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An Appeal from National Master Ed Luttrell and the National Grange Executive Committee

The Grange grew from a small group of individuals with a dream, through lean years to a powerful and respected national organization with a local focus. Today we face challenges as serious as any in the history of our Order as our finances and our very authority for existing are under attack from two fronts.

Trademark Issue

The Grange has redressed many attempted infringements upon our name in the past six years, consuming more than \$2 million in that time. The National Grange has been obliged to expend this amount defending our good name, which has been rightfully ours for nearly 150 years.

These cases continue to consume our budget. Added to this, our members and staff continue to find additional infringements regularly. While most are settled amicably, all take money and time.

California Issue

You may be aware that the leadership of the former California state Grange declared last November that they are no longer part of our organization or subject to any of our rules. Yet they claim they are entitled to take our name and assets in California. This position not only affects the future of the Grange, but every national organization that charters subordinate units. Our Order cannot allow a precedent such as this to be created.

We are currently in both federal and state court to protect our Order, as the actions of the former California State Grange truly imperil the entire structure of the Grange. It has been the National Grange's belief that while we must fight to win this issue, we must do so as Grangers, maintaining the high ethical standards that our personal obligations require.

The good news from California is that delegates of 24 Community Granges have voted to reorganize the State Grange and the Charter has been reinstated by the National Grange.

Budgetary Impact

In the last six budget years 2008-2013, only 2009 and 2013 were deficit years for finances. However, in order to continue the effort to protect the Grange from both internal and external foes, the National Grange has reduced expenses as much as possible, both by cutting some budget items completely and reducing others to a minimum level. The big problems are that dues from California are missing from our income, the headquarters building had only been rented at a 90 percent level for the past year (now at 100 percent), and attorney expenses continue to be much higher than projected for both trademark and California issues. All other line items are near or below budgeted amounts.

Grange Advocacy, Inc. (a 501 (c) (4) organization) was formed in 2013 and the Grange Foundation (our 501 (c) (3) organization) was updated to meet the requirements of today. Both are vehicles that can be used to increase the influence and work of the Grange without additional Grange money. We are exploring ways of increasing revenue through the trademark, as well as other viable fund-raisers. In the short term we are seeking loans through State Granges and affiliate companies to remedy cash flow shortages.

Solutions

The National Grange has developed a detailed plan which contains the current situation, options, and actions we are taking. That plan has been given to each State Grange Master and National Officer.

We are conducting this appeal in hopes that our members will recognize

that our Order is one organization with different divisions or levels, and that each member has as much invested in the National Grange as they do in their Community Grange. We are exploring every possible way to generate additional revenue.

We are in process to borrow \$250,000 from a State Grange that has offered to help and may need to borrow more in the future. We have calculated that we can borrow what is needed and pay it back in ten years starting in 2016, but the National Grange Executive Committee would rather not borrow any more money than is absolutely necessary.

The National Grange officers and State Grange Masters each believe that the Grange has great value to our members, our communities, and to our nation. Some of that value is material benefits and much is in the opportunity to learn, grow, and make a difference through the organization. **Your assistance in recruiting new members and in aiding the National Grange is needed today.**

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**[For registration and meal forms
see page 12.]**



*From my pad
to your pad*

**Christopher Heath
NH State Grange Master**

What a long trip it has been this early as State Grange Master. As most of you know, I was elected on Saturday of State Session and happily accepted. On Sunday morning I had the pleasure of being installed, surrounded by my family and Grange friends. Becoming State Master has been a long dream of mine as I have wanted to follow in the footsteps of my late grandfather Carryl Heath.

Shortly after being installed I got right to work by attending my first Grange meeting as State Master. Lois Enman, Wilber Heath and I drove to Stratford, NH, to attend the meeting of Stratford Grange. For a relatively small Grange, they sure do a lot in their community. I hope this is the same for all of the Granges around the state.

On November 7th, my wife Kerriann and I left for Sandusky, Ohio, to attend the 148th National Session as Delegates from NH. This is where the fun began. We had made arrangements with Jim Tetreault and Tricia Taylor to meet on our way out to Sandusky and share a hotel room for the night to break up the drive. On our way we ran into a few snags in our trip. To start, I lost my cellphone at a gas station in NY at one in the morning and didn't realize it until my wife and I got to what we thought was the correct motel. After twenty minutes backtracking to the gas station, no phone was found. Thank God for technology! I was able to use my "Find My Iphone App" and locate my phone in the middle of the onramp to the highway.

Making our way back to the hotel in NY to meet up with Tricia and Jim, we were told the room was at the Econolodge Room 202 and that the door would be left open for us to go right in. To our surprise there were no occupants in room 202 at the Econolodge. A quick phone call to Jim found us some interesting news. They were in fact not at the Econolodge but at the Super 8 next door! So, a note to all fellow Grange Members

who may travel with our wonderful most recent Past State Master. Do not rely on directions or information as he is geographically challenged and location challenged. We all had a great laugh and will never forget room 202 at the Econolodge.

Arriving in Sandusky, Ohio, on Saturday we checked into our home for the week and began our work as Delegates. Sunday we attended a New Master's Training where we met other new Masters and new delegates. We discussed how we could grow the Grange as new leaders for our states and the responsibility the position holds.

Monday was the start of session. We worked with our committees going over the resolutions that were submitted by the states and started debating some of these resolutions on the floor during the session. On Wednesday we did get to go on the Delegates tour which took us to NASA's Research Center for testing rocket engines, very interesting. The rest of the week when we were not in session we attended the Salute to Agriculture breakfast, the Distinguished Grange Awards, the Night of Excellence and Seventh Degree. Being a part of the National Session has been a great experience. I look forward to attending next year in Lincoln, Nebraska.

I forgot to mention I also inherited the Grange Herd member for our state. Noel the Hamster was very active this session. He could be found hanging out with other herd members at the spa, in session, and lounging in the jungle. I hope that Noel will get to travel with me this year around the state and visit the Granges in New Hampshire.

As the new State Master my goals for our organization are as follows; Growth, Ritualism, Fraternity and Fellowship.

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lowship. Grange growth is important for every Grange and important to me. Members are the life-blood of our organization and if we become comfortable with our current membership numbers, we are setting ourselves up for failure. We have to strive to constantly find new members. It could be our neighbors, friends, relatives or new people in town. Every person we meet or know is a potential member. All we need to do is to ask. Having a personal story about the Grange that you can share with these potential new members will help. Be involved in the activities in your town and promote what you do. Wear a shirt or hat that has a Grange emblem on it. Promote your activities, events and meetings.

