

2021  
LECTURER'S PROGRAM

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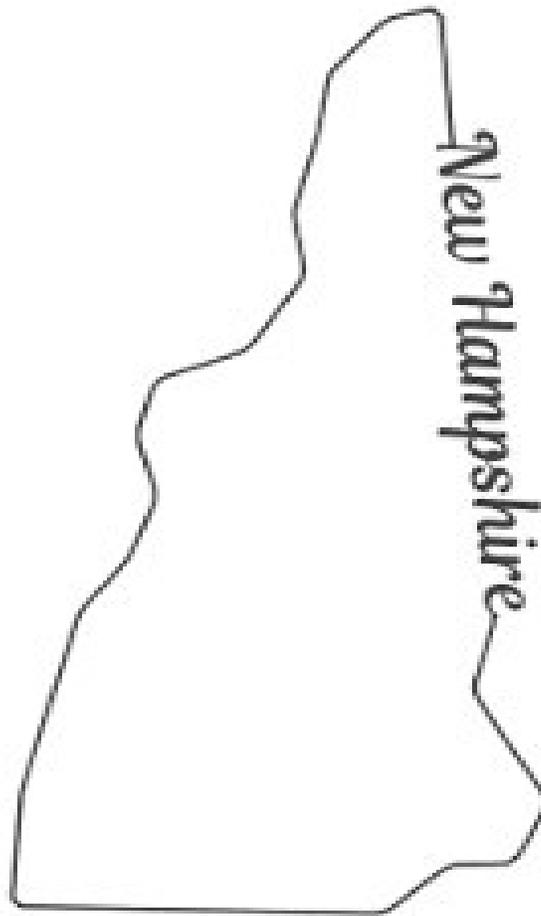
CONTESTS

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Dear Worthy Lecturer's,

Congratulations on taking on the most important office in the Grange. If you are continuing in the position, you will find much of this information the same. It's included here for new lecturer's and as a reminder to those of you who have been in this position a few years. There are some new additions to the Program Ideas page and all contests have some new categories.

The Lecturer's program is a key factor in Grange attendance and membership. Through your programs, you will bring new information, new ideas, entertainment, fun and fellowship to your Grange. Lively, meaningful, interesting and well attended Grange meetings are the result of the attitude and spirit that a good Lecturer's program can create. Programs planned to include guests will open your Grange doors to the community at large.

This booklet includes some program ideas, contest rules and helpful suggestions for being a lecturer. Please be sure to inform your members of contests available to them. Through these contests, we are able to provide a wonderful showcase at our state convention of the talents of our members. There is also a membership survey in this packet that you can use all or part of to find out what your members can offer for programs. This is for your use and to be kept in your archives. Utilizing your members makes them feel like they are important to our organization.

Good luck with your programming year.

## LECTURER'S PROGRAM IDEAS

- 1. Invite a 4-H or FFA group to put on a program.** These groups promote agriculture as well as leadership. Inviting them to come to your meeting will help them to reach their potential.
- 2. Support Military/Veterans and Families Program** highlighting the history, music, and service of each branch of the military. Invite organizations such as the American Legion, VFW, Vietnam Veteran's, DAR, etc. to provide a program.
- 3. Grange Family Traditions** Provide activities where members can share grange traditions with members of neighboring granges and your own community.
- 4. New Hampshire History** Educate your members about our rich history through a slide show, costumed interpreters, debates, trivia games and tours.
- 5. Family Game Night** Invite grange family and friends to come for a night of playing board or card games.
- 6. Contest Night** Have a night at your meeting to work on contest entries for the state lecturer's contests. A card making night, paint night, poetry night, etc.
- 7. Sharing Night** Pick a subject and have everyone bring something to share or talk about it. IE: favorite vacation, favorite president, subject in school.
- 8. Participate within your Community**  
Work as a group leading an activity/event or participate in an event led by the town, such as Old Home Day.
- 9. Share some love:** Ask members to bring a family recipe and share where it started and why it's special. They could also make their recipe and have a tasting!!
- 10. Agricultural Education** We were formed as an agricultural organization. Increase the awareness and knowledge of agricultural related fields for your members and your community. Not just dairy farming, how about a bee keeper, or backyard gardener. Make a banner on agriculture promoting the grange. This could be used in your Grange month display or fair exhibit.  
Discuss the Farm Bills that are in the legislature. **Contacts for Dairy Education:** Granite State Dairy Promotion: [www.nhdairypromo.org](http://www.nhdairypromo.org)  
New Hampshire Agriculture in the Classroom: [www.agclassroom.org/nh](http://www.agclassroom.org/nh)
- 11. Homelessness in my community** What is the homeless situation in your community? Talk with local agencies to find the need or have someone come in and talk with your members. Can you collect items of need and donate?
- 12. Crisis & Prevention** Millions of adults and children suffer from interpersonal violence each year. Do you have a program in your community that provides support, education and outreach? Invite them in or do

some research to inform your members and find how you can help as a grange. Everyone deserves to feel safe.

