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National Grange Growth Summit '11 April 15-17, 2011

This event, being held at our own State Grange Building in Hooksett, is hosted by National Grange. Growth teams from the Northeast Region and beyond will be gathering for this workshop directed by Rusty Hunt, a dynamic Grange leader with plenty of experience in the field of membership growth. The workshop provides practical training, including "hands-on" practice, and builds enthusiasm for growing the Grange.

The workshop begins on Friday, April 15 at 6 p.m. and will end on Sunday morning by 11 a.m. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Days Inn in Concord for out of state guests and those NH folks who live too far to communte. A daily room rate of \$65.99 + tax will be available until April 1. The hotel serves a hot continental breakfast each morning. Attendees should make their own reservations (tel. 603-224-2511). Mention NH Grange Convention when reserving your room.

The registration fee is \$40 per person and covers the cost of program materials and two meals (Saturday lunch and dinner). Send registration form (download from www.nhgrange.org) and payment to the National Grange office by Friday, April 1, or visit the National Grange website www.nationalgrange.org to register online. On-site registration will not be available.

NH State Master Jim Tetreault is expecting that each NH Pomona Grange will have a team of four persons in attendance. The plan is that, after training, the teams will be available to assist local Granges in building membership or help nearby towns to start new Granges. Registration forms will be mailed to each Pomona Grange and can also be viewed on the State Grangea and National Grange websites.

Spring Fling 2011 Grange Month Kickoff Event April 2, 2011 Belmont Middle School

A diverse array of topics has been arranged for your enjoyment, and the Youth and Jr. Department is hosting separate activities all day just for the kids! This schedule is also posted on the State Grange website. Registrations are recommended and are most helpful if received no later than March 26th. Some workshops may require us to limit the number of participants, so early registrants will receive top priority of choice.

A suggested donation of \$10 per person, which includes lunch, is being asked to help defray the expenses of the day and is payable on the day of the event. Do not send payment with your registrations, please. Families are encouraged to set their own donation amount. If at the last minute you realize that you can attend, please come even if you are not registered. We will make every effort to accommodate your attendance at this event. With one exception, all workshops are open to the public, so if there is a topic you think is of interest to someone you know, please invite them!

Please check the official mailing to your Grange, or go to www.nhgrange.org for the finalized list and schedule! The full schedule of workshops was unconfirmed at the time of the GSG deadline. However, you may want to take note of the workshops that are definitely happening. Topics will include Getting Started with Genealogy, Code Book Reading, Twenty Minute Table Runner (hands-on sewing project), Origami (paper folding art), Pomona Growth Summit (recap of training meeting in PA last fall), Ag In The Classroom, Backyard Beekeeping, How Money Works: A Common Sense Plan to Financial Independence, Marching 101, and What's So Big About the Big "E".

The only workshop scheduled for the 11:00 a.m. time slot is being produced by the Legislative Department. Did you know that there are currently a number of NH Grange members serving in various levels of government as elected officials? A number of these officials will be present to take part in a forum discussing their duties in office, their goals while in office, and how the Grange has influenced their decision and ability to successfully run for and function in office. This will be a one-of-a-kind opportunity to learn about our local and state governments and some of the Grange people who are serving in it.

Registration starts at 8:45 and the first workshop begins at 9:00 a.m. Lunch break will include the culmination of the Kiss the Pig Contest that was postponed from the State Grange Session back in October. Refer to your September issue of the GSG for details of the contest or check for updates at www.nhgrange.org. The final workshop ends at 3:00 p.m.

Please make plans to join your fellow Grangers from around the state for this unique, fun, and educational day of membership enhancement. And don't forget to bring your friends, too!

Sugar on Snow Party March 19, 7 p.m. Thornton Central School

Admission: \$8/adult \$3/child Maple Sugar on Snow provided by Brad Benton of the Sugar Shack, Pickles, Donuts, Coffee, Punch Square Dance from 8 to 10 p.m.

Caller - Lester Bradley
Fiddler - Marie Kettenring
This is West Thornton Grange's big fund
raising event of the year to support
participation in the Dictionary Project
and other Grange activities.

Outside My Window on Keene Rd

I think that everyone is a little sick of the snow. It seems like every time I look out my window it is snowing again. My office at the Town Hall in Winchester is in the basement, and the window is a little larger than a typical basement window, so the view is basically a snow bank unless I stand up on the counter. But, having already fallen off that counter once this year, the town of Winchester doesn't really like me to do that.

Since the last time I had the opportunity to write a column for the GSG, the State Grange family has had a few very busy months I want to take a minute to thank all of the State Grange Directors, including the State Secretary, State Lecturer, and Don Ross who filled in for State Grange Treasurer Gail Turcotte, for traveling the state with me during the month of January to promote the Grange at our Area Meetings. THANK YOU ALL!! I also want to thank the members who came out to support these events. It was a pleasure at the Area Meetings to have had the opportunity to meet many old and dear friends again, as well as many new friends. I hope that you were able to attend one of these three meetings that the State Grange hosted in Dalton, Rochester, and the State Grange Building in Hooksett. This was your opportunity to meet the State Grange family and ask each of the State Grange Directors about the programs in each department. We had the opportunity to discuss the State Grange priorities for 2011.

The major priority we all need to focus on is Grange Growth. A question that I asked at Area Meetings of every member present was, "WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU ASKED SOMEONE TO JOIN THE GRANGE?" The answers were varied from, "not for years" to "yesterday." In order to grow our GREAT FRATERNITY, it starts with a simple question, "Would you like to join the Grange?" I am very excited about the potential I am seeing for membership

growth here in NH. We are hearing some great reports about Granges taking in new members.

Here is the Membership Challenge I want to throw out to each and every Grange in the State of NH. Be looking for the New Member Challenge forms from the State Membership Department. When you take in a new member, send this form to Membership Director Anne Boisvert with the names and information of your new members. and we are going to post your Grange's name on the State Grange Website as a "GRANGE BUILDER." I will be excited to see many individual Granges on the website in the coming months.

We are also having a *Grange Growth Summit on April 15-17 at the State Grange Building.* Look for more information to be published on the State Grange Website.

One of the other priorities that I want to focus on is **Fundraising.** State Grange Fundraising Director Sherrill Bokousky is busy running our first state-wide fundraiser. We are sponsoring our first \$1/20 Club raffle. The tickets are \$20.00 apiece, and each week for 20 weeks we are going to draw a \$25.00 prize. Then on the 20th week we will draw prizes for the \$25.00 weekly drawing as well as a 1st prize of \$300.00, a 2nd prize of \$200.00 and a 3rd prize of \$100.00. The first drawing was on February 19th, but we can still sell you a partial ticket. If you would like to purchase a tickets contact Sherrill.