Our ritualism is what makes us different than any other of the community service organizations. Let's be proud of that part of our history. I encourage every Grange to do the opening and closing at every meeting. If you don't have enough people to do it in full form, you should at least read it from the manual. These ceremonies have always been a part of our ritual and they should not be forgotten.

Fraternity is what binds us together in this organization and we need to strengthen those fraternal bonds. Grangers need to get out and visit each other more often. We are all brothers and sisters in this organization and need to support each other in our endeavours. When we start visiting each other more we will renew our fellowship. When others see how we interact with each other they will want to join in that reward of being a member of the Grange.

I hope to see all of you in the coming new year. I am going to try to make it to every Grange in the state throughout the next year and I look forward to meeting many of you during those travels. I wish each and every Grange the best of luck in 2015 and look forward to our future and serving as your NH State Master.

Support the ELF!

Please send your Educational Loan Fund donations to:
Rodney Huntoon
8 Pine Acres Rd., Suite 808
Concord, NH 03301



**Out & About 2015
State Lecturer
Jane Trombi**



As your new State Lecturer, I would like to welcome you to a new Grange year. I hope that your Grange will have a chance to look over the program booklet, before your planning meeting, to see that a new program has been added, called "Out and About". It is designed to make your Grange more visible in the community and to encourage your Grangers to leave the four walls of your meeting room to mix and mingle with the community. Some of the activities listed are: Attend a play, Attend a meeting of another Grange, Visit a sugar house, plus many more ideas! There is also a page of requirements, so look it over carefully to be sure you follow the guidelines.

It's not too early to think about the Lecturer's contests. Take time this winter to make a card for the "Create a Card" contest. The classes this year are: Christmas, Get Well and Mother's Day. Remember, they can be handmade (Drawn by hand or cut and pasted using materials found in the home), computer generated, or hand stamped and/or decorated with materials from craft stores.

The Creative Writing Contest is also a great winter activity. Pick up a book to read and then answer the question: "Why Did I Enjoy This Book?" in 500 words or less. The art contest has had very few entries over the last few years. If there are not enough entries, this may be the last year of this contest.

The photography contest is always a big draw. The categories are People, Farm Animals and Churches. I am also going to add an additional category: Nature: as the name states, this can be anything to do with nature. Is it grown outside? Is it made by God? Then it's nature. This is an additional category not listed in the program book.

How about planning an act for the variety show? Get together with other Grangers and plan a funny routine, a song or a skit. There is also an instrumental category.

If you don't feel very creative, don't forget the State Grange Bowling Contest that will be held in the spring. Bring a group from your Grange and have a team.

Remember as Lecturers we are "assigned the important duty of leading in the literary program and the educational work of the Grange." I hope to see many of you "Out & About" at Grange events.

Winners of 2014

State Lecturer's Contests

Art (6 entries)

Oil

1st - Ruth Pelton, Hampton Falls Grange

2nd - Gloria Davis, Antrim Grange

Pencil

1st - Roberta Sliva, Hampton Falls

2nd - Marie Hall, Gilman Grange

3rd - Russell Fabian, Wicwas Lake

Water Color

1st - Marie Hall, Gilman Grange

Photography (42 entries)

People

1st - Beth Merrill, Antrim Grange

2nd - Anne Boisvert, Chichester Grange

3rd - Lucia Savage, Wingold Grange

Farm Animals

1st - Carolyn Ross, Gilman Grange

2nd - Shelley Huntoon, Concord Grange

3rd - Bonnie Lampman, Rockingham

Churches

1st - Beth Merrill, Antrim Grange

2nd - Shelley Huntoon, Concord Grange

3rd - Carolyn Ross, Gilman Grange

Create-a-Card (34 entries)

Thanksgiving

Handmade

1st - Sherrill Bokousky, Watatic Grange

Computer Generated

1st Shelley Huntoon, Concord Grange

2nd - Rodney Huntoon, Concord Grange

Stamped

1st - Jane Trombi, Walpole Grange

2nd - Ida Hutchins, Baker's River

3rd - Laura Ward, Meriden Grange

Birthday

Handmade

1st - Sherrill Bokousky, Watatic Grange

2nd - Camilie Twiss, Watatic Grange

Computer Generated

1st - Shelley Huntoon, Concord Grange

2nd - Rodney Huntoon, Concord Grange

When prosperity comes, do not use all of it. - Confucius

Birthday Stamped

1st - Marion Woodworth, Rochester

2nd - Jane Trombi, Walpole Grange

3rd - Beth Merrill, Antrim Grange

Sympathy

Handmade

1st - Lois Enman, Rochester

2nd - Sherrill Bokousky, Watatic Grange

Computer Generated

1st - Beth Merrill, Antrim Grange

2nd - Rodney Huntoon, Concord Grange

3rd - Shelley Huntoon, Concord Grange

Stamped

1st - Marion Wentworth, Rochester

2nd - Jane Trombi, Walpole Grange

3rd - Sandra Marcoux, Watatic Grange

Cards by Junior Members

Age 5-7

1st - Alayna Twiss, Watatic Grange

Age 8-10

1st - Genevieve Twiss, Watatic Grange

2nd - Ava Twiss, Watatic Grange

Creative Writing

Tell the Story (4 entries)

1st - Pat Izzo, Gilman Grange

2nd - Stephen Tracy, Stratford Grange

3rd - Dawne Hugron, Antrim Grange

Read the Book (6 entries)

1st - Sharon Stickney, Antrim Grange

2nd - Stephen Tracy, Stratford Grange

3rd - Camilie Twiss, Watatic Grange

Cinquains

Grange (11 entries)

1st - Camilie Twiss, Watatic Grange

2nd - Judy Bailey, Rochester Grange

3rd - Lois Enman, Rochester Grange

Nature (19 entries)

1st - Stephen Tracy, Stratford Grange

2nd - Adam Paquin-Varnum, Antrim

3rd - Judy Bailey, Rochester Grange

and

Carrie Sweetman, Wicwas Lake Grange



Hampton Falls Grange is working on the Lecturer's Challenge. How about you? Photo was taken at "The Old Time Radio" program in Seabrook, NH.

Home Grown Politics
*Across New Hampshire Farmland
 to Concord and Washington*
Bob Haefner
Legislative and Agriculture Dept.

