




Oregon State Grange

2022



Awards

Contests

and Scholarships

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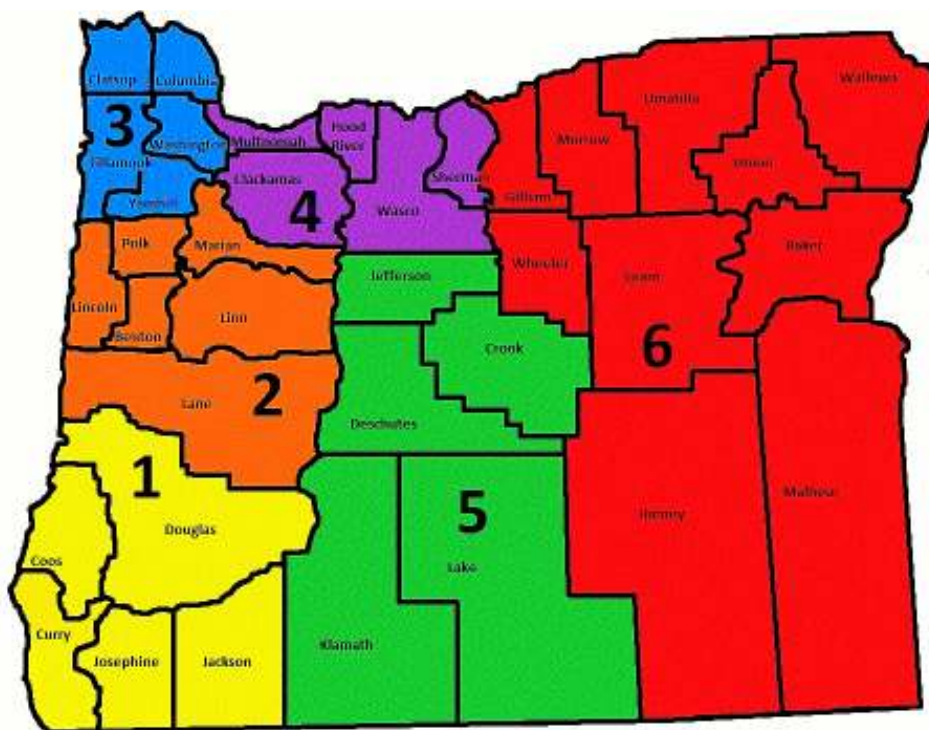


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Which district am I in?



District 1

Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine

District 2

Benton, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk

District 3

Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill

District 4

Clackamas, Hood River, Multnomah, Sherman, Wasco

District 5

Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake

District 6

Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Walla, Wheeler

Agriculture Contest

Agriculture Contest Search

After several years with no applications/nominations in either of the Agriculture Committee's Contests we have decided to suspend the two awards programs we have sponsored in recent years and are brainstorming for a new award or contest which might stimulate actual participation by the Grangers of Oregon.

Any idea is welcome!

We will make a list of any submitted ideas and the committee will discuss them, and choose and develop one to try in next year's Awards Booklet.

Please offer your ideas by phone, email, write by mail, to Agriculture Committee Director.

Agriculture Committee Contests of the last decade:

- **Agricultural Innovation of the Year**
- **Agriculturalist of the Year**

Additionally, the Agricultural Committee is always looking for Grangers interested in serving on the committee. Our committee encourages the increase in agricultural interest, understanding, and knowledge among grangers and the general public. Grange has always been entwined with agriculture, and in recent years there has been an increase in awareness by community members in the sources and quality of their foods, with more farmer to consumer sales, Farmers Markets, and discussions of local sustainability.

If you would be interested in helping the Oregon State Grange Agricultural Committee improve agricultural awareness, encourage agricultural education and mentoring, facilitate Grange educational events about agriculture, and encourage Granger understanding of current agricultural issues, please contact the Director of the Agriculture Committee or your District Chair.

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The Agriculture Committee works to inform all members and the public that we all rely on agriculture, whether as producers or consumers. Through articles in the OSG Bulletin we inform Oregon Grangers on agricultural issues and events and educate members and the public on Grange policies and Grange views on agriculture. It is also this committee's role to explain how our historical interest in agriculture has shaped our organization. The OSG Agriculture Committee works with other agricultural and public organizations to promote Grange policies on agricultural issues and help members call for action on their agricultural concerns. Additionally, the committee is willing and able to research questions that may come from Community Granges.

Members can get involved with the Agriculture Committee by suggesting topics for Bulletin articles, volunteering for the outreach activities at the State Fair, Ag Fest, and the FFA convention Grange table, Additionally Grangers can travel to interesting agricultural locations at the Agriculture Tour on Saturday of State Session

This committee is active in outreach to the public – we are involved with the State Fair Log Cabin, annual FFA Convention, The OSU Small Farms Conference, and the Oregon Ag Fest outreach by the Oregon State Grange. We help the OSG contact thousands of agriculturally interested people each year, encouraging membership in local Grange

Community Service Contests and Awards

Annual Community Service Report

The Annual Report is a record of the community service projects your Grange sponsored during the year. It also records the time your Grange members volunteer in your community. You may have one large project or several small ones, but your involvement in the community is important. Involve your members in planning your Grange projects. Generate one new project for the year. A well thought out plan means “success” for your Grange. If you need more information or ideas refer to **“The Endless Sea Filled with Possibilities”**. If your Grange doesn’t have a copy, you can go to the Oregon State Grange Website to either read it or download it.

Projects should involve members and non-members working together. Partner with other groups to generate new ideas to give back to your community. The media is often more receptive to stories about projects involving several groups working together.

Oregon is one of the few states that does not require non-profits to report volunteer hours to maintain their non-profit status, but with rules becoming tighter for non-profits, this could soon be a requirement. . There have been instances where a Grange has been able to protect its non-profit status because they had information on their volunteer hours.

“Everything counts’ as volunteer hours on your annual report whether you volunteer for your Grange or within your community.

Involve your members in planning your Grange projects. Generate one new project for the year. A well thought out plan means “success” for your Grange.

Subordinate/Community and Pomona Granges are encouraged to do projects and report annually.

Project reporting:

- The period for the Community Service Report is **January 1 through December 31**.
- Select a project or projects.
- Have a goal of one new project for the year.
- Keep an accurate record of hours spent by members and non-member on your project(s). Total the number of Grange members and non-members who participated and the number of hours worked for each group. You may want to print the Community

Service Volunteer Log (download-able from the Community Service page of the State Grange website), make copies, and distribute them to your members to record their volunteer hours once a month.

- Take photographs of your events and activities.
- Get publicity for your project (social media, newspapers, Grange Bulletin, etc.).
- Complete the Annual Community Service Report Form, which can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/community-service/.
- If you are entering a yearbook, be sure to make a copy of your report and include it in your yearbook.
- Mail the report form to the State Community Service Director postmarked no later than **MARCH 31**.
- All participating Granges will receive a recognition certificate for their Annual Report.

Community Service Yearbook

The Annual Community Service Report lists your projects with the number of members and non-members participating and the number of hours donated by each. A Community Service Yearbook shows graphically through photographs, newspaper articles, and other documents each project and its impact. The yearbook is not a history of everything your Grange did during the year. It can be a great tool for recruiting new members because it shows what you did in your community!

Community Service Yearbooks must be entered for judging at the State Grange Convention by **noon on Sunday of Session**. If no one from your Grange is attending the convention, you may mail your book to the Community Service Director postmarked no later than **June 1**.

Yearbook Organization:

- Put the name of your Grange on the cover.
- Include a one-page description of your Grange and community.
- Include a Table of Contents with a summary of each project.
- Use a tab to mark each section to match the Table of Contents.
- Limit large projects to four pages and smaller projects to two pages.
- Only include one or two thank you notes from your project.

- If you held a fundraiser, include where the money was donated.
- Place all pages in page protectors.
- Include a copy of your Annual Community Service Report in its own page protector.

Don't Include:

- An officer or member roster or meeting minutes.
- Obituaries when a family used your hall after the funeral.
- Mowing the grass at your Grange hall; that's maintenance, not community service.

Awards:

- 1st place: \$100, 2nd place: \$75, 3rd place: \$50, 4th place: \$25.
- All entries will receive a recognition certificate.
- The first place winner will be sent to National Grange.
- Oregon's judging guidelines are the same as **National Grange**.

Volunteer of the Year

This program is designed to recognize a member who is a dedicated volunteer in your Grange and in your community. The Community Service Chairperson and/or your Grange should select a name to be considered for Volunteer of the Year.

- Judging will be based on the type, quantity and quality of volunteer service performed.
- The Volunteer of the Year Award form is then filled out. The form will can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/community-service/ or contact the State Director to request the form to be mailed or emailed.
- Write a **short** narrative (750 words maximum) about the nominee's service and accomplishments during the past year (January 1 to December 31). Explain what this member has done for your Grange and your community.
- Include the nominee's name and contact information on the entry form.
- Make sure that the Community Service Chairperson and the Subordinate/Community Grange President sign the completed form. Send the form and narrative to the State Grange Community Service Director postmarked no later than **June 1**.

- The State Director will form a judging committee to select the state winner. Only one winner will be selected from all entries.
- The winner will be announced and presented with a certificate and award at the State Grange Convention.
- All those nominated will receive a certificate of thanks.

Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer and Teacher of the Year Awards

The persons you nominate can be a paid professional or a volunteer. Your Grange can and should recognize anyone else in your community (first responders, medical personnel, etc.) at an open house, Grange meeting or public event.

Send the National Grange FF/LEO/Teacher of the Year Award form to the State Community Service Director postmarked no later than **June 1**. The form can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/community-service/ or contact the State Director to request the form to be mailed or emailed. Please attach photos, newspaper articles and any other supporting paperwork you have.

The first place winner in each category will be recognized at the Oregon State Grange Convention and sent to the National Grange Convention in November.

Wib and June Justi Youth Community Service Award

Your Grange can nominate a youth or young adult member between the ages of 14 and 35 or a group to receive this recognition. The application form can be downloaded from the Youth page of the State Grange website: www.orgrange.org/youth. The application must be sent to the State Grange Youth Director postmarked no later than **August 15**. See page 28 for further details.

Junior Grange Community Service Contest

Each Junior Grange or 1+ member would enter a short report/booklet not to exceed 3 pages (front and back). These should include an information page about the submitting JG, which would mirror what the subordinate Grange submits for their state Grange report book. The report would be for just a singular project to make it easier for the JG's to put together the report.

REPORT TO INCLUDE:

- 1) Short paragraph about the project
- 2) Newspaper article
- 3) Pictures
- 4) Paragraph from the Junior Grange Leader about how

this impacted the community and what the Junior Grangers learned.

5) Cover Page for your report can be downloaded from <https://www.nationalgrange.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/NG-JG-CS-REPORT-form.pdf>

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS:

The Endless Sea Filled with Possibilities will provide you with the tools to plan fun activities and events for your Grange and it will show the community that the Grange is a fun place. The purpose is to engage your members into connecting with your community, **find** out what your community needs are and how you can help. **It will help you plan** a variety of events that brings the community into your Grange Hall, and **also** engage your members into being a resource in your community and showing you care.

Grange members participate in big and small projects, partner with other community organizations, they fundraise for various causes within their community and nationally. Serving our communities whether it is helping our neighbor in need or bake sale to raise money for the local school, you can always count on the Grange being involved.

Our local Grangers recognize outstanding citizens in their communities, like fireman and policeman and sponsor local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops. This allows for Grange families and other citizens to participate in community service.

If you want to be more involved in your neighborhood or your community then the Grange is the place for you. Connecting Communities through Service is the Grange way.

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GWA Contests

All contests are open to members and non-members. Each contestant can have only **one entry per category**.