As I write this article, I am preparing to attend the Masters Conference in Henderson, Nevada. I am excited to attend this conference to have a chance to continue to build my leadership skills to better lead our State Grange. It is my hope that the events we sponsor here in the State of New Hampshire help each of you to better lead your local Granges. If you have any

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suggestions of any ways that the State Grange can assist you, please feel free to contact myself or any State Grange officer.

We have lots of events coming up that I hope you will all consider attending.

- 1. March 13th bowling Lake Side Lanes 11:00 AM
- 2. April 2nd Spring Fling Belmont School
- 3. April 15th 17th Grange Growth Training State Grange Building Hooksett



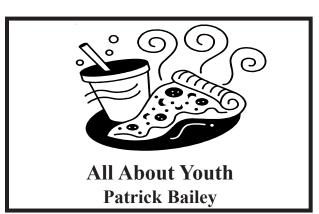
Aurora Grange #235

Aurora Grange in Pittsburg has been holding its regular monthly meetings. Due to a snow and wind storm in December, members held their Christmas party by candlelight after the power went out. It was a fun and cozy meeting as members shared a potluck dinner and gift exchange. The January meeting was the New Year's party and members toasted in the New Year with sparkling cider and a potluck dinner before the regular meeting.

Aurora Grange has distributed dictionaries to the third graders in Pittsburg School as well as the third and fourth graders at Stewartstown Community School, as last year's third graders at the latter school had not received dictionaries. In the photo are Aurora Grange members Amber Peterson and Ann Gray with the third graders at Pittsburg School. The students report that they use the dictionaries frequently and are especially impressed with the world's longest word. They all wrote very nice thank you letters for the dictionaries.

When opportunity knocks, open the door even if you're in your bathrobe.

Heather Zschock



I would like to first thank everyone that came out to the area meetings that we have had. I would also like to thank everyone who attended February youth rally. Our next event will be a game and movie afternoon and night on March 12th at the State Grange Building, followed by the State Grange bowling tournament on the 13th. In April we will be having our annual glow bowling night in Manchester on Saturday April 9th.

The annual regional Youth Conference will be held on July 8th, 9th and 10th at Bowdoin College in Brunswick Maine. I am currently waiting on the information from the Maine State Grange Youth Director. As a reminder, your Jodi Bailey applications are due on May 1st. This fund is meant to help youth go to the regional conference so please get those applications in. Your donations to the Jodi Bailey Fund would be welcome as well. We will also be holding the public speaking and sign a song contests in June either at June youth rally or at the State Lecturer's Variety Show.

Again I would to thank all that came to the winter rally in Hooksett. Clues for the Photo Scavenger Hunt are printed on the back page of this <u>Granite State Granger</u>.

I'm also asking that all the youth chairmen out there please get me the date of your Grange Youth Night so that I can try to attend. I want to get out and see as many of the state youth that I can. I also want to encourage everyone to try to get out to neighboring Granges for their Youth Nights. In keeping with our State Master's goals we need to go out and support each other in order for our organization to grow.



NH Institute of Agriculture and Forestry to Guide Future of Tuttle

The owners of America's oldest family farm have asked the New Hampshire Institute of Agriculture and Forestry (NHIAF) to assist them in outlining a strategy and identifying a successor for the farm's "next 375 years of growth" according to Lucy Tuttle, who along with brother Bill operates the Tuttle Farm and Red Barn retail store.

Tuttle Farm on Dover Point Road raised national attention recently when the property was placed on the market by the Tuttle family. The farm was noted in nationwide media as an example of an overall decline of family farming, an end to the normal succession of farms from one generation to the next, and the inability of family farms to compete with large agribusiness.

However, according to Suzanne Brown, Executive Director of NHIAF, "What we see is actually a strong resurgence in farming, with established farmers looking at new methods of passing on their farms and new farmers eager to meet the rapidly-increasing demand for local food. With double-digit growth in the organic sector and the huge success of farmers' markets, we are more than optimistic."

Accordingly, NHIAF is assisting the Tuttle family and their broker with finding a purchaser that will keep their farm in productive agriculture and serve the Seacoast community. Bill Tuttle, 11th generation owner said, "Inasmuch as we are ready to sell the farm, we want to find the right buyer who will honor its history and the 379 years of stewardship that has marked our family's work and dedication here."

"Ideally the next owner of the Tuttle Farm will help us transform this national landmark into a agricultural center that enables our organization to train new farmers, diversify the on-site retail center with more locally grown and value-added products, and establish community services like local deliveries and a community kitchen," said Brown. "It's important for our country to see the evolution of the oldest farm in America as the torch is passed to an inspired new generation of farmers and other food providers."

About Tuttle Farm

The Tuttle Farm of Dover, New Hampshire, is the oldest continually-operating family farm in the United States, having passed down through 11 generations from father to son since the early 1600's, when John Tuttle arrived in the New World bearing a land grant from King Charles II. Today, Tuttle Farm grows quality fruits and vegetables, and the Tuttle's Red Barn retail center sells fresh produce and gourmet products from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

About The New Hampshire Institute of Agriculture and Forestry

The New Hampshire Institute of Agriculture and Forestry (NHIAF) is a private 501(c)3 non-profit organization that through business incubation provides land, resources, and education to aspiring farmers and foresters, enabling them to provide the highest quality affordable food and natural resources for the citizens of New Hampshire. NHIAF also provides consultation and training to existing farmers and foresters, assisting them with building more profitable and sustainable businesses.

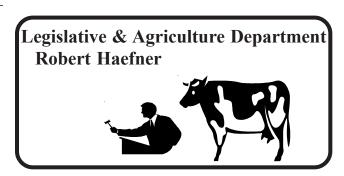
For information or to donate: www.nhiaf.org

Contact: info@nhiaf.org Phone: 603-969-9896



The National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, Lower Intervale Grange, No. 321 recently awarded Esther Morrill thanks and appreciation for her lifetime of service to their Fraternity. Esther has served the Grange for 80 continuous years. Derwood Gray, Neil Mac Donald, and June Webber presented the award. Photo courtesy of **Plymouth Record Enterprise.**

Do good and don't worry to whom. Mexican Proverb



Homegrown Politics From Hudson across NH Farmland to Concord and Washington

For the folks that may not know me, let me introduce myself. I am the recently appointed Director of the NH State Grange Legislative and Agriculture Dept. I am also a member of your State Grange Executive Committee, the Master of the Hillsborough County Pomona Grange, a member of Hudson Grange and an affiliate of Wattannick. Outside of the Grange I am Member of the NH House Representatives elected by the good folks of Hudson, Pelham and Litchfield. In that role I now chair the Committee on Environment and Agriculture. I retired 5 years ago from Hewlett Packard. That is enough about me.

