as maple to prevent bacteria from colonizing in the pores. Begin by edge-gluing 20 inch long strips of 1 1/2 inch wide

maple to make a single 7 ½ x20 inch piece. After the glue dries, plane or sand the piece until it is smooth; then cut the front, back and bottom. The front is angled 70 degrees, so set your table saw at 20 degrees to cut the top and bottom edges.

Using a table saw or router, cut the grooves for the knives in the back. If you use a table saw, make repeated passes with a rip blade, or use a dado set if you have one. Three 1 ½ inch wide grooves are shown in the drawing, but you can change the number of grooves and their width to fit the knives you use.

Cut a ¼ inch deep groove in the bottom to hold the cutting board, Detail 1. Note that the back of the groove is sloped 70 degrees. Use a table saw to cut the angles on the top of the front as shown in Detail 2.

Cut the sides from solid stock, if possible, or edge- glue narrower stock to get a piece 6 inches wide x 20 inches long. (By flipping the pattern, you can get both sides from a 20 inch long board. Bore 9/32 inch diameter through – holes in sides as show in the drawing. Locate the holes 3/8 inch from the edges. Glue the retainer strip to the back. (Detail 2). Assemble the pieces without glue (two-sided tape will help hold them together temporarily) and clamp. Note that the

front is recess 1/16 inch. When you're satisfied with the fit, insert a 9/32 inch diameter. drill bit through the holes in the sides and bore ¾ inch – deep holes in the front, back and bottom. Remove the clamps and any tape you may have used.

Cut 16 dowels and lay them aside.

The knife block is assembled with glue and dowels. Apply glue to the joints and the dowels as you assemble them. (Use white glue; it dries slowly and will give you time to assemble the parts.) Begin by attaching one side to the front and back. Drive in the dowels with a wood mallet. If the end of the dowel isn't flush with the side, don't force it – you can cut it flush later. Next, attach the bottom to the side. Turn the block on its side and add the other side; then clamp.

Remove any dried glue and cut the dowels flush with the sides; then break the edges with sandpaper.

Make the cutting board by edge-gluing ¾ inch – thick strips. After the glue dries, plane or sand both sides until the board is smooth. You can apply two coats of poly-urethane varnish to the knife block, but leave the cutting board unfinished.

Ami B. Johnson

#### Dimensions of Nesting Boxes

Species	Floor of cavity Inside Inches	Depth of cavity inside Inches	Entrance above floor Inches	Diameter of entrance Inches	Height above ground Feet
Bluebird	5x5	8	6	1 1/2	5' -10'
Robin	6x8	8	A		6' - 15'
Chickadee	4x4	8" - 10"	6" - 8"	1 1/8	6' - 15'
Titmouse	4x4	8" - 10"	6" - 8"	1 1/4	6' - 15'
Nuthatch	4x4	8" - 10"	6" - 8"	1 1/4	12' - 20'
House Wren	4x4	6" - 8"	1" - 6"	1 1/4	6' - 10
Carolina Wren	4x4	6" - 8"	1" - 6"	1 1/2	6' - 10'
Violet Green Swallow	5x5	6	1' - 5"	1 1/2	10' - 15'
Tree Swallow	5x5	6	1" - 5"	1 1/2	10' - 15'
Barn Swallow	6x6	6	B	B	8' - 12'
Purple Martin	6x6	6	1	2 1/2	15' - 20'
Song Sparrow	6x6	6	B	B	1' - 3'
House Finch	6x6	6	4	2	8' - 12'
Starling	6x6	16" - 18"	14" - 16"	2	10' - 25'
Phoebe	6x6	6	A	A	8' - 12'
Crested Flycatcher	6x6	8" - 10"	6" - 8"	2	8' - 20'
Flicker	7x7	16" - 18"	14" - 16"	2 1/2	6' - 20'
Golden-Fronted Woodpecker	6x6	12" - 15"	9" - 12"	2	12' - 20'
Redheaded Woodpecker	6x6	12" - 15"	9" - 12"	2	12' - 20'
Downy Woodpecker	4x4	8" - 10 "	6" - 8"	1 1/4	6' - 20'
Hairy Woodpecker	6x6	12" - 15"	9" - 12"	1 1/2	12' - 20'
Screech Owl	8x8	12" - 15"	9" - 12"	3	10' - 30'
Saw-Whet Owl	6x6	10" - 12"	8" - 10"	2 1/2	12' - 20'
Barn Swallow	10" - 18"	15" - 18"	4	6	12' - 18'
Sparrow Hawk	8x8	12" - 15"	9" - 12"	3	10' - 30'
Wood Duck	10" - 18"	10" - 24"	12" - 16"	4	10' - 20'

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**Class C: Bird House**

You can build any style of bird house but it has to be functional, a house that a specific bird will utilize. We have inserted a list of dimensions of nesting boxes which came from the book: Hi Sibley, Bird House, Feeders You can make, which in the library of Congress.

No SMALLER than 7 inches by 7 inches by 12 inches (7"x7"x12"). NO LARGER than 18 inches by 18 inches by 18 inches (18"x18"x18").

**V. A Stitch In Time – Subordinate - Members and Potential Members**

**Class A: Betty's Cutlery Roll** thank you Betty Conner from Valley College, Wayne County.

Keep your own cutlery, reusable straw and napkin in your bag and you'll never have to ask for plastic in take-away shops again! Use a non-directional print for best results.

Finished size: 3x10 inches when tied

What you need:

24x17inches patterned fabric

8x17 inches plain fabric

8x17 inches medium-weight interfacing

18 inches of 1 cm ½ inch wide ribbon

Cut:

1 piece of patterned fabric measuring 8x17 inches

1 piece of patterned fabric measuring 8x14 inches for the back pocket

1 piece of patterned fabric measuring 8 inches square for the front pocket

1 piece of plain fabric measuring 8x17 inches

Instructions:

1. Fuse interfacing to the wrong side of the 8x17 inch patterned fabric piece. Trim the top corners of both 8x17 inch pieces into curves.

2. Fold the remaining two patterned fabric pieces in half width ways, wrong sides together, and press (they should both measure 8 inch width ways. Place the smaller piece over the larger, raw edges matching. Measure and mark the centre line, then 2 ¼ inch from each side. Sew along the 2 ¼ inch in from the top of the smaller pocket to the bottom. Remember to backstitch a couple of stitches at the top of the pocket to strengthen the seams.

3. Place the pocket panel over the right side of the plain fabric, bottom edges matching. Sew along the centre of the pocket panel through all layers, then along the sides of the pockets within the seam allowance.

4. Fold the ribbon in half and sew the fold of the ribbon, with the ends facing inwards, to one side of the back pocket, 5 ½ inches up from the bottom edge.