Well, the elections are over and New Hampshire is returning to normal for at least a little while. No more mail boxes stuffed with candidate literature, no more attack ads in the mail box or on TV, no more phone calls or, worse, robo calls. The top of ticket races were certainly negative. I wish we could be positive and run on our records and qualifications without trying to destroy our opponents. I did not make a single call, let alone a robo call. I mailed nothing and of course no TV or radio ads. I just ran on my record and my qualifications

The results of the election were interesting. Nationally the Republicans made big gains, all across the country, while here in New Hampshire we had a mixed bag. Governor, Senator and one of our two congressional districts went Democrat, while the same folks voted to give NH a Republican Majority in both houses and the Governor's Council. I only draw two conclusions. We are a purple state and "All politics are local." I guess name recognition and the candidates also matter.

This year the Legislative and Agriculture Department has given three awards at the state level. The Legislator of the Year was presented at the annual awards banquet to retiring State Representative David Campbell (d) of Nashua. Dave sponsored the gas tax increase that finally passed after his trying for years. Rep. Campbell was persistent and finally passed a bill that raised the so called road toll by 4 cents. I was one of only 17 Republicans to vote for it, but feel no guilt at all. It has been more than 20 years since the last increase. Asphalt costs have increased hundreds of percent and automobile gas mileage has increased significantly as well, leaving fewer and fewer highway dollars to fix our roads. I personally want to see the I 93 widening completed. That will be good for tourism and commerce and my commute.

Hillsborough County Pomona will be the host for the awarding of this year's Century Farm award, going to Brookdale Fruit Farm of Hollis. The farm has been in the same family and on the same land since 1847 and is the second largest fruit and vegetable grower in the state. They were the recipient of a "Farm of Distinction" award a couple of years ago. Dr. Christina Murdock, DVM is the winner of our "Friend of NH Agriculture" award given at Hudson Grange. Dr. Murdock is a graduate of Alvirne High School and their Vet Tech Program, and the FFA. She has a degree in Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State and is a large animal Vet. She is one of the few large and small animal Vets that is strictly a mobile Vet. She makes house calls for not only Elsie the Cow, but for Fido and the cat. Christina has also received an award from the NH Farm Bureau this year as one of the Young Farmers.

Your new Legislative and Agriculture team of Jim Tetreault and Tara Sad along with me look forward to the next two years under State Master Chris Heath. Our next meeting will be at Deputy School. One of the things we are looking at is to hold the National Grange Legislative Fly-In next year in NH timed for the Presidential Primary. This is a chance for State Grange Legislative Directors to fly in from all over to witness the NH First in the Nation Primary. Some other things we look forward to are: Hosting Northeast Leaders Conference in NH, Grange Day at the State House and of course Grange Day at the Big E.



Angela Wheeler/Colebrook Chronicle photo

The picture shows how nice and crowded was the Mohawk Grange annual Chicken Pie Supper in October. We raised a little over \$2,000. for our scholarship fund. Virtually all the food was donated by Grange members and friends in Colebrook.



Let me start off by thanking everyone that trusted I would make a good Gatekeeper of the New Hampshire State Grange. In the honor of accepting such a great position, I hope to fill the office as best I can. I would also like to thank Chris for asking me to be Membership Director and hope that I will be able to fill the shoes of the past Membership Director as well as she had done.

All Membership committee members of each Grange should be receiving a membership program from their Delegates from State Grange or the Worthy Master of their Grange. If you do not receive one, send me an email to Fishbrandt@yahoo.com or call 642-5074 and I will either send you a digital copy or can mail you one.

I am still working on forming my committee and am hoping to get at least one person from each Pomona area. This will hopefully allow every part of the state to have at least one person in your area to go to and get any information you may need to get new members. Once I have the committee members I will be sending a list of the whole committee to all Granges and will ask Hannah to publish it in the **Granite State Granger**, so please keep an eye out for it. If you have any special requests from me, that can help your Grange grow, feel free to contact me at any time and I will try to help you out.

Deadline
The next issue of the Granite State Granger will be mailed in March, 2015. Please send items for the paper to Hannah West on or before February 8, 2015. Report on events of December and January. Look ahead to events of April, May, and June

Other people's troubles are bearable.
-- Yiddish Proverb



I would like to thank everyone who has supported the new project by the Community Service Committee called "Santa Remembers Teens at Christmas." I am so overwhelmed by the support that has been received. We received many gift cards that will bring smiles to teenagers who otherwise might not have a gift to open on Christmas Day. Thank you for your generosity. The Christmas Season brings out the best in people and Grange members are no exception.

Grangers are known for their willingness to help others in need. I hope that you will continue to help those who are living in a shelter or struggling to make ends meet. There are many projects you can do during this time. There are Granges who adopt a family at Christmas providing gifts, a Christmas dinner, and possibly a ride to church for Christmas Eve service or Mass or Christmas Day worship.

Don't forget your own members, who aren't able to attend meetings due to the weather. Please make sure you send cards, maybe a gift, or Christmas poinsettia or Christmas cactus. Your Grange might adopt a senior citizen or a corridor at a local nursing home for the holidays. You could decorate the halls, see if they need an artificial Christmas tree with decorations, and have a Christmas party just before Christmas Day to spread a little holiday cheer. You might check with the home to see if the residents could enjoy an orange, banana, popcorn ball, and maybe cookies. You could also think about stuffing a Christmas stocking filled with little gifts. I know this sounds a lot, but these are some ideas. Don't forget the SPCA or Humane Society where the pets could enjoy treats, or surprise the staff with basket of supplies and animal food.

As we approach the winter season, it is a good time to see what your Grange can do in the neighborhood. If you have Senior Citizens living alone in their home, please remember to check on them. Ask

them if you can assist them with shoveling their sidewalks, mailbox, or steps if they have some into their home. Please offer to get their mail or newspaper if there has been a recent snow storm. Don't forget to extend an invitation to them if you are aware they are home alone for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to enjoy dinner with your family. How about going over to offer your assistance in putting up their Christmas tree or Chanukah candle set and then take it down when they are finished?

Please talk with them about their heating system or if there is a power outage, what can they do or where should they go. Hopefully you will invite them into your home with their pet(s). See if they have a warning light that will activate if their oil furnace is not working or their oil runs out. The light should be placed in a window facing the road so someone will see it. Remember that if your neighbors aren't seen for a couple of days and you know they are home, then either call the police or go over to their home and try to raise someone. They may have fallen and can't get to a telephone for help.