I took the reins of the Legislative Dept. from our new State Master Jim Tetreault. Jim held the position, along with other roles, for 12 years. I have big shoes to fill. Jim did a great job and included agriculture along with legislation. He represented the State Grange well in both Washington and Concord. The first thing I wanted to do was include Agriculture in the state department name. It indicates to everyone that we care about and work on agricultural issues as well as other legislation and issues important to today's Grangers. It also takes us back to our roots as an agricultural organization.

Let me introduce our committee members: Dan and Ruth Holmes (a husband and wife team) from Peterborough Grange; The Hon. Tara Sad of Walpole Grange and also the Ranking Minority Member of the House Committee on Environment and Agriculture; Marc Van Sant of Winthrop Grange; and finally Mary West of Chichester Grange. We expect to meet 3 or 4 times a year. We had our first meeting at Deputy School in December. Unfortunately only three of the 6 of us were able to attend that day, But we did get organized.

I was able to attend Northeast Leaders' Conference in Latham, NY, in January. The Legislative and or Agriculture Directors from the six New England States and NY met with only Rhode Island not represented. We got acquainted and shared what each state is doing inside the Grange and lobbying our respective state capitals. We can learn a lot from some of the states, especially NY and Connecticut.

The NH State Grange, through the Legislative and Agriculture Dept., is partnering with the Farm Bureau and Agriculture in the Classroom. The Grange now has a seat at the Ag in the Classroom table with Mary West filling it. I am sitting on the Government Affairs Committee at the Farm Bureau. There will be other partnerships to come.

The Worthy State Master and I look forward to the Legislative Fly In during May in Washington, DC. While there, we will meet with the NH Congressional Delegation. We are also offering to host the Fly In the following year in Concord for the first in the nation Presidential Primary.

Tara Sad and I traveled to Bath's Pine Grove Grange to award the legislator of the Year Award to Hon. Rick Ladd of Haverhill for his active support of Agriculture in NH. I attended 2 of the 3 area meetings in January to present updates on the Legislative and Agriculture Department activities. I felt bad about missing the first, but I was in Phoenix that weekend for the State Agriculture and Rural Leaders Summit.

Wayne Turcotte has added a page on the State Grange Website for the Legislative and Agriculture folks. I expect by the time you receive this quarter's GSG; we will have the page at least partially populated. I hope that our partnerships with the Farm Bureau, Ag in the Classroom and the Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food will be visible on the website. We are also interested in a lobbyist for the Grange.

The Grange was well represented at this year's Farm and Forest Expo, with several of us staffing the State Grange Booth. Our booth took second place for educational booths at the event. I was privileged to accept the award for Booth Masters Anne and Marty Boisvert. Let me make a plea for more Grangers to visit the very position.

expo next year. Mark your calendar for the first Friday and / or Saturday of February 2012. Wear a Grange shirt, jacket, or name tag and make the Grange even more visible. It is worth seeing. While I am pleading, go to Grange Day at the Big E next year and march in the parade in late afternoon. We also need a good showing there. Help us get more folks there than Connecticut who always have the most. Stay tuned for more information on that September event. I look forward to 50 NH Grangers marching in that parade and helping to staff the NH room at the NE Grange building.

Finally, let me advertise Spring Fling on Saturday, April 2, at the Belmont Middle School, in Belmont, NH. We are going to have a panel with Grangers who hold elected office. The Grange has a lot of folks in public office. Come to the panel and ask The Worthy Master and the rest of the panel the tough questions. Save the softball question for me. Please come to Belmont and make this the biggest Spring Fling ever and show your support for your public servants that are your brother and sister Grangers.

Merrimack County Pomona 125th Anniversary

Merrimack County Pomona Grange #3 will be observing their one hundred twenty-fifth Anniversary this year with a celebration at our meeting on March 7 at Daniel Webster Grange at the Webster Town Hall. It will be a combined program as we had already planned to have a "Meet and Mingle Night, " when everyone is invited whether you are a Pomona Grange member or not. Activities start with a pot luck supper at 6:00 pm. Program will be at 7:30 pm. " Dessert will be provided." Don't have time to cook? Don't let that keep you away. Most of these pot luck suppers have far too much food anyway, and we are always willing to share. It will be a night of fun and fellowship, and we would like to have you share this evening with us. We hope that you will spread this message to all your members. Please RSVP by March 2 to Dorothy Haskins by e-mail, dhaskins@tds.net or phone 648-2243, or contact Judith Chase by

Visit the National Grange website at www.nationalgrange.org.



The new Croydon Grangers returned from the Hooksett Area Meeting elated about how welcome they were made to feel. Great jobs, Grangers.

As to Claremont Grange. I was asked to speak at the Annual Meeting of the Claremont Farmers Market where I was told there would be more than enough interested future members. As it turned out there was another big meeting in the city that night, and they didn't even have enough members for a quorum. The weather has not been very cooperative to try again-But I Will.

I was very pleased with the turn out at the North of the Notches Area Meeting. All but one northern Grange were represented! There is hope and enthusiasm in the north. Since I was asked to give a little 5 minute speech there, but time cancelled me out I will share that speech here.

"I Have A Dream" of rebuilding the Grange to the glory days I remember as a youth in the 1980's. Remember when there was a Grange in most every town? They were so active that there was a meeting somewhere every night and we had to make a hard decision on where to go as they all promised good programs. I dream of a state membership again that is so high that the dues are down to the \$10.00 or less range.

We have an historical icon encouraging us when the work load grows: Rosie the Riveter encouraged many to roll up their sleeves and dive into the job. Her charge was "Yes We Can." Note the pronoun 'we'!

Jim and Anne, I ask that we motivate and reactivate the trained GRIT members and set them working again. Rusty is returning to train more. Let's jump on the wagon, fellow Grangers, and you too can have the joy of the birth of a new Grange.

From the Pomona Summit in Pennsylvania we were challenged with the call to give the Pomonas a reason for being. A letter has been sent to Pomona Masters to appoint Pomona Growth Teams. The purpose of the teams is to work with a weak subordinate in their jurisdiction.

The team should organize a meeting with the weak subordinate to find their struggles and work on making them go away and rebuild those Granges into viable active Granges again thus making the Pomona and the Grange as a whole stronger.

The GRIT teams are a resource for these meetings and also the Visioning Deputy Bob Trombi. I understand that Bob's presentations are like tough love but are very much worth it.