**13. Local Public Personnel** Invite a person from your community to come and discuss important issues. A police officer could talk about the concerns of drugs, problem intersections, etc. A road agent could talk about road conditions and concerns. The Librarian could tell about programs they are holding. If you have an election coming up, you could have those running come in and tell their views.

**14. Earth Day** Technically it's in April, but every day should be earth day! What are your members doing to help the earth?

**15. POMONA Lecturer's: R.I.M.E. Progressive Program:** Give each Grange in your Pomona a "RIME" letter and ask them to prepare something for a program on a certain topic.

**16. POMONA Lecturer's: Work on Resolutions for State Convention**

**17. Have entries in the Photo, Art, Creative Writing, or Create-a-Card contest.** All information is provided in this booklet.

**18. Participate in State Grange Bowling**

Lakeside Lanes, Manchester. March 14, 2021

**19. Do a fair exhibit or a Grange month exhibit**

**20. Attend Grange month event** State Grange Building, April 17, 2021

**21. Have an entry in the Talent Contest or Donate to the Talent Fund**

**22. Give out a Community Citizen Award (Subordinate) or Award for Public Service (Pomona)**

Available from the National Grange

**23. Nominate a Granger of the Year** Submission form is in this packet.

**24. Participate in the National Grange Quilt Block Contest** Information will be out in the spring.

Reminder that these blocks get sent directly to the National Lecturer.

**25. Crafting at the State Grange Building** See the flier in this packet.

**26. POMONA Lecturer's: R.I.M.E. Progressive Program:** Give each Grange in your Pomona a "RIME" letter and ask them to prepare something for a program on a certain topic.

**27. POMONA Lecturer's: Work on Resolutions for State Convention**

## **Create a Card Contest**

This contest gives members the opportunity to create their own all occasion cards. Size of the cards will be **no bigger** than 5 ½ X 8 ½

Categories:

**I. Recycled** (use only recycled materials, such as old cards, ribbons, buttons, magazines, etc.)

**II. Computer Generated** (Any card using a computer in any way.)

**III. Hand Stamped and/or Decorated** (with materials available from craft stores, such as rubber stamps, stickers, decorative paper, etc.)

Classes are as follows:

Class A:	Retirement
Class B:	Graduation
Class C:	Thanksgiving

Division:

Subordinate member

Junior member age 5-9

Junior member age 10-14

Non-member sponsored by a Grange, which must appear on the label

1. One entry per person/per class/per category.
2. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with the maker's Name, Grange Category, and Class.
3. Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 1, 2021.

Entries will be judged on:

1. Creativity
2. Composition
3. Eye Appeal

**A small cash prize will be awarded in each category.**

## Creative Writing Contest

- I. **Poetry** – Alphabet Poem or Abecedarian (The abecedarian is an ancient poetic form guided by alphabetical order. Each line begins with the first letter of the alphabet and is followed by the next letter, until the end of the alphabet. A topic is chosen to follow.)

### example:

#### CAMPING

Arriving at our  
Beautiful  
Campground.  
Decorate and get ready-  
Evening  
Fire time!  
Gather with friends,  
Huddle close,  
It's a chilly night.  
Jump up and down to  
Keep warm.  
Loving the  
Moonlight and  
Night time sky  
Overhead.  
People  
Quietly  
Return to their  
Sites.  
Tucked in  
Underneath warm covers.  
Very sleepy, now  
Whistling snores are heard.  
Xtra time for sleep.  
Yes, it was a busy day.  
ZZZZZZZ

**II. Book Report** - Form a book-club with your Grange members and friends. At least 2 people must read the same book and then work together to do a report on the story. It could be a written report, drawing, short play, puppets, etc. Any reporting format goes.

**General Rules:**

1. Only one division - Subordinate Members. One entry per person.
2. Author's identification to be placed on the back of the writing(s) or item, including name, address, Grange name and number. You may use the entry form included in this program.
3. All entries are to be sent to the State Lecturer for judging on or before October 1, 2021.
4. Poems and written bookreport **must be** typed, no designs on the paper, and no backing. **Poems may be typed on a half sheet of paper.** Other forms of book report can be done in any format.

**Awards: Small cash prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.**

# Photography Contest

**Note: We are asking that photographs have a foam board or other rigid backing. They may be matted but not framed. No Glass.**

## **Categories:**

- A. **Give it Your Best Shot!** (pick your best photo you've taken this year and submit it)
- B. **Photo Caption** (This is a bit different, the caption, rather than the photo will be judged, so pick what ever photo you want and give it your best caption!)
- C. **Hometown Pride** (What is your town known for? Do you have a historical landmark? You pick what you like best about your hometown and boast about it by submitting your photo.)

