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New National Master



Betsy Huber, Past Master of the Pennsylvania State Grange and chairman of the National Grange Executive Committee from 2007 to 2014, was elected President of the National Grange at the 149th annual session in Lincoln, Nebraska. She is the first woman to hold that office.

Ms. Huber is currently employed by the Pennsylvania State Grange as the Government Relations Director where she works to advance the policies of the Grange within the PA State Legislature. She is a member of Chester-Delaware County Pomona Grange #3 and Goshen Grange #121. Betsy started her Grange involvement at a very young age as a member of the Juvenile (now known as Junior) Grange.

The Grange, legislative work, and agriculture have always been an important part of her life. She is the executive secretary for the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association. She has served on the boards of the PA State Council of Farm Organizations, the Governor's Census 2010 Advisory Panel, the PA Department of Agriculture Fertilizer Advisory Committee, the PA Department of Environmental Protection Ag Advisory Board, and PA Farm Link. She was employed as district aide to State Representative Arthur D. Hershey from 1992-2002.

She has also served her community as township supervisor for Upper Oxford Township for 24 years, chairman of the Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee, treasurer of the Chester County Association of Township Officials and as member of the PSATS Land Use Committee and Resolutions Committee. She has served the Avondale Presbyterian Church as Elder, Deacon, Trustee and choir member.

Northeast Leaders' Conference

The Northeast Leaders' Conference will be held January 15-18, 2016, at the DoubleTree Hotel, 11 Beaver St., Milford, MA. 1-508-478-7010. The cost per room is \$109.00 per night plus 11.7% tax. The cost per room includes breakfast for two. All registrants should mention that they are with the Grange when reserving hotel rooms in order to get the rate. **The cutoff date to get the Grange rate is December 15th.** There will be a buffet at the hotel on Friday night for the cost of \$12 per person.



Distinguished Grange Awards

Pictured here with National Master Ed Luttrell are Kim and Dan Bascom of Rochester Grange and Beth Merrill of Antrim Grange displaying the Distinguished Grange Award certificates representing a year of achievement for their Granges. This is Rochester Grange's first year for the award, but Antrim Grange has been recognized for three years.

Can your Grange be recognized as "Distinguished?" There is paperwork to be filled out and criteria to be met, but you can do it. Ask the Bascoms or Beth Merrill how to begin.

Northeast Leaders' Conference Registration and Meal Form Saturday Lunch

Assortment of Wraps: Turkey and Swiss cheese, Virginia ham and Cheddar Cheese, Italian wrap with Mortadella, Sallami, Ham and Provolone Cheese. Cape Cod Potato Chips, Coffee and Tea, Fresh Baked Cookies and Brownies

Saturday Banquet

Choice of Boston Baked Scrod with Lemon Butter Sauce or 14oz Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus with Horseradish Cream. Each entrée comes with: Harvest Salad with Granny Smith Apples, Dried Cranberries, Tomatoes & Raspberry Vinaigrette, Potatoes and Vegetables, Coffee and Tea, Strawberry Cheesecake for dessert.

Deadline for Meal Reservations is **January 8, 2016.** Make checks payable to the "Mass. State Grange" and mail to Matthew Johnson, 22 Jordan St., Haverhill, MA 01830. No meals will be guaranteed after this deadline.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Registration Fee: \$10.00 X _____

Saturday Lunch: \$20.00 x _____

Saturday Banquet:

Boston Baked Scrod \$30.00 x _____

Prime Rib of Beef \$30.00 x _____

Total Amount: _____



GRANGE YOUTH NEWS

Beth Merrill

Thank you to everyone who has supported the youth program over the past year; whether it be serving on the committee, attending a youth event, sending a donation, or entering a contest, your participation and support are gratefully received.

As reported at the State Grange Session, winners of the 2015 contests were as follows:

Grange Knowledge Test: Arthur Merrill, first place; Mary West, second place and tied for third place were Anne Boisvert and Hannah West, Chichester and Chris Heath, Centennial. Recycled Art: 1st and 2nd Pat Izzo, Gilman 3rd Allissa Estes, Somersworth Christmas Ornament: 1st Beth Merrill, Antrim 2nd Pat Izzo, Gilman Grange 3rd Ida Hutchins, Baker's River. Photo Scavenger Hunt: 1st Cheshire County Pomona. Compliments go to Antrim Grange and East Rockingham Pomona Grange who achieved the highest youth score in 2015.

The Folding Display entry made by Adam Paquin Varnum received a blue ribbon at the National Grange convention in Lincoln, NE. While there, I was fortunate to have time to attend the youth Grange Jeopardy and Parliamentary Procedure contests, in which we hope to have NH teams to compete at next year's National Grange session in Washington, DC. The youth have been raising funds for the last year to go toward a 2016 National Grange Youth Travel Fund. We are planning on chartering a bus in order to transport as many of our youth members as can fulfill the requirements to participate in one or more of the contests and activities that will take place during the convention. There will be plenty of room for other Grangers to travel on our bus, so let me know if you wish to have your name on our list of interested parties and we can then keep you abreast of details as they formulate.

The State Youth Committee is benefiting from a fundraiser on the week-

end of December 11-13 at any of the four locations of You're Fired, a paint-your-own-ceramics shop. For everyone who 1) paints any item(s) at a Concord, Bedford, Nashua, or Salem location and 2) states during checkout that you wish to support the NH State Grange Youth Committee fundraiser, they will give us your \$8 registration fee. What a fun way to help out a worthy cause, while creating something meaningful and beautiful for yourself or perhaps as a Christmas gift for that special someone! You can learn more about the store by checking out their website at www.yourefirednh.com, or our event by looking on the State Grange website or the New Hampshire State Grange Facebook page or you can contact me directly.

Once the State Youth Committee has met at Deputy School, I will send out a letter with details for Winter Rally, set for February 13th at the State Grange Building. 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. If at all possible, our committee would like to meet with the youth chairmen in every Pomona Grange to explain in detail the 2016 Youth Program and answer your questions. Please contact the Youth Director to schedule a Youth Assistance Meeting.

On January 23rd, our committee will host a Moon Stomp event at the Youth Director's home in Antrim. Arrive any time after 6 p.m. for snacks and social time. Bring your warm clothes, hats, gloves, boots, etc. and somewhere around 8:30 or so, the group will bundle up and head outdoors for a lovely, moonlit winter walk in the woods. Don't knock it, if you haven't tried it!

The weekend prior to Winter Rally,

THE GRANITE STATE GRANGER

This is a free* publication to keep Grange members informed of past and up-coming events.

*(However, donations are accepted.)

This paper is printed quarterly.