Food pantries and homeless shelters need your help. Please remember the Fill an Empty Plate and try to do that once a month. Please check the codes on canned food that you are donating. You don't want to donate something that is outdated. Please check your homeless shelters to see if they need something. We need to pitch in and help wherever we can. They might appreciate magazines, newspapers, books, board games, card games, linens, pillows, etc. for the residents. It never hurts to extend a helping hand.

I know it may seem a lot for your Grange to do, I am only suggesting. You can pick and choose whatever you would like to do. Just remember the good that you are doing for someone less fortunate.

I am very proud of our Granges in New Hampshire. The reports you submitted were excellent. The judges had an extremely difficult time with the booklets. They couldn't believe the amount of work done by our members and the different projects. One judge told me it took them two days and 5 hours to narrow down the winning books. I was very happy



In Memoriam

Ina Andersen	Baker's River
Ruth Weeks	Baker's River
Christine Mobbs	Chichester
Willard Welty	Halestown
Dorothea Adams	Hampton Falls
Esther Cass	Hooksett
Norma Perkins	Jeremiah Smith
Enid Fernald	Jeremiah Smith
Mary Hazen	Mont Calm
Sally Boivin	Mount Hope
June Parkinson	Park
Stuart Gile	Pembroke
John Pepau	Stratford
Lillian Perkins	Wingold
Richard A. Smith, Jr.	Wingold
Joseph Swasey	Wingold

with the one page reports and all that the Granges wrote on the paperwork. I know that many of us aren't able to do a booklet, but the single page reports were very good as some took the time and wrote out the information about everything they did. The winning books were: First, Wicwas Lake Grange of Meredith; Second, Concord Grange; Third, Gilman Grange of Exeter; Fourth, Hudson Grange; Fifth, Antrim Grange; Sixth, Pembroke Grange. The winning booklet from Wicwas Lake Grange was sent to the National Grange.

I was thrilled to see so many nominees for the various Recognition Awards. We split up some of the awards for Thursday Night and Saturday evening. I will be sending out the forms for 2015 soon after the annual Leader Conference. It is never too early to start looking for people to honor in your community. I am pleased to welcome new committee members and wish to thank those who are leaving for their contributions in helping to build the Community Service Program.

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, or Happy Kwanzaa and a very healthy and prosperous New Year in 2015. May the New Year be good for our Grange and all that we do!

Remember, someone asked you to join the Grange. Don't forget to ask someone to share the same opportunities that you have received.

A Letter

November 3, 2014

Dear Worthy National Master Ed Luttrell and Worthy State Master Christopher Heath,

On November 1st my community Grange received a letter from the now-suspended California State Grange Executive Committee. After reading the letter, I feel they are showing their true colors. I am appalled at the way they are using our Grange ritual to fit their needs. If they want to quote our first degree obligation, they should quote it in its entirety.

In the presence of our Heavenly father and these witnesses, I do hereby pledge on my sacred honor that, whether in or out of the order, I will never reveal any of the secrets of this order, nor communicate the ritualistic work of this order to anyone unless legally authorized to do so. I will conform to and abide by the laws of my State and Nation; and the Constitution, rules and regulations of the Grange at all levels. I will never propose for membership in the Order nor sanction the admission of anyone I have reason to believe to be an improper person, nor will I oppose the admission of anyone solely on the grounds of a personal prejudice. I will not knowingly wrong or defraud a brother or sister of the Order or allow it to be done by another if within my power to prevent it. I will endeavor to be a true and faithful Patron of Husbandry, perform all the duties enjoined in this Order and aid others in the performance of the same. Should I knowingly or willfully violate this pledge, I will invoke upon myself suspension or expulsion from the Order."

Each and every one of us assented to this obligation and agreed to each and every line.

I believe our forefathers placed each item in the obligation in order of what they felt was most important.

1. Don't reveal the secrets or ritualistic work.
2. Abide by the laws of my State and Nation; and the Constitution, rules and regulations (By-laws) of the Grange at all levels.
3. The admission of members
4. Don't wrong or defraud a Brother or Sister.

5. Endeavor to the true and faithful.
 6. Perform all duties and help others.
- If you don't follow the first three items it is almost impossible **Not** to wrong or defraud a Brother or Sister and especially when our Constitution and Bylaws are not followed.

Our Constitution and Bylaws are the glue that binds our organization together. Without them what are we? If we lose this battle, the Grange will not be the only fraternal organization affected. This would set a precedent and the Masons, Eastern Star, Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, Elks and many others would be in jeopardy as well.

Therefore I urge each Grange and every member to assist our National Master and Executive Committee in any way possible to help save our Grange from this threat.

Our National Grange needs our help both morally and monetarily. If you can send a donation, please do. If not please send a letter of encouragement to our National Master and the National Executive Committee. National Grange, 1616 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006-4999.

Fraternally,
Daniel P. Bascom
Past Officer of the Assembly of Demeter,
Past National Gatekeeper, Past Master
New Hampshire State Grange
[This letter has been approved by State Master Christopher Heath and National Master Ed Luttrell.]

Note: Your Grange may have also received the letter referred to in paragraph one. It is too long to reprint here, but it can be accessed on line at: info@californiagrangegrange.org. For information from the National Grange about California see "California Situation" on this page.

Thank You

Heartfelt thanks to all who put dish towels for the State Grange Building in the donation box at State Grange session in Nashua. We should be well supplied for some time now.

Grange Bulletin Board

California Situation

In the fall of 2012 the now-former California State Grange claimed that they were not subject to the National Grange Digest.

In September of 2012 their Charter was suspended for cause.

In April of 2013 the Charter of the State Grange was revoked for cause and they did not appeal the revocation.

The National Grange has attempted unsuccessfully to seek a solution with the former California State Grange.

In November of 2013 the now-former California State Grange confirmed to the National Grange that it was disaffiliated and was no longer part of our organization.

On July 12, 2014 the California State Grange was reorganized with 24 Granges.

Due to this situation we are engaged in two separate cases against the former California State Grange:

1st: State Case asking that the former CSG follow the rules that they agreed to. This case was filed in September of 2012 and is currently scheduled for trial in June of 2015. As per normal legal actions, there is a counter claim against the National Grange. The only motion the judge has granted in this case is to delay the adjudication of the Grange charges against the former State Grange Master until the court case is concluded.