## **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, 2020 and October 1, 2021.
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:
  - Name, Grange, Category and Division. You can use the label provided in this program.
13. Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 1, 2021.

## Criteria for judging photographs:

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

# Art Contest

## Categories:

- A. Oils & Acrylics
- B. Watercolors
- C. Charcoal, Pastels, Markers and Pencil
- D. Mixed Media (this category is endless!) *For example, a work on canvas that combines paint, ink, and collage materials. It doesn't have to be on canvas. It could be on any background material.*
- E. Coloring Page. *Adult coloring books are all the rage and are a great relaxation and concentration tool. You can find them almost anywhere. You may enter one coloring page, using any type of medium to color: pencils, crayons, markers, gel pens.*
- F. 3-Dimensional Sculptures *such as, but not limited to: wood carving, paper mache, plaster, metal*

## Rules:

1. All entries must be the original work of the member
  2. All entries must be completed between October 1, 2019 (note the extra years time due to cancelled contest in 2020) and State Grange Convention 2021.
  3. Entries are judged according to the medium used.
  4. Pastels, Charcoal and pencil entries must be treated for permanency to stop smudging.
  5. Nude entries will not be accepted or displayed.
  6. Size must not exceed 24 x 36 including the frame. 3-D objects must not be more than 24 x 36 x 24.
  7. All entries must be framed (NO GLASS) or have a firm backing so they can be properly displayed. Coloring pages can be put in a plastic sheet protector.
  8. Non-breakable covering is acceptable. Glass-covered entries will not be judged. Do NOT send any glass with entries.
  9. Only one entry per category per person.
  10. There are three divisions within each category:
    - Division I - Subordinate Grange members
    - Division II - Junior Grange members age 5-9
    - Division II - Junior Grange members age 10-14
  12. Awards: Small cash prizes will be given for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category.
- Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with Name, Grange, Division and Category. You can use the labels included in this program.
13. Judging: Entries are due to the State Lecturer by **9am** on Friday of State Convention in Oct. of 2021.

NH State Grange

**Art Contest 2021**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grange \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

- A. Oils & Acrylics
- B. Watercolors
- C. Charcoals, Pastels, Pencil
- D. Mixed Media
- E. Coloring page
- F. 3-D Sculpture

Division:

- I. Subordinate
- II. Junior (Age 5-9)
- III. Junior (Age 10-14)

NH State Grange

**Create A Card Contest 2021**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grange \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

- I. Recycled
- II. Computer Generated
- III. Hand Stamped and/or Decorated

Class:

- A. Retirement
- B. Graduation
- C. Thanksgiving

Division:

- Subordinate
- Junior (Age 5-9)
- Junior (Age 10-14)
- Non-member

NH State Grange

**Photography Contest 2021**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grange \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

- A. Give it Your Best Shot!
- B. Photo Caption
- C. Hometown Pride

Division:

- I. Subordinate
- II. Junior (Age 5-9)
- III. Junior (Age 10-14)

NH State Grange

**Creative Writing Contest 2021**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grange \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

- I. Poetry
- II. Book Report

Division:

- Subordinate

## **Community Citizen Award and Award for Public Service**

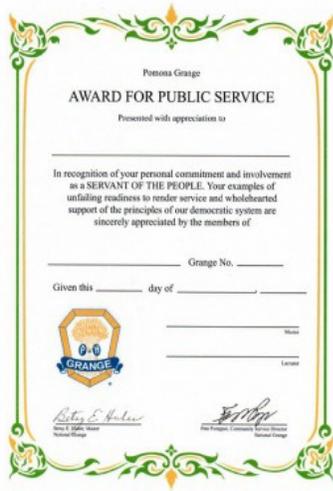
The Community Citizen Award is to be presented by a Subordinate/Community Grange to a nonmember, individual or small group in your community for their outstanding achievements in your community.

The Award for Public Service is to be presented by a Pomona Grange to either a member or nonmember, individual or group, for his/her/their outstanding achievements within your community.

These awards are available from National Grange Headquarters, 1616 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006-4999 or <http://www.grangestore.org/>. Current cost is \$8.00 each. Go to the awards tab to find the certificates.

If you prefer, you can make up your own certificates of recognition.

These are the ones you get from national:



# **GRANGERS AND FRIENDS CRAFTING WEEKENDS!**

Join fellow Grangers for some crafty time at the State Grange Building in Hooksett. Bring a friend, your crafting supplies, food to share, and even an air mattress if you want to spend the night! Come and work on those projects that you need more space than a kitchen table!! Come and learn something new, there is always something going on that can be shown to others. You might find some people quilting, cardmaking, scrapbooking, crocheting, sewing, coloring, or doing needlework. All are happy to answer questions or help with a project.