Postmaster or anyone else:

Please send all related

correspondence to

Hannah West

3 Depot Road

Chichester, NH 03258

Feb 4-6, the NH State Grange is hosting the National Grange Primary Fly-In where participants come from around the country to learn about the primary election process and volunteer for a few hours on a campaign of their choice only days before the first-in-the-nation NH Primary. This is a fantastic educational opportunity for Grange youth (and non-youth!) to participate in, not to mention an opportunity to meet Grange youth from other states. ALL members are encouraged to participate, but I especially encourage youth members to take advantage of this unique opportunity. Our State Youth Committee will be sponsoring some additional, after-hours activities for the youth members who attend this event, so it would be nice to have some NH youth members on hand to help with hosting duties!

I would very much like to send communications directly to all youth members in our state, but I need assistance with creating the mailing and email list of addresses for all Grangers age 14-35!

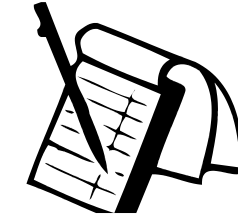
You may reach me, your Youth Director, by mail at 107 West Street, Antrim, NH 03440, by email at bmerrill@nhgrange.org, and by phone at 588-6615 with your comments, ideas, and questions. Best of luck to you and your Grange as you set and strive to reach new goals for 2016!



Youth Officers at State Session

Bottom l to r: Steward Adam Terrell, Walpole; Secretary, Larissa Grant, Arlington; Assistant Steward, Lynn Clark, Prentice Hill; Ex. Comm, Adam Paquin Varnum, Antrim. Second row l to r: Lecturer, Allissa Estes, Somersworth; Lady Assistant Steward, Davi Penny, Antrim; Chaplain, Amy Schunneman, Somersworth; Treasurer, Emilie Leclerc, Hudson. Top row l to r: Gatekeeper, Norman Brandt, Wingold; Master, Mary West, Chichester; Ceres, Nicole Brandt, Wingold; Youth Director, Beth Merrill.

Lecturer's Lines State Lecturer Jane Trombi



Another Grange year is starting, and with that there are some new and exciting things happening in the Lecturer's Department. I hope your Grange has received their new packet with all the information for 2016. This year's theme is "Our Own Backyard," which encourages Granges to get out into the community and enjoy what's in their own backyard. There are many ideas for you to stay in your hall, invite people to your hall, or get out and do things. Remember to be proud Grangers and wear your Grange apparel.

The "Out and About" program from 2015, which encouraged Granges to do some extracurricular activities in a group of 5 or more, or some different types of activities in their own Grange hall, proved to be a lot of fun. They were asked to submit a checklist of their activities and put together a collage. I had 4 subordinate/community Granges submit collages. They are: Rochester, Antrim, Wicwas Lake, and Centennial. These Granges were recognized at State Grange in October. Thank you for showing us all what fun your Grange has had. I also received final checklists from five Pomonas and thirteen subordinates.

Talent/Variety Show

An important change for everyone to be aware of is that for the Talent/Variety Show, members must perform at a Grange event prior to the contest. There will also be a deadline (given at a later date) for entrants, which must be observed.

Bowling

Looking ahead to March, save the date for the annual State Grange Bowling Tournament. We will be at Lakeside Lanes in Manchester on Sunday, March 13, 2016.

The New Hampshire Program

A new program this year is "The New Hampshire Program." I chose this topic since the 2016 North East Lecturer's Program will be "Come Visit Us in New Hampshire".

As a Subordinate or Pomona Lecturer you can:

1. Put together a program about something to do with NH. It could be a place, person, animal, tree. The possibilities are endless.
2. Present your program at a Grange meeting.
3. Or: Have an outside presenter give a program on something to do with NH.
4. Send a copy of your program to the State Lecturer by June 30, 2016. (The conference is in August, so the due date has to be early). Submissions will be considered for use in the NH Program booklet at NELC and possibly be used in the program we present. Please be aware of copyright laws.

Contests

We still have the Art, Photo, Creative Writing, and Create-a-Card Contests. Check out the program for all the details. It's a great time of year to get started. Here are all the rules for the Photography Contest:

Note: We are asking that photographs have a foam board or other rigid backing. They may be matted but not framed.

Categories

- A. **Grange Selfies** (this means take a picture of yourself with your phone or camera). You must be in front of a Grange Hall or Grange Sign, wearing a sash at a meeting, or with someone wearing a sash at a meeting.
- B. My Favorite Spot to Relax
- C. Where am I? (going on vacation, a hike, bowling? This could be anywhere!)
- D. NH Attractions
- E. "Four Seasons" (take a picture in the same spot during each of the four seasons. If you don't get them all taken this Grange year, you can hold them over for next year. This category will be the exception to rule 5 below.)

Rules

1. Only prints are accepted for judging. No slides in any category.
2. Photographer must select the category and class for his/her entry.
3. Participants may enter all categories, using different photographs.
4. Participants may submit only one entry per category.
5. Entries must have been taken between October 1, 2015 and October 1, 2016.

6. Print may be made by a commercial process but photo must have been taken by the entrant personally.
7. Rigid backing (foam board preferred) is requested for all photographs. No frames, please.
8. Entry must not be larger than 16 x 20.
9. Print should be on photo paper.
10. There are three divisions within each category:

Division I - Subordinate Members
Division II - Junior Members age 5-9
Division III - Junior Members age 10-14

11. Small cash prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each category and division.

12. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with the photographer's:

- A. Composition and arrangement
- B. Interest
- C. Presentation
- D. Technique

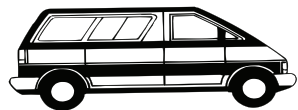
Tuftonboro Grange #142

Tuftonboro Grange has been busy this past quarter. We honored our police chief, Chief Andrew Shagoury, with the 2015 Citizen of the Year Award.

We participated in the annual town-wide Tuftonboro Holiday Festival, holding a successful bake sale and penny sale at the Grange Hall. We received wonderful remarks concerning our baked goods and the elements of our Penny Sale. We earned kudos from the members of the Fire Warden's Association when we put on a dinner for them at the Tuftonboro Fire Station in November.

We wish to thank all those wonderful people who have helped us over this past year: those that have participated in our events, helped us out and have just been there. We thank the citizens of Tuftonboro and the surrounding community for supporting the Tuftonboro Grange. We have closed for the winter, but look forward to reopening in the Spring. Be on the lookout for fun happenings and events with the Tuftonboro Grange.

Support the Granite State Granger
with your donation.



**Family & Community
Department
Deb Patten**

Happy Holidays to All! I can't believe the holidays are upon us. We have begun a new grange year and are off to a very busy start.

We have some new committee members who joined us this year and I am very grateful to them for serving on the Family Services Committee. I will list them at the end of this article.