When Jim asked me to become the Organizing Deputy with the charge of rebuilding three Pomonas, it was very eerie to find out we had the same areas in mind. The three areas I have been challenged with are the Bristol/Danbury area, the Berlin/Gorham area and the Sullivan County area. Two other areas have been added: Moultonborough/Conway area and the Haverhill area. As you can see that covers quite a large area of the state. It's too much for me to cover alone, but I know that with the Team and with Rosie the Riveter as our guide-We Can!

It is quite easy. We organize a certain day and time to meet in a particular town and have a 'sit in' at the local lunch counter and start talking about the Grange with the other Patrons. After that we take it to the streets going door to door talking to people.

Then a few weeks later, after flooding the local media with information, we have a public informational meeting and highly publicize it before hand. If we are lucky, we have a new Grange that evening or we have a follow-up meeting. The new Grange will need a team to train them up and that is where the Pomona teams and GRIT members come in.

Granted we may get 'hosed down' in some places, but, as history shows us, if we pick ourselves up and hold our heads high we are ready to start work in another community. Remember the Pomona word "persevere". History proves that perseverance brings change.

Do any of you 'have a dream' like mine? Many hands make light wok. Many laborers are needed in the field. There is no room in the Grange for the idler. Is there anyone out there with me as together "We Can!"

A Hearty Grange Welcome to the Following New Members Sandra Colby Blow Me Down Janet Dunbar **Blow Me Down Blow Me Down Henry Ingham Tammy Ingham Blow Me Down Doris Mercier** Blow Me Down **Carl Shattuck** Blow Me Down Darlene M. Eldridge Cocheco Croydon **Nick Cohen** Croydon **Hazel Eastman** Croydon **Richard Eastman Patrick Hayward** Croydon **Gayle Hedrington** Crovdon **Tom Howard** Croydon **Bob Kangas** Croydon **Cody Kangas** Croydon Barbara Bap Kresse Croydon Croydon Jan Michel **Steve Michel** Croydon **Nelson Palmer** Croydon **Ray Pammett** Croydon Croydon **Carole Robinson Eowyn Joset** Joe English John Joset Joe English **Amy Mansfield** Joe English **Gail Stout** Joe English **Andrew O'Hearne** Park **Robert Wyckstrom Park Tom James** Peterborough Fran Imhoff Walpole **Peter Graves** Walpole Wicwas Lake **Nancy Berry Robert Bonner Wicwas Lake Dennis Boulanger Wicwas Lake** Cookie Boulanger Wicwas Lake **Gerald Brooks Wicwas Lake Barbara Cogswell** Wicwas Lake Wicwas Lake **Dawn Durand Kimberly Durand** Wicwas Lake **Nicholas Durand** Wicwas Lake Kristin Durand-Schwarz Wicwas Lake **Steve Durand Wicwas Lake Kathleen Elliott Wicwas Lake Maurice Gouin Wicwas Lake Wicwas Lake** Javne Greenmore **Robert Greenmore** Wicwas Lake Janice Joslin **Wicwas Lake Thomas Joslin Wicwas Lake Barry Ladd Wicwas Lake Dana Lowe** Wicwas Lake James Lowry, II **Wicwas Lake** Jeanne Lowry Wicwas Lake Helga Paquin Wicwas Lake



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Golden Rod Grange

Golden Rod Grange #114 in Swanzey has been busy visiting six schools in the area. Our Grangers started in December and finished in February, donating dictionaries to the third graders in Sullivan, Marlborough, Marlow, Troy, Emerson and Mt. Caesar achools as part of the New Hampshire Dictionary Project. We have received individual thank-you notes from the children, including a spiral bound book of thank-you notes. Most of the children comment on the Braille section and also the Longest Word in the English Language. For those of you who don't know, the word consists of 1,909 letters.

In addition, Golden Rod has donated a variety of school supplies to ten schools. Some of the items donated include: spiral notebooks, notebook paper, pencils, rulers, scissors, crayons, glue sticks, and portfolio binders. The schools were: Mt. Caesar, Cutler, Sullivan, Troy, Emerson, Gilsum, Marlborough, Marlow, Hinsdale Elementary and Hinsdale High School. Also, Head Start schools in Ashuelot and Swanzey received construction paper, drawing paper, sidewalk chalk, dry erase markers, bulletin board borders, scissors, glue sticks, and crayons. We look forward to another busy year of helping our area schools.

Joe English Grange #53
Annual Turkey Dinner
April 2, 5-7 p.m.
Tom Mansfield Gymnasium
New Boston Central School
Turkey, gravy, stuffing,
mashed potatoes, vegetable,
homemade desserts, beverage
Cost: Adults - \$8.00
Children (6-12) & Seniors - \$6.00
Family (2 adults, 2 children) - \$25.00
Proceeds will benefit the Joe English
Scholarship Fund
Enjoy great company and a
delectable dinner!

The Agate

The Agate, an Association of Past Masters and their spouses, will be meeting on April 2 at the State Grange Building in Hooksett at 6:00 pm for a Pot Luck supper followed by a meeting and program at 7:00 pm.

The Trustees of Trust Funds are pleased to announce that Rhoda Davis is now a member of their group.

Winthrop Grange Cookbooks

There are still some cookbooks left to sell. Master Mary Tyler will be bringing some with her to Spring Fling should you want to purchase one at a cost of \$8.



Photo: Courtesy Charles Jordan/Colebrook Chronicle.

Pictured above in the back row are Wayne Brown, Elaine Haynes, Ginger Jannenga, and Lynda Gaudette of Mohawk Grange #217 after giving out dictionaries to the Colebrook 3rd grade pupils.

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Eastern NH Pomona

Eastern NH Pomona will exemplify the Fifth Degree with the assistance of East Rockingham Pomona on April 9, 2011 at the Rochester Grange Hall. The degree will begin at 2 p.m. with refreshments to follow. We would like to extend an invitation to all Granges with Fourth Degree members that have not received the Fifth Degree to please come and see this degree worked. If you are currently a Fifth Degree member and have never seen this Degree worked, you are also encouraged to attend.

This is also an excellent time for fellowship and a great opportunity to see the degree. The State Master is really concentrating on bringing ritualism back into the Grange Hall, and this is our way of meeting his request to all Grangers. Hope to see everyone there.

Granite Grange Public Suppers 23 Webster Street Milford, NH 5 to 6:30 p.m. **Adults - \$8.00** Children under 6 - \$4.00 March 12 **Corned Beef & Cabbage Irish Desserts** April 9 **Ham Dinner Jello** May 14 Seafood Chowder in Bread Bowl Salad **Assorted Cookies**

May 28, 2011
Chicken BBQ
4:30 to 6 p.m.
&
Large Penny Sale
6:30 p.m.
Daniel Webster Grange
Webster, NH
Penny Sale tickets will be sold from
3 p.m. until 6:15 p.m.