All entries must be labeled with the contest, category, entrant's name, complete address, email, phone, Grange name and number, and county. For non-members, please supply your sponsoring member's name and Grange.

Contest entry labels can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/grange-workers-activities/. You can also make your own following this template.

<i>Contest</i>	

<i>Category</i>	
<i>Fold bottom up to here to cover name</i>	

<i>Contestant's name</i>	

<i>Address</i>	

<i>City</i>	<i>Zip</i>

<i>Email</i>	

<i>Phone</i>	

<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Grange member</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Non-member</i>

<i>If non-member, name of sponsor</i>	

<i>Grange name</i>	

<i>#</i>	<i>County</i>

All entries must be received in the GWA exhibit area at the Talent High School no later than **noon on Sunday**.

The Oregon State Grange GWA Committee will secure judges for all contests.

The GWA contest exhibit area will be open before and after State Grange is in session and during lunch and other break times.

Baked Goods and Candies

These rules apply to cookies and candies to ensure that judges do not touch items that will be sold.

Baked items and candies will be judged on appearance, consistency, & taste.

- Place 12 of each on a sturdy paper plate. Enclose in a Ziploc bag.
- Put one piece in a separate Ziploc bag. Put label on single item.
- Put all in another Ziploc bag.
- An extra mailing label would be appreciated with each entry.

Drop Cookies (No peanut butter or chocolate chips)

- Groups:
 1. Junior member between ages of 5 and 14 years; sponsored by Linda Pugh
 2. Member or non-member 14 years or older; sponsored by Dorena Grange #835
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each group

Bar Cookies

- Groups:
 1. Junior member between ages of 5 and 14 years; sponsored by Linda Pugh
 2. Member or non-member 14 years or older; sponsored by Jasper Grange #532
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each group

Chocolate Chip Cookies

- Sponsored by Beaver Creek Grange #276
- Judged on appearance, consistency and taste
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Peanut Butter Cookies

- Sponsored by Jessie Guttridge in Memory of Don MacKinnon.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Unbaked (skillet) Cereal or Made in Pan Cookies

- Sponsored by Woodburn Grange #79
- Example: Rice Krispies Treat, unbaked chocolate oatmeal, peanut butter
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Peanut Butter Candy

- Sponsored by Goshen Grange #561
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Candy (No peanut butter)

- Sponsored by Beverly Doescher
- Categories 1: Fudge
2: Divinity
3: Peanut brittle
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each category

Hand-Dipped Chocolates

- Sponsored by Frogpond Grange #111
- May be dipped in milk, dark, or white chocolate
- Filling may be anything except fudge, divinity, peanut brittle, or peanut butter.
- 1st place \$5, 2nd place 4, 3rd place \$3 (plus ribbons)

Sweet Rolls

- Sponsored by Clarkes Grange #261
- Yeast only
- Rules: Place 6 items on a sturdy paper plate in a Ziploc bag. Put one item in a separate Ziploc bag with a label on it. Put both in another Ziploc bag and seal with an extra mailing label.
- 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$7, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Muffins

- Sponsored by Clarkes Grange #261
- Any kind of muffin
- Rules: Place 6 items on a sturdy paper plate in a Ziploc bag. Put one item in a separate Ziploc bag with a label on it. Put both in another Ziploc bag and seal with an extra mailing label.
- 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$7, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Gluten-Free Baked Item

- Sponsored by Mary and Robert Parrott
- Any kind of gluten-free baked item such as cookies, bread (yeast or not), muffins, hand pies or sweet rolls.
- Recipe must accompany the entry. Please use a typed or printed copy that can be copied easily. These recipes will be shared with others around the state.
- A contestant can enter 2 separate entries in this contest. Example: an entry of cookies and an entry of muffins. Entries cannot be of the same type. Example: two kinds of cookies.
- 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$7, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Sugar-Free Baked Item

- Sponsored by Dean and Vickie High
- Cookies or cake (unfrosted) for a diabetic person; must not contain refined sugar, molasses, honey or

corn syrup.

- Recipe must accompany the entry. Please use a typed or printed copy that can be copied easily. These recipes may be shared with others around the state.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Fruit or Vegetable Bread (No yeast breads)

- Sponsored by Margaret Clute
- Rules: Place one loaf of bread on a sturdy paper plate. Place in a Ziploc bag. Place label securely on top of package.
- 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$7, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Cupcake Challenge

- Sponsored by Susan Noah
- Rules: Cupcakes are to be decorated for a special occasion; for example, birthday, holiday, wedding, etc.
- All decorations must be made by the decorator.
- The entry must consist of 6 cupcakes. Two must be individually wrapped or boxed in individual bakery or plastic containers and labels with entry information. The remaining 4 cupcakes can be plated and put in a re-sealable bag and labeled.
- Judged on taste of cake and frosting as well as creativity of theme.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Decorated Cake

- Sponsored by Linda Helm
- Rules: You cannot be a cake decorator by trade (primary income) now or in the past.
- No larger than ½ sheet (12" x 18") real cake or use a dummy cake.
- Use appropriate frosting that will withstand 1 week on display. (Real cake with real edible frosting will not be sold or donated.)
- Judged on merits of design, originality and craftsmanship.
- Have fun with this!
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Preserved Foods

Use a brand name jar; no mayonnaise jars. Jars must be sealed with a new ring and lid. Put label on top of the lid. Canned foods will not be opened for judging.

Jam

- Sponsored by Phoenix Grange #779
Categories 1: Any fruit other than berry
2: Berry only
Sponsored by Joyce Parker
Category 3: Sugar free
- Judged on cleanliness, texture, fullness and color
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Jelly

- Sponsored by Connie Suing
Categories 1: Any fruit other than berry
2: Berry only
Sponsored by Joyce Parker
Category 3: Sugar free
- Judged on cleanliness, texture, fullness and color
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Fruit Butter

- Sponsored by Goshen Grange #561
- Rules: Any kind of fruit or vegetable butter (such as apple or pear).
- Judged on cleanliness, texture, fullness and color
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Pickles

- Sponsored by Springwater Grange #263
- Categories 1: Dill (cucumber only)
2: Sweet (cucumber only)
3: Bread and butter (cucumber only)
4: Relishes (any mixture of vegetables)
5: Miscellaneous (Any pickle other than cucumber)
- Judged on cleanliness, texture, fullness, brine clear
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each category

Canned Meats or Fish

- Sponsored by Goshen Grange #561
- Judged on cleanliness, fullness, color, meat quality
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Canned Vegetables

- Sponsored by Margaret Clute
- Categories 1: Beets
2: Carrots
3: Tomatoes
4. Other than listed
- Judged on cleanliness, fullness, color quality of vegetables

- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each category

Canned Fruit

- Sponsored by Little Deschutes Grange #939
Categories 1: Peaches
2: Pears
3: Applesauce
- Judged on cleanliness, color, quality of fruit.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each category

Dried Foods

- Sponsored by the Joyce Parker
- Categories: 1: Fruit
2: Vegetables
3: Jerky
4: Fruit leather
5: Herbs
- ½ cup, except ¼ cup for herbs.
- Herb jar lid may be used.
- Judged on appearance, fullness, color & quality.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each category

Crafts

“What To Do With Worn Out Jeans”

- Sponsored by Sunnyside #842
- Rules: Use your imagination and make any kind of item from old worn out jeans.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Jewelry

- Sponsored by Irving Grange #377
- Rules: Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and creativity.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Small Basketry

- Sponsored by Eagle Creek Grange #297
- Rules: Any natural material
- Maximum size 10 inches in diameter
- Judged on workmanship, use of natural fibers, neatness and originality
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Food Gift in a Jar (Cookies)

- Sponsored by Linda Pugh
- Rules: Layer dry ingredients in a quart jar.
- Attach recipe
- Decorated Jar lid
- Judged on neatness, appearance, creativity of jar lid and recipe attached.
- 1st place \$10, 2nd place \$8, 3rd place \$5 (plus ribbons)

Paper Craftsmanship: Cards

- Sponsored by Clarkes Grange #261
- One regular size card with envelope that must fit U.S. postal regulations for mailing
- Use paper products primarily: pens, inks, and paints can be used to highlight the design
- Cards may be for any occasion, however "Thinking of you," "Sympathy," and "Get Well" are preferred, as cards entered in this contest will be given to the State Chaplain to use throughout the year.
- Judged on workmanship, selection of design and expression of the overall message
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Paper Craftsmanship: Quilling

- Sponsored by Clarkes Grange #261
- Maximum size is 16 inches x 20 inches
- Use paper products primarily: pens, inks, and paints can be used to highlight the design
- Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, selection of design and expression of the overall message
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Other Paper Crafts

Note: Scrapbooking does not fit in this category. See Community Service contests for opportunities to display scrapbooking skills.

- Sponsored by Clarkes Grange #261
- Maximum size is 16 inches x 20 inches
- Use paper products primarily: pens, inks, and paints can be used to highlight the design
- Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, selection of design and expression of the overall message
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Small Wooden Articles

- Sponsored by Wayne Cabler
- Rules: Items no larger than 12 inches made of any kind of wood.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and creativity.

- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Woodcraft

- Sponsored by John Fine
- Larger than 12 inches; any kind of wood
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, suitability of article to purpose and design
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Metal Art

- Sponsored by Phil Van Buren
- Rules: Any kind of metal; minimum size 5 x 5 inches and maximum 16 x 15 inches.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, creativity and selection of design.
- 1st place: \$50, 2nd place: \$30, 3rd place: \$20 (plus ribbons)

Recycle

- Sponsored by Hurricane Creek Grange #608
- Rules: Take something you would normally discard and use your imagination. Construct something useful and decorative. May use wood, plastic or metal. It may hang, stand, sit or lean.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, creativity and selection of design.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

“Potluck”

- Sponsored by Joanne McBride
- Non-food items that don't fit into any other contest
- Two categories: 1. Fabrics/Yarn 2. Wood, Metal, Paper
- Rules: Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and creativity
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Bailey's Good Dog Gift Package

- Sponsored by Roxy and her people (Susan and Mark Noah)
- Rules: Gift packages must contain at least 4 items that will please a good dog. For example: canned food, snacks and toys. They may be purchased and/or homemade items.
- Judged on the appropriateness of the items included and the creativity in packaging.

- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)
- Roxy and Susan desire the gift packages be taken to a local humane society to be donated to dogs waiting to find a furrever home.

Here Kitty Gift Bag

- Sponsored by Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn and their family (the Parrotts).
- Rules: Gift packages must contain at least 4 items that will please a purr-fect kitty. For example: canned food, snacks toys and something with catnip. They may be purchased and/or homemade items.
- Judged on the appropriateness of the items included and the creativity in packaging.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)
- Tom and Huck wish the packages be taken to the local humane society to be donated to those felines who are waiting to be adopted.