2nd: Federal Trademark infringement case against the former California State Grange. This case was filed in April of 2014. The Federal District Court we have filed in moves much faster than the State. This case should also be resolved in 2015 as the trial date is set for October 14, 2015. The former CSG has filed two counter-suits to ours. Our first motion to dismiss was favorably received by the Judge and resulted in the dismissal of one counterclaim and several of the affirmative defenses filed by the disaffiliated group, with permission to amend its

claims, if it could.

Since the fall of 2012 through the end of June 2014 the National Grange has expended \$390,879.06 in legal expenses dealing with the California situation.

In simple terms this situation is about the right of the Grange organization to have mutually agreed upon rules that all members must follow. While any member, or group of members, may choose to leave the Order at any time, they cannot take the assets (our name, the property, and money) when they do so.

It's Time to File Your Grange's Annual IRS Tax Return

This is a reminder to all Granges in NH that your fiscal year ended September 30, 2013, and now you have until February 15, 2014, to file your annual 990-N electronic tax return with the IRS. Failure to file for three consecutive years can result in a loss of your non-profit status.

The website address to file at is <http://epostcard.form990.org>. Complete filing instructions were mailed to every Grange in May of 2008. If you have lost your instructions or just need help please contact NH State Grange Treasurer Daniel Bascom, 123 Franklin Street, Rochester, NH 03867-2461; telephone 332-2164; cell phone 767-6613; or E-mail kdbascom@aol.com.

One change to the 990-N report this year is the amount of money earned. It has been raised from \$25,000 to \$50,000. So if your Grange has less than \$50,000 income you may file the 990-N report on line. The receipt you print upon completion of filing has also changed slightly.

If your Grange is unable to file on line, you may contact Dan Bascom for a paper copy of the 2010 990-EZ form, and he will mail one to you. The paper version changes every year so you must use the 2012 form this year. The paper version is also due to the IRS by February 15, 2014.

Visit the State Grange website at www.nhgrange.org

Aurora Grange

Aurora Grange #235 in Pittsburg recently enjoyed their annual Thanksgiving pot luck dinner together with some members of the Pittsburg Historical Society. Lecturer Chip Evarts presented a meaningful and moving program on Veterans' Day and on POW's and MIA's.

Overseer Ann Gray and Steward Heather Zybas presented Pittsburg School third graders with their very own dictionaries in November. The students were excited by all that the dictionaries have to offer and were particularly interested in the world's longest word at the end of the dictionary. Ann and Heather talked to the children about the Grange and told them about some of the many things that the Grange has taken part in over the years.



Blazing Star Grange

The final program of the Blazing Star Grange Two-Year Sustainability series was held on Nov. 8th at the Grange Hall in Danbury. Thirty people attended the program.

Leader of the discussion was local farmer and visionary historian Tom Curran, who gave the audience a picture of what Danbury and the local community and surrounding towns looked like in the past and what they might be in the future.

The main discussion of the evening centered around how the local farming community might band together to produce their own feed supply and ultimately create a sustainable local economy keeping our farms vital and our community fed. Other well-received discussions explored developing a new ethic of reducing food waste and feeding those families within our borders that live every day with a food insecurity.

Calendar of Events

(a work in progress)

- Dec. 13 - Deputy School Fire Academy, Concord
- Jan. 3 - Danbury Winter Market 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Jan. 3 - Sustainability/Local Food Meeting 2 p.m. Danbury
- Jan. 9 - 11 - NE Leaders Conference Best Western, Portsmouth, NH
- Feb. 6-7 - Farm & Forest Expo Radisson Hotel, Manchester
- Feb. 7 - Danbury Winter Market
- March 7 - Danbury Winter Market
- March 14 - April 5 - Maple Sugaring Month
- March 28-29 - Maple Weekend
- April 4 - Danbury Winter Market
- May 2 - Danbury Winter Market
- July 22 - 26 - North Haverhill Fair
- July 23-26 - Stratham Fair
- Aug. 21-23 - Cornish Fair
- Sept. 2-7 - Lancaster Fair
- Sept. 12 - Danbury Grange Fair Activities Dawn to Dark
- Sept. 18-Oct. 4 - Eastern States Expo.
- Oct. 1-4 Deerfield Fair
- Oct. 2 - State Grange Session Reservations due to Town & Country
- Oct. 9 - State Grange Banquet reservations due
- Oct. 22-23 - 142nd Annual Session of NH State Grange in Gorham
- Nov. 7 - Danbury Winter Market 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Nov. 3-7 - National Grange Session in Lincoln, Nebraska
- Dec. 5 - Danbury Winter Market

State Grange Directors

- Agriculture/Legislative - Robert Haefne
- Community Service - Richard Patten
- Family Service - Debra Patten
- Grange Services - Lois Enman
- Youth - Beth Merrill
- Junior - Joann Brandt
- Membership - Norman Brandt
- Publicity - James Tetreault
- Fundraising - Kim Bascom
- Webmaster - Wayne Turcotte
- GSG - Hannah West
- Building - Anne & Marty Boisvert
- Photographer - Mark Collins
- Family Weekend - Robert Trombi
- Resolutions and By-laws - Tara Sadd
- State Session Coordinator - Ken Berry

**State Grange Historian
Richard Patten**



Another State Grange Session has passed and we are now starting a new Grange year. We have a new State Master, some new State Officers, some new State Directors, and the return of committee members and deputies wearing a pink sash when they visit Granges. I know when I received a telephone call from newly-elected State Master Alton Carpenter to serve as a Junior Deputy, I couldn't wait to attend Deputy School. Deputy School and Leaders Conference was held at Ezekiel Webster Grange Hall in Boscawen for many years. There would be two hundred Grangers attending this annual event. Every Department Head and General Deputy along with State Officers would attend, be introduced, and offer remarks about new programs or dates for them to tell their members.

It was important for committee members, deputies, and other members of the Pink Sash Family to attend. This day was important because committees would meet to discuss their new program and iron out any confusion or possibly change something. It was important for committee members to try and attend Grange meetings. I have assigned members of my committee a district to attend the Granges in that district.