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Croyden Grange

Three members of Croyden Grange attended the area meeting in Hooksett on January 29, where they were presented with the updated copy of their charter by State Master Jim Tetreault and Past State Master Beth Merrill

Croydon Grange entered a float in the Newport Winter Carnival parade. Although they did not win a prize it was a lot of fun. Ten members and several nonmembers worked on it, and two former Grangers from Connectict asked for applications.

Since there were ten members present the Obligation was performed on Kelly Eastman, daughter of the Secretary and Steward.

The next big project is a Survival in Hard Times Fair to be held in July.

Ham and Bean Suppers Wingold Grange # 308 East Kingston Town Hall

April 30, 2011 May 28, 2011 June 18, 2011 5-6:30 p.m. \$6.00 Adults \$3.00 Children Includes:

Pea Beans, Kidney Beans, Spiral Ham, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Rolls and Butter, Beverages, Home made Pies

Reminder to all Granges owning Real Estate in NH

This is the time of year when most cities and towns in NH require property owners claiming an exemption from real estate taxes to file annual paperwork. Many towns use the standard State of NH forms BTLAA-9 and BTLAA-12, but some cities have prepared their own forms that they want used. Either way you must file some type of form annually to maintain your local exemption from real estate property tax. If you have any questions you should contact your local selectman's or tax collector's office or city hall for assistance. I will also try to answer questions about these two forms but your primary source for information should be your local town or city official.

Gail Turcotte, Treasurer

Danbury Grange Winter Markets
Saturdays: March 5 and April 2.
9 am - 1 pm
Hot breakfast and lunch served
Grange Hall in Danbury
Questions: Donna Sprague 768-5579

Granite Grange #7

Granite Grange of Milford is working on its annual Irish Festival to be held on March 12th. A Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner will be served. Advance tickets are only \$12.00. At the door tickets are \$15.00. Raffles will be drawn. Proceeds of this event will go towards the repair of Granite's chimney and heater.

Lower Intervale Grange

Lower Intervale Grange # 321 of Plymouth recently recognized many members for their years of service to the Grange: Neil MacDonald, Dean Huckins, Dale Huckins, and Darnell Faro - 35 year certificates; Dorinda Jenell, Donald Atwood, Dale MacDonald, Nancy Scothorne, and Alesa Reynolds – 40 year certificates; Jane Morrill – a 50 year Golden Sheaf certificate; June Webber, Stanley Huckins, and Arberta Cogliano – 60 year seals; and a 65 year pin to June King. Deputy Ida Hutchins helped to present the awards. See page 3 for a photo of Esther Morrill, an 80-year member.

Congratulations Sarah!

Sarah Leclerc has made the "Presidents List" at Southern NH University for the first semester. Sarah is the daughter of Jerry and Francine Leclerc and a member of Hudson Grange # 11. She is pursuing a degree in Elementary Education.

Notice

Our Grange State Historian Richard Patten now has a fax machine. The number is 715-1648 for anyone who wishes to send a fax.

Grangers in Partnership

Dale MacDonald, member of Lower Intervale Grange and an employee of Accellent, Inc (Laconia), discussed with her co-workers a project Lower Intervale Grange members were involved in – making fleece mittens for children connected with various programs at the Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth. That discussion solicited inquiries and volunteers to assist with the effort. From there, it seemed to take on a life of its own. Accellent management stepped in to assist by providing sewing machines and a work area where employees could cut and sew after work hours. A group of volunteer workers sewed 100 pairs of mitten for the Mitten Tree sponsored by the Meredith Village Savings Bank and donated another 49 pairs as well.

Meredith Village Savings Bank has sponsored the Mitten Tree project at their branch locations for several years, donating \$2 to designated local non-profit organizations and community projects for each hat, scarf, or pair of mittens contributed. Squam Lake Grange has participated each year. This year they provided 50 pair of mittens.

State Grange Building Fund

This fund is used for repairs and replacements at the State Grange Building. Expenditures are authorized by the State Grange Executive Committee. Checks should be made payable to New Hampshire State Grange (labeled Building Fund) and sent to

Carolyn Ross 80 East Road East Kingston, NH 03827-2005.





The Farm and Forest Expo took place in Manchester in early February. Thanks to the volunteers who bravely staffed the Grange booth and helped bring us a bit more into the public eye. The Expo theme this year was "Growth Through Yankee Ingenuity," and our booth portrayed this through give-a-ways based on baling twine, a sign made with duct tape lettering, and a people's choice contest featuring the ten items turned in at the area meetings in January portraying the theme. The results of the voting are as follows: First place newspaper plant starters by Beth Merrill of Antrim Grange, Second place – a cork hot mat by Sandra Binette of Rochester Grange, Third place – a cork snowman ornament by Lois Enman of Rochester Grange. The Grange booth received second place in the educational booths at the Expo.

The December GSG gave some hints of membership events to come in 2011. At this time more details are available. Rusty Hunt, National Grange Membership Director will be doing a Growth Summit at our own State Grange Building in Hooksett on the weekend of April 15-17. Representatives from each Pomona Grange in the state will be attending in order to receive some intensive training in how to help the Subordinate Granges in their area, encouraging growth and healthy discussions as to the present and future of the Grange. During the weekend, teams of Grangers from our state and those from nearby states will be going out to put their training into practice.

If your Grange is within a reasonable driving distance of Hooksett and would be open to having a team come to visit on April 16th, please let me know. Area Granges will soon be receiving a letter asking them to consider participating in this opportunity if at all possible. Pomona Granges will also be receiving a mailing in the coming week or so with details about the conference. Any

Pomona Master who has not yet sent me the names for his/her team should do so immediately. After the Growth Summit, the next membership event coming up will be a Degree Day in Dorchester on May 7.



Frances Everard and Allyssa Estes in the Grange booth at Farm & Forest Expo

Danbury Winter Markets a Great Success

The very successful Grange winter markets in Danbury are winding down with two more markets on the horizon – March 5 and April 2. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Danbury Grange Hall (1911-2011) where the markets are held on the first Saturday of every month November through April.

The snow in February brought out many people locally and from the surrounding towns who were looking for some sunshine and sustenance on a snowy day. A record number of McGrange breakfasts were sold and the homemade corn chowder disappeared like magic. The next market is March 5th from 9 AM to 1 PM. Don't forget to come with a hearty appetite and treat yourself to a McGrange breakfast of sausage, egg, and cheese on a muffin served with hot coffee or juice for \$3.50. Or, stay for lunch when clam chowder and macaroni and cheese will be served.