Textiles (Crocheted, Knitted, Sewed, Needlework)

Pillowcases for our Troops and Veterans

- Sponsored by Gail Wilson
- Rules: Case must be for a standard-sized pillow.
- Fabric print can be appropriate for a man or woman.
- All pillowcases will be donated to our armed forces stationed abroad or to a Veterans shelter. Purchased pillowcases may be donated but not judged. A "Thank You for Serving our Country" card signed for the members of the Oregon State Grange will accompany the pillowcase.
- Judged on workmanship, selection of design, suitability of article to purpose and appearance.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Presentation Cases for Quilts of Valor

- Sponsored by Gail Wilson
- Made from any combination of red, white, blue or patriotic fabric.
- Another name for this is sausage roll pillow case.
- These will be donated to the Quilts of Valor Foundation.
- Judged on workmanship, selection of design, suitability of article to purpose and appearance.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Crocheted Doilies

- Sponsored by Spencer Creek Grange #855
- Rules: Crochet thread **only**
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, suitability of article to purpose and selection of design

- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Preemie Afghan & Hat

- Sponsored by Jan Oleson
- Knitted or Crocheted
- Rules: Block maximum size 12 inches square, Hat circumference: 10 inches.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- Sponsor wishes item to be donated to a local hospital in the host district, unless requested to be returned
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Crocheted or Knitted Afghan

- Sponsored by the Parrott family in memory of Grandma Irene Godfrey
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Miscellaneous Crocheted or Knitted Items

- Sponsored by Cookie Trupp
- Any crocheted or knitted item that does not fit into another contest
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Table Runner

- Sponsored by Ada Grange #570
- Rules: Can be any size or shape.
- Categories
1: Fabric
2: Knitted or Crocheted
- Judged on neatness, general appearance, selection of design, suitability of article to purpose and workmanship.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place \$10 (plus ribbons)

Embroidery

- Sponsor Julie Schnetzky
- Rules: May use any kind of thread
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Counted Cross Stitch

- Sponsored by Parkdale Grange #500
- Rules: Stitched area no smaller than 3 x 3 inches or larger than 11 x 17 inches. Any canvas count and type. Back of work does not have to be visible for judging.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Plastic Canvas

- Sponsored by Beaver Creek Grange #276
- Must be made within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Dementia Fidget Sleeve

- Sponsored by Tina Reynolds
- Knitted or crocheted
- Maximum size 12 inches by 24 inches
- Judged on workmanship, appearance, and creativity.
- 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)

Apron

- Groups:
 1. Junior member between ages of 5 and 14 years; sponsored by Marilyn Reiher
 2. Member or non-member 14 years or older; sponsored by Beaver Creek Grange #276
- Rules: May use any pattern and any material suitable to the kind of apron. Must be made by contestant within past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons) for each group

Hot Pad or Mitt

- Sponsored by Roxy Noah
- Categories
 - 1: Crocheted or knitted
 - 2: Any kind of fabric
- Rules: Any shape or size, using any brand of yarn or thread. May be a mitt or a handle holder, and be backed with fire resistant material. Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.

- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons) for each category

Purses and Totes

- Sponsored by Cookie Trupp
- Fabric (any kind); judged together
- Rules: Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Wall Hanging Quilt

- Sponsored by Creswell Grange #496
- Rules: Maximum size 70 x 125 inches. Must have a hanging method such as sleeve, hanging tabs, etc. to be considered "wall hanging." Must be made by contestant within last year.
- Rules: Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Baby Quilt

- Sponsored by Sauvies Island Grange #840
- Categories
 - 1: Machine quilted by one
 - 2: Tied by one
- Must be made by contestant within the past year.
- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Embroidered Baby Quilt

- Sponsored by Waltherville Grange #416
- Rules: Maximum size 70 x 125 inches. Must be made by contestant in the past year
- Judged on craftsmanship, design and neatness
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Quilts

- Sponsored by Siletz Valley Grange #558
- Categories
 - 1: Hand quilted by one
 - 2: Machine quilted by one
 - 3: Tied by one or group
- Rules: Minimum size 72 x 90 inches and maximum 120 x 120 inches. Must be made by contestant(s) within the past year.

- Judged on workmanship, general appearance, selection of design and suitability of article to purpose.
- For hand quilted: 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10 (plus ribbons)
For machine quilted and tied by one or group: 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons)

Covid-19 Masks

- Sponsored by Eva Frost and Marilyn Reiher
- Categories: 1: Functional
2: Fashion Fun
- Contestants can enter only one mask in each category
- May be any style mask, made from any material but must be handmade by the entrant
- Both categories will be judged on workmanship, effectiveness, and creativity
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place \$5

National Grange Quilt Block Contest

PATTERN, SIZE & COLORS

- 12 ¼" unfinished Wonky Star (pattern available, courtesy of Scissortail Quilting Company at <https://bit.ly/22wonkystar>)
- Background color white or light gray; star color monochromatic (print or solid)

RULES

- The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to both members and prospective members.
- All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by **June 30, 2022**.
Send entries to:
Ann Bercher, National Lecturer
377 Excelsior Blvd. #310
Excelsior, MN 55331
- Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 156th National Grange convention in Sparks, Nevada.
- The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and will be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity.

You will receive a donation letter from the Grange Foundation acknowledging your donation.

- A 2022 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged.

GROUPS

- Group I – Adult (Age 14+)
- Group II – Junior (Age 13 and under)
- Group III – Men (Age 14+)

PRIZES

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in both Groups.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entries.

2022 Quilt Block Contest ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Grange Member: Prospective/Not Yet A Member:

Grange Name: _____

No.: _____ State: _____

- Group I – Adult (Age 14+)

- Group II – Junior (Age 13 and under)

- Group III – Men (Age 14+)

All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by June 30, 2022.

The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.

Please make as many blocks as you wish, but only one contest entry per person.

Each contest entry must have a completed Entry Form.

Mail entries to:

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**National Grange 2022 Agricultural Awareness Project:
HOW DOES WEATHER AFFECT AGRICULTURE?**

Awareness awards are presented during the Junior Grange Breakfast at the National Grange Convention in November. Juniors may apply individually or together as a Junior Grange. The Awareness award incorporates research, STEM building projects, sharing your knowledge, and testing yourself through the Weather passport. Many of the award requirements will be covered during the annual convention.

DEADLINE FOR AWARENESS AWARD APPLICATIONS IS AUGUST 15, 2022

Oregon/National Contests

Junior contestants in many National contests are not required to enter the Oregon contest before submitting an entry at National level. Download the entire National Junior Grange Program Guide from the National Grange website or the Junior section of the Oregon State Grange website to explore your opportunities. Although travel expenses to Regional and National contests are the responsibility of the contestant's family, participation at the Oregon State Grange Convention invites support from Granges and Grangers across the state.

The following National awards do not require preliminary qualification in a state or regional contest. The deadline for contest entries is August 15:

- Ambassador Program
- Junior Historian Award
- Junior Mentor
- Agriculture Awareness Award
- Cape of Honor
- Grange in Action

The Oregon Talent, Public Speaking, and Signing contests are part of the Lecturer's program the first day of the convention. Participants must register in the Junior Room at the convention by **noon on Saturday, June 19**. Contestants must qualify in a state or regional contest to be eligible to participate in these National contests. The deadline to register for National is November 1:

- Public Speaking
- Sign-a-Song
- Grange Baseball

Junior Contests and Awards

Contestants must be Junior Grange members. Children between the ages 5 and 14 can join your Subordinate/Community Grange as 1+ members by paying an initiation fee of \$1 and \$1 annual dues. Your President will administer the Junior Grange Obligation. Your Secretary will list the Junior's name, address, and birth date on your next quarterly report. Your Grange retains the \$2 payment.

State Junior Officers

During the annual convention of the Oregon State Junior Grange, many activities are planned for the benefit of the Juniors in attendance. These include educational tours, contests, and the conferral of the Junior Degree by the State Junior Officers on Tuesday morning.

Children aged 5 to 14 may apply to be a State Junior Officer. The application form can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/juniors/. Applications sent to the Oregon State Grange office (643 Union St NE, Salem 97301) or submitted to psjill@comcast.net **before April 30** will be given first consideration. However, if any offices are vacant, applications will be accepted until the first day of the convention. The State Junior committee will select the officers and inform the applicants of the office for which they have been selected.

All officers will need to attend the State Junior Convention Saturday June 18 through Thursday June 23. Officers memorize speaking parts and a marching drill for the Junior Degree. Scripts for degree work will be provided ahead of time whenever possible.

For the conferral of the degree on Tuesday morning June 21, officers will be required to wear a white shirt and black pants or skirt. Dress shoes are preferred.

Junior Talent

(Oregon Contest)

The Junior Grange Talent takes place on the first day of the State Grange Convention. Contestants can enter one vocal, instrumental, or variety act of three to five minutes in the Junior Talent contest. Winning acts may be asked to perform at the Lecturer’s Talent Show on Saturday evening.

Age groups in each category:

- 5 to 7 years
- 8 to 10 years
- 11 to 14 years

Judging Criteria:

Musical Acts Points

Memorization	20
Poise	15
Audience Appreciation	25
Expression	40
Possible:	100

Variety Acts

Points

Memorization	15
Poise	20
Audience Appreciation	25
Expression	25
Understanding	15
Possible:	100

Digital Junior Contests

(Oregon / National Contest)

National Grange has introduced a video talent contest for Juniors. Details are on page 24 of the 2022 Junior Program Guide. Digital versions of Sign-A-Song and public speaking are under consideration. Digital contests are judged separately from in-person contests. Oregon digital contests are being developed. Save your videos and watch the *Grange Bulletin* for updates.

Junior Public Speaking

(Oregon / National Contest)

CATEGORIES:

- **Short Story:** Present a story or poem of your choosing. Minimum time is 1 minute; maximum is 3.
- **Prepared:** Speak on this year’s theme, “How does being a Junior Granger impact my community?” or a topic of your choice. Minimum time is 3 minutes; maximum is 7.
- **Impromptu:** (Only at Regional Conferences) Contestants draw two topics from a mystery bag and select one for a one-to-three-minute impromptu speech.

Judging Criteria:

Points

Time	10
Content	40
Voice Control	20
Body Language	10
Eye Contact	10
Appearance	10
Possible:	100

The first place state winner in each category is eligible to compete at the National Grange Convention in November. Contact the State Junior Director to coordinate travel with others attending. The contestant’s family is responsible for all costs.

Junior Sign-A-Song

(Oregon / National Contest)

CATEGORIES: Novice, Hobbyist, Group

Judging Criteria:

Points

Utilization of total communication (<i>Sign language ability, signs clearly with creative interpretation</i>)	30
Body expressions, displays emotion	30
Presentation, interpretation with confidence	30
Clarity of music selection	10
Possible:	100

The first place state winner is eligible to compete at the National Grange Convention in in November. Contact the State Junior Director to coordinate travel with others attending. The contestant’s family is responsible for all costs.

Junior Grange Baseball

(National Contest)

Grange Baseball gives you the opportunity to expand your knowledge of the organization in many different areas while enhancing your critical thinking, problem solving, communications, and listening skills.

Questions will be gathered from the National Grange roster, Youth and Junior programs, past trivia challenges, manual, degrees, Grange history books, Digest of Laws, Journal of Proceedings, etc.

Regional contests:

- Regional Participants will be divided into two teams: Blue Agates or Golden Sheaves. State affiliations do not matter.
- Play will last for five innings or an hour and a half. In the case of a tie-breaker, an extra inning will be played.
- Each team will get 3 outs per inning. (An out is an incorrect answer.)
- When a player gets up to bat, they will get to determine what type of base hit they want: single, double, triple, home run.
- The type of base hit will determine the difficulty of the question.
- Participants will have 15 seconds to answer a single or double question; 30 seconds to answer a triple or home run question.
- Junior Baseball players may request help from a pinch hitter (help from the audience) no more than 3 times over the total length of the game

Once the teams have been decided, the teams will choose a line-up. Teams cannot help the batter answer a question.

Statistics will be kept on each individual player. The three players from each region with the best slugging percentages will represent the region at National. These participants will be referred to as "Silver Sluggers".

For anyone not participating, team cheering sections are highly encouraged. Cheer gear will be provided by the National Grange Youth Department.

Anyone may participate at a regional level. Only Juniors/Youth/Young Adults will be able to participate at National session.

National Rules will be used at the Oregon State Grange Convention.

The top 3 contestants in the Junior Category will win a cash prize.

Junior Historian Award

The Junior Historian Award is the highest level of achievement an individual Junior Grange member may obtain. The purpose of the award is to challenge Junior Grange members to learn and become fluent in the Rituals and History of our organization.