We had a very successful State Grange session with many winning Needlework entries as well as some very great participant entries on display. Thank you to all who participated. NH was fortunate enough to have had some winners at Eastern States as well.

The baking contest was well represented with entries from nine of our eleven Pomona's. Congratulations to the winners of the no-bake dessert contest. The desserts were enjoyed by all in the Hospitality Suite at State Grange after judging. Thank you to the non-Granger Hotel staff who served as judges. It wasn't difficult to get enough folks to judge. They loved this part of their day.

We had a very successful collection of mittens, gloves, scarves and boots at State Grange. We collected 32 pairs of boots and over 350 pair of mittens and gloves. Over 15 scarves were also collected. These have all been divided amongst the committee so they can be delivered to elementary schools and boys & girls clubs throughout our state. Thank you so much for thinking of all the cold hands and feet of the children in our state. You have warmed my heart and the hearts of many by your generosity.

We sold fudge and trail mix as well as our continued supply of RADA cutlery. We are very grateful to those of you who made fudge, trail mix, cookies etc. for sale. We still have RADA cutlery and can order anything you choose if we don't have it on hand. Please keep this in mind as we have some great everyday useful knives in sets that make great

Christmas gifts.

We have published our program for next year. The Grange year has begun and some of the packets were picked up at State Grange. For those that didn't get picked up, they have been mailed to the Family & Community Services chairperson. PLEASE be sure to ask someone from your Grange who may have picked up your packet to give it to you. That will guide you on your work for this next Grange year.

Baking Contest

You will notice that the baking contest for this year is Blueberry Muffins. You can use any recipe you choose – just please indicate if you put nuts in them. They need to be made as muffins – not blueberry bread or cake. Please have this contest at your subordinate level. The winner for each subordinate should make them again and send to Pomona for that baking contest. The winner at the Pomona will need to bring the entry to State Grange in October, 2016.

Continued projects: Galoshes from Grangers and Mountain of Mittens

Remember to purchase your boots for children at the end of the winter season. You can get some great prices at that time. Keep your knitting needles going and remember all the hands and hearts we can warm by the mittens and gloves we collect.

Needlework Contests

Please be sure to remind all Granges to please participate in the needlework contests. The categories are the same as in the past and a brochure will be mailed to all Family Services chairpersons. Remember – this contest is for non-Grangers as well, so your Grange can sponsor a non-Granger's needlework. This might be a good way to attract new members.

Glenciff Home

We will be preparing 120 goody bags for Glenciff Home once again. We will fill these bags in December at Leaders/Deputy school and deliver them to Glenciff before Christmas. The residents enjoy these treats on Christmas Day.

NEW PROJECT THIS YEAR

PROJECT NIGHT NIGHT

We will be initiating a new project that is a national project to support

children who enter homeless or domestic violence shelters – most of the time with nothing but the clothes on their backs. This project will provide them with a sack which will contain a stuffed toy, blanket and a children's book.

We will purchase the sacks from the organization that pushes this nationally. But, we are asking all of you Grangers to please help us with the blankets and stuffed toys. The blankets will hopefully be fleece as these are warm for children. These can be made from the no-sew kits that can be purchased or hand sewn or purchased. They should be children's size. Typically 1½ yards of fleece will well cover a child.

Stuffed toys and blankets must be new, please. The stuffed toy and blanket just need to fit into the sack which is the size of a standard pillowcase. Please plan to give these to your Family & Community Services committee member before State Grange in October. Our goal is to fill 50 sacks.

We have a committee person who is a Librarian and is applying for a grant for the books so we are very thankful to Doris Mitton for taking care of this piece.

**Family Services Committee
for 2015-2016**

Debra Patten, Director

Cam Twiss – assigned to Hillsborough County Pomona Grange and sub. Granges
Deb Stone – assigned to Mascoma Valley Pomona and sub. Granges

Ann Leger – assigned to Upper Coos & Northern NH Pomona Granges and sub. Granges

Mary West – assigned to Merrimack County and Suncook Valley Pomona and sub. Granges

Virginia Clark – assigned to Cheshire County Pomona and sub. Granges

Linda Phelps – assigned to Pemi-Valley Pomona and sub. Granges

Katherine Umberhind – assigned to East Rockingham Pomona and sub. Granges
Alice Tuck – assigned to Eastern NH Pomona and sub. Granges

All contact information will be printed in the roster.

**Visit the State Grange website at
www.nhgrange.org**

Community Service Thoughts



Richard Patten

I would like to thank all Granges who sent in their yearly booklets and single page reports. The communities in which the Grange resides should be very pleased with what has been done by Grange members. Now it is time to start a new year in our Grange work.

I am hoping that Granges who didn't come to the recent session will send gift cards for the Santa Remembers Teens project. We are behind last year's count. We helped so many teenagers last year with the amount of gift cards received. Please send them to me at my home, 30 Pinewood Trail, Concord 03301 or bring them to Deputy School and Leaders Meeting on Saturday, December 12. I am hoping that we can match last year's total.

Please don't forget our veterans at Liberty House or NH Soldier's Home in Tilton. They appreciate the cards they received for the different special days. I will be bringing Santa Stockings to Liberty House in December.

Don't forget to help a family or take a tag off a tree in the local super market or church to make Christmas a happy one for a child. There are also senior citizens who don't have a family that would enjoy receiving a card or small gift to realize they are not forgotten.

Your Grange might think about volunteering to ring the bells for the Salvation Army if you have a chapter in your community. You might help the local welfare office to deliver food baskets or gifts to needy families.

Christmas is a wonderful, joyous time for many of us. I know I love to hear the Christmas traditional songs, seeing the decorations, and just hearing people say "Merry Christmas". There is so much that can be done. Please check with your neighbor if they are alone if they would like to go to the cemetery to place a Christmas wreath on their grave site. I know many people including myself who go to relatives' graves and place a Christmas wreath. In my parents case,

I put a little tree top and decorate it. My folks loved Christmas, and I will always remember how hard they worked to make sure my sister and I enjoyed Christmas.

Your Grange might think about going caroling at a local retirement center or nursing home. Christmas Caroling is something you don't see much anymore.

Don't forget to send New Year's cards to our veterans and senior citizens. New Year's Eve is a fun time as well as New Year's Day. You might think about asking your elderly neighbor to join your family for New Year's Eve if you are going out to eat or havng a few friends in. New Year's Day features the Tournament of Roses Parade and many people enjoy it. Your neighbors might enjoy watching it with you. A holiday can be a lonely time if you have no family to celebrate with.

The winter season is coming. Remember to help shovel your elderly neighbor's driveway or walk path to the mailbox. You might offer to get their newspaper or mail to save them from the possibility of falling down.