Among many items available at every market are locally produced vegetables, honey, meat, eggs, baked goods, soaps, crafts, needlework, jewelry, wool supplies, recycled wool designer clothing, and recycled Corian made into cutting boards. One of several vendors at the markets is Fleece and Flower Farm <fleeceandflower.com> also known as Roberts Greenhouse of Webster, NH. Aime Silver and Naomi Fifield bring an entrepreneurial spirit to the market with their eclectic mix of agricultural products and

expertise in wool. The farm raises 30 sheep of which 15 will lamb this spring. They produce their own wool from start to finish using environmentally friendly Cushing dyes, from which the water can be recycled. Some of their wool products include knitted shawls and scarves, felted products and kits, skeins of wool and roving for felting, blankets, and sheepskin rugs. In addition to delicious jams and jellies, they also sell lamb, pork, beef, and chicken – all raised on their farm. They even start their own plants in two 100-foot greenhouses that are heated with a wood-fired furnace.

Danbury Grange Winter Market is an alternative shopping venue. All products are either raised or fabricated by the vendors with a focus on sustainable living. Among these are Phyllis Rockwell of Newfound Wool Works, who makes all of her clothing from recycled wool sweaters and cloth; Donna and Phil Sprague raise their own beef and make all their baked goods in their home bakery; Susan and Keith Cutting raise bees and process their own honey in addition to farming vegetables and raising livestock, and Neil Kenny recycles Corian into cutting boards.

Danbury Grange Market is held on the first Saturday of each month from the November Harvest Market through the April Winter Market 9 AM to 1 PM. If you have questions or need information please contact Donna Sprague at 603-768-5579.



Aime Silver and Naomi Fifield of Fleece and Flower Farm at the February 5th Danbury Grange Market.

Deadline

Send copy for the June issue of the <u>Granite State Granger</u> to Hannah West by May 9, 2011. Report on events of February, March, and April. Look ahead to July, August, and September.



What a busy month of January, and I can't forget my two visits before Christmas. I was able to attend all the area meetings in January. Our trip to the North Country was great. It was a beautiful day, and there was a nice turnout for the meeting.

I also visited Glencliff and the Philbrick House. I want to thank Jane Heath, the immediate past co-director of Family & Community Services for coming with me. We delivered 115 goodie bags to Glencliff, and then we traveled to the NH Hospital to deliver items for the children's Christmas stockings. I look forward to doing the same thing again this year prior to Christmas. I will be looking for items for children that will fit in Christmas stockings. I would also like to make more goodie bags for the residents of Glencliff. Toiletries would be an excellent choice for the residents there. I will be collecting the items at State Grange, so start collecting the items so that we can bag them up and make the trip up North to deliver.

It was brought to my attention that I did not announce the winner of the baking contest in my December article. Marge Wilsey of Bakers River Grange won with her fruit bars. Congratulations, Marge.

I would like to remind all Granges to be sure and extend invitations to the members of the Family & Community Service Committee for the Family & Community programs at your respective Granges. I am hoping that the committee will be able to have at least one member at the many Family & Community Program Nights. throughout the state.

If you did not receive your packets for the new contest year, please let me know, and I will see that they get into the mail to you. I also have extra applications for the needlework contests and the forms needed to submit your Community Service nominations. There should be a letter coming in the near future to let everyone know where to send these applications for judging.

I still have plenty of raffle tickets for the two quilts. Other items to be raffled off at the same time are: pillow; baby set; pot holders; table runner; tote bag; and Raggedy Ann & Andy dolls. The guilts were displayed at all the area meetings, and pictures were also sent to members of the committee, so if you are at a function with one of them, please ask to see the pictures. The quilts are beautiful, and the other items are very nice also. The money raised from this raffle will help the committee meet their expenses and will enable us to purchase items for our Christmas projects.



The Grange Services Department asks for your donations to the Educational Loan Fund (ELF). Following are the guidelines and rules that govern how these loans are granted.

EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

The applicant must be a member of the Grange or a member of a Grange family in good standing. The signature of two (2) signers is required on the note: one signer (a parent is preferred) of the note must have financial security. The applicant may borrow up to the sum of \$1,000.00 in one school year as needed to complete his/her education. The applicant may have up to a maximum of \$2,000.00 in loan amounts out standing at any time. Co-signers will be notified if and when a borrower becomes delinquent on interest or principal payments after one year of date of Note.

The loans shall bear interest at a rate of 4% while the applicant is receiving his/her advanced education. The interest on loans is to be paid as soon as the notice of interest is received by the borrower. Also, the borrower cannot have additional loans until the interest on previous loans has been paid. Loans are to bear interest at the rate of 6% after completion of education. The borrower must notify the Director of Grange Services Department of the date of graduation or termination

of his/her education. (Refer to the NH State Grange Roster for the name and address of the Director.)

The Grange Services Department requests that applications for loans, when filled out, be mailed to Rodney Huntoon, 8 Pine Acres Rd, Suite 808, Concord, NH 03301. No monies will be sent to the applicant until after the return of Note Form 103 that has been completely filled out and signed. The borrower shall notify the Director of Grange Services Department of any change of address (Refer to the NH State Grange Roster for the name and address of the Director.)

Donations can be mailed to:

Rodney Huntoon 8 Pine Acres Rd ,Suite 808 Concord, NH 03301

NH STATE GRANGE TRUST FUND

Your donation supports the personal care, comfort, welfare and well-being of NH Grange members. If a member needs assistance with the purchase of hearing aids, eyeglasses, dental work, or household expenses the Trust Fund may be able to provide help. All requests are confidential and will not be revealed in any report that is made at State Grange.

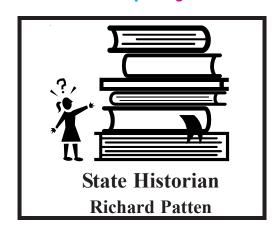
> Donations can be mailed to: Gail Turcotte, State Treasurer 107 Oak Hill Road Barrington, NH 03825

In closing for the WINTER issue of the GSG I hope we can find our way out of the high SNOW banks and that SPRING will provide us with beautiful flowers.