The candidate must send a completed application, including the Junior Historian Knowledge written test and proof of completion of requirements, to the National Junior Director postmarked no later than **August 15**: See www.orgrange.org/juniors/ for the test and requirements.

A special recognition and certificate will be presented to each Junior Grange member who meets the requirements. The Junior Historian applications and documentation will be displayed at the National Grange Convention and those receiving the award will be recognized at the Junior Grange Breakfast.

Ambassador Program

The Junior Grangers chosen to be an Ambassador need to show a desire and willingness to represent the National Junior Grange program. The expectation is that they will be exemplary representatives of the Junior Grange, participate in and lead Junior Grange activities at the National Grange Convention; act as ambassadors throughout the year; promote the Junior Grange Program; and exemplify leadership qualities.

Two Junior Grangers may be chosen and will be expected to attend the National Grange Convention. This program requires parent/guardian permission and participation. The Ambassador's family will be responsible for all costs including travel, housing, meals and registration.

Junior Grange Community Service Contest

The intent of this collaborative program between these two departments is to bring attention to the community service projects Junior Granges are doing. We know that some Junior Granges either perform Community Service projects on their own or in conjunction with their sponsor Granges. This would also be a way to enhance the 1+ program by drawing attention to what a single Junior Granger is doing in their community and hopefully pique the interest of other children in that age range.

Please see the Community Service section of the Awards booklet for the information on this contest.

Oregon and National Grange Contests

Creative art, creative writing, mini scrapbook, and photography contests can be, but do not have to be, entered for judging at the State Grange Convention. If they are, awards in each age group: 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$5, 3rd place: \$2.50.

After the convention, the State Director will send winning entries to the National Junior Director. However, if you want your entry returned to you and not sent to National Grange, please specify on your entry.

Juniors can send entries to National Grange without having them judged at the State Convention. Send them to the National Junior Director postmarked no later than **September 1**. Entries are not guaranteed to be returned to the contestant.

Photography

(Oregon/National Contest)

Theme: Raised Right Here.

Rules:

- Take a photo. Photoshop can be used only to crop or adjust brightness and contrast.
- Write one to three sentences describing your picture.
- Adult participation should be limited to enjoying the scenery while your Junior takes the photo.
- Digital pictures will be accepted for judging via email to psjill@comcast.net until **June 1**. If you submit a photo print, size must be 5x7.
- Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and how well the photo matches the sentence(s) you wrote.
- The first-place photo will be entered in the National contest.

Creative Art

(Oregon/National Contest)

Draw or paint a picture showing what agriculture looks like in your community. Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of theme.

Rules:

- Maximum paper size is 8.5 x 11 inches.
- May use crayons, colored pencils, markers, paints, or watercolors.
- Judging will be based on creativity, originality and use of theme.
- Label an index card on the back with the contestant's name, age and birth date, state, Grange name and number, and mailing address.

Creative Writing

(Oregon/National Contest)

Write a story or essay on one of these topics:

- IF you got to be the National Grange President for a day, tell me about all that you would want to accomplish in that day.
- Write about the most important news event that you have heard about and how did it make you feel?

Rules:

- Minimum length one page and maximum four pages double-spaced, typed or handwritten.
- Judging will be based on creativity, originality and use of theme.
- Label an index card on the back with the contestant's name, age and birth date, state, Grange name and number, and mailing address.
- Entries may be sent via email as a PDF document.

Handy Craft

(Oregon/National Contest)

Create a String Art picture using a wood base, nails, and yarn.

Rules:

- Base should be a maximum of 8.5x11 inches (standard printer paper size).
- Judging will be based on creativity and originality.
- Deadline for mailing is September 1.

Baking

(Oregon Contest)

All entries must be received in the GWA exhibit area at the convention no later than **noon on Sunday June 19**.

Each contestant can have only **one entry** in each contest. All entries must be labeled with the contest, category, entrant's name, complete address, email, phone, Grange name and number, and county.

Drop Cookies (No peanut butter or chocolate chips)

- Group 1 is limited to Junior members between ages of 5 and 14 years.
- Sponsored by Linda Pugh
- Place 12 cookies on a sturdy paper plate inside a Ziploc bag. Put one cookie in a separate Ziploc bag with a label that has your name and Grange (see page 6). Put both bags inside another Ziploc bag.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each group

Bar Cookies

- Group 1 is limited to Junior members between ages of 5 and 14 years.
- Sponsored by Linda Pugh
- Place 12 cookies on a sturdy paper plate inside a Ziploc bag. Put one cookie in a separate Ziploc bag with a label that has your name and Grange (see page 6). Put both bags inside another Ziploc bag.
- 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons) for each group

Sewing

(Oregon Contest)

All entries must be received in the GWA exhibit area at the convention no later than **noon on Sunday June 19.**

Each contestant can have only **one entry**. All entries must be labeled with the contest, category, entrant’s name, complete address, email, phone, Grange name and number, and county.

Apron

- Group 1 is limited to Junior members between ages of 5 and 14 years.
- Sponsored by Marilyn Reiher
- Rules: May use any pattern and any material suitable to the kind of apron. Must be made by contestant within past year.
- Judged on workmanship and serviceability.
- 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$5 (plus ribbons) for each group

National Grange Quilt Block Contest

Group 2 is for Juniors (age 14 and under). See page 41 of the National Junior Grange 2021 Program Guide for the pattern, instructions, and rules.

Minecraft Architects

(Oregon Contest)

The ability to plan and create is a pivotal skill in Minecraft. This is a live action contest that takes place during the OSG convention in June.

Judging will be based on creativity and originality.

National Grange contest age groups:

- 5 to 7 years
- 8 to 10 years
- 11 to 14 years

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Lecturer's Contests

All contests, except Talent, are open to members and non-members. The Best of Show winner in photography must be a Grange member.

Those entering the Talent Contest must sign up with the State Lecturer no later than noon on **Saturday** of the Convention and participate in a sound check at least two hours before the contest.

Entries for all other contests must be received in the Lecturer's exhibit area at the Oregon State Grange Convention by **noon** on **Sunday**. If no one from your Grange is attending the convention, you can mail your entries to the State Grange office (643 Union St. NE, Salem 97301) postmarked no later than **June 1**.

All entries must be labeled with the contest, category, entrant's name, complete address, email, phone, Grange name and number, and county. For non-members, please supply your sponsoring member's name and Grange. Contest entry labels can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/lecturer/. You can also make your own following this template.

<i>Contest</i>	

<i>Category</i>	
<i>Fold bottom up to here to cover name</i>	

<i>Contestant's name</i>	

<i>Address</i>	

<i>City</i>	<i>Zip</i>

<i>Email</i>	

<i>Phone</i>	

<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Grange member</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Non-member</i>	

<i>If non-member, name of sponsor</i>	

<i>Grange name</i>	

<i>#</i>	<i>County</i>

Art

Rules:

- Open to members and non-members
 - All entries must be original work.
 - Entries must be framed or have a firm backing so they can be displayed properly.
 - Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
 - Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year.
 - Computer enhancement of art work and nude entries will not be accepted.
- ❖ 1st place: \$15, 2nd place \$10, 3rd place \$7 (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Oils
 - **Sponsored by Spencer Creek Grange**
- B. Acrylics
 - **Sponsored by Irving Grange**
- C. Water Colors
 - **Sponsored by Irving Grange**
- D. Pen and Ink
 - **Sponsored by Alice Nowicki and Ken Schwieger**
- E. Diamond Painting
 - **Sponsored by Jasper Grange**

NEW Rock Painting Contest

Rules:

- Open to members and non-members
 - All entries must be original work.
 - Entries must be secured on solid base or platform.
 - Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
 - Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year.
- ❖ 1st place: \$15, 2nd place \$10, 3rd place \$7
In each category (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Single Painted Rock
 - **Sponsored by Sam Keator**
- B. Grouping of more than one Painted Rock
 - **Sponsored by Sam Keator**

Flyer

Rules:

- Entrant must be a Grange member.
 - Size must be 8½ x 14 inches or smaller.
 - Material must be suitable for posting on billboards or windows.
 - Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
 - Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year.
- ❖ 1st place \$5, 2nd place \$4, 3rd place \$3 (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Handmade, promoting Grange activities
 - **Sponsored by Springwater Grange**
- B. Computer generated, promoting Grange activities
 - **Sponsored by Springwater Grange**

Pamphlet

Rules:

- Entrant must be a Grange member.
 - Materials can be of any type or color suitable.
 - Tri-folded size 3 3/4 x 8 ½ inches.
 - Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
 - Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year
- ❖ 1st place \$5, 2nd place \$4, 3rd place \$3. (plus ribbons)

Category: Computer generated, promoting the Grange

- **Sponsored by Debi deBoer**

Poster

Rules:

- Open to members and non-members
 - Materials can be of any type or color suitable.
 - Size must be 11x17 up to 24 x 36 inches.
 - Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
 - Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year
- ❖ 1st place: \$5, 2nd place: \$4, 3rd place: \$3 (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Handmade, promoting Grange activities
 - **Sponsored by Springwater Grange**
- B. Computer generated, promoting Grange activities
 - **Sponsored by Springwater Grange**

Program

Rules:

- Entrant must be a Grange member.
- Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year.
- Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year

Category: Computer generated

- **Sponsored by Sunnyside Grange**

Photography

Rules: Open to all members and non-members.

- Only prints are accepted; no slides.
- Frame or backing is required.
- Minimum size 5 x 7 inches; maximum 11 x 14 inches (including mat, if used). **Only 8 x 10 photos qualify for Best of Show.**
- NOTE: Only a Grange member entry will be considered for **Best of Show**.
- Entries must have been taken after June 1, 2021; cannot have been entered prior to this year.
- Participants may enter all categories with different photos.
- Category entries are decided by participant.
- No more than two entries per participant will be allowed in each category.
- Print may be made by commercial process; but photo must have been taken by entrant.
- Categories **A – J are color only.**
- No professional photographers (earns 100% of his/her income from photography) may enter.
 - ❖ 1st place: \$10, 2nd place: \$8, 3rd place: \$6 in each category (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Scenic-Landscape
 - **Sponsored by Dean and Vickie High**
- B. Scenic-Seascape
 - **Sponsored by Dean and Vickie High**
- C. Close-ups
 - **Sponsored by Lynn and Harold Johnson**
- D. Family
 - **Sponsored by Cookie and Malcolm Trupp**
- E. Pets and/or farm animals
 - **Sponsored by Louise Holst and Phil Van Buren**
- F. Wild animals
 - **Sponsored by Debi deBoer**
- G. Oldies/Goodies
 - **Sponsored by Walterville Grange**
- H. Grange Activities
 - **Sponsored by Ada Grange**

- I. Grange Hall Buildings
 - **Sponsored by Mark Noah**
- J. Sports
 - **Sponsored by Lorane Grange**
- K. Potpourri (Anything else!)
 - **Sponsored by Joanne and David McBride**
- L. Black & White
 - **Sponsored by Sam Keator**

The **Best of Show** photograph will be selected from the above categories and will be sent on to the National Grange Convention. There, photos will be judged and cash prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd and ribbons will be given to each entrant.

NEW Photo Entry with Caption

Rules:

- One entry person.
- Entries must have been submitted in one of the photography categories.
- Caption limited to 20 words or less.

Judging will be done by daily "People's Choice" votes/ Prize will be awarded Tuesday before dinner break.

- **Sponsored by Lecturer's Committee**

Creative Writing

Rules:

- Entrant must be Grange members.
- Entry must be typed on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper.
- 500 words maximum.
- Must be original work.
- Contestant may enter both categories.
- Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year
 - ❖ 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$7 in each category (plus ribbons)

Categories:

- A. Poetry - any subject
 - **Sponsored by Linda Helm and Wayne Cabler**
- B. Tell the Story – Open to any story
 - **Sponsored by Linda Helm and Wayne Cabler**

Judging: By selected committee

Skit Writing

Rules:

- Entrants must be Grange members.
- No more than five minutes long.
- Entry must be typed on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper *with the line spacing of 1.5 or greater.*
- May be written for any number of characters.

-- Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year

- ❖ 1st place: \$15, 2nd place: \$10, 3rd place: \$7 in each category (plus ribbon)

Category

- A. Any topic
 - **Sponsored by Linda Helm and Wayne Cabler**

Judging: By selected committee

Talent Contest

Rules:

- Each contestant must be a Grange member, but the accompanist for a vocal entry does not have to be a member.
- Groups need not be members of the same Grange.
- Groups can include Junior Grangers or 1+ Junior members; however, at least half must be Subordinate/ Community Grange members.
- Subordinate/Community Granges are **not** limited to one entry per category.
- Taped accompaniment for vocal entries must be instrumental only.
- Taped accompaniment is not allowed for instrumental acts.
- *Sign A Song* is permitted in the variety act category. However, *two weeks notification* must be given prior to the competition, so that a sign language judge can be at the performance.
- Judging will be held at the State Grange Convention in June. Contestants must make their own arrangements for attending the State Grange Convention.
- **NOTE:** Contestants must sign in with State Lecturer no later than noon on **Saturday June 18** and participate in a sound check at least two hours before the contest.
- Those who represent Oregon at the National Grange are not allowed to compete in the following year.

Judging Criteria:

	Points
Overall Performance	30
Audience Response/Appeal	20
Stage Presence/Appearance	10
Originality	20
Personality	10
Time Deduction	10
Total Points Possible:	100

The maximum time is **5:00** minutes, which includes any time required to set up and take down props used in the act. The minimum time limit is **3** minutes. Two points per minute or portion thereof will be deducted from total

points for going over or under the time limit. (10 points maximum deduction).

- ❖ 1st place: \$30, 2nd place: \$20, 3rd place: \$10 in each category (plus ribbons)

Categories:

A. Vocal B. Instrumental C. Variety Acts

- **Above Categories are Sponsored by the OSG Lecturer's Dep.**

The **Best of Show winner** will be provided with three nights' lodging and travel fare to the National Grange Convention in November, where they will represent Oregon and perform in the National Grange "Evening of Excellence." National Grange will award each participant \$100.

2022 156th National Grange Convention will be in Sparks, NV.

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Talent Contestant Entry Form

State Grange Talent Contestant
Entry Form

Subordinate/Community Grange _____

Subordinate Lecturer _____

1. Vocal Name _____

Home Phone _____

Home Address _____

Description of Act _____

2. Instrumental Name _____

Home Phone _____

Home Address _____

Description of Act _____

3. Variety Name _____

Home Phone _____

Home Address _____

Description of Act _____

This form is due to the State Lecturer by **JUNE 1.**

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Please refer to the
**2022 Awards, Contests and
Scholarships Booklet**, Lecturer's section,
for further information.

Membership

Awards for Gain in 2021

The Membership Committee will present prizes to the Granges that had the highest membership gains in the previous calendar year (2021). There is no form to fill out or deadline to meet. The Membership Committee determines the winners based on your quarterly reports. The prizes will be presented at the Membership Luncheon during the State Grange Convention at the Talent High School.

Highest % gain	\$100
Second highest % gain	\$75
Third highest % gain	\$50
Fourth highest % gain	\$25

Reorganized, consolidated, or newly chartered Granges are ineligible for consideration the year that event occurs. However, reorganized and consolidated Granges will receive \$100 and a newly chartered Grange will receive \$150.

All Granges with a 15% gain or more qualify for a drawing for an indoor/outdoor flag.

To be awarded at the Oregon State Grange Session in 2022

Presidents Award

(Oregon State Grange Foundation Award)

The Oregon State Grange Foundation will award the Grange with the largest net membership gain for the year with a plaque and \$200.

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Youth and Young Adults Ages 14-35

Oregon State Grange Youth Officers

(Oregon Program) Due March 31st

State Youth Officers open the Oregon State Grange Convention on Wednesday morning. In addition each youth officer will be assigned duties during the week to assist their counterpart State Grange officer.

State Youth Officers

- Youth officers will serve a one-year term
- All Youth officers will need to attend the State Grange Convention from Saturday through Wednesday and participate in every Youth Officer practice as requested.
- Youth officers will make an effort to volunteer at least 2 State Grange events, i.e.: FFA convention, Ag Fest, Log Cabin at State Fair and Veteran Day Parade
- Youth officers will be provided with and expected to sell 20 raffle tickets previous to arriving for state convention. Tickets will be mailed no later than May 1
- Youth officers will be available as a state resource to help plan, promote, and conduct Grange Youth activities.

Applicants for State Youth Officers must be youth age, 14 to 35 years as of January 1. The application will be published in the February issue of the OSG Bulletin, on Facebook and can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/. Applications must be sent to the State Youth Director postmarked no later than **March 31**. The State Youth Team will select State Youth Officers and the State Youth Director is responsible for informing the applicants of their office no later than May 1.

All officers will need to attend the State Grange Convention at the Talent High School from Saturday June 18 through Thursday June 23 and participate in every Youth Officer practice.

Youth Officers cannot hold the same office for two consecutive years.

Officers with speaking parts will have their parts thoroughly memorized upon arrival at the State Grange Convention

The AS is responsible for having an entrance drill prepared. The LAS is responsible for having an exit drill prepared. Please limit the opening drill to six minutes and the retiring drill to three minutes.

Dress requirements for Youth Officers on Wednesday morning when opening the State Grange Convention:

- Male officers will be required to wear a button-up shirt, slacks, tie, jacket and dress shoes (no athletic shoes).
- Female officers will be required to wear a floor length dress with straps or sleeves and dress shoes.

Oregon Teenager Award

(Oregon Program) Due May 15th

This program is for young Grange members 14-15 years old, who are making the transition from the Junior Grange program to the youth program of the Subordinate/Community Grange. Applicants do not have to have been a Junior Grange member to enter.

The following process will be used to select the winner:

- One teenager between the ages of 14 and 15 will be selected to receive this honor.
- The Subordinate/Community Grange must certify that the applicant is eligible. This includes submitting a completed Oregon Teenager Award Application, which must be signed by the Subordinate/Community Grange President and Youth Chair or Secretary. The application can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.
- Applicants must submit an essay of at least 300 but not more than 500 words on one of three topics
 - "How I plan to bring more young people into the Grange and help keep them active?"
 - What is the role of a teenager in the Grange?
 - What have I learned from Grange?
- Applicants must complete the requirements of two seals from the National Achievement Program prior to the State Grange Convention.
- Applicants must secure one letter of recommendation from your Subordinate/Community Grange President or Secretary or Pomona Youth Chairperson.
- Judges will take into consideration the number of Subordinate/Community and Pomona Grange meetings the applicant has attended in the previous year.

A three-person committee appointed by the State President and/or State Youth Director shall select the state winner.

The winner will be announced at the Youth Luncheon during the State Grange Convention. The winner will receive a certificate and \$25.

Previous winners are not eligible to compete again.

Judging Criteria:

Points

Judging Criteria:	Points
Personal Essay	100
Application	50
Letter of Recommendation	50
Possible:	200

The application package consisting of the Oregon Teenager Award Application, essay and one letter of recommendation must be sent to the State Youth Director postmarked no later than **May 15**.

The Oregon Teenager will serve a one-year term on the State Youth Committee and be available as a state resource to help plan, promote, and conduct Grange Youth activities.

Junior Mentor Award

(National Program) Due August 1st

This award is designed to recognize Grange youth and young adults who go above and beyond to guide and mentor Junior Grangers.

- Mentors must be between the ages of 14 and 35.
- National Nominations will be by the State Youth Committee with advisement of the State Junior Committee. Any Oregon Grange or state Committee may make nominations to the state Youth Director. The OSG application deadline is **August 1**.
- State winners will receive a certificate and may be recognized during Youth Activities Days at the National Grange Convention.
- The National Junior and Youth Departments will name a committee to select one winner, who will receive a plaque.

Oregon Ambassador, Outstanding Young Adult & Young Couple – National Horizon Ambassador & Young Patron-Program

(State & National Program) Due May 15th

The purpose of this program is to provide an opportunity for selected youth, young adults, and young couples to build their leadership potential, broaden their view of the Grange by experiencing a National Convention, receive educational training to use in their state, and build

relationships with Grangers throughout the nation by having fun.

Each state may send two youth (one male and one female), and two young adults or one young couple who meet the following criteria:

- Youth ambassadors must have observed their 16th birthday, but not their 23rd birthday by December 31 of the year they attend the National Convention. The individuals must also be single, never been married, have no children and must not marry and/or have children during their term of service. If under 18, they must have their parents' consent.
- Young adults and young couples must have observed their 22nd birthday, but not their 37th birthday by December 31 of the year they attend the National Convention.
- All applicants must have been a Grange member for a minimum of one year at the time they attend the National Convention.
- Previous ambassadors, young adults and young couples cannot repeat the experience, but former ambassadors can become young patrons.
- All must be able to attend the National Convention to represent their state during Youth Activities Days (Wednesday evening through Saturday).
- All must attend a regional youth conference in the year they apply and a State Convention in the past two years. Applicant must also present a prepared speech at their regional conference. This speech will not be considered for Best of Show or selected for National. Exception: If the Ambassador/Young Patron is their state's winner for Prepared Speech/SAS contest they will meet this requirement.
- Applicant must submit an example of a social media post used to promote membership and a short essay about why they wish to be considered for National Grange Youth leadership team.
- Ambassadors/Young Patrons/Young Couples must present a 30 minute workshop at National Convention.
- Ambassadors/Young Patrons/Young Couples must submit the following along with their application:
 - An example of a social media post that would be used to promote membership
 - A short essay (350- 500 words) about why they want to be considered for the National Grange Youth Leadership Team

Oregon Requirements

- Must meet the above requirements or show progress towards
- Must complete and submit the Oregon Application
- Must submit a letter of recommendation from your Subordinate/ Community Grange President or Secretary

The application form must be completed and sent with a letter of recommendation from your Subordinate/ Community Grange President or Secretary to the State Youth Director postmarked no later than **May 15**. The application form is downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.

State winners will be announced during the Youth Luncheon at the annual State Grange Convention. Each will receive a certificate and will represent Oregon at the Western Regional Conference and the National Convention the year of their reign.

For the Western Regional Conference, the State Grange will pay mileage to and from the carpool departure point, two-night shared lodging, and registration, which includes group meals.

Oregon Ambassadors, Outstanding Young Adults and Young Couple will serve a one-year term on the State Youth Committee and will be available as a state resource to help plan, promote, and conduct Grange Youth activities.

Oregon Ambassadors, Outstanding Young Adults and Young Couple will serve as Grange Ambassadors and make an effort to represent the Grange at State Fair in the Log Cabin, Albany Veterans Day Parade, Oregon FFA Convention and Ag Fest as well as travel to Granges as requested.

State Ambassadors and Outstanding Young Adults or Outstanding Young Couple with complete requirements for the National Grange Horizon Leadership Program and will be responsible for sending the National application package including letters of recommendation from your Subordinate/ Community Grange President or Secretary, the State President and the State Youth Director to the National Grange Youth Director postmarked no later than **August 15**.

- Include a summary of your Grange activities in the following areas: Fellowship, Activities, Recognition, Fun, Leadership, Service, and Membership.
- Write a five to eight line description of yourself and/or your family and submit three 4" x 6" color photo prints, one which is of your family. The

description and photos may be displayed at various events throughout the Convention.