The dates are:

January 21-23, 2021  
6pm Thursday to 5pm Saturday

March 25-27, 2021  
6pm Thursday to 5pm Saturday

April 29 - May 1, 2021  
6pm Thursday to 5pm Saturday



# GRANGE MONTH 2021

What is your Grange planning? Will you have an open house, special program to invite the public in, a game night or movie night for families, put a display in your local library or town officer, or put on a special dinner? There are many choices as to how you can promote your Grange in your community. Whatever you choose, be sure to publicize your event. You can visit the National Grange website ([nationalgrange.org](http://nationalgrange.org)) and look for the 2021 Grange Month items to download. There is always a proclamation and posters where you can fill in the information about your event.

## NH GRANGE MONTH EVENT APRIL 17, 2021

Join us at the State Grange Building for a day of fun activities to celebrate our wonderful organization. We will have workshops, a banquet, penny sale and talent contest. We will also present a Granger of the Year Award. Nomination forms are in this packet. More information will be out in the spring. Save the date now!

## TALENT CONTEST 2021

Our talent contest will be held during our grange month event in April. There are three categories; vocal, instrumental and variety. The Best of Show will be able to represent NH at the Night of Excellence in November 2021 in Wichita, Kansas. Previous award of Best of Show does not disqualify participants. Granges are encouraged to send a donation to help defray the cost of our winner.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE**  
**SUBORDINATE LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 1, 2020**

(Report on happenings between Nov. 1 2020 and Sept. 30 2021)

Grange \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Lecturer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Helpful Information

- Number of members in your Grange \_\_\_\_\_ affiliates \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of meetings held per month \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of meetings held during the past year \_\_\_\_\_
- How long have you been Lecturer? \_\_\_\_\_

1. How far in advance do you plan your programs?

\_\_\_\_\_ meeting by meeting \_\_\_\_\_ the full year \_\_\_\_\_ other (explain)

2. Would you have any suggestions for a Lecturer's workshop day? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What did your Grange do to promote the Grange during Grange Month?

4. Did your Grange present a Community Citizen Award? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

Briefly describe your program and your recipient's accomplishments.

5. Did you use any of the State Lecturer's topics this year? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

- Which one(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Invite 4-H or FFA \_\_\_\_\_ Support Military Veteran's/Families \_\_\_\_\_ Grange Family Traditions \_\_\_\_\_ NH History \_\_\_\_\_ Family Game night \_\_\_\_\_ Contest Night \_\_\_\_\_ Sharing Night \_\_\_\_\_ Participate within your community \_\_\_\_\_ Share some love \_\_\_\_\_ Homelessness \_\_\_\_\_ Crisis & Prevention \_\_\_\_\_ Agricultural Education \_\_\_\_\_ Local Public Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Earth Day

- Briefly describe what you did:

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6. How many entries did you have from your Grange in the following Contests?

Talent \_\_\_\_\_ Photography \_\_\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_\_\_ Create-a-Card \_\_\_\_\_ Creative Writing \_\_\_\_\_

7. Did your Grange participate in the following:: Bowling \_\_\_\_\_ Crafting Day \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit in a fair or put up a Grange month exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ Nominate a Granger of the Year \_\_\_\_\_

Attend the Grange Month Event \_\_\_\_\_ National Grange Quilt Block Contest \_\_\_\_\_

8. Do you have any suggestions for next years state lecturer's program? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

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9. In your opinion, describe your best program this year:

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10. In your opinion, what is the major strength of your Grange?

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11. As Lecturer, what goal do you have to improve your Grange next year?

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Lecturer's Signature

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Master's Signature

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE**  
**POMONA LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 1, 2020**

(Report on happenings between Nov. 1 2020 and Sept. 30 2021)

Grange \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Lecturer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Helpful Information

- Number of members in your Grange \_\_\_\_\_ affiliates \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of meetings held during the past year \_\_\_\_\_
- How long have you been Lecturer? \_\_\_\_\_

1. How far in advance do you plan your programs? \_\_\_\_\_ meeting by meeting \_\_\_\_\_ the full year

2. What did your Grange do to promote the Grange during Grange Month?

3. Did your Grange present a an Award For Public Service? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no  
Briefly describe your program and your recipient's accomplishments.

4. How did you support the Subordinate Lecturer's within your Pomona?

5. Did you use the suggestion of a R.I.M.E. Progressive Program? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you have any suggestions for next years state lecturer's program?

7. In your opinion, describe your best program this year:

8. Did your Pomona submit any Resolutions to the NH State Grange Convention? \_\_\_\_\_

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Master's Signature

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Lecturer's Signature