

NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATE GRANGE

LECTURER'S

PROGRAM

2025

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 taste!!
- 10. Agricultural Education** We were formed as an agricultural organization. Increase awareness and knowledge of agricultural related fields for your members and your community. Not just dairy farming, how about a beekeeper, 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
New Hampshire Agriculture in the Classroom: 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. 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. 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 22, 2025

19. Do a fair exhibit or a Grange month exhibit

20. Attend Grange month event Details to come

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.



Saturday, March 22, 2025

12 noon

Lakeside Lanes
2171 Candia Road

Manchester, NH 03109

Cost = \$16.00

\$12.00 for Juniors

(3 strings & shoes)

Make checks to: NH State Grange Lecturer

Registrations due to the State Lecturer by March 16th.

GRANGE MONTH 2025

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) and look for the 2025 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 12, 2025

Join us at the State Grange Building for a day of fun activities to celebrate our wonderful organization. More information will be out in the spring. Save the date now!

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
in this
Campground.
Decorate and get ready
judging on Evening
Fire time!
and no
Gather with friends,
paper.
Huddle close,
It's a chilly night.
2nd, and
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

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 program.

3. All entries are to be sent to the State Lecturer for or before October 12, 2024.

4. Poems **must be typed**, no designs on the paper, backing. **Poems may be typed on a half sheet of**

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

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:	Thank You For Your Service
Class B:	Christmas
Class C:	New Home

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. All entries must be completed between October 1, 2024, and September 30, 2025
4. Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 10, 2025.

Entries will be judged on:

1. Creativity
2. Composition
3. Eye Appeal

A small cash prize will be awarded in each category.

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. **Flags and Banners** (Lets see what's flying)
- B. **Abandon Structures** (Places that have not been used for awhile)
- C. **Scenic New Hampshire** (Where are the best places in New Hampshire)

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, 2024, and September 30, 2025.
 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 the 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.
- Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 10, 2025.

Criteria for judging photographs:

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

Art Contest

Categories:

- A. 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.*
- B. Painting: *This includes any type of medium to paint*
- C. Collage: *Any materials may be used.*

Rules:

1. All entries must be the original work of the member
2. All entries must be completed between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025
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.
7. All paintings must be framed (NO GLASS) or have a firm backing so they can be properly displayed. Coloring pages and Collages can be put in a plastic sheet protector or laminated.
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.
13. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with Name, Grange, Division and Category. You can use the labels included in this program.
14. Judging: Entries are due to the State Lecturer by **October 10, 2025**

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
GRANGER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

*Please send to the State Lecturer by September 1, 2025 as the award will be given
at State Grange Banquet*

Nominee: _____

Grange: _____ Number: _____

Why are you nominating this person for Granger of the Year?

How long has the nominee been a Grange member? _____

List of Grange and Community activities the nominee has participated in over the
past year?

Please list any offices or committees the nominee has held. _____

Nominated by: _____ Phone# _____

Grange: _____ Number: _____

NH State Grange

Art Contest 2025

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

A. Coloring Page

B. Painting

C. Collage

Division:

I. Subordinate

II. Junior (Age 5-9)

III. Junior (Age 10-14)

NH State Grange

Create A Card Contest 2025

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

I. Recycled

II. Computer Generated

III. Hand Stamped and/or Decorated

Class:

A. Thank You For Your Service

B. Christmas

C. New Home

Division:

Subordinate

Junior (Age 5-9)

Junior (Age 10-14)

Non-member

NH State Grange

Photography Contest 2025

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

A. Flags and Banners

B. Abandon Structures

C. Scenic New Hampshire

Division:

I. Subordinate

II. Junior (Age 5-9)

III. Junior (Age 10-14)

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Creative Writing Contest 2025

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

I. Poetry

Division:

Subordinate

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

SUBORDINATE LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 10,

2025(Report on happenings between Oct. 1, 2024, and Sept. 30, 2025)

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

4. Did your Grange present any Awards this year? _____ 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:

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_____

Exhibit at 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 year's state lecturer's program? ____yes ____no

please explain:

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

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

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

Lecturer's Signature

Master's Signature

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

POMONA LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 12, 2025 (Report on happenings between Oct. 1, 2024, and Sept. 30, 2025)

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 any Awards this year? 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 year's 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? _____

Master's Signature

Lecturer's Signature