- Ambassadors and Young Patrons (Oregon Outstanding Young Adults or Young Couple) are required to bring a ½ inch binder with photos and highlights from their year to the National Convention. The binders will be placed on display in the Idea Fair and reviewed by the judges.
- At the National Convention ambassadors and young adults will be housed together with up to three other participants per room. Young couples will be housed in one room.
- Ambassadors and Young Patrons are responsible for their own convention registration fee. The State Grange will pay round-trip mileage or airfare and up to \$30 per day reimbursement for meals (Wednesday – Sunday) upon presentation of receipts.
- The National Grange GROW Club will provide each ambassador with tickets to the G.R.O.W. Club Reception.
- Ambassadors are required to attend the Youth Tour and Celebration Banquet.
- Any participant who fails to comply with the guidelines set up will be expected to pay their own expenses.

In Oregon Ambassadors will serve a one-year term on the State Youth Committee and will be available as a state resource to help plan, promote, and conduct Grange Youth activities.

Grange Display Contest

(National Program) Due June 19th

The goal of the Grange Display contest is to create either a digital or folding display that could be utilized at a county fair, library, Grange open house or other forum to promote the Grange, Grange program or Grange issue. The theme of the display must be Grange related..

- Displays must be entered for judging at the State Grange Convention by **noon on Sunday** of convention.
- Folding Display should be no larger than 3' x 4' and should be able to stand by itself. Digital displays must be on a flash drive and in .MP4, .MP3, WMA format.
- Displays will be judged on content, organization, originality and neatness.
- All entrants must be youth or young adult members of a Subordinate/Community Grange.

- Age categories:
 Youth 14-21 as of January 1
 Young adult 22-35
- Entrants can be either an individual or a group. However, all group members must be in the same age division.

Judging Criteria	Points
Content	30
Organization	30
Neatness	25
Originality	15
Possible:	100

The first place winner in each age category will receive \$50; their entry will be sent to the National Grange Convention and may be exhibited in the Grange booth at the FFA Convention, the Log Cabin, or other venues determined by the State Grange office.

The State Youth Director will make arrangements for shipping the display to and from the National Grange convention. The contestant does not need to attend.

Youth Officer T-Shirt Design Contest - NEW

(National Program) Due August 15th

Youth Officers will be provided a shirt to wear at National Convention during the Youth Opening . Any Youth or Young Adult may submit a design to be voted on via social media votes.

- Designs must be no more than two colors and front design only.
- Designs must be submitted in a .PNG or .JPEG image via email to the National Grange Youth Director (youth@nationalgrange.org) no later than August 15th.
- Voting will take place from August 20-September 10th. Winning Designs will be announced after September 10th.
- All entries must be submitted with a waiver of release found in the National Youth Handbook.

Grange Baseball

(National Contest)

Grange Baseball gives you the opportunity to expand your knowledge of the organization in many different areas while enhancing your critical thinking, problem solving, communications, and listening skills. Questions will be gathered from the National Grange roster, Youth and Junior programs, past trivia

challenges, manual, degrees, Grange history books, Digest of Laws, Journal of Proceedings, etc.

Regional contests:

- Regional Participants will be divided into two teams: Blue Agates or Golden Sheaves. State affiliations do not matter.
- Play will last for five innings or an hour and a half. In the case of a tie-breaker, an extra inning will be played.
- Each team will get 3 outs per inning. (An out is an incorrect answer.)
- When a player gets up to bat, they will get to determine what type of base hit they want: single, double, triple, home run.
- The type of base hit will determine the difficulty of the question.
- Participants will have 15 seconds to answer a single or double question; 30 seconds to answer a triple or home run question.

Once the teams have been decided, the teams will choose a line-up. Teams cannot help the batter answer a question.

Statistics will be kept on each individual player. The three players from each region with the best slugging percentages will represent the region at National. These participants will be referred to as "Silver Sluggers". For anyone not participating, team cheering sections are highly encouraged. Cheer gear will be provided by the National Grange Youth Department. Anyone may participate at a regional level. Only Juniors/Youth/Young Adults will be able to participate at National session.

The State Grange will pay mileage to and from the carpool departure point, two-nights shared lodging, and registration, which includes group meals. The contest at the Western Regional Conference will follow the same format as the national contest.

National winners will receive a ribbon.

If an Oregon contestant is selected to participate at the National Grange Convention, the State Grange will pay round-trip mileage or airfare and up to \$30 per day (Friday – Sunday) reimbursement for meals upon presentation of receipts.

National Grange Youth Officers Team

(National Program) Due August 15th

Purpose: To assemble a team of youth from across the nation to open the National Grange Convention on Friday morning. This provides more youth with an opportunity to participate in the National Grange Convention.

The Grange Youth Officers Team will march in and open the Grange in the Fourth Degree and march out.

There are 18 offices to be filled: President, Vice-President, Lecturer, Steward, Assistant Steward, Lady Assistant Steward, Chaplain, Treasurer, Secretary, Gatekeeper, Ceres, Pomona, Flora, four Executive Committee positions and Musician. Youth who previous served as President are ineligible to re-apply.

- President, Vice-President, Steward, A.S., L.A.S., Gatekeeper, and Chaplain have speaking parts.
- Lecturer will need to select an opening song.
- Secretary will need to call the roll of Youth Officers and pronounce their names correctly.
- Ceres, A.S., and L.A.S. will need to know how to present the flag properly according to the Official Flag Presentation Ceremony of the National Grange.
- A.S. and L.A.S. may submit suggestions for the seating and retiring drill. Please limit the opening drill to six minutes and the retiring drill to three minutes.
- Musician applicants must submit a musical demonstration tape or CD. The musical piece should be no more than three minutes. The Musician may make suggestions for march music. The National Youth Director will screen any music suggestions for appropriateness.

Those applying for a position must be Grange members, who are at least 14 years of age and not over 35 years of age. The application form is available in the *2020 Grange Youth Program and Contest Handbook* or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.

- Applicants must attend a regional youth conference in the year they apply. Applicant must also participate in Sign a Song or Prepared Speech at regional conference.
- Applicants may not apply for an office they have held previously.
- Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from a member of their local Grange (preferably President), State Youth Director, and State President.
- Applicants must write a five to eight line description about themselves and/or their family and submit three 4" x 6" color photo prints, one which is of their family. The description and photos will be displayed at various events throughout the National Grange Convention.
- Applicants must be committed to memorizing their speaking part if the office they are applying to fill has

a speaking part. Each applicant must be willing to comply with the dress guidelines that will be established for officers.

- Current Ambassadors and John Trimble Youth Legislative Experience delegates are not eligible to apply.

The National Youth Director will contact each applicant with additional questions during the selection process.

The selection process will be based on letters of recommendation as well as the application.

Each applicant will be notified of the results no later than September 20, so that each has adequate time to make travel arrangements. Each member of the N.G.Y.O.T. will receive a special certificate.

Youth housing at the National Convention will be available for any who wish to participate. If funds are available in the Grange Foundation Youth Leadership Fund, financial assistance will be given for lodging and meals. If funds are not available, all expenses incurred will be the responsibility of the youth participating.

The State Grange will pay round-trip mileage or airfare and up to \$30 per day reimbursement (Wednesday – Sunday) for meals upon presentation of receipts.

Youth Officers will participate in an Officer Meet and Greet with their National counterpart on Wednesday Night of National convention.

Applicants are responsible for sending applications with letters of recommendation and photos must be sent to the National Grange Youth Director no later than **August 15**.

John Trimble National Youth Legislative Experience

(National Program) Due August 15th

The Trimble Legislative Experience will provide opportunities for one or two Grange youth, age 16-35, with an interest in the legislative aspect of the National Grange to see the inner workings of committees and grassroots legislative policy development at the National Grange Convention.

- Each youth will serve as a voting member of a committee reviewing resolutions and as a youth staff assistant to the National Grange Legislative Director. Participants will watch the delegate body take action on the resolutions and assist in other ways.
- An individual may participate in the program only one time.
- As a youth staff assistant participants will be assigned additional logistical duties so that they can

see how the production process works at the convention. These duties will not conflict with opportunities to see National Delegates work on the floor.

The application form is available in the *2022 Grange Youth Program and Contest Handbook* or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.

- Applicants must write a five to eight line description about themselves and/or their family and submit three 4" x 6" color photo prints, one which is of their family. The description and photos will be displayed at various events throughout the National Grange Convention.
- Please include letters of recommendation from your Subordinate/Community Grange President, State Youth Director and your State Grange President.
- Applicants must attend a regional conference the year they apply and participate in either Sign-a-Song or the Prepared Speech contest.
- Applications must be postmarked no later than **August 15** to the National Youth Director, who will share them with the National Legislative Director and National President in making selection of participants and committee assignment. Applicants are responsible for mailing their application.

As guests of the National Grange the participant's room (which will be shared with other participants) cost will be paid plus meals or tickets to certain meal functions. The State Grange will pay round-trip mileage or airfare.

Any participant who fails to comply with the guidelines set up will be expected to pay their own expenses.

Parliamentary Procedure Contest

(National Program) Notify by August 15th

Purpose: To encourage Grange youth and young adults to learn to effectively participate in a business meeting and to assist in the development of their leadership, public speaking, and problem solving skills.

As part of the contest, the team will:

- Demonstrate knowledge of parliamentary law.
- Conduct Grange business effectively.
- Present a logical, realistic and convincing debate on motions.
- Record complete and accurate minutes.
- Present memorized speaking parts during the opening and closing ceremonies.

Team members will fill the offices of President, Vice-President, Steward, Chaplain, Secretary and

Gatekeeper. All must be between the ages of 14-35 as of January 1.

The event will consist of the following activities:

- Written Examination
- Opening Ceremonies
- Team Demonstration
- Closing Ceremonies
- Oral Questions

Awards will be presented to the 1st place team, high scoring individual, and high scoring chair.

You can download the contest rules, event procedures, and judges' scorecard and sample questions from www.orgrange.org/youth. Teams that intend to enter must notify the National Youth Director by September 1.

Wib and June Justi Youth Community Service Award

(National Program) Due August 1st

Purpose: To recognize a Grange youth or young adult between the ages of 14 and 35, who has performed outstanding service in their community. A group of Grange youth may also receive this award.

The Grange or committee nominating the youth needs to describe the community service activity that was conducted and who benefited from it. Was this a new or old activity? What was the impact or result of the activity? Who else was involved and what was their contribution? The entry form can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth. It must be sent to the State Grange Youth Director postmarked no later than **August 1**. State winner's application must be postmarked by **August 15** to the National Youth Director.

The State Grange winner(s) will receive a certificate and be recognized at the National Grange Convention during Youth Leadership Days. The National Grange Community Service and Youth Departments will organize a committee to select one overall winner, who will receive a plaque in recognition of their achievements.

State Ritual Contest

(Oregon Contest) Notify by June 18th

Our Grange ritual contains important lessons and advice for members, but many Granges no longer use the Opening and Closing Ceremonies let alone exemplify the degrees. The purpose of this contest is to encourage youth to read the manual, identify a favorite passage, memorize it, and deliver it with expression to communicate its meaning to their fellow members.

Age categories (as of January 1)

- Youth 14-21 years of age
- Young Adult 22-35 years of age

Rules

- Select a favorite passage to memorize and recite from these parts of the Manual:
 - Chaplain's prayer from Opening the Grange.
 - Master's charge from Closing the Grange.
 - An officer's part in the First, Second, Third, or Fourth Degrees. The passage should be 100 words or more in length. However, if your favorite passage is Flora's part in the First Degree, you could add Flora's charge in the Fourth Degree after an appropriate transition.
 - The Installing Officer's part in the Installation of Officers: the opening, obligation, or the charge for any of the officers.
- The contestant should begin by identifying the passage (officer, which degree or opening, closing, or installation), and explain why they selected it. Be sure to include anything listeners should know that happened prior to this passage that could affect their understanding of it. This introduction should be less than two minutes in length.
- The competition will be held during the State Grange Convention. Those planning to enter must notify the State Youth Director by first day of State Session so that judges can be provided with copies of the passage.
- Delivery is to be from memory. The contestant cannot have a copy of the Manual or any papers to aid them but can designate a prompter.