5. Tuck the ribbon inside a pocket, out of the way of the seam. Place the long patterned fabric piece right sides together with the plain and sew all the way around, leav-

ing a turning gap of about 3 inches in one side. Snip across the seam allowances at the bottom corners and around the curves.

6. Turn right side out and press. Edge stitch all the way around.

7. Place your cutlery, straws and napkin into the pockets.

8. Fold the flap over the cutlery, roll up, and tie the ribbon to secure.

Tip: Cut the ribbon ends at an angle to prevent them from fraying.

**Class B – Kitchen Helpers: Jar Opener, Hand Towel, and Reusable Sponge Set**

Material: terry cloth towel, cotton fabric, thread, tulle (netting) fabric or fruit/vegetable bag or rubber shelf liner, button or snaps or Velcro. Option: magnet and ribbon on the jar opener and reusable sponge set.

NO CROCHET TOP on the towel.

Must have ALL 3 items to be judged.

**1. Jar Opener:**

ACTIVE TIME – 10 minutes TOTAL TIME – 10 minutes DIFFICULTY - EASY

Materials: Rubber Shelf Liner, 2 - 7 inch square of Fabric and Magnet

Tools: Sewing Machine, Thread, Scissors, Rotary Cutter and Cutting Mat

a. Cut the rubber shelf liner in 7" x 7" square with the rotary cutter and cutting mat.

b. Layer the rubber shelf liner between two squares of fabric with right sides together.

c. Pin or clip to hold the layers in place.

d. Optional: Some folks suggested adding a loop at this point for hanging the jar opener. Using a 4 inch length of ribbon. Twist the ribbon to make a loop and pin it between the fabric and shelf liner.

e. Sew around the perimeter leaving a 5 inch gap on one side.

f. Trim the corners.

g. Pull the fabric and rubber shelf liner through the opening to turn it right side out.

h. Turn the corners out completely

i. Turn the opening under and hold it in place w and finger press.

j. Slide the magnet between the fabric layers, and move it to the center.

k. Turn the opening under and clip or pin.

l. Top stitch around the perimeter

m. Move the magnet to a corner, and stitch an "X" in the center.

NOTE: If you have trouble getting the shelf liner through your sewing machine, add a piece of paper and sew through it. Then tear away the paper. Do not use fabric scissors to cut rubber shelf liner. Do not iron rubber shelf liner – it will melt.



## 2. Terry Cloth Kitchen Hanging Towel

Items you will need is – terry cloth hand towel, thread, snap or button or Velcro.

Make into a towel to hang on your kitchen drawer or stove handle.

## 3. Scratch sponge

Below you will find 2 different patterns.

### 1. *DIY Zero-Waste Kitchen Sponge*

#### Materials

- Pre-cut cotton squares
- Solid flannel
- Ribbon
- All-Purpose Thread
- Heavyweight tulle
- Poly-Fil Stuffing

#### Tools

- Iron
- Ironing Board
- Scissors
- Sewing Machine
- Rotary Cutter and Mat
- Sewing Pins
- Needle for hand-stitching

#### Instructions

1. Wash, dry, and press fabrics if desired. It is not necessary to wash/dry tulle, and do not iron it.

2. Using a rotary mat and cutter, cut both fabrics and the tulle into 5” squares. Cut as many squares as you would like to have finished sponges out of all fabrics. If you prefer your sponges to be a rectangle shape, feel free to cut them in that shape instead! I did squares because I had the pre-cut squares on hand.

3. We will be making fabric “sandwiches” next. On the bottom, place a flannel square. Then layer two squares of tulle. Turn one layer 90 degrees so the tulle is not aligned – better scrubbing power! Then finish your “sandwich” with a patterned square, face down. Pin once or twice in the middle of the square to hold.

4. If you wish for your sponge to have a loop to hang it with, cut a 4-5” strip of ribbon. Fold it as shown in the photo, and sandwich it between the tulle and the patterned piece (look closely at photos!). Pin once to hold the ribbon in place.

5. Using ¼” seam allowance, stitch around an individual square. Be sure to leave a 1.5” opening in the middle of one side. See photo for reference on where to leave the opening.

6. Snip the corners to cut down on bulk inside the sponges.

7. Through the 1” opening, turn the fabric right side out. Be sure to turn so that the patterned fabric is on one side, while the tulle AND the flannel are on the other. This will allow the scrubbing side to be more durable. Gently use a

turning tool to push out the corners and sides of the squares.

8. Fold the opening in (it should already be tucked in slightly) and hand press all the way around the sponge.

9. Using the small opening, stuff the sponge with stuffing. You’ll want to pack it quite a bit, but not too much – it will be hard to sew through if you put too much!

10. Close the opening using a hand-sewn invisible stitch. This can also be called a blind stitch or ladder stitch.

11. Using the same color thread as before, thread a needle and tie a knot at the end.

12. Insert your needle from underneath and inside one folded side of the opening.

13. Go across to the other side of the opening and insert your needle along the top edge of the fold. You’ll want to pick up a small amount of fabric along the fold and poke the needle back out.

14. Repeat the last step coming across to the side you began with.

15. Continue going back and forth between fabrics with the small stitches along the top edge of each folded side. It will begin to resemble a ladder.

16. Pull your stitches tight (but not too tight, or it will bunch!) to close your opening.

17. Insert your needle under your last stitch and come back out of the fabric, then pull your thread tight through the thread loop you created. This will tie a knot in the thread. Repeat once more to secure the knot.

18. Insert your needle into the seam right next to the knot you made. Push your needle through the “pillow” of the sponge and come out in the middle somewhere. Pull tight and trim the end of your thread – it will enclose the end of the thread inside the sponge, so you have no loose ends to snip off.

19. Top stitch around the whole sponge about an inch in from the edge. This will create a square in the center of your sponge, which will hold the stuffing evenly in place throughout the sponge. Feel free to try an “x” shape as well if you’d like!

20. Your sponge is finished and ready to use!

#### Notes

Be sure to backstitch on both sides of the opening when initially sewing the “sandwich” together. You may also want to backstitch over the ribbon to reinforce strength for hanging the sponge.

Depending on how many sponges you plan to make, it can be faster to cut 5” strips of fabric and use your rotary cutter to “slice off” 5” squares. You can also layer your fabric for faster cutting!

Or

### 2. *DIY Zero-Waste*

Fabric – 2 pieces of polyester or cotton fabric (one main,

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one lining)

batting

tulle or mesh

matching thread

scissors (or rotary cutter and a cutting mat)

ruler or measuring tape

iron and ironing board

sewing clips or pins

sewing machine

STEP 1: Download and print the unsponge pattern

Don't print directly from the browser (this sometimes skews the pattern). Instead use Adobe Reader or a similar program to open the file. Make sure you print it at 100% (no scale) and trim any excess paper.