I was reading that in 1874, a set of By-Laws was accepted, It was up to the General Deputy and Deputies to see that the By-Laws were accepted and followed. William Stimson was the first General Deputy and in 1882 he gave his report. It was reported in 1901, that the success of the Grange in New Hampshire has been due to the caliber of the Deputies. The work of the Deputies in the field was essential to the growth of the Grange. Their Instruction and Inspection were only a small part of the work required of them. They have pitched in whenever needed, giving advice, providing degree teams, filling offices when needed, and doing their utmost for the love of the fraternity. It is stated that the work of the

General Deputy is the most difficult of all. He is the right hand of the State Master and must be responsible to the other Deputies, instructing them and tabulating their reports. He has to be aware of the other committee reports and activities of other officers and committee directors. An efficient General Deputy makes the operation go smoothly.

I enjoy reading not only the Grange Journals but the older issues that I can find of the Granite State Granger. I was reading the December issue of 1980 and found excerpts that the Editor of the GSG had printed. I thought some of them were very interesting. Here's a sampling of them:

Your Editor – "Why don't they call this meeting a Leaders Conference?"

General Deputy Edward Pratt - "I don't think we have any harder worker in this Grange than your State Master. We will ask only that you Deputies work as hard as he does."

State Master Phil Shattuck - "From now on, we won't refer to those guests attending our meetings as non-members. I ask you to refer to them as future members."

State Lecturer, Marion T. Jones - "We can look forward to State Master Phil again arranging the schedule for our bowling tournament this spring."

State Master Phil Shattuck to those wearing pink sashes - "Dress as befitting a State Officer or Committee Member.. if you wear a leisure suit, a tie is not required... but a tie goes with a dress suit. Wear your sash at all meetings which you attend except your own Subordinate and Pomona. When you are asked to fill a station, it is proper to remove your pink sash and wear the one denoting your station. Also, refrain from smoking during meetings, workshops, etc.. A smoking and relaxing break should be called occasionally during conferences, etc. If I (Phil Shattuck) can go for 1½ hrs. between cigarettes at a meeting, so can you! We realize that smoking bothers some, so please heed this."

I can't believe it was 42 years ago that I represented New Hampshire as State Prince, Diane Hewes as State Princess, and Ben and Joyce Creighton as Young Couple. Ralph Ford picked up me,

Al Carpenter (who was just elected State Lecturer), Marion T. Jones, Edna Moody from Bear Hill Grange, and Lucy Newton from Sunapee Mountain Grange for a ride to the National Grange Session in Hartford, CT. I was so timid, not knowing what to expect. I didn't have a lot of funds so I was very careful. I did meet a lot of youth from the other states. There were 310 members from New Hampshire who took the lessons of the Seventh Degree or Degree of Ceres. It was very impressive and different.

There were 4649 candidates who took the Seventh Degree. Bill Steel was the National Grange Youth Director at the time. I remember at the Home Economics Luncheon one of the waiters spilled gravy on my suit. I didn't say anything but several staff members came right over and got my suit jacket cleaned at no cost. I only had one suit and that was it, but I didn't say anything. When I had my interview, I had no idea two of the judges had sat at my table when this happened. I couldn't believe it. They told me I was so nice not to lose my temper.

I guess that's it for this time. I hope everyone has a Great Christmas and Happy Grange New Year in 2015!



Charlotte Coffin, a member of Rockingham Grange, received her 75 year membership certificate earlier this year.



**Junior Grange
Joann Brandt, Director**

Each Grange should have received the Junior Program for activities. I have also sent this information to our Webmaster to place on www.nhgrange.org for more information. This year's theme is "As Flowers grow, so do Children in Junior Grange"

I neglected to tell the delegates in my report at State Grange, that as of June 30, we had 33 Junior Grangers in New Hampshire. We were able to graduate four Juniors that turn 14 in 2014, and I hope the Subordinate Granges will invite them in as members to assist their Granges.

Congratulations to our four that have graduated from Junior Grange: Jordan Durand and Makena Kimball of Wicwas Lake Grange, Rebecca Marcoux of Watatic Grange and Logan Burnor of Hinsdale Grange. Unfortunately, we need to add more Juniors to replace those moving up. I guess that is just like Subordinates who lose members need to replace them.

We are beginning a new year in the Junior Grange and I want to thank all of the Juniors who participated in the contests for 2014. Congratulations to the Contest Winners of 2014.

Recycled Something from Nothing

- Ava Twiss - Waterer 1st ,
- Isabell Brandt - Bookmark 1st ,
- Bowen Brandt - Bookmark 2nd ,
- Natalie Brandt - Bookmark 2nd

Make a card for a Special Person

- Ava Twiss 1st

**2014 Big E Junior Contest
Recycled Plastic Lid Craft**

- Genevieve Twiss 1st
- Ava Twiss 1st
- Alayna Twiss 1st
- Isabell Brandt 2nd
- Madison Brandt 3rd

Art Drawings

- Genevieve Twiss 1st
- Ava Twiss 1st
- Alayna Twiss 1st

This year I recognized at State Grange, those Granges that have supported the Juniors and worked with them: Watatic Grange #35, Prentice Hill Grange #267, Hinsdale Grange #358, Wicwas Lake Grange #292, Rochester Grange #86, Wingold Grange #308, Harmony Grange #99, and Hampton Falls Grange #171.

Junior Grange is a great learning time for all young children. Encourage them to tell of their activities and maybe even to give a demonstration on a project they have had at school. This gives them practice speaking in front of people and will assist them with their future endeavors.

Thank you to Jane Heath for assisting the Juniors in making Christmas stockings. We finished eight in time to be sent to the Pease Greeters who send to the soldiers in time for Christmas. Juniors put stickers on them. Check out the website for photos of the stockings.

I have heard of families interested in having their children become Juniors. Please contact me by phone 603-642-5074 (leave a message if I am not home) and tell me where you would like me to visit. I will come to your Grange to obligate them as Juniors. Would your Grange want to host your own Junior Grange? Seventeen children will be the goal to start your own Junior Grange. I hear of one Grange working on this and hope more of you will think about it.

**Eastern States Exposition (Big E)
Junior Contest for 2015**

Make something using the new colored duct tape. Anything can be made even 2D or 3D. Size not to exceed 9" x 9" x 6". NO KITS, please. Entries are to be sent to Joann Brandt by August 15 so judging can be done and winners will be sent to Springfield Eastern States for Northeast Junior Judging.



**Grange
Services**

Lois Enman, Director

Greetings, I hope you are ready for a New Grange Year! There are new State Officers and some new ideas for our different committees.

This committee tries to keep you informed about the many programs offered by National Grange to you as a subordinate Grange member.