Looking ahead, even though the Grange is non-partisan, the Presidential Primary is coming up in February. Your Grange might offer rides to people who don't have transportation or your neighbors who are elderly and don't drive but wish to cast their ballot. Make sure you are not endorsing someone, but publicize that your Grange is offering rides to the polls for a few hours.

I am very happy to welcome to the Community Service Committee Sherrill Bokousky, Brian Phelps, and Erick Todd. I know they will be more than happy to help your Grange. They have been assigned a Pomona or they are at large. I would like to thank Bob Burack and Francine LeClerc for their efforts and wish them well.

We will be working with Family Activities on a new project Deb is introducing, Project Nite Nite. It is a great project for children who have to stay at a shelter for a while. Debbie will be talking more about this.

Please call me if you have any questions about Community Service. I can be reached at 496-2917.



**Membership
Norman Brandt**

I'm making this article short and sweet, easy to read. At State Grange I put a membership program in all the packets ready for Delegates or mailing. Hopefully by now your Masters (presidents) have all given their Membership Committee Chairman the program book, and I would love to hear from those chairman to have input on other things they may find I need to include for future years.

In case not everyone has heard yet, there will be a degree day on May 14th hopefully in the Wicwas/Harmony Grange area. What I'm currently looking for are people that would like to learn a degree part or two and are available on May 14th to contact me and see if we can work this out. Currently the plan is Degrees 1-4 but both our Worthy State Master Chris Heath and I would love it if we can do 1-5. Because of the 5th degree I've already started asking for assistance locating a hall with a stage to do the Fifth degree at. The only other thing that has been mentioned is if we have it in that area there are a lot of Jr Grange members up there and we could have the Jr Degree done that day. If anyone has any input on that Idea feel free to email Fishbrandt@yahoo.com or call 642-5074 so that you can be heard.

Good luck and until next time get some rest before the fruit trees need trimming.



In Memoriam

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| Ruth Young | Baker's River |
| Betty Cook | Blazing Star |
| Geraldine Baxter | Centennial |
| Carol Rawski | Crown Point |
| Phyllis Lang | Pine Grove |
| Charles Gerrish, Sr. | Rochester |
| Dorothy Glidden | Tuftonborough |
| George Luciano | Wicwas Lake |
| Irene Greenleaf | Wicwas Lake |
| June Marie Peterson | Wicwas Lake |



*From my pad
to your pad*

**Christopher Heath
NH State Grange Master**

This year has flown by so quickly, and I fear that next year will go by even faster. I have continued to get out and visit many Granges across the state.

September was a busy month for Noel, Holly and I. On September 2nd we visited with a large group of Grangers at Harmony Grange in Sanbornton. They are very active in their town and are doing their part to grow the Grange. The next night I was visiting Lower Intervale Grange in Plymouth, NH. They have been busy over the past few months completing some renovations on their hall. On September 5th I visited with Pemigewasset Valley Pomona Grange meeting at Dorchester Grange Hall. They are a small group in numbers but they have a ton of Grange spirit. On the 9th of the month I had the pleasure of attending Suncook Valley Pomona Grange meeting held at Pembroke Grange Hall. It was nice to visit with long time members and chat with Past Master Paul Davis.

September 16th found me at the historic Carroll County Court House in Ossipee, NH. I was invited by the Historical Society to come put on a presentation about the Grange and talk about the history of the Grange in Ossipee. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the history lesson and invited me back for a repeat performance in 2016. I visited with West Thornton Grange on September 21st. This was the first time that I had been to this Grange Hall. I was impressed with the way they take care of their hall, it was absolutely beautiful. They have also been working on getting new members, and they are looking forward to being more active in the coming year.

On September 27th, 8 Grangers, including myself, from New Hampshire attended the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA, for Grange Day at the Big E. We hosted the New Hampshire room at the New England Grange Building and walked in the parade to support

the organization. This was a great way for members to publicize the Grange and I encourage anyone who would like to attend next year's fair to let me know so we can get tickets. If we can find enough people to go, we might be able to arrange transportation for a small fee. Next year, 2016, is the 100th anniversary of the Big E, and they are encouraging everyone to attend this monumental fair season.

October was another busy month for me. On October 3rd Arthur Merrill, Robert Trombi and I attended a meeting of the Upper Coos County Pomona Grange. We enjoyed the fall foliage on the way up and back. We also enjoyed the hospitality that our Northern Grange members provide. Winthrop Grange in Shelburne was my next stop on October 5th. They have been busy working on their projects and their membership. I had the pleasure of helping the master with handing out their membership awards. October 7th found me back in the North Country, this time visiting Aurora Grange in Pittsburgh. They provided a wonderful supper and had a great meeting. They are a great group of people who do so much in their community. On Friday October 9th, I visited with Manchester Community Grange in the Queen City. They have a new Master and he is motivated to grow his Grange and make a difference in their community.

Londonderry Grange was my next stop for the month of October. They have scheduled a repeat of Grange 101, from Spring Fling, for their December 14th meeting. The State Ceres and I will be there to present this program. If anyone is interested in joining us, please plan to be there early to make sure you get a seat. On October 17th, State Executive committee member Wilber Heath and I attended the conferral of the sixth degree at the Massachusetts State Grange in Milford, MA. Matthew Johnson and the rest of the Massachusetts State Officers did a great job exemplifying the degree.

Our State session was held from October 23rd through the 25th. All in all I feel that this year was a big success. There were some hiccups throughout session but we worked through them and the over all impression that I got was that it was a good session. I want to congratulate

the other State officers for a job well done on the degree. For those who were unable to attend, we announced that next years session will be held at the Fireside Inn in West Lebanon, NH, on October 20th through the 23rd. I hope that the Granges across the state will submit many resolutions to state session next year. If you have an idea for a resolution but need help writing it, please contact Legislative Director Robert Haefner for assistance.

On October 30th, State Executive committee member Mark Collins and I attended the session of the Vermont State Grange. It was nice to see how different states run their session. Congratulations to Brenda Rouselle and the Vermont State Grange officers on a successful session.

November 7th found Kerriann and I boarding a plane to fly to Lincoln, Nebraska, to attend the 149th Annual Session of the Nation Grange. We had the pleasure of travelling with Jim Tetreault and Tricia Taylor. We had some travel issues on the way out but it was nothing we could not handle. We arrived in Lincoln safely and found our way to the hotel. Sunday morning we accompanied other delegates for a private tour of the Larsen Tractor Test and Power Museum located on the University of Nebraska campus. It was interesting to hear about the history of this facility, look at the antique tractors and get a look at the current tractors they are testing. After the tour we enjoyed a meal and ice cream at the dairy bar located on campus. Later that evening we met as a group with the National Grange Master Ed Lutrell who brought us up to speed on the trademark cases and the court rulings in California. Monday found us working in our committees on the resolutions submitted by the Granges around the country. I had the pleasure of chairing the Grange Growth and Development committee. I worked with a great group of Grangers. learned so much from them, and I am thankful that I now know the proper way to say "rural". I pushed my committee to work long hours and stay focused and as a result, we were the first committee to finish our work for the session.