STEP 2: Cut fabrics according to pattern

Lay out your pattern on the fabric pieces you have selected. A strong cotton or polyester fabric is recommended. Cut a front and back piece for the sponge. They need not be the same color – maybe a stripe or print in blue and a plain blue?

Cut two layers of tulle or vegetable bag mesh, the same size as the front and back of the sponge. Lastly, cut 2 pieces of batting\*

You'll end up with 6 identically sized fabric pieces.

\*If you don't have batting you can use silicone stuffing instead. If you want your reusable sponge to have more 'body' use 4 layers of batting!

STEP 3: Layer the fabrics

Lay down one piece of fabric – probably the patterned one, right side up, then over it layer two pieces of tulle or mesh, then the other fabric piece with the wrong side facing up and lastly put the two pieces of batting.

STEP 4: Pin

Pin into place, and don't forget to leave a 1 inch opening for turning.

STEP 5: Stitch around

Sew around the four sides, with a ¼ inch seam allowance, and leaving a gap of around 1 ½ to 2 inches on one side to enable you to turn the unsponge.

STEP 6: Clip and turn right side out

Clip across the corners so you do not have excess fabric puckering the corners, then turn the sponge, pulling the fabric through the gap. Use a knitting needle or chopstick to ensure the corners are pushed out neatly. You will have the mesh on one side of the sponge and a plain side.

\*\*\* OPTIONAL: If using silicone filling instead of batting:

Fill the sponge with fiber fill making sure it is nice and puffy – with use it will get flatter so you want to make sure it's really plumped up to start with.

STEP 7: Stitch the gap

Turn in the raw edges of the gap and run a seam around

the diy sponge ¼ “ from the edge, followed by another ½” from the edge. This will close the gap and will ensure the wadding does not move during use.

If you don't want to see the stitching, just slip stitch the gap by hand.

All done– your first unsponge is ready to put to use.

**VI. Nifty Needles and More - Subordinate Members**

**2021 Convention Delegates accepted a Resolution, that goes into effect September/October 2022 Ohio Grange Magazine. “GA 606 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Directors of the Ohio State Grange Family Activities revise the contest categories of needle work separating the knitting from the crocheting.”**

General Rules:

1. Open to Grange Members.
2. A contestant may enter as many classes as they wish but may enter only one item per class.
3. Work must be entirely that of the contestant except those quilted by a group.
4. Entries must have been completed between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023.
5. Each entry must have a label securely attached by safety pins with the following information: name, Grange name and number and county.

Judging:

1. County contests will be at the discretion of the County Family Activities Chairperson or Deputy.
2. Only one entry per class may be sent to State Convention for judging.
3. All entries will be judged using the following criteria: **Workmanship. General appearance. Selection of design. Harmony of color.** Suitability of article of purpose.
4. Local awards: The local and county Granges will determine all local awards.

### **Class A: Afghan**

The afghan may be made using any yarn suitable to entry. It must be knitted, or crocheted, using your choice of pattern. NO SIZE LIMITATION.

#### **A-1: Crochet**

#### **A-2: Knitted**

### **Class B: For the Table**

Is to be created by crochet, knitting, or tatting. You may use any pattern or design to make a doily, luncheon cloth table runner or 4 piece placemat set. Size limit on doily is: it must fit on an 18 in. x 18 in. foam display board.

#### **B-1: Crochet**

#### **B-2: Knitted**

### **Class C: Baby Afghan**

The Baby afghan may be made using any yarn suitable for entry. It must be knitted or crocheted, using your choice of pattern. NO SIZE LIMITATION.

#### **C-1: Crochet**

#### **C-2: Knitted**

**Class D: Rock-A-Bye Baby**

You may use any pattern and any yarn suitable for your knit or crochet entry. TWO piece minimum baby set may include a pair of booties or a blanket as part of the set. (A pair of booties is considered one item in the set.)

**D-1: Crochet****D-2: Knitted****Class E: Something to Wear**

You may use any pattern for knitted, woven or crocheted article of clothing or three piece set: hat, scarf and gloves (or mittens). May use any thread or yarn.

**E-1: Crochet****E-2: Knitted****Class F: Shawl – Wrap – Pray Shawl**

For an adult. Triangle or rectangle shape.

**K-1: Crochet****K-2: Knitted****Class G: Embroidery – set of tea towels**

May be any type of style of embroidered item: Crewel, huck/Swedish weaving, needlepoint, etc.... The hand towel may be your own design or bought pattern.

**Class H: Counted Cross Stitch**

Item must be framed or mounted, if appropriate.

**Class J: Plastic Canvas**

Any item made with any pattern using any yarn or thread product. No larger than 18x18x18. Each entry is limited to 3 pieces or less.

**Class K: Embroidery Tennis shoes**

Items you will need is: pair of white canvas tennis shoes, embroidery floss and needles, pencil or water solvent pen and pliers. You may add beads in your design.



\*\*\*\*\*ALL JUNIOR ENTRIES\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*COME TO STATE JUDGING\*\*\*\*\*

**VII. Busy Needles (Nifty Needles and More) ----- Junior Division**

Three age groups: 8 and under, 9-11 and 12-14

**Class A: Sharpie Canvas Tennis Shoes**

Ready to get started? You will need a pair of white canvas tennis shoes, permanent sharpie markers.

Optional: rubbing alcohol, spray bottle and masking tape

to make your design into tie dye. Place rubbing alcohol in spray bottle and masking tape over the rubber sole. Let your shoes dry for 24 hours – before wearing them.

**Class B: Comfort Toys (stuffed toys)**

Toys must be soft sculptured, filled with commercial fiberfill. Entries must conform to U.S. Safety Regulations with no sharp edges that might injure a child; trimmings must be secure with no buttons or glue-on eyes. Only one toy per person is allowed for judging, and all judging will take place at the state level. Toys are judged on cleanliness, safety, general appearance and workmanship. All toys received will be donated to a local hospital to comfort the children who must be there for treatment or come into the emergency room..

Size limit 12” x 12” x 12”

Rules: Your pattern but appropriate for project.

1. Your choice of material, pattern and decorations.
2. Judging: Workmanship, Appearance, Originality

**VIII. Quilt Contest** – Subordinate Quilt contest entries may use choice of batting and quilting technique. By definition, a quilt is a top piece of fabric created by piecing, a middle layer of batting, then a bottom layer of fabric, all secured together by a stitch completed from top layer to bottom layer.