- RX Pharmacy CVS Caremark
- Beltone Hearing Aid
- MetLife Home and
- Auto Insurance
- Office Depot
- Hertz Rental

There are many other programs available so please check them out on the National Grange web site at www.nationalgrange.org. and share that information at your Grange meetings.

To our college students and high school seniors or their parents, this is an early reminder that you can apply for a Grange Scholarship grant. The application and criteria for judging forms are on the State Grange web site at www.nhgrange.org. under the Grange Services Committee. The deadline is **July 1st**.

I hope your Grange will plan an event to be able to donate to the (ELF) Educational Loan Fund. A silver march or a collection at a few meetings will help with a small donation. It would be great if **Every Grange** gave a donation. This will allow the State Grange to provide scholarships to our members in college.

Please contact me by phone or email (LLjen@myfairpoint.net), or a committee member with your questions so we may help you.

Rodney Huntoon-Concord Grange; Patrice Lawlor-Hudson Grange; Norma Neary-Pembroke Grange; Lester Gibbs-Grafton Star Grange; Linda Phelps-Wicwas Lake Grange.

I hope the WINTER season is good to us all.

Support the Granite State Granger
with your donation.



GRANGE YOUTH NEWS

Beth Merrill

I have been newly appointed to serve the next two years as Director of the Youth Department. My predecessor, Sherrill Bokousky, has led us enthusiastically through the last year's events and activities of our NH Grange Youth. I want to thank her for all she has done to assist and promote Grange Youth development over the years. Let's see what we can do to continue and enhance the youth program for the benefit of all our members. I look forward to serving in this capacity, despite a few apprehensions about how many years have passed and how much the world has changed since I held this same position back in 1988-1992. Hopefully, the youthfulness of the committee that I have assembled will compensate for any lack of vim and vigor on my part!

In her report at State Session, Sherrill informed the delegates that participation had increased in reports that were sent as well as contest entries. Thanks to all who entered and congratulations to the winners. It's not a small effort to create an entry and prepare it for judging, so please know that your work is appreciated. Winners of the 2014 contests were as follows:

As the new State Youth Committee has not met as of the time of this writing, I hesitate to share too much about what our future plans are. Your Grange will receive a communication from me by the end of December with the date and details for the Winter Rally meeting and other upcoming events. In the meantime, I hope you will take the time to read over the 2015 Youth Program and take note of the dates and deadlines for the points in the program that are of interest to you. In the long winter months, you can be working on your Christmas ornament and recycled craft entries.

For some Granges, especially those not fortunate enough to currently have youth members, sometimes knowing all that each Grange is invited to par-

ticipate in is a bit overwhelming. By doing careful reading and planning now, and making a schedule of who/what/when in your Grange might be able to assist you, it is amazing by the end of the year all that can be accomplished by even just a few. For example, making an entry for the Photo Scavenger Hunt may be a bit daunting, but if you asked each member to bring in two photos per month (i.e. everyone bring photos for the same two clues, or you could assign two separate clues to each member and ask them to be responsible for taking the photo and laying out the page) the task becomes much easier to accomplish. You know the old saying, "Many hands make light work." You will find the directions for the 2015 Photo Scavenger Hunt on page 12 of this paper.

Good communication is key to success. We plan to use all forms of communication to reach our audience, but would especially like to use the good, old-fashioned US mail to inform members of upcoming events and activities. I would certainly appreciate any names and addresses of youth members and youth supporters who would like to receive a personal copy of letters that are sent out from the youth department, if they are not already listed in the 2015 roster as being a youth chairman. We will also make use of the State Grange website, Facebook page, and any other forms of communication deemed worthy and cost effective.

You may reach me, your Youth Director, by mail at 107 West Street, Antrim, NH 03440, by email at bmerrill@nhgrange.org, and by phone at 588-6615 with your comments, ideas, and questions. Best of luck to you and your Grange as you set and strive to reach new goals for 2015!

Watatic Grange

Watatic Grange in Amherst recently held a little award ceremony where Sherry Bokousky was presented her twenty-five year certificate and the three Junior Grange girls, Genevieve, Ava, and Alayna Twiss, presented her with a small bouquet. The children also received the ribbons and prizes they won at State Session.

Winners of 2014 Youth Contests

Grange Knowledge Test

Beth Merrill and Cam Twiss tied for first place. Third place went to Jerry Leclerc and so he was given the honor to write or mentor a youth to write next year's test.

Recycled Art

- 1st - Beth Merrill
- 2nd - Jerry Leclerc
- 3rd - Jane Trombi

Christmas Ornament

- 1st - Sandra Bokousky Marcoux
- 2nd - Ida Hutchins
- 3rd - Sharon Stickney
- HM - Beth Merrill

Photo Scavenger Hunt

- 1st - Wingold Grange
- 2nd - Martha Fowler
- 3rd - Gilman Grange

Highest Youth Scores

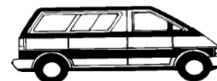
- Antrim Grange
- Hillsborough County Pomona

Antrim Grange

In September we enjoyed a Mystery Ride to Greenfield and toured the amazingly diverse and ingenious gardens of David and Hilda Bridgewater. Our Grange goat, Oliver (named for Grange founder Oliver H. Kelly), was escorted through the Home and Harvest parade route by Grange members. For the first time, our Grange also had a booth on the Baptist Church lawn, where we sold some home baked goodies, and answered general questions about the Grange.

The next weekend, seven Antrim members traveled to The Big "E" in West Springfield, MA, and participated in Grange Day events at the New England Grange Building. We marched in the daily parade and applauded member Brian Murphy whose Big Maple Tree-o Band played on the stage in the Grange building. Various members also volunteered at the blueberry pie booth in the NH Building on three separate days of the fair.

October brought the third annual Ukulele Fest, featuring music by the Ukulele Society of Antrim and the Kukuleles from Milford. Proceeds from the event were dedicated to our Grange Hall Painting Project and we thank our patrons for their support.



*Family & Community
Department
Deb Patten*

It's hard to believe we are nearing the end of another year. The holidays are upon us. There is so much work to be done – both at home and for families.

As we kick off another Grange year, it is time to get started on our Family Service projects. Our first project will be to put together goody bags for the residents of Glencliff Home. We will be filling goody bags with crackers, cookies, pens, small note pads, etc. and will have one for each of the 120 residents. The residents get these Christmas mornings and enjoy them all day long.