Judging Criteria

Introduction: Appropriately set the scene	10
Memorization: Accurately delivered the written words without hesitation or prompting	25
Voice: Spoken clearly, easy to understand	10
Stage Presence: Posture and gestures appropriate, nervousness controlled	20
Expression: Communicated the meaning of the passage to listeners, held their attention by appropriately varying rate or vocal range	25
Difficulty: Met the challenge of difficult wording, pronounced words correctly	10

- 1st place: \$30, 2nd place: \$20, 3rd place: \$10 in each category (plus ribbons).

Youth Member Recruitment Award

(National Program) Due August 1st

Purpose: To encourage youth and young adults to grow the Grange. The program will run from September 1 to August 31. Members recruited can be of any age, but must never have joined the Grange before.

Oregon can select one Grange youth to be recognized by the National Grange as its State Youth Recruiter of the Year. Considerations for selection should include, but not exclusively:

- Number of members recruited in the year.
- Assistance with Subordinate/Community Grange membership growth activities and/or events.
- Present the four steps of membership recruitment at Subordinate/Community Grange meeting or other event.

Nominations must be sent to the State Youth Director postmarked no later than **August 15**. The State Grange winner(s) will receive a certificate and be recognized at the National Grange Convention during Youth Leadership Days. State winner's application must be postmarked by **September 1** to the National Youth Director.

Grange Inter-State Youth Exchange

(National Program) Due August 1st

The GISYE program provides the opportunity for exchange visits between youth Grange members and families in different states. The exchange, of 7 to 10 days in length, is designed to help the young Grangers to develop a better understanding of the community and Grange life in other areas. By thus building interest, enthusiasm and the increased youth membership should result

Points

NJHA and Grange Youth Horticulture Identification and Judging Contest - NEW

This year, the National Grange Youth Department and National Junior Horticultural Association have partnered together to encourage horticultural education.

Horticultural education was a passion of Wib Justi, first National Grange Youth Development Director. He was involved with NJHA, fostering a partnership between the two organizations.

Started in 2015, a Grange division has been added to the NJHA Horticultural Identification and Judging

Contest. In addition, Grange youth can participate in other NJHA national contests.

To learn more about these contests and for entry deadlines, go to www.njha.org.

G.R.A.N.G.E Youth Pillar Project

An individual or a group, up to three youth/young adults, are challenged to put together an event or project within their Subordinate, Pomona, or State Grange that aligns with one of the six pillars of G.R.A.N.G.E Youth and track that project throughout the events time frame. The event or project must take place between July 1 and June 30th. Once the event or project has concluded (and throughout) youth will put together a project portfolio to show their beginning, during, and end progress. Youth will have to complete a planning guide summary to be included in their portfolio.

The Pillar Project is to hone in on the passions, creativity and leadership abilities of Grange Youth and Young Adults. The pillars are meant to be vague because, like many Granges, everything we do is unique and fits for our State, Pomona and Subordinate Granges needs. The pillars serve as the six main things that we should be striving to live by as G.R.A.N.G.E. youth.

A Planning Guide Summary will need to be submitted to the National Youth Director by September 1. Portfolios will need to be brought to National Session by State Presidents or State Youth directors by the opening of session to be put on display in the showcase.

Pillar Project Contest - NEW

(National Contest) Notify by August 15th

Rules: Project must take place between July 1st and June 30th.

- Project may be done individually or with a group of no more than 3.
- Participants will put together a project portfolio and display to be presented in front of a panel of judges at National Convention. Physical displays must be able to stand by itself and no larger than 3' by 4'. Portfolios and Displays will be put in the Grange Showcase after Judging.
- Presentation needs to be at least 5 minutes long, but no longer than 8 minutes. Time will be kept for judging purposes.
- Participants will be asked follow up questions that will last no longer than 5 minutes.
- Judging will take place on Wednesday of National Grange Convention starting at noon. An official sign-up will be sent out after entries are received.

- There will be two age divisions (If in a group, the age of the oldest group member determines the division to enter):
 - Youth - Grange members between the ages of 14-21 as of Jan. 1;
 - Young Adult - Grange members between the ages of 22-35.

The Six Pillars of G.R.A.N.G.E. Youth

Growth

- Growth in the Grange can mean a lot of things. Membership growth, leadership growth, and opportunities, or even professional growth. This pillar is dedicated to all of the hard work that we put in as Grangers.

Ritual

- Grange has a very strong and distinct history. Preserving our history and relating their teaching to the present day can be tough. This pillar is dedicated to our history and finding unique ways to make it relevant to today's world.

Action

- Granges have been long known for doing things in their communities; i.e. dinners, 5K's, food drives, etc. This pillar is dedicated to that action that we do as Grangers.

Networking

- This pillar is dedicated to gaining public speaking skills to help promote the Grange or connecting with other states, people in agriculture, in legislation.

Grassroots Advocacy

- Grange, since its inception, has been working in legislation as an advocate for agriculture and rural America. This pillar is dedicated to that legislative work and advocacy work that we do as Grangers; i.e. hosting town hall meetings, lobbying.

Education

- Education has its own subheading within our Declaration of Purposes. This pillar is dedicated to preparing our youth for leadership positions and giving them the opportunity to be good leaders and empowering their leadership skills.

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Code Reading/Grange Ritual Contest

(National Contest) Notify two weeks prior to regionals

Can you crack the Grange code? If so, you can present your skills at the National Grange Convention and test your skills against other Grangers from across the country. Contact the State President at master@orange.org to obtain a copy of the code book and the cipher.

There are two levels:

- Novice: those learning the code; you can compete as a novice for up to two years.
- Patron: members with two or more years of experience.

Novice contestants will read these sections:

- Use of the gavel
- Degree words: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th degrees
- Annual password
- Voting sign
- Sign: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th degrees
- Patrons grip

Patron contestants will read these:

Section I

- Opening
- Use of the gavel
- Salutations for all degrees
- Degree words: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th
- Annual word
- Voting sign

Section II

- Passing to different degrees
- 1st Degree
Signal at the inner gate
Signal at the outer gate
Sign
Salutation
- 2nd Degree
Signal at the inner gate
Sign
Salutation
- 3rd Degree
Signal at the inner gate
Sign
Salutation

- 4th Degree
Signal at the inner gate
Sign
Salutation

Section III

- Sign of caution
- Sign of distress
- Patrons general sign
- Sign of recognition
- Patrons grip
- Patrons test

Code Book Reading Award of Merit

Participants may elect to read the entire code book. The participant will be allowed five mistakes, none of which can be in Section I and only two in Section II. For Section III, the participant will select two of the six options and be allowed three mistakes.

Youth Booster Award

(Oregon Program) Due May 15th

Purpose: To recognize and honor individuals over the age of 36 who have given a boost to your Grange youth in the past year.

- The program will run from May 1 of the previous year to April 30 of the current year. All nominees will be recognized at the Youth Luncheon at the State Grange Convention and will be given a certificate.
- Nominations to be sent to State Grange Youth Directors postmarked no later than **May 15**. A form can be downloaded from www.orange.org/youth/.
- Each Subordinate/Community and Pomona Grange as well as each OSG youth officer may nominate one member each year.

Sign-A-Song Contest

(Oregon and National Program) Notify by May 15th

The National Grange and Oregon State Grange are extremely proud to sponsor this deaf awareness program. The Grange encourages communication among all individuals, groups and communities. Through communication, we learn to know each other better. Communication is essential to practicing the inclusion of all individuals and solving problems. The world in which we live is full of opportunities for improvement. However, without communication, these improvements would be few and far between.

The Sign-A-Song contest promotes the use of non-verbal skills of communication. We encourage Grange members to learn sign language and use it to sign-a-

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song. It is a beautiful form of communication for many individuals.

State and regional categories

- Novice: One who is beginning to learn to sign, has had no more than three sign language classes and has entered the sign-a-song contest no more than two years.
- Hobbyist: One who signs on an occasional basis and strictly for fun and has entered the sign-a-song contest no more than two years.
- Group: Two or more people signing. (*Note: If there is a professional signer in a group entry, they are eligible only in the Expert category.*)
- Expert: One who signs professionally or is an instructor (*paid for signing in any capacity.*). They may participate at state as a demonstration in the effort to encourage others to learn sign language. Experts are ineligible for Best of Show and regional competition.

Rules:

- Participants must be Grange members.
- Participants must supply their own music. A CD player and speakers will be available.
- Three copies of the words that are being signed must be supplied for the judges and turned in to the State Youth Directors prior to the competition.
- Signers must use total communication techniques: Sign language, facial expressions, mouthing of words for lip reading, finger spelling if appropriate, and body movement.
- Props and costumes are not allowed; rhythm is optional.
- Only one song may be signed during the competition.
- Participants must sign their own name and song title.
- Participants must inform the audience and judges what type of sign language they will be using (Pidgen, ASL, ESL, etc.).

Judging guidelines

Utilization of total communication skills:	Max pts
Sign language ability, signs clearly with correct interpretation	32
Body expression, displays emotion, expresses key thoughts with body movement, mouths words for lip reading	30
Presentation, interprets with confidence, uniformity (group)	25
Appropriate song selection, with a clear meaning and suitable for the contestant's signing ability	10
Signed their own name	1
Signed title of song	1
Informed judges and audience of type of sign language being used	1

Those planning to enter must notify the State Youth Directors by **May 15** so that qualified judges can be identified. An entry form can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.

State prize: 1st place: \$25; certificates for all participants.

Regional competition: Oregon may send one entry in each category to the regional competition. The State Grange will pay mileage to and from the carpool departure point, two-nights shared lodging, and registration, which includes group meals.

National Grange will provide ribbons for each regional contest for first, second and third. 1st place: \$20, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10.

The Best of Show at the Western Regional Conference will receive a special award plus \$25 and be eligible to participate in the showcase at the National Grange Convention in November. If the Best of Show is from Oregon, the State Grange will pay round-trip airfare and up to \$30 per day (Thursday – Sunday) reimbursement for meals upon presentation of receipts. Showcase acts will receive \$100 from National Grange for participating (*provided after the Evening of Excellence at National Convention.*)

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Public Speaking Contest

(Oregon and National Contest) Notify by May 15th

The purpose of this contest is to aid in the development of public speaking abilities and to build self-confidence in the participating Grange members.

Age categories (as of January 1):

- Youth: 14-21 years of age
- Young Adult: 22-35 years of age
- Adult: 36+ years of age

Rules

- This competition is open only to Grange members.
- Those planning to enter must notify the State Youth Director by **May 15** so qualified judges can be identified. An entry form can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth/.
- The state competition will be held during the State Grange Convention.
- State contestants in the prepared speech are required to submit three copies of an outline of the speech to the State Youth Director prior to the competition.
- A panel of three judges with public speaking abilities will judge. The judges will score each contestant on an individual basis and then collectively determine the rankings of the contestants. Score sheets will be returned to entrants. After the state contest a time for private evaluation with the judges will also be offered to each contestant.
- The state winner in each category will receive a certificate. Each participant will receive a National Achievement Award.
- One point will be deducted for every 30 seconds, or fraction thereof, a participant goes under or over the time limit.

Prepared Speech

Contestants will choose a topic and speak on it for a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of five minutes. A timekeeper will keep the time but provide no time prompts.

The contestant will be required to answer one question related to their speech topic at the end of their speech.

Props will be allowed, but must be appropriately sized for the room. Points can be deducted for props.