**Class A: Quilted Tote Bag****A-1: Quilted Tote Bag, quilted by machine****A-2: Quilted Tote Bag, quilted by hand**

As example: Pick up a “Charm Pack or Jelly Roll”, Favorite coordinating print, 2 scraps of batting 20 inch square or larger. Lay them out into a design.

No smaller then 12x12 inches and NO Bigger than 18x18 inches.

**Class B: Quilt by an individual****B-1: Quilt, quilted by machine****B-2: Quilt, quilted by hand****Class C: Quilt by a group****C-1: Quilt, quilted by machine****C-2: Quilt, quilted by handed quilted****Class D: Knotted (tied) T-Shirt Comforter, by one person or a group.**

Use appropriate t-shirts of your choice.

Rules:

1. Open to Grangers.
2. In the group classes (Class B) at least one person must be grange member or the quilt is sponsored by a Grange. This means a group put it together and quilted.
3. Quilt must be completed during the Grange year October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023.
4. Minimum size for Class B, Class C and Class D is 72 inches by 90 inches or 324 inches total outer measure-

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ment. (No maximum size.)

5. Cloth label must show name, address, Grange name and number, and county and should be safety pinned to the quilt. Please do not sew or bast to quilt.

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June 8, 2022

Ohio State Grange Family  
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Dear Ohio State Grange Family,

Thank you very much for your generous donation of \$175.00 (Check 517235261-8 received 6/8/2022) to the Military Family Center. Your donation will be used to support the Military Family Center. It is only through the generosity of people such as you that this center continues to grow.

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We thank you for helping us honor our commitment to this group of individuals. We - and all of those we serve - are truly thankful for your kindness and support of our mission.

Sincerely,

*Shelley Sprang*  
Shelley Sprang  
Executive Director

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# Talent Contest

## Best of Show



Cindy Campbell, Knox County



Knox County Chorus

## Best of Show Runner-Up



Mark Naylor, Highland County  
Vocal Solo - Piano Solo



Lonnie Totten, Knox County  
Vocal Solo



Harry Traxler, Wyandot County  
Instrumental Solo



Cindy Campbell, Knox County  
Reading



Amilyah Lloyd, Columbiana  
County, Instrumental Solo



Christopher and Abigail Casseday, Washington  
County, Dance Duet



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## Important Bonding Deadline for 2023 Insurance

This is the information for the National Grange Fidelity Bond program for 2023. Thank you for your compliance with 2022's earlier deadline, great job! For 2023, the deadline is DECEMBER 31, 2022. Your list and payment must be received at National Grange Headquarters by this date to be included in bonding coverage. Prices remain the same, and the requirement for the questionnaire or additional information is the same for coverages \$50,000 or more.

As previously done, I just need the list of Granges, amount of coverage requested, and amount paid. If you have any questions please contact me as soon as possible. This year went fairly smoothly for a new system, so I'm sure 2023 will be even better. Thank you for your cooperation.

Betsy Huber  
President

## BONDING RATES 2023

**DEADLINE – must be received by National Grange by DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Limit	Base Premium
\$5,000	\$50
Excess Coverage Limit	Premium
\$10,000	\$58
\$25,000	\$72

For the higher limits below, a simple questionnaire is required to be completed. You can find the questionnaire at: <https://files.constantcontact.com/859610f4101/3a48f839-5064-4bc7-8f57-e53f3500539c.pdf>

\$50,000	\$88
\$100,000	\$112

For limits \$250,000 or above, additional underwriting is required (including Questionnaire, your Independent audited financial statement and a copy of your written internal control procedures).

\$250,000	\$138
\$500,000	\$179

These are the only coverages available—choose from these set amounts.

The National Grange Answers All of Your Questions About BONDING

Q: What is Fidelity Bonding?

A: Fidelity Bonding is a type of insurance coverage to protect the financial assets of your Community, Pomona, or State Grange. Section 4.10.9 of the Digest of Laws of the National Grange stipulates that all Granges, at their own expense, are to be bonded or insured for employee dishonesty with coverage to include at least the Secretary and Treasurer of each organization.

Q: How Does Fidelity Bonding Work?

A: The Fidelity Bond protects the Grange by covering financial losses due to dishonest or fraudulent acts of an individual or group. Should any unfortunate loss or theft of your Grange's funds occur, due to the dishonest acts of covered positions, you would file a claim for review. The bond would help to cover the Grange's financial loss up to the policy limit.

Q: Can The National Grange Help with this Required Bonding?

A: Yes. The National Grange has a schedule Fidelity Bond (also referred to as employee dishonestly insurance or crime coverage) available at a discounted group rate. The bond is issued through the NGM Insurance Company, located in Keene, NH. Every Grange is eligible to participate by enrolling through their state office. Coverage is not available in Alaska, California, and Hawaii.

Q: What Does the Bond Cover?

A: The Fidelity Bond available through The National Grange can provide coverage for all officers and member positions, not just the Secretary and Treasurer who are required to be bonded by the Digest of Laws. Basic minimum coverage is \$5,000 for a Community Grange, or for a Pomona Grange, and \$25,000 for a State Grange. Higher coverage limits are available and subject to underwriting. The Bond coverage is for one calendar year beginning January 1st. Coverage decisions must be communicated to The National Grange headquarters by December 30th 2022.

Granges who elect not to renew coverage will be removed from the policy. Once removed coverage cannot

be elected to be added for two policy terms.

Q: How Much Coverage Does our Grange Need?

A: The basic minimum coverage is the lowest amount of coverage offered. In some cases this is enough for a Grange. In many cases, this amount is too low. An easy way to determine how much coverage you need would be to assess the maximum amount of money your Grange handles, including your bank accounts, financial assets, and cash you handle at Grange activities, and compare the limit with the internal controls you have over these funds. Fidelity policies are typically not designed to provide coverage for every dollar that comes into an organization's control.

Q: How Do We Apply for Bonding?

A: Every Grange that would like to purchase discounted coverage enrolls through their State Grange. Prior to the end of each year, the National Master sends a letter and a rate schedule to each State Master. Each State Grange then offers this opportunity to their Pomona and Community Granges, collects their premiums, and forwards a lump sum check with a list of participating Granges and amounts of their coverage to the National Grange office. Granges who want to obtain a higher coverage limit will choose an amount listed below. Coverage limits at \$50,000 or higher will need to complete a simple coverage questionnaire for underwriting review. Simply choosing your level of coverage and forwarding the premium to your State Grange adds you to the group policy. The rates are based on the policy beginning January 1st so be sure to enroll early to take advantage of a full year of coverage. Limits available are \$5,000; \$10,000; \$25,000; \$50,000; \$100,000 (Limits of \$50,000 and \$100,000 require a questionnaire be completed). For limits of \$250,000 or \$500,000 we would require additional underwriting (including Questionnaire, Independent audited financial statement and a copy of the written internal control procedures).