This was an election year for National Grange and I am happy to report that there were only two changes in the list of officers. We now have a new National

Master and National Lecturer. Betsy Huber was elected as the new National Master. This is a monumental event because Betsy is the first woman to be National Master of our organization. She has been a long time Granger and I am confident that she will have the Order's best interest at heart in all the tough decisions she has to make in the next two years. Amanda Brozana, former communications director for the National Grange was elected to the office of National Lecturer. She has some great ideas for her department and I look forward to learning about them in the coming months.

Our very own Kathy Yardley represented New Hampshire and the Northeast Region well at the Night of Excellence. Her sign a song and flute solo were some of the highlights of the evening. We are so lucky to have such talented people in our state. I encourage everyone who has a talent to consider having an entry in this year's talent contest or youth contests. You too could showcase your talent at National Grange Night of Excellence next year. Next year's National Session will be held at the Hilton Washington Dulles Airport near Washington, DC. This will be the National Grange's 150th Annual Session and it is billed to be one for the history books. You should start planning early to be a part of this Sesquicentennial Celebration.

We will be holding a Deputy School on December 12th at the New Hampshire Fire Academy in Concord. Everyone is invited to attend, but this day is specifically designed for committees to get together to plan their events/programs and for the deputies to be instructed in their responsibilities for the coming year. If you are planning on attending but are not on a committee/deputy, please let me know so that we are sure to have enough lunch for you.

We will be having a Spring Fling in the month of April. I am working on securing a location to hold this event. If you have any ideas for workshops that you would like to see, please let me know so we can try to accommodate you. We will also be having training sessions across the state for Masters and Secretaries. These sessions will be geared towards those two particular offices but everyone is encour-

aged to attend. More information containing times and locations will be coming out in the next couple of months.

By now you should have seen the information for the Northeast Leaders Conference that will be held in Milford Massachusetts. Be sure to get your reservations in early as they tend to fill up quickly.

This wraps up my 2015 Grange Season. I hope that you all have a happy and safe holiday season. I look forward to seeing many of you in 2016 in my travels across the state.

**2016 Grange Family Weekend!
July 29-31**

Bring your family, bring your friends and join us at the Gunstock Mountain Resort for a weekend of camping, fellowship and fun. Bring something to share, for our potluck supper (followed by a campfire) on Saturday evening. Enjoy Bingo, Cribbage, Campground activities, and relaxation with your Grange friends.

Our group has a block of campsites reserved in the "Boardwalk" area. To make your reservation contact Bob Trombi (603) 762-2971 or robert.trombi@gmail.com

Campground Amenities
Gunstock is a full service campground, with an outdoor in-ground pool. The pool is open during the summer months and is handicap accessible. The campground has two bath houses with free hot showers and coin-operated laundry facilities. Campers can play in two playgrounds, hike through the wetlands boardwalk and fish in the pond. Kayaks, paddle boats and mountain bikes are available for Gunstock guests to rent. In addition, there is a skateboard park, and a mini golf course located near the lodge. Miles of hiking and biking trails start right at your doorstep. Athletic equipment such as horseshoes and volleyballs are available for use.

Complete resort information is available online at:
<http://www.gunstock.com/recreation/camping/>
Hope to see you there!

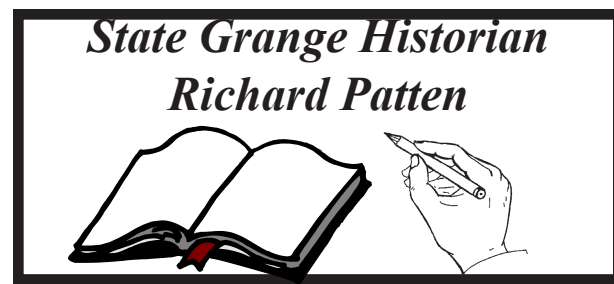


**Merylene Simons, Jeff Hadley, & Bud Stone
Blow-Me-Down Grange #234**

Blow-Me-Down Grange presented N.H State Grange Continuous Years of Membership Certificates to: Bud Stone - 75 Year Certificate; Merylene M. Simonds, Master of Blow-Me-Down Grange, a 30 Year Certificate; and Frank Ackerman - a 55 year seal. Music was provided by Roger Tatro and Don MacLeay while attendees sang Happy Birthday to Marion Stone and Bud Stone who celebrated their 100th birthdays. Merylene jokingly suggested that if anyone is looking for longevity; just... Join the Grange!



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



I have sent the plaques that I was hoping to present to the following members during my State Historian report. I recognized Past State Pomona, Kathlyn Quig, who is now residing in Milton, Vermont. She was so happy to hear that the Grange hadn't forgotten her. She has fond memories of the time she served as State Pomona. Roy & Dorothy Birard received a plaque for their contributions to the State Grange. Roy served as State Executive Committee member for several years along with being State Membership Director and Deputy. Dorothy was active on several committees. Roy was hoping to make it to the convention, but Dorothy doesn't have a lot of good days. They are still living in Whitefield and hold their membership in Riverside Grange.

Bernice Fish will be 100 years old soon. She served as a Juvenile Deputy for several years. Bernice, who belongs to Aurora Grange in Pittsburg, was hoping to come but it was a long drive to Shelburne and she didn't feel up to it. Haven Hayes, a member of my Community Service Committee, is working with Aurora Grange to have a special day to present her award and several others that I attempted to present.

The last recipient this year was Edith Ann Emery, a Past State Flora and Lady Assistant Steward. I remember her very well. She served as Lady Assistant Steward with B. Franklin Hayes serving as Assistant Steward, and she brought a lot of grace and style as State Flora. She thought the Grange had forgotten her. She is celebrating her 95th birthday this year. A big thank you for all you have done for the Grange. I love history and every time I read a journal I always find something new. I read in the 1916 Journal that the New Hampshire State Grange was credited with urging then Governor Spaulding in proclaiming September 30 as Good Roads Day. It was reported in the State Master's Address

that this new idea should become an annual event. Many communities took part in cleaning up their roads. East Kingston was the banner winner assembling 70 men and 20 boys, and 21 teams under the direction of the Selectmen made many permanent improvements. It was through this idea that the Grange started the process of proposing a State Police Force or some type of Motorcycle Patrol Force. Maybe this is an idea that could be submitted to the State Legislature again.