It is time to start getting the knitting needles going. There is a very strong need for mittens in schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, Group homes, etc. Please distribute these throughout the winter and also keep in mind that we will be looking for mittens for our Mountain of Mittens next fall at State Grange. Please remember to keep track of the number of mittens you donate during the year so your Grange will get credit on your annual report in 2015. We collected 180 pair of mittens at State Grange this year, and they are distributed throughout the state.

The program booklets were distributed at State Grange. Please be sure the Family & Community Chairperson in each Grange reviews the program in order to plan your program. Each Grange should plan to do as much as possible and be sure to report at the end of the Grange year so we know what your Granges are up to.

One of our projects is Galoshes from Grangers. Thank you very much to those Granges who donated boots at State Grange. We collected 38 pairs at State Grange. Please keep this in mind for 2015 as we will once again be collecting boots in October 2015. You should be able to purchase boots at a reduced cost later in the winter season and hold them for October. If you purchase them now and distribute them please be sure to

indicate that on your 2015 report as well.

With the change in a State Master, we have changed our committee a little bit. The following is the new committee and the Granges within the listed Pomona they will represent:

Ann Leger – Upper Coos and Northern NH

Debbie Stone – Mascoma Valley and help with Pemi-Valley

Mary West – Suncook Valley and Merrimack County

Cam Twiss – Hillsborough County

Carolyn Ross – East Rockingham and Eastern NH

Virginia Clark – Cheshire County

Deb Patten – Carroll County and help with Pemi-Valley

You should please reach out to these ladies to attend your Family Services Night or to ask questions about the program. As always, please also feel free to reach out to me.

The holidays can be a difficult time for families. Please do all you can to help those in need and show the true spirit of your Grange membership.

I want to wish you all a very safe, happy and healthy Holiday season!

*Outreach
Director
Stephen
Tracy*



Welcome to a new Grange year full of more possibilities of Grange promoting. Some of you may be thinking about hibernating for the winter and I say, "Why?" We have winter farmer's markets, winter carnivals, snodeos, ice skating parties to name a few. How about organizing a Christmas carolling outing with hot chocolate after at your hall?

I know some of you are giving me the evil eye thinking that I am going to encourage you to go out in the cold when you could be relaxing in a warm home. There is a story about a politician running for office and on the night before voting there was a blustery storm with everyone huddled in their homes. This politician was out knocking door to door (this was before someone thought of those annoy-

ing phone calls) asking people to vote for him. He asked people to think about if they thought he was a fool who didn't have enough sense to get in out of the weather or someone who would get the job done no matter what the weather. He won. I will be out in all weather that I can safely get around in. Will you?

I am finding it quite disturbing when I go out pounding the pavement in a community and turn over completed applications to the local Grange and later follow up to see about helping with degrees and find out that the Grange never contacted the applicants! I can't do it all folks. If you need help with degrees, let us know. Just don't let our survival be dropped by not contacting prospective members.

I spoke of pounding the pavement promoting the Grange. It doesn't always require face to face encounters to entice new members. Grange activeness in the community works also. Stratford Grange recently stuck their neck out of the Grange Hall door stepping out of their comfort zone and put on a public Legislative/Agricultural Night. I sent a letter to the Editor of the local paper thanking them for great coverage of Grange activities that started people talking to me about joining. Due to that meeting and letter there has been a surge of interest in the Grange causing the need for a Degree Day at Mohawk Grange. No Obligating here. The Grangers were strongly interested in doing the Degrees because, "They explain so much about us for the new members."

With winter approaching Granges may have to cancel some meetings due to road conditions. Please try to meet again that month. Inactivity may cause some people to lose interest.

During National Session we received daily updates of happenings there. I read where Oregon State Grange has voted to allow Junior Grange age people join the Subordinate when there aren't enough young folks to start a Junior Grange in the area. They get the benefits of the Junior Dept. and the comradery of the Subordinate. Let's discuss this in our Granges and see if it is an option for us.

Happy holidays to all and keep talking Grange!

**2015 Northeast Leaders Conference
January 9-11, 2015
Meal Reservation Form**

Meal reservations must be received no later than

December 27, 2014.

Please send this meal reservation form with a check made payable to NH State Grange to:

Gerald Leclerc, Secretary
NH State Grange
21 Pelham Road
Hudson, NH 03051

Lunch Menu: Buffet

Pre- made Wraps & assort of flour tortillas:

Ham & Cheese ~ Smoked Turkey
~ Roast Beef ~ Tuna Salad ~ Vegetarian
& Condiments

Chips, Mixed Greens Salad w/
dressing,

Cookies & Brownies

Banquet Menu: Plated

Mixed Greens w/veggies
& dressing

Baked Haddock w/Lobster sauce

Personal Chicken Pot Pies

Sautéed mixed vegetables

Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes

Chocolate Crème Pies

January 10

Lunch Buffet ___ X \$18.00 = _____

Banquet _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Please indicate how many of each:

Chicken Pie _____ Haddock _____

**2015 Northeast Leaders Conference
January 9-11, 2015
Registration Form**

Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

State Position: _____

Registration Fee: \$5.00 per person

Send this form with a check made payable to **NH State Grange** to:

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Note: If you are registering more than one person, please include a list indicating each person's name, address, phone number and State Grange position.

**A Hearty Grange Welcome to
New Member Barbara Craig
of Mount Hope Grange
in Landaff, NH.**

2015 Youth Photo Scavenger Hunt

1. When the weather outside is frightful this white stuff is everywhere.
2. These bloom in springtime and are sometimes made into bouquets.
3. When you need to fill up your tank this is where you go.
4. You will find red trucks here.
5. People gather for these, bring food to eat outside and use grills to cook with.
6. A place people go to on Sunday mornings for worship.
7. Maintenance is needed when the grass grows too tall.
8. A place to stop at for a cold sweet treat during the warmer months.
9. I use my reusable bags to carry items home from this place.
10. Children visit here to play on swings and teeter totters.
11. Grangers meet here once or twice a month.
12. You can drive here for "fast food"
13. The best place to get a book to read on a cold rainy day
14. A visit here will show a display of fruits and vegetables for sale.
15. This is where you see red, white and blue flying high,
16. Usually found on buildings this tells me what time it is.
17. Money is held here in checking accounts.
18. You can see cows, chickens and other animals here.
19. This is a place where there are alleys, lanes, and special shoes to wear.

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