Q: How Do I File a Claim?

A: Should a loss occur, you would contact the The National Grange office for instructions and claim forms.

You should also call The National Grange office if you have any further questions about bonding at (202) 628-3507.

## **Rural Mental Health Connections Webinar Series**

### **Rural Suicide Awareness and Prevention Webinar**

**Presented by Rural Minds and the National Grange**

In keeping with our mission to serve as the informed voice for mental health in rural America, Rural Minds" is pleased to be partnering with the National Grange to present the Rural Suicide Awareness and Prevention Webinar featuring:

- Presenters discussing the importance of confronting the higher risk of suicide in rural communities
- Information to help prevent suicide
- Free resources for rural mental health and suicide awareness and prevention

**Tuesday, September 13, 2022**

**6:30 pm PT | 7:30 pm MT**

**8:30 pm CT | 9:30 pm ET**

This webinar will be presented live via Zoom with the option to hear live audio as listen-only. All recorded video and audio content will be archived and available post-event on [www.RuralMinds.org](http://www.RuralMinds.org).

Please note that this webinar discusses aspects of mental health, including suicide, that certain individuals may find disturbing or triggering. If you or someone you know is suicidal or in emotional distress, call or text 988.

These services are free and confidential. If this is a life-threatening emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest hospital emergency room.

**We invite you to join us for this  
FREE educational event featuring:**

- **Introduction by representatives of the National Grange and Rural Minds**
- **Monica Kramer McConkey, Professional Counselor** - Ms. McConkey has 25 years of experience in the behavioral health field as a counselor program supervisor and administrator. She has a Masters Degree in Counseling and is Licensed Professional Counselor in the state of Minnesota. Her focus throughout her career has been to increase access to, and remove the stigma often attached to mental health services in rural underserved areas.
- **Nathan Lawson, Farmer and Rural Mental Health Advocate** - Mr. Lawson began farming in central Kentucky in 2005. He has served in leadership roles for the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association and Beef Council, and as part of a round-table charged with raising awareness about mental health and suicide prevention in Kentucky communities. He has participated in the national QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) leadership curriculum..
- **Julie Lux** - Rural Minds Vice President of Communications, moderating the webinar
- **Interaction from the online audience during Q&A sessions**

**The event is free, however, you must  
pre-register at:**

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**D. Wyatt Aiken**, (1828 - 1887), South Carolina. Member of the United States House of Representatives.

**Harold J. Arthur**, (1904-1971), Vermont. 68th Governor of Vermont

**Nahum J. Bachelder**, (1854 - 1934), New Hampshire. 49th Governor of New Hampshire.

**Charles J. Bell**, (1845 - 1909), Vermont. 50th Governor of Vermont.

**Robert Bergland**, (1928 - 2018), Minnesota. 20th United States Secretary of Agriculture.

**Charles F. Brannan**, (1903 - 1992), Colorado. 14th United States Secretary of Agriculture

**Ezra S. Carr**, California. 7th California State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Professor of Agriculture at the University of California, Berkeley

**Norman Jay Coleman**, (1827 - 1911), New York. 1st United States Secretary of Agriculture

**Henry C. Groseclose**, Virginia. Founder of the Future Farmers of Virginia and Future Farmers of America

**Aaron B. Grosh**, (1803 - 1884), Founder of the National Grange. First Chaplain of the National Grange.

**Caroline A. Hall**, (1838 - 1918), Founder of the National Grange.

**William M. Ireland**, (??? - 1891), Founder of the National Grange. First Treasurer of the National Grange.

**Oliver Hudson Kelley**, (1826 - 1913), agriculturalist, organizer. Primary founder of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry. First Secretary of the National Grange.

**Evander M. Law**, (1836 -1920), Confederate general and organizer of the Alabama Grange.

**David Lubin**, (1849 - 1919), California. Founder of the California Fruit Growers Union and U.S. delegate to the International Institute of Agriculture.

**Cyrus G. Luce**, (1824 - 1905), Michigan. 21st Governor of Michigan.

**James W. Marshall**, (1810 - 1885), Discoverer of California Gold. Charter member of Pilot Hill Grange #1 California

**Francis Marion McDowell**, (1831 - 1894), Founder of the National Grange. Second Treasurer of the National Grange.

**James Nesmith**, (1820 - 1885), Oregon. United States Senator from Oregon.

**Krist Novoselic**, (b. 1965), Washington. Bass guitarist for the rock band Nirvana

**Gifford Pinchot**, (1865 - 1946), Pennsylvania. 28th Governor of Pennsylvania.

**Frederick Robie**, (1822 - 1912), Maine. 39th Governor of Maine.

**Robert P. Robinson**, (1869 - 1939), Delaware. 57th Governor of Delaware.

**Norman Rockwell**, (1894 - 1978), Vermont. American painter.



**Eleanor Roosevelt**, (1884 - 1962), New York. First Lady of the United States of America.

**Franklin D. Roosevelt**, (1882 - 1945), New York. 32nd President of the United States of America.

**Ellen Alida Rose**, (1843-?), agriculturist, suffragist.

**William Saunders**, (1822 - 1900), botanist, landscaper, designer of Soldiers Cemetery in Gettysburg, PA. Founder of the National Grange. First Master/President of the National Grange.

**John Strentzel**, (1813 - 1890), California. California pioneer, Father-in-law of John Muir.

**John R. Thompson**, (1834 - 1894), Founder of the National Grange. First Lecturer/Program Director of the National Grange.

**John Trimble**, (1831 - 1902), Founder of the National Grange. Third Secretary of the National Grange.

**Harry S. Truman**, (1884-1972), Missouri. 33rd President of the United States of America.

### Winter Driving Tips

Severe weather can be both frightening and dangerous for travelers. Winter storms, bad weather and sloppy road conditions are a factor in nearly half a million crashes and more than 2,000 road deaths every winter, according to research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. Drivers should know the safety rules for dealing with winter road emergencies. AAA urges drivers to be cautious while driving in adverse weather.

AAA recommends the following tips while driving in snowy and icy conditions:

#### Cold Weather Driving Tips

- Keep a bundle of cold-weather gear in your car, such as extra food and water, warm clothing, a flashlight, a glass scraper, blankets, medications, and more.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated and have plenty of tread.
- Keep at least half a tank of fuel in your vehicle at all times.
- Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area, such as a garage.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface, such as on ice and snow.

#### Tips for Driving in the Snow

- Stay home. Only go out if necessary. Even if you can drive well in bad weather, it's better to avoid taking unnecessary risks by venturing out.
- Drive slowly. Always adjust your speed down to account for lower traction when driving on snow or ice.
- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Apply the gas slowly to regain traction and avoid skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry and take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Increase your following distance to five to six seconds. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.

- Know your brakes. Whether you have antilock brakes or not, keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.
- Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to get moving while still rolling. If you can slow down enough to keep rolling until a traffic light changes, do it.
- Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads will just make your wheels spin. Try to get a little inertia going before you reach the hill and let that inertia carry you to the top. As you reach the crest of the hill, reduce your speed and proceed downhill slowly.
- Don't stop going up a hill. There's nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy road. Get some inertia going on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.

#### Tips for Long-Distance Winter Trips

- Be Prepared: Have your vehicle checked by a reliable mechanic.
- Check the Weather: Check the weather along your route and when possible, delay your trip if bad weather is expected.
- Stay Connected: Before hitting the road, notify others and let them know your route, destination and estimated time of arrival.

#### If you get stuck in the snow:

- Stay with your vehicle: Your vehicle provides temporary shelter and makes it easier for rescuers to locate you. Do not try to walk in a severe storm. It is easy to lose sight of your vehicle in blowing snow and become lost.
- Don't over exert yourself: When digging out your vehicle, listen to your body and stop if you become tired.
- Be Visible: Tie a brightly colored cloth to the antenna of your vehicle or place a cloth at the top of a rolled up window to signal distress. At night, keep the dome light on if possible. It only uses a small amount of electricity and will make it easier for rescuers to find you.
- Clear the Exhaust Pipe: Make sure the exhaust pipe is not clogged with snow, ice or mud. A blocked exhaust pipe can cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to leak into the passenger compartment of the vehicle while the engine is running.
- Stay Warm: Use whatever is available to insulate your body from the cold. This could include floor mats, newspapers or paper maps. Pre-pack blankets and heavy clothing to use in case of an emergency.
- Conserve Fuel: Only run the engine and heater long enough to remove the chill.

## 2022 Calendar

## 2023 Calendar

### September

- 1- *ALL reports Due*
- 1- *Resolutions Due*
- 5- Labor Day
- 11- Grandparents Day
- 14- Board Meeting
- 20-22- Farm Science Review

### October

- 5- Quarterly Reports Due
- 10- Columbus Day (Office closed)
- 12- Board Meeting
- 27-30- Ohio State Grange Convention-Marriott NW  
Dublin, Ohio

### November

- 9- Board Meeting
- 11- Veterans Day
- 16-19- National Grange Convention-Sparks, Nevada
- 24- Thanksgiving (Office closed)

### December

- 7- Pearl Harbor Day
- 14- Board Meeting  
State Offices closed until Jan. 3rd
- 24- Christmas Eve 25- Christmas Day
- 26- Boxing Day
- 31- New Year's Eve
- 25- Christmas Day
- 26- Boxing Day
- 31- New Year's Eve

### Ohio State Grange Convention

**October 27th - 30th, 2022**  
Marriott NW - Dublin, Ohio

### National Grange Convention

**November 15-19, 2022**  
Nugget Casino Resort  
1100 Nugget Avenue, Sparks, Nevada 89431

### November 14-18, 2023

Conference & Event Center Niagara Falls  
Sheraton at the Falls  
300 Third Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14303

### January

- 5- Quaterly Reports Due
- 10- Board Meeting
- 13-15- Youth Winter Camp-Place and Time TBD
- 16- Martin Luther King Day
- 27- Holocost Remembrance Day

### February

- 14- Board Meeting
- 11- Secretary University-Time and place TBD
- 14- Valentines Day
- 20- Presidents Day
- 25- Secretary University

### March

- 8 - Board Meeting
- 11- Youth/ Junior Conference- State Office
- 17- St. Patricks Day
- 18- Deaf Conference-State Office
- 25- Community Service/Lecturer-State Office

### April

- 1- Junior Sleep Over-State Office
- 1- Dartball -Fredericktown ,Ohio
- 2- Palm Sunday
- 5- Quarterly Reports Due
- 7- Good Friday
- 9- Easter
- 9- 150 Birthday of the Ohio State Grange  
(April 9th,1873)
- 12- Board Meeting
- 15- Work Day- State Office
- 15- Family Activity Conference, Wayne Co.
- 17- Patriots Day
- 22- Legislative Day
- 22- Family Activity Conference, Fairfield County

### May

- 7- Rural Life Sunday-Time and Place TBD
- 10- Board Meeting
- 14- Mothers Day
- 29 - Memorial Day(office closed)
- Deputy Conference Date, Time,Place TBD

### June

- Talent Show- Date, Time, Place TBD
- 14- Board Meeting
- 18- Fathers Day

### July

- 1- University Grange Scholarship Deadline
- 4- Independence Day
- 5- Quarterly Reports Due
- 12- Board Meeting
- 26- August 6- Ohio State Fair

### August

- 6- Ohio State Fair Ends
- 6- Board Meeting

This op-ed article was printed in the Toledo Blade on August 13, 2022. The Ohio State Grange belongs to the Aluminum Alliance. The Alliance is fighting cheap Chinese imported Aluminum. We are also helping the Ohio Beverage Association with this. I think Pennsylvania Grange is working on this too.

Sue

## Section 232 Hurts Farmers and Ohio's Economy

Record inflation is pummeling American consumers—and the case high aluminum prices is representative of this greater consumer crisis. The average cost of essential goods is up 9.1% per a recent report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In response, CEOs of major American breweries called on President Biden to repeal onerous Section 232 tariffs that have burdened the U.S. economy. Their messaging echoes what other experts have said: that eliminating Section 232 would provide much needed economic relief to struggling segments of the private sector. Thankfully, Congress is listening, as Senators Pat Toomey (R-PA) and Mark Warner (D-VA) are working to repeal these tariffs and offer relief to American consumers.

The aluminum industry is a highly lucrative sector for Ohio. The sector employs over 60,000 residents and pays more than \$84.3 billion in wages. More generally, important sectors such as manufacturing, agriculture, and construction depend on affordable aluminum. Manufacturing is Ohio's largest industry per GDP. When accounting for the far-reaching economic impact of aluminum, the industry is responsible for \$15.5 billion.

The past several years of economic tumult have hurt the aluminum industry and Ohio's economy. The price of aluminum per ton climbed from \$1,600 to nearly \$2,500. Meanwhile, the state witnessed unemployment hit 16.4 percent in April 2020, and has been slow to return to pre-pandemic levels. This bad news hurts consumers, as aluminum is crucial to critical industries.

Our close relationship with farmers across the state has offered keen insight into high aluminum prices' detrimental impact on the agricultural sector. Farmers looking to repair or replace equipment cannot afford inflated prices or must wait for spare parts. These delays limit harvest yields and threaten farmers' bottom lines. As a result, consumers are left to pay increasingly more for everyday produce.

The American Security Project (ASP) has proposed a solution: eliminate Section 232 aluminum tariffs. In a recent paper, ASP proposes that Congress repeal these harmful tariffs that favor carbon-intensive Chinese aluminum. Eliminating these levies would be a smart environmental and economic pivot—shifting national aluminum consumption towards low-carbon aluminum forged with hydropower. Current tariffs have outpriced low-carbon aluminum, forcing

American businesses to depend on cheap, Chinese aluminum forged in coal-burning smelters. By eliminating Section 232, or ensuring we do not cut tariffs on high-carbon aluminum, policymakers can encourage low-carbon aluminum and implement smarter, green initiatives.

Senator Pat Toomey is now working with Senator Mark Warner (D-Va.) to repeal Section 232 tariffs, boosting our economy and promoting environmental policy. Their legislation, called the Bicameral Congressional Trade Authority Act, would eliminate Section 232 and rein in detrimental tariffs that burden American consumers. The Toomey/Warner bill has already received widespread endorsements from business associations and consumer advocates.

Passing this legislation is an actionable step in driving down inflation through reducing the cost of aluminum. As the CEOs from the beverage industry noted: Section 232 has increased the price of a fundamental raw good, and repealing this tariff promises much needed relief for businesses and consumers. ASP similarly pointed to eliminating Section 232 as a means to promote American economic growth. Lawmakers must address record high inflation, and the Bicameral Congressional Trade Authority Act promises the action we need.

## 2023 Calendar Continued

### September

- 1- ALL reports Due
- 1- Resolutions Due
- 4- Labor Day
- 13- Board Meeting
- 19-21- Farm Science Review

### October

- 5- Quarterly Reports Due
- 11- Board Meeting
- Ohio State Grange Convention Date, Time, Place TBD
- 31- Halloween

### November

- 8- Board Meeting
- 11- Veterans Day
- 14-18 National Grange Convention- Niagara Falls
- 23- Thanksgiving (office closed)

### December

- 7- Pearl Harbor Day
- 13- Board Meeting
- State Office Closed Until January 4th
- 24- Christmas Eve
- 25- Christmas Day
- 26- Boxing Day
- 31- New Years Eve

**ALL DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

# **149th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE OHIO STATE GRANGE**

**Marriott Columbus Northwest-Dublin, Ohio  
5605 Blazer Pkwy, Dublin 43017, 614.791.1000  
October 28, 29, and 30, 2022**

The information for registering and meal reservations for the 2022 Ohio State Grange session is in this article. ALL persons - participants and visitors - who are registering for the session are to use the SESSION REGISTRATION and MEAL RESERVATION FORM.

Register your guest rooms directly with the hotel. Call 1.614.791.1000 by Friday, October 7, 2022, and, for the group rate, tell the hotel clerk, "Ohio State Grange" or "OSG". The Room Rate is \$125.00, plus occupancy and sales tax, per room per night. Breakfast is included for all registered guests and will begin at 6:30 a.m. To guarantee room rate and availability, registrations are to be made by the October 7th deadline. Reservations made after that date will be provided on a 'space available' basis and may be subject to a higher rate. All rooms must be guaranteed with a qualifying form of payment. (A valid credit card is best.) Check in: 3:00 p.m.; check out: noon.

Notify the hotel clerk if you want to reserve your room for Thursday and/or Sunday nights when making your guest room reservations by telephone. Persons staying for only part of the nights need to register accordingly. Hotel amenities include ample free parking, Wi-Fi throughout the entire hotel, in-room coffee makers, refrigerator, ironing boards and irons, hair dryer, voicemail, restaurant, indoor swimming pool, and business work center with computers and internet access.

Please note that you probably won't be able to check into your guest room until 3:00 pm.

Advance registration for the 149th Annual Ohio State Grange Session is required. The advanced registration process allows for printing the name badges and determines the meal reservations and seating. The Grange Banquet, Youth/Junior Luncheon, and pizza for Saturday night are, as stated above, to be ordered in advance through the Ohio State Grange Office. Please complete the entire form and return it by October 7th. There will be no additional meal event tickets available at the State Office during the session.

The Session Opening in the Sixth Degree will be Friday morning. Please make sure you are seated and prepared to begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. Following the usual formalities, the Session will be lowered to the Fourth degree admitting any additional members and the work session will begin. There will be a Deputies' meeting Saturday.

For general information, there is a restaurant in the hotel.

**If you have any questions or concerns, please call the State office at 740.694.1669.**

## **No payments will be accepted during the Annual Session**

The Granger Magazine renewal form may be placed in a designated box in the OSG Office. Each form must have a check clipped to the form (clips will be provided).  
**NO CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

3rd Quarter Reports may be placed in a designated box in the OSG Office. Any report without payment will not be acknowledged until payment is received.

**149th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE OHIO STATE GRANGE – Marriott Columbus Northwest, Dublin**

**October 28, 29, and 30, 2022**

**SESSION REGISTRATION and MEAL RESERVATION FORM**

**This form is for EVERYONE. ALL Delegates, Deputies, Directors, Officers, State Committee Members, Youth, Juniors, and Visitors. THIS FORM and ALL FEES are due to Ohio State Grange on or before Oct. 7th.**

**REGISTRATION FEE:**

Registration fee for all attending session (except Jrs.) \$15.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ persons = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MEALS:**

Grange Banquet (plated, Friday evening): \$40.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ persons = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Youth/Junior Luncheon (Buffet, Saturday): \$24.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ persons = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Youth/Junior Luncheon (Buffet, 5-14 Yrs. ONLY): \$13.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ persons = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pizza (2 large pieces + drink, Saturday night): \$12.50 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ persons = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ List any Special DIETARY NEEDS

All meal event tickets and registrations ordered on this form will be in the session packet under the name listed directly below. Your packet and confirmation will be sent by U.S. mail prior to the Session.

**There will be no additional meal event tickets available from the State Office during the session.**

Name (for ticket/badge Session Packet) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Grange County \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

List below all the names for whom the meal event tickets and/or registration fees (for name badges) are ordered.

Please list ONLY ONE name per line.

Print name as to be on the name badge No registration fee charge if registrant is a Junior Granger	Please check the appropriate line(s) below						
	Registration (Name Badge) \$15.00	Grange Banquet \$40.00 Pork	Grange Banquet \$40.00 Chicken	Grange Banquet \$40.00 Walleye	Youth/Jr Lunch Buffet \$24.00 Adult	Youth/Jr Lunch Buffet \$13.00 Child	Pizza & Drink \$12.50
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# Learning and growing through failure

By Ann Bercher, National Grange Lecturer/Program Director

Copied from "Patrons Chain Newsletter"

When I worked at the Kelley Farm as a gardener, we had a unique and cherished collection of heirloom seeds, many of which we had to collect and save from year to year, and a few that required hand pollinating to collect the cherished seeds. In the spring, we would take these precious seeds, place them on the ground, cover them with soil, and then pour water over them. What a way to treat treasured artifacts! Then, we would hope that the weather, our skills, and the fates of the gods would be on our side, and the gardens would produce plants, flowers, and seeds so that we could continue to grow these almost extinct and valuable crops.

To be a farmer or a gardener is to be a person of faith. I am still a very active gardener. I have known many gardening successes and I have

known many gardening failures. I like to think that my success has been all about my expertise and skill as a gardener, and I blame the weather, the insects, and poor seed for my failures. I also know that what works one year in my garden, may not work the next. I know that I need to pay attention to the soil and do everything I can to add nutrients such as compost and stabilize the soil so that rain doesn't cause any runoff. I rotate garden crops to take advantage of the natural tendency of some crops to add nutrients to the soil. I take soil tests and measure rain accumulation and watch insect populations like a hawk.

Despite all my efforts and vigilance, the results can still go either way. Sometimes there is some success, and sometimes there is failure. Sometimes I know why there was success, and sometimes I don't. The same is true of failure. Sometimes it seems there is just no reasonable explanation for what has happened. Isn't that true with just about everything?


In our Granges, we often have great success with our community service, our growth, and delivering high-quality programs to our members and community. And sometimes, things just don't turn out the way we thought they would, or we would have liked. Do we give up? Nope. That just isn't the Grange way. No farmer would ever just give up farming after one failure. No gardener would ever give up gardening after one failure. And most keep going after many failures. The thing about failure (and I use the term rather loosely) is that what may look like failure is rather a great educational opportunity, the benefit of failure. Every gardening season and farming season offers great opportunities for discovering more about cultivating plants, the effect climate change is having on our growing operations, and our own resilience to adapt and carry on.

Our Granges are like gardening or farming operations. We've been cultivating our Granges for a long time because we have faith. Some years go better than others. We try again. Sometimes we try something new. We learn more from other Granges and we help other Granges. Just like all farmers and gardeners, Grangers have faith. We have faith that what we are doing in our Granges is worth the effort, and worth trying it - again and again - to reap great success and keep learning.

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## Did You Know?

A baby octopus is about the size of a flea when it is born.

When an octopus first lays its eggs, they're smaller than a grain of rice. The eggs are so delicate they have to be constantly watched over.

When the baby octopuses emerge from their eggs, they come out fully formed but tiny. They weigh only 0.001 ounces (0.03 grams).

You'd think this would make them hard to see, but, since eggs are laid by the tens of thousands, they're easily spotted!

# Impact your community by being the gathering place

By Pete Pompper, National Grange Community Service Director

Copied from "Patrons Chain Newsletter"

Do Granges really have an impact in their communities? We are a small Grange; how much can we impact where we are located? These are questions I hear, and they got me thinking - do we really? Well, I am telling you every Grange - small or large - has more impact than you realize in your communities.

I posed a question on the National Grange Community Service and Activities Facebook page (if you haven't liked it yet, please do) asking when a Grange has an event/fair at the Hall how many vendors are there? The average is between 10 to 15 LOCAL vendors/crafters from the area. While that doesn't sound like a lot, think about the monetary and visibility impact your Grange gives them at the event. The Grange provides that opportunity to not only help them, but other businesses in your community where they buy supplies that they need to run their business.

It is also giving not only these vendors but the community at large the opportunity to network with local people in a way they would not be able to normally. Like at a Grange meeting, I can only imagine the conversations over a cup of coffee that people have at an event like this at YOUR Hall or wherever you sponsor an event. Think of the impact your Grange has if you hold six events a year and add a new crafter/vendor each time because they hear about the impact you are having in your community.

We all know how much impact a Grange has socially on its members, especially during these past couple of years. Our members by nature are social people who like to be around and interact with others. The Grange offers that

opportunity through our lessons in our Degrees; Program Directors are charged with this in their installation charge and they do a wonderful job.

I am seeing more Granges opening their doors to non-members giving them the opportunity to socialize and just be around people. Granges are doing a great job with new programs and ideas they haven't tried before because they realize the program is needed in their community. As you are aware the National Grange and Rural Minds have formed a partnership to work together in getting mental health information into our rural communities. As we get information together to be used by Granges, we hope you will utilize this and get it into the community. We are working on handouts, pamphlets or other programming Granges can use. More information will be coming out and we, Ann Bercher (National Program Director) and I will be sending out these tools as they become available.

As I said in the beginning, Granges have an impact in their communities more than we realize. We don't think about it because it is "just what we do." I hope you will think about this as you are planning an event/fair and as you are asking a new speaker/vendor/crafter to take part in an event. Let them know of the impact you have in your community.

I will pose this question to end: How do you think this will impact your membership or increase Grange membership if you let them know the POSITIVE impact you have in your communi

## DID YOU KNOW THESE THINGS HAD NAMES?

1. The space between your eyebrows is called a glabella.
2. The way it smells after the rain is called petrichor.
3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called an aglet.
4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a wamble.
5. The cry of a new born baby is called a vagitus.
6. The prongs on a fork are called tines.
7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called phosphenes.
8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a box tent.
9. The day after tomorrow is called overmorrow.
10. Your tiny toe or finger is called minimus.
11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an agraffe.
12. The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called vocables
13. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as an interrobang
14. The space between your nostrils is called columella nasi.
15. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called armscye.
16. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of the bed in the morning is called dysania.
17. Illegible hand-writing is called griffonage.
18. The dot over an "i" or a "j" is called tittle.
19. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called crapulence.
20. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called Bannock device.

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## Ohio Granger Magazine Renewal Form

### Notice!

The delegate body of the Ohio State Grange voted to improve the paper for the Ohio Granger magazine. Due to the cost of mailing and upgraded printing, the Ohio State Grange Executive Board has determined that a \$5.00 charge per year (January-December) is necessary. In order to receive the 2023 Ohio Granger magazines by mail, please fill out the form below and enclose a check for \$5.00 made out to the Ohio State Grange. Any form received without the \$5.00 WILL NOT be processed. Please print clearly or affix an address label to the form. Send this entire page as it makes filing and access to referencing much easier. These forms and checks may be brought to the October state session or mailed to Ohio State Grange, 16303 Village Parkway, Fredericktown, OH 43019-9585 by Oct. 31. Failure to follow the above instructions properly may cause a delay in getting the first issues to you.

**PLEASE DO NOT CUT THIS FORM DOWN  
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