The State Master in his address also encouraged each Grange to appoint a Press Committee and forward all news to local and state newspapers. The State Secretary reported in 1916 a Subordinate Grange membership of 20,181, broken down to 13,480 men and 15,701 women. The largest subordinate Granges were: Nashua with 394 members; Cheshire of Keene with 388 members; Capital Grange of Concord with 388; Amoskeag Grange with 382 members; Hudson Grange with 358; Interlaken Grange of Laconia, 345; Rochester Grange with 329; Granite Grange of Milford with 267 members; and Derryfield Grange of Manchester with 248 members.

It was reported 196 candidates received the lessons of the Degree of Flora or the Sixth Degree. There were 389 voting members at this session. Can you believe this all happened during December 12 -14th in Manchester? I still find it amazing that State Grange was held the week before Christmas. I guess that is it for this time. Happy Holidays, everyone, and I hope Christmas will be special for all. And Happy Channukah to those who are observing their special time.

- State Grange Directors**
Agriculture/Legislative - Robert Haefner
Community Service - Richard Patten
Family Service - Debra Patten
Grange Services - Lois Enman
Youth - Beth Merrill
Junior - Joann Brandt
Membership - Norman Brandt
Publicity - James Tetreault
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Webmaster - James Tetreault
GSG - Hannah West
Building - Anne & Marty Boisvert
Photographer - Mark Collins
Family Weekend - Robert Trombi
Resolutions and By-laws - Tara Sadd



Hello to all. With our State Session over we now head into a new Grange Year. May we all see new members in our Grange Halls.

I need to thank Brother Rodney Huntoon for his many years of service as the Treasurer/Secretary of the Educational Loan Fund. He has held this office since 1980. Rodney will still serve on our committee to assist and share his guidance. Please remember to make a donation to the Educational Loan Fund (ELF) this year. Donations have been down in the past years.

Send them to:

Patrice Lawlor
 P.O. Box 386
 Pelham, NH 03076

The Grange Services Committee offers a scholarship/grant for any member needing to apply for the High School Equivalency Test. This form can be downloaded from the State Grange Web Page at www.nhgrange.org. You can check with the Master or Secretary of your Grange as this information was in the packet your delegate picked up at State Session or received in the mail.

May your travels be good, and I hope to see you at an event in the coming months.

Deadline
The next issue of the Granite State Granger will be mailed in March 2016. Please send items for the paper to Hannah West on or before February 6, 2016. Report on events of December and January. Look ahead to events of March, April, and May.

Concord Grange will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. starting with the March meeting. The Grange will not be meeting in January and February.



The new program is ready and was sent home to your Grange with your Delegates. Please ask to see the program and contests for the coming year. The theme for Junior Grange in 2016 is "Watch Junior Grange Bloom." I am seeing good work from many of our Juniors, and we are excited to see them growing and blooming.

We had a great State Grange Session. I had some crafts to give the children something to do at different times, and they looked forward to making items to take home. I reported to the Delegates that we have 36 Juniors as of June 30th after graduating 3 Juniors that turned 14. Let's grow some more and maybe even start a Junior Grange of your own. I will be happy to come and help you if you contact and set a date available for all of us to attend. It is rewarding to see all of the adults already working with their Juniors, and if you encourage their friends to join them you may even have more to work with.

I was excited to have so many entries in the different contests this year. Thanks to the juniors and parents for making and getting them to me for judging. Prizes were given for all entries. The winners for all contests were on display at State Grange in the Junior display and I include a list of names here for all to see.

The ages for all contests as of January 1 each year are: 4 ½ - 7 years; 8 - 11 years; 12-14 years.

Duck Tape Craft

Winners that went to the Big E
 Alayna Twiss, age 6 - Cheese Bank, 1st Place; Lily Lynch, age 9 - Box, 1st Place; Sam Klapuk, age 12 -Basket, 1st Place.

Other Duck Tape Entries
 Total Entries: 12

Sam Klapuk - Pencil Can, Age 12 2nd Place; Ava Twiss - Bank Box, Age 9 2nd Place Tied; Genevieve Twiss - Basket w/handles, Age 10 3rd Place Tied; Ezri

Kling - Bracelet heart, Age 8 2nd Place Tied; Ezri Kling - Pencil Can, Age 8 3rd Place Tied; Isabell Brandt - Pencil Can, Age 6 Tied 3rd; Caden Lynch - Picking Basket. Age 7 Tied 2nd; Madison Brandt - Pencil Can, Age 5 Tied 3rd; Isabell Brandt - Bracelet, Age 6 Tied 2nd
 Your Name it!

Caitlin Norwood - Bracelet, Age 11 1st Place; Caitlin Norwood - Bracelet, Age 11 2nd Place

Cards

Ava Twiss Age 9, 1st Place;
 Alayna Twiss Age 6, 1st Place

Paper Bag Craft

Genevieve Twiss Age 10, 1st Place; Lily Lynch Age 9, 2nd Place; Caden Lynch Age 7, 2nd Place; Alayna Twiss Age 6, 1st Place

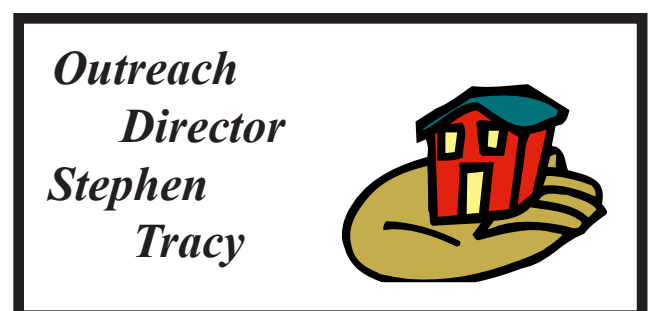
With fall and school started, I am sure we all have lots going on with getting into the new routine. Remember what it was like for you as a child? Try something with your children showing what we did as children without TV. Ex: I remember making a tent over our sofa and using clothespins to hold a blanket together. We could play cards or even house with dolls and cars.

This year I recognized those Granges that have supported us by bringing in Juniors and working with them: Watatic Grange #35 Top prize, Prentice Hill Grange #267, Wicwas Lake Grange #292, Rochester Grange #86, Wingold Grange #308, Harmony Grange #99, Hampton Falls Grange #171, and Blazing Star #71.

As children grow, they also graduate out of Junior Grange as they turn 14. They will be able to become your Subordinate members and assist your Grange further. We have three that are graduating from Junior Grange: Troy Marcoux, Watatic Grange; Justin Russell, Hampton Falls and Brandon Burnor, State Junior Grange Member. Encourage them to join you and your Grange. Youth has a great program for them to graduate into working further with Grange.