At the National Grange Convention, regional winners' speeches will be judged and the best two will present at the Evening of Excellence. Showcase speakers will

receive \$100 from National Grange for participating (*provided after the Evening of Excellence at National Convention*).

Judging Criteria

Judging Criteria	Points
Text	
Content: Information gathered and included in speech	15
Composition: The speech was compiled in a manner that was easy to understand	15
Delivery	
Voice: Spoke clearly, easy to understand	10
Stage Presence: Dressed neatly and appropriately, posture and nervousness	20
Expression: Delivered speech with enthusiasm	20
Impromptu Answer	
Response was thought out and delivered without much hesitation	20

Grange Commercial

A Grange commercial is an advertisement promoting the Grange. Prior to regional contest participant(s) must film and edit themselves doing a commercial for the Grange. Can include up to five people in the commercial. Commercial should last between 30-60 seconds. The participants must provide a written script. Commercials must be submitted to the National Grange Youth Director prior to the competition.

Judging Criteria

Judging Criteria	Points
Text	
Content: Related to the Grange	15
Composition: The spot was compiled in a manner that was easy to understand	15
Creativity: Original matter than captured attention of audience	15
Delivery	
Voice: Spoke clearly, easy to understand	20
Expression: Delivered speech with enthusiasm and emotion	20

Impromptu Speech

An impromptu speech is delivered without preparation or thought ahead of time. Participants will draw two topics, select their choice and return the other one. Topics will be provided by the State Youth Director.

The minimum time is one minute and maximum is five minutes. The timekeeper will hold up a hand at one minute to signal the minimum and again when the four minute 30 seconds mark has been reached. One point

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will be deducted every 30 seconds a participant is under or over the time established.

For the Western Regional participants need not participate at state, but must notify the National Director of intent to enter. Contestants will speak immediately with no note cards.

Judging Guidelines:

Criteria	Points
Voice: Spoke clearly, easy to understand	10
Stage Presence: Dressed neatly and appropriately, postures appropriate, nervousness controlled	20
Expression: Delivered speech with enthusiasm and emotion	20
Confidence in speaking, Content of speech	15
Clarity of thoughts and ideas on topic	15

Regional Competition

- The first place winner of each age category in the Prepared Speech category will be eligible to travel to the regional competition.
- The best Grange Commercial speakers in each age category will be given the opportunity to travel and compete at the Regional competition.
- Oregon's representatives will receive mileage to and from the carpool departure point, two-nights shared lodging, and registration, which includes group meals.
- National Grange will provide ribbons to the top three entrants in each division and age category
- One overall winner (a Prepared Speech or Grange Commercial) from each region will be selected to compete at the National Grange Convention. If the Best of Show is from Oregon, the State Grange will pay round-trip airfare or mileage and up to \$30 per day (Thursday – Sunday) reimbursement for meals upon presentation of receipts. The National Grange will award \$100 to each regional Best of Show that showcases at the National Grange convention

Youth Ambassador/Young Patron Prepared Speech

State Ambassador and Young Patrons are required to give a prepared speech at their regional conference the year they apply for the National Grange Youth Leadership Team. They must present a speech on one of the following topics:

- What does Grange mean to me?
- What is leadership?

- How can you apply the National Grange mission statement to your future endeavors in the Grange

The same guidelines as Category A should be followed. Speeches in this category WILL NOT be chosen for Best of Show. Ambassadors/Young Patrons wanting to compete for Best of Show shall enter additionally in prepared speech.

Grange Debate (NEW Regional Contest)

(National Program)

Debate is a wonderful way to build critical thinking skills, articulate your thoughts, educate yourself on various topics, form empathy for your opponent and their beliefs, build presentation skills, expand world views, and build confidence.

As Grange Youth, we should be able to gather research on a topic from reputable sources, form an argument/position based on their position. Participants should also be able to listen to the opposing positions(s)/argument(s) and issue a rebuttal with calmness in deliberation, forbearance to those who you differ from and charity toward their motives.

Format: Total estimated time for one round of 40 minutes

Team Pro:	Team Con:
4 Minute speech, 2 minute Cross Examination	4 Minute speech, 2 minute Cross Examination
4 Minute speech, 2 minute Cross Examination	4 Minute speech, 2 minute Cross Examination
1 minute preparation, 5 minute speech	1 minute preparation, 5 minute speech

Speech time refers to 1 person speaking in favor of or in opposition to the resolution without interruption. Cross examination following a speech refers to a period when a member of the team which did not give the speech asks questions of the person who has just spoken.

Team structure:

- 2 speakers, 2 researchers – 1 speaker must be a youth, 1 researcher must be a youth.
- 1 team per state in the region.

Potential Topic Areas:

- Food waste/security
- Climate change and its solutions
- Trade (protectionism vs. free trade)
- Or other Grange related policies or topics

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The topic for all Grange Debate teams at regional conferences will be given on Friday of the conference and the Debate will take place on Saturday night of the regional conference giving teams time to prepare and research.

Ballots:

Winner is determined by a combination of three ballots:

1. Judge vote – expert judges decide which team they believe won
2. Audience vote – the audience votes on who they think won the debate
3. Audience shift vote – the audience indicates a preference on the topic before the debate round (Strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, strongly disagree) and after the debate round. For a movement of position by 1 place (i.e. from agree to neutral) a team is awarded 1 point, the team which has accumulated the most points by this system wins this rounds ballot.

Full descriptions and forms of National contests, scholarships, awards and opportunities including some not listed above are not yet finalized. We anticipate that they will be able to be downloaded from the National Grange Youth web site, under the News and Resources, tab, Youth Downloads, at this URL

<https://nationalgrangeyouth.org/youth-downloads/>

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Awards for Granges

Honor Grange Awards

The Honor Grange Program recognizes Subordinate/Community Granges that have active members and are making an impact on the community.

The Honor Grange Program has three levels: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each Oregon Grange will win a plaque when it first achieves one of these levels. Each year thereafter, if the Grange qualifies, it will receive a bronze, silver, or gold bar with the year of the award engraved to attach to the plaque.

To receive an award, each Grange must keep track of its progress for one year from January to December. The Grange should designate one member as the Tracker. At the end of the year, the Tracker will send the tracking form to the Oregon State Grange office by **March 31**, with a brief summary of what level the Grange has achieved. A plaque or bar will be awarded at the State Grange Convention in June.

To receive a **Bronze**, a Grange must achieve the following:

1. A minimum of one (1) new Subordinate or Junior member (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least ten (10) months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange another Grange meeting or event (Pomona, or Subordinate other than your own) during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service project or activity.
5. All Quarterly Reports submitted to State Grange office on time.
6. Two (2) standing committees appointed to report at the majority of the meetings. (see Gold #6)

To receive a **Silver**, a Grange must achieve the following:

1. A minimum of three (3) new Subordinate or Junior members (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least 11 months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange at two (2) Grange meetings or events (Pomona, or Subordinate other than your own) during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service project or activity.
5. Four (4) standing committees appointed to report at the majority of the meetings. (see Gold #6)
6. Have a delegate present at State Grange Session.
7. **Must complete at least ten (10) of the requirements (11-31) of the Gold level.**

To receive a **Gold**, a must Grange achieve the following:

1. A minimum of five (5) new Subordinate or Junior members (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least 12 months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange at four (4) Grange meetings or events (Pomona, or Subordinate other than your own) during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service project or activity.
5. All Quarterly Reports submitted to State Grange office on time.
6. Standing Committee chairs appointed by the President and reporting at the majority of meetings. Standing Committees are Finance, Agriculture, Legislative, Community Service, Membership and Youth.
7. Have a delegate present at State Grange Session.
8. Have one or more members present at State Grange Session, in addition to the primary delegate.
9. Conduct an annual audit.
10. **Must complete at least fifteen (15) of the following items.**
11. Hold an officers' planning meeting and set goals for year.
12. Lecturer has a program or report at each meeting.
13. One (1) resolution on a community or legislative issue adopted by the Grange.
14. At least three (3) members, as a group, visit another Subordinate/Community Grange at least once during the year.
15. President must attend at least two (2) Pomona meetings.
16. Hold at least one (1) activity to support the Junior Grange or Youth Program. (Example – assist at a meeting or fundraiser, help leader with activities, provide camp scholarship, etc.).
17. At least one (1) member must participate in one (1) State Grange contest or program.
18. At least one (1) member must attend and participate in one (1) yearly Grange conference (State, Western, Regional, etc).
19. Submit Community Service Annual Report by the due date
20. Hold at least one (1) Open House or other community activity in the hall with public invited.
21. Volunteer for a State Grange event. (examples - Ag Fest, State Fair Log Cabin, Ag Luncheon at the Legislature)
22. Participate in a parade.
23. Participate in a county/community fair.
24. Donate to the Oregon State Grange Foundation.
25. Contact a public official, county commissioner or state legislator about an issue.
26. Submit an article to the Grange Bulletin.
27. Submit an article to local/regional newspaper.

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28. Grange promotion at local event. (examples – Booth at Farmers Mkt; Info table at car show; Grange month display at local library).
29. Maintain a Grange Website or social media account.
30. Host, or participate in, a community event for or in cooperation with another group or community organization. If at your hall, rent is not charged. Examples: 4-H, FFA, Ag in the Classroom, Neighborhood.
31. A member of your Grange submits an application for Agriculturalist, Volunteer of the Year, or other State or National recognition program.

Distinguished Grange Award

The National Grange honors Subordinate/Community and State Granges for work done from July 1 through June 30. To be considered, Granges must:

- Submit quarterly reports and remit dues to State Grange on time.
- Submit an annual Community Service Report.
- Send a delegate(s) to State Grange Convention.
- Send at least two officers or members to the National Grange Convention, another State Grange Convention, or regional event.

In addition you must accumulate 100 or more points by completing these tasks or holding these events:

These earn 20 points each:

- Maintain or increase membership.
- Host/organize at least three community service or educational events.

These earn 15 points each:

- Achieve a net gain in your Junior Grange or Junior 1+ members.
- Hold an open house/public event to introduce the Grange to your community, engage in conversation about what the needs are currently unmet in your community that a group like the Grange may be able to assist with.
- Establish or ensure current Grange Facebook PAGE is up to date (under About tab) with at least your Grange's meeting information (dates, times, place) and contact information for someone in your Grange. Make sure your page shows a bit of what your Grange does - community service, events, Lecturer's programs, etc. to let visitors know what to expect if they were to join your Grange or visit.
- Incorporate the National Grange theme, "Raised Right Here," into your programming, activities, outreach or promotions

These earn 10 points each:

- Host at least one visit by a State or National Grange representative to your Subordinate Grange and allow them to offer information/a message to your membership.
- Host a forum with public officials for your community to attend or hold a legislative event, candidate forum, Grangers Organized to Vote event or make at least one legislative issue contact with a local, state, or national public official.
- Host at least one Junior or Junior+1 event or Junior community service event.
- Host at least one Youth and/or Young Adult event/community service event.
- Update your grange.org website OR contact the National Grange to have your grange.org website forward to your present website. Include your meeting time, date, location, a contact and a few paragraphs about your Grange's mission or service to the community/relevance. (if you have done this in previous years, thanks! You can count it again IF the information is up to date.)
- Invite a youth from another Grange or an FFA or 4-H member to speak at a meeting.
- Contribute at least \$100 to the National Grange Building Fund (make checks payable to National Grange) or to any National Grange Foundation fund (make checks payable to Grange Foundation).
- Honor veterans with a Patriot's Program or nominate a veteran for a Quilt of Valor and host the award ceremony.
- Ensure that at least three members subscribe to Good Day! magazine.
- Connect your membership with some element of Degree work, ritual, history or foundational documents of the Grange
- Take part in a