In Memoriam

Joyce Liebl		Chichester
Dorothy Bruyere	GS	Cocheco
Leon Meader, Jr.	GS	Crown Point
Helena Egounis	GS	Daniel Webster
Herman Walker		Granite
Alba Ross	GS	Halloween
Dorothy Boyd	GS	Hampton Falls
John Trafton	GS	Hampton Falls
David Brown	GS	Hudson
Richard Wellington		Jeremiah Smith
Phyllis Byam	GS	Joe English
Carolyn Brooks	GS	Mohawk
Edith Hammond	GS	Ocean Side
Marion Leach	GS	Ocean Side
Leonard Connor		Pembroke
Edna Fuller	GS	Stratford
Garnet Ridgewell	GS	Stratford
Yorick Hurd		Walpole



I have had a lot of people ask me about the book that I am writing. We have three great books written by Past State Master and Past Historian John L. Saturley, that have given people a good indication of what this organization is. I felt it was time to update our history again but wanted to do something different. I named this book "The New Hampshire State Grange, Seen Through the Eyes of a Baby Boomer." I am focusing the years 1966 to 2009. So I will share with you a few exerts from my writings.

This time of the year from February through April, Subordinate and Pomona Granges scheduled their Youth Night observances. The first year I was appointed Youth Chairman was 1968, and I thought, "What did I get myself into?" I was still very quiet, probably an introvert. The past chairman was an elderly lady who babysat me at one time. She was a grandmotherly type. She told me what to report on at every meeting what committee members to choose and to keep a record for a year end report.

Our Youth Night was held the fourth Monday of February at 8 p.m. I sent out invitations about one month before the scheduled event. The past youth chairman told me which Granges to invite. I should definitely send to Granges nearest to Concord such as Salisbury, Franklin, Webster, Contoocook, Pembroke, Pittsfield, Epsom, Chichester, Northwood, Hooksett, Manchester, and Danbury, along with invitations to the State Youth Chairman and to the State Youth Committee members in my area. I sent out 30 invitations and asked some of them to fill an office or bring a number for the program. I was told it was customary to ask the State Youth Chairman or a member of the State Youth Committee to serve as Master. Of course, being a new member, I didn't know anyone except a few ⊥ people in Merrimack County Pomona. I can remember Marion T. Jones and Marjorie Huntoon who were members of the State Youth Committee as being in attendance.

When it was time for Youth Night we went over our notes one last time. Did I ask enough members to bring sandwiches, cookies, chips, soda, or other lunch items? Should I send out for more food? Did I have enough items for a Dutch Auction or prizes for a Dime March? I had a few numbers for the program in case the visitors who I asked didn't bring anything. I arrived for the meeting early and tried to get organized before everyone arrived. The meeting would begin at 8 p.m. and I got there at 7 p.m. It was 7:35 p.m. and the first visitors arrived. I wasn't sure how many would come. We asked for RSVP, but many times people wouldn't respond. By 7:55 p.m. I had most of my visiting officers chosen, but the person I wanted for Master hadn't arrived. At 7:57 p.m. my special guest to be Master arrived. I felt relieved, and now I could relax a little bit.My first Youth Night attracted a total attendance of 53 with 25 of those being Pineconia members. I got a chance to meet several other youth who were my age but belonged to other Granges in the area.

The Master called the meeting to order and turned it over to me. I greeted everyone and asked the Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward to conduct my special guest to the Master's Station. I would then ask the Assistant and Lady Assistant Steward to line up at the Chaplain's station and the guests to form two lines as I called their names. They would be escorted to their offices by the Asstant Stewards. The opening ceremony was conducted and the order of business was held. The Order of Business was gone through with out much until the program. Do you remember some of the crazy games that were played on Youth Night? How about the game with a donut on a string tied to a stick with someone hanging it in front of you? Or the spoon tied to a ball of string and the spoon was passed from one member to another with the spoon going under your clothes and on to to the next person. Then you had a lifesaver on a toothpick that was passed from one to another.

The final number was the Youth Song, a song that was sung at most every youth night. Do you remember the lyrics? "I've got The Grange Youth Spirit up in my head." Then it went on, saying "deep in my heart. down in my toes," and, finally. "I have the Grange Youth Spirit all over me." That was the familiar song that we sang for many years. Usually State Prince or Princess, if they were there, would lead the song. The final thing I had to do was have a Dime March or Dutch Auction to raise money to send to the State Youth Fund and the Randall Richardson Fund. I decided to have a Dime March with the proceeds going to those funds.

I won't speak about my second Youth Night in 1969. It was held on the fourth Monday again in February, but this time we had a major snowstorm that went for two days plus. You will have read the book for more information. I am having a lot of fun writing, although I have changed the format several times, and had writer's block for awhile.

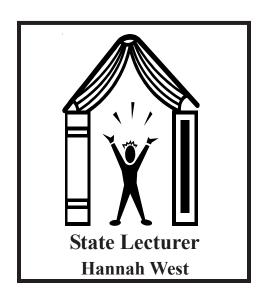
I am also writing the history of Pineconia Grange. We will be celebrating our 100th anniverary in a few years and there is no official history. It has been fun going back and seeing what our Grange has done in Concord.

NH State Grange Fundraising

Fundraising efforts for this year have begun with the 1/20 club. This is a weekly drawing for a \$25.00 prize and this will continue for 20 weeks. Three additional cash prizes will be made on the final week. The first drawing will be held at February Winter Rally and results will be posted weekly on the NH State Grange web site.

Additional fundraising plans are to create displays to enter some of the fairs around the state and Blueberry Pie day at the Big E. Any help with these would be welcome. If you are able to help with a fair display or to set up or take down at a fair in your area that would be a great help to our fundraising efforts. Also to help with Blueberry Pie day will be another way to help. Other ideas we are looking at will be to have a craft fair or do a breakfast or a supper. We are always looking for fundraising ideas, and if you have any I would be delighted to receive them.

Visit the State Grange Website at www.nhgrange.org.



It was a treat to attend the Area Meetings in January. The attendance was excellent at two out of three meetings, and I can now put faces with the names I have seen on reports and e-mails. I hope to see many of you again on March 13th at Lakeside Lanes in Manchester for Bowling.

Reports

The response on quarterly Lecturer's reports has been slow. I have a 25 percent return for the first quarter (17 out of 66 Subordinates and 3 out of 11 Pomonas). One person has told me that there were no report forms in his Lecturer's packet. If you have a similar problem, please let me know and I will see that you receive them. Don't let the deadlines scare you off. I want the information, so better late than never.

Help Needed

What do you say when someone asks, "What is the Grange?" I need some answers to this question to use in my program for the Northeast Lecturer's Conference. So far, I have one, so please write something down and send it to me by e-mail or US mail.

ME/NH "Night"

Our Maine/New Hampshire gathering is coming up on May 14 at the Legion Hall in Gorham. NH. At the request of the Maine State Lecturer we are moving the time of this event to the middle of the day. New Hampshire will host will a noon meal of Baked Stuffed Chicken Breast, Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, and Apple Pie with Ice Cream. Following the meal, Maine will present a program. The cost is \$14.00 per person (children under six are half price). If you are a vegetarian, let me know, and we will arrange for an alternate meal. Reservations will be due on or before May 3rd, so please plan ahead. I hope that the new time frame will allow more folks from both states to attend.