I am only an email or phone call away if you have questions about the Junior Program or want more information.

Joann Brandt
 603-642-5074 or jbrandt774@aol.com



What an awesome job of honoring members of the community at State Session! It helps put our name out there, showing we care about our community. It's too bad there wasn't press there to get the word out about us.

I wrote a rather lengthy article for our two local papers about all that we accomplished. I've had quite a few non-members speak to me about it. Did any news get in other newspapers across the state about our work?

Maine State Grange has a contest called "Get out in the community, do something and then write an article about it for the newspaper." Then clip that article and send it to state Grange to show others how to promote the Grange.

I like the State Lecturer's suggestion about boosting the Talent Show by promoting it in our communities. It used to be quite common to do that in communities. Free entertainment for the family. This sounds like a job for Pomonas so they are given a reason to be Pomonas.

Congratulations to Chris and Kerriann Heath for being considered for several National Offices. Also what great news on our first woman National Master. It's only taken about 150 years of giving women equal voting rights to accomplish this.

I represented the Grange at the local American Legion Veteran's Dinner, and I wore my 'Ask me about the Grange' pin. Wearing some form of Grange memorabilia helps to get a conversation going and then some possible new members.

I am working with State Master Chris to have a "Building Community" workshop like the one we attended in Maine. We learned how Granges are getting out of the hall and working on community projects so the Grange shines in the community spotlight enticing new members. We could have growth like Wicwas Lake in more Granges. We also learned about how to treat others to make the Grange a happy family fraternity.

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

At this year's State Session the Legislator of the Year award went to Representative Robert Theberge of Berlin. Representative Theberge has been a friend of NH agriculture. He earned this year's award for his very strong and ongoing support of the UNH Cooperative Extension. A year ago Robert and I co-chaired the Cooperative Extension Centennial celebration at the State House. Robert earned additional points toward this year's Legislator award for his undying support for our veterans.

The State Legislative and Agriculture Committee is hard at work with the National Grange Legislative Director planning the National Grange Legislative Fly-In. The Fly-In will be hosted by NH and is timed for the NH first in the nation Presidential Primary. We have a nice event scheduled and hope to see a lot of our state's Grangers participating in some, if not all, of the Fly-In. Come and meet your new National Master, who is attending.

Sister Tara Sad and I had the opportunity to travel to Louisville this year for the National FFA Convention. We both were asked to judge two events that took an entire day. Both of us did different Marketing Plan competitions and then in the afternoon I judged Specialty Animal Production Finals, while Tara judged Agriculture Sales. Then we both were called on to do one more each. We judged candidates for an exchange trip to Costa Rico.

The next day we were able to be observers at the Parliamentary Procedure Competition. Sister Beth Merrill has talked about putting a Parli team together to compete. I would hope she can do it and that we can find some great youth to be part of that team. We also attended an opening ceremony in Louisville. There were 65,000 blue jackets in the city. What great kids. After returning to NH, Tara and I have also been asked to Judge, nationally, Grant applications.

As of this writing, we are in the process of doing just that.

I, as your Representative to the Farm Bureau, attended the two day annual meeting of the NH Farm Bureau, held in Laconia. I attended some of the workshops, meetings and the annual award banquet.



Aurora Grange

Aurora Grange in Pittsburg has been enjoying regular meetings. We recognized Citizens of the Year, Fred and Shirley Hamel, in a nice ceremony in June. They are pictured above between Master Lindsey Gray, and Lecturer Chip Everts.

In August members had their annual picnic along with members of Mohawk and Stratford Granges. In October, we enjoyed a visit from State Master, Chris Heath, along with his traveling companions, the little hamsters. In November, we had our annual joint Thanksgiving dinner with the Pittsburg Historical Society. Also, longtime Aurora Grange member, Bernice Fish, celebrated her 100th birthday on November 22, 2015.

The photo below shows members of Aurora Grange along with visitors from Mohawk and Stratford Granges, State Master, Chris Heath, and also Jean Abbott and Doris Mitton of Riverside Grange.



Thank You
**My many thank-you's to all
 that helped make my first
 Flora's court successful.**
Fraternally,
Lois L. Enman / Flora

Stratford Grange Sponsors Two Trees

For the 20th year, the Stratford Grange is sponsoring the Mitten Tree in the North Stratford Post Office Lobby. Mittens, hats, and scarves placed on the tree will be given to the children in Stratford School. If you want to mail items, please send to The Mitten Tree, North Stratford, NH 03590 or come and put it on the mitten tree yourself. The tree will be in the lobby until Christmas eve.

Stratford Grange is also taking names for their memory tree on the common near the RR track crossing. To remember someone or a favorite pet or to honor someone, please send \$3.00 per name with the list of the names to: Stratford Grange c/o PO Box A, North Stratford, NH 03590. As the names are received they will be written on a tag and placed on the tree for all to see. Questions? Call 922-8337.

The Stratford Grange meets the second Monday at 11 a.m. in the Fuller Town Hall, Rt 3. Bring your own lunch to be followed by the meeting at noon. Info: Vicki DeLalla 922-8337 or Steve Tracy 237-4565.

**A Hearty Grange Welcome to
 New Members**

Jennifer Rousse	Claremont
Alan Storms	Cochecho
Mike Steward II	Cochecho
Dwight Meader	Cochecho
Edward Sawyer	Concord
Beth Wollett	Peterborough
Cynthia Martell	Peterborough
Leslie Avery	Stratford
Van Fryman	Stratford
Jessie Hernandez	Stratford
Wanda Nite	Stratford
Mary Webb	Stratford
Debra Greene	Watatic
Joey Shaw	Wicwas Lake
Claire Lebel	Wicwas Lake
Bruce Voal	Wicwas Lake
Dean Dexter	Wicwas Lake
Mary Truell	Wicwas Lake
Paul McIntosh	Wicwas Lake



Winthrop Grange Honors Tom Hayes

On Saturday, May 23, a gathering of about 75 people met at the Shelburne Town Hall to honor Tom Hayes as the Winthrop Grange 2015 Citizen of the Year. Warren Hayes, better known as "Tom" started serving the Town of Shelburne at the age of 34 as a member of the Shelburne School Board. In the seven years he served two of them on the NH School Board Executive Council in Concord. In 1968, he left the School Board to serve on the Board of Selectmen, a position he held for 15 years.

He was a member of the Shelburne Fire Department for over 60 years, twenty years as the chief. He retired in January 2014 at the age of 87. He will be remembered as the Fireman who drove the antique truck in the parades and the first responding at any incident. During his years on the department, he was also a Deputy Forest Fire Warden.

For 21 years Tom was the Constable or Assistant Constable, answering calls from untimely deaths, auto accidents, domestic situations, water rescues, and many others.

Tom has done everything from digging graves to rescuing cattle from high waters. One year with the Androscoggin River over its banks and surrounding fields flooded he and a neighbor took a boat and went to check on an elderly living in what is now the Werner house.

Tom was Civil Defense Director (now called Emergency Management Di-

rector) for 24 years, and it doesn't stop there. He has served on the Shelburne Union Church committee, the Bi-Centennial Committee, and is a NH Licensed Septic System Installer.

Tom's main employment was Brown Company/James River Company, where he worked for 30 ½ years. Upon retirement from the company he drove the Shelburne School bus for ten years, which he ways was the best and most rewarding job he ever had.

While attending meetings and activities associated with local, County, and State, he found time to raise potatoes – delivering to markets in Manchester and St. Johnsbury, VT. Is it any wonder that he says his wife raised four kids while he worked three jobs? In spite of his commitments to his positions, his children say he would work double shifts, swap shifts, or somehow find a way to get to concerts, sports, or other school activities.


The program began and ended with prayer by Grange Chaplain Justin Lessard. All sang "God Bless America." Elaine Wood read Tommy's accomplishments. Melanie Devoid sang "How Great Thou Art." There were remarks by Lee Ann Brooks, family members, and others. Refreshments followed the program.

**Danbury Winter Market
 A First Saturday Tradition**

Blazing Star Grange sponsors a winter farmers market on the first Saturday of the month, November thru May. The December 5th market is also the 25th anniversary of the holiday craft fair. The Grange has donated one hundred \$1 coupons to the Danbury Food Pantry for their patrons to go shopping at the market. In addition to encouraging customers to buy local this holiday season, we are also looking ahead to the first market of the new year, as 2016 is almost here.

Have you thought about New Years resolutions? The Danbury Winter Farmers Market might just help you with yours. Do you want to eat healthier, live simpler, connect with the farmer that grows your food, help the local economy, enjoy community and clean out your basement? What? Clean out my basement? Reduce the clutter in my house? How can they do that? Here's the scoop.

Support the ELF!
 Please send your
 Educational Loan Fund
 donations to:
Patrice Lawlor
P.O. Box 386
Pelham, NH 03076



On January 2nd, while the 9th season of the farmers market continues upstairs, the Grange is hosting a flea market in their downstairs dining room. They think that people love yard sales no matter what time of the year, and right after the holidays they want something to do to beat the post-holiday blues. Buyers can browse and sellers can rent a short table for \$10 for the day. Fifteen dollars will get you a long table. You can bring your boxes of fleas, white elephants, and "it's not me" Christmas gifts to be sold at the hall. While upstairs items need to be made by you, downstairs tables do not. Showcase your business or clear out those boxes from the garage. The choice is yours. Early signups can send pictures to be included on the website.

In 2016, if Grangers pledged to spend just a small portion of their food budget locally at a farmers market and encouraged their neighbors to do the same, the results could be quite impressive. You have the power to strengthen the local economy and keep farms dotting the NH countryside. Carbon footprints can be reduced and you can make a connection with the farmer that grows your food. Blazing Star Grange would love to see you at their market, but they also ask you to join them in encouraging local buying at any farmers market.

On the first Saturday of the month, spread the word to your friends and haul them with you to Danbury's Grange Hall where they make a mean breakfast sandwich dubbed the "McGranger", support local farms, encourage cottage industries and put community center stage.

To rent a table or for more information, contact Donna @ 768-5579 or email donnaardena@gmail.com.

The person who has had a bull by the tail once has learned 60 or 70 times as much as a person who hasn't.
 -- Mark Twain

Grange Bulletin Board

Thank You

Thank you to my many Grange friends and Grange family for your condolences and expressions of sympathy in the passing of my mother Agnes Lawlor. It has brought warmth and comfort to me and the rest of my family knowing how much we were thought of during this difficult time.
Pat Lawlor

It's Dictionary Season

Blazing Star Grange wishes to congratulate their dictionary project chairman, Bernice Nowell of Andover, who has been busy delivering dictionaries to the area schools' third graders. In addition to talking about the Grange and the program, Bernice also leaves several pairs of her handmade mittens. A total of 105 dictionaries have been given to the students with thank you notes being received and read at the latest meeting on November 19th. There were many sweet, well thought sentiments of appreciation and gratitude. The project was summed up best by one student who wrote, "Thanks really much for buying the dictionaries and selling them free."

You're Fired.

Paint Your Own Pottery & Mosaics
Concord - Bedford - Nashua - Salem
www.YoureFiredPottery.com

Please join the NH State Grange Youth Committee for a weekend of creative fun and help earn money for our 2016 National Grange Travel Fund.

Friday, December 11 - 11 am—9 pm
Saturday, December 12 - 11 am—6 pm
Sunday, December 13 - 12 pm—5 pm

How It Works

1. Go to You're Fired during the hours listed above. Be sure to tell the staff you are from State Grange.
2. Choose a piece of pottery—they have tons of stuff like banks and figurines & lots of cool kitchen items like coffee mugs, canisters, and bowls.
3. Decorate it—use their paints, brushes, stamps & stencils.
4. Pay for your piece and a studio fee of \$8 for adults/\$6 for kids
5. Your work of art will be glazed, fired and ready in a week.
6. You're Fired donates all studio fees to our Committee!

Thanks for Helping the
State Youth Committee!

Calendar of Events 2015

Dec. 5 - Danbury Winter Market
Danbury Grange Hall
Dec. 11-13 - Youth Fund Raiser at "You're Fired" Concord, Bedford, Nashua, Salem,
Dec. 12 - Deputy School, Fire Academy
Dec. 15 - Hotel Reservations due for NE Leaders Conference

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Jan. 2 - Danbury Winter Market & Grange Flea Market - Danbury Grange Hall
Jan. 8 - Meal Reservations due for NE Leaders Conference
Jan. 15-17 - NE Leaders Conference
Milford, MA
Jan. 22-23 - Farm & Forest Expo
Radisson Hotel. Manchester
Jan. 23 - Moon Stomp - Merrill Farm
Antrim, 6 p.m.
Feb. 4-7 - National Grange Legislative Fly-In
Feb. 6 - Fly-In Breakfast, State Grange Building, Hooksett
Feb. 6 - Junior Grange Day at State Grange Building 10 a.m.
Feb. 6 - Danbury Winter Market
Danbury Grange Hall
Feb. 8 Deadline for March GSG
Feb. 13 - Winter Youth Rally
State Grange Building
March 5 - Danbury Winter Market
Danbury Grange Hall
March 13 - State Grange Bowling
Lakeside Lanes, Manchester

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