State Lecturer's Variety Show

Please be planning your entry in the Variety Show (formerly Spotlight NH) on June 4 at the State Grange Building in Hooksett. We need folks to perform on stage and folks to sit in the audience. Remember that neither can succeed without the other. Skits, solos, and group performances are all welcome. The goal is to experience an enjoyable show as well as to choose an act to represent NH at the NE Lecturer's Conference and possibly at National Grange.

Talent Fund

Please keep your donations coming. So far I have seventy dollars. Remember that National Grange is in Tulsa, Oklahoma, this year, so be as generous as you can. The ten dollars mentioned on the report form is a "suggested minimum" donation.

Plan Ahead

The Northeast Lecturer's Conference will be held at Bridgewater State University in Bridgewater, MA, on August 1-4. The days and evenings are packed full of workshops and entertainment. The buildings are air- conditioned and the locations are planned to involve a minimum of walking. The cost for the complete conference is \$210 per person for a double room or \$230 for a single room. The price includes meals, lodging, and conference fees. There are per day or even per meal prices for those who are unable to attend the entire conference. Reservations will be due with full payment by July 10, so you need to be thinking about it now. The New Hampshire program is scheduled for Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. with a rehearsal on Monday evening at 9:30 p.m.

In Case You Were Wondering

No one took me up on my suggestion to tell about a book read in January or February. Therefore, I will not be passing along any suggestions for a good book to read in April.

Please note that there will be no VT/NH Night this year. The plan is to celebrate ME/NH and VT/NH on alternate years. It is hoped that holding fewer events will increase attendance at the events that we do hold.

Support the Granite State Granger with your donation.

Calendar of Events 2011

March 5 - Danbory Grange Winter Market Blazing Star Grange Hall, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. March 13 - Bowling, Lakeside Lanes, Manchester, 11 a.m.

April 2 - Spring Fling, Belmont Middle School, 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

April 2 - Danbury Grange Winter Market Blazing Star Grange Hall, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. April 4 - Agate Meeting, State Grange Building, Hooksett, 6 p.m. potluck supper April 10 - Lecturers' Quarterly Reports due April 15-17 - National Grange Growth

Summit - NH State Grange Building

May 1 - Jodi Bailey Applications due

May 7 - Degree Day, Dorchester, NH

May 9 - Deadline for June GSG

May 14 - ME/NH Day, 12 noon, Gorham, NH

June 1 - Lecturer's Song Writing entries due

June 4 - Lecturer's Variety Show, State Grange Building, Hooksett, 3 p.m.

June 10 -12 - Summer Youth Weekend

June 26 - NE Go-to-Church Sunday

July 1 - Scholarship Applications due

July 8 - 10 - Northeast Youth Conference,
Maine

July 10 - Lecturers' Quarterly Reports due July 29-31 - Family Camping Weekend, Gunstock Camping Area

Aug. 1 - Needlework entries and Big E items due to F&C Committee

Aug. 1-4 - Northeast Lecturer's

Conference, Bridgewater, MA

Aug. 10 - Deadline for September GSG

Aug. 15 - Youth Donations due

Aug. 13 - Harvest Moon Stomp

Sept. 1 - Deadline for Youth and Family & Community Reports

Sept. 1 - Deadline for F& C State Awards & Lecturer's Community Citizen Award

Sept. 16 - Oct. 2 - Big E, Springfield, MA

Sept. 24 - NH Day at Big E

Sept. 26 - Grange Day at Big E

Oct. 1 - Lecturer's Contest entries due

Oct. 8 - Reservations due for State Grange Session

Oct. 10 - Lecturers' Quarterly report due Oct. 14 - Reservations due for State Grange

Oct. 14 - Reservations due for State Grange Banquet

Oct. 27-29 - NH State Grange Session, Town & Country, Gorham

Nov. 8-12 - National Grange Session, Tulsa, OK

Dec. 10 - Deputy School

This Calendar is a work in progress.

There will be additions and changes as the year progresses.

List your Grange event
On the NH Grange website.
Contact Wayne Turcotte:
bfdw2@myfairpoint.net

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2011 Photo Scavenger Hunt: Don't leave this until the last minute!

<u>Directions:</u> You must figure out what *action* the clue wants you to take a picture. Then you must use your camera to take a picture of the answers you have come up with. At least two of the pictures must involve you or a fellow Grange member but the more the merrier. Develop or print your photos and place them in a photo album along with your list of answers. Send the photo album to Youth Team Director Patrick Bailey by September 10th. Good luck!

1)	When the white stuff falls from the sky you'll find people doing this
2)	You must be at least 16 to get from here to there on your own.
	Fishercats, Swamp Bats or your local church league take me out to the
4)	Win this and you'll be on your way to Oklahoma so warm up your vocal chords
5)	Breast stroke, back stroke, butterfly? This activity requires minimal clothing and maybe a cap.
	This could require big equipment but you'll at least need a hammer and nails to create a lovely home or perhaps an apartment complex.
7)	Chocolate and marshmallow crème anyone? These bring new meaning to the term "making whoopie" so find your favorite competing Granger in the act
8)	Gail Turcotte is quite experienced at this. With a bit of yarn and a couple of potential weapons you could win another Grange contest
9)	If you want that stuff on the top of your head to be shorter you'll need this.
10)	Lace up your sneakers and find the nearest track 'cuz it's time to go
11)	Whether it's preparing dinner for your family or a nice Grange supper, this will be your first task.
12)	Some people do it in a line wearing a hat and boots. Some prefer a ballroom. You've heard of the TV show:
	"So you think you can".
13)	Marshmallows, graham crackers, chocolate bars and don't forget your tent. We're all going
14)	Almost everyone has one of these so it won't be hard to find someone using this form of communication. It could involve
	your ear or just your fingers
	You'll need special shoes, a large ball, and ten pins
16)	You might have to get a bit dirty but it will connect you with your Grange roots
17)	This time the ball's black and white with a big net and eleven people per team
	New Hampshire (and Vermont) is known for this. Nearly everyone likes the sweet product on their blueberry pancakes. You've got to start early if you want to catch someone amidst the trees.
	There are lots of these in the summer. Bring your favorite meat or veggies and crank up the grill. See if you can catch someone flipping!
	It's cold for the fans and sometimes violent for the players. You'll need lots of padding. The refs could call you out for checking or hooking in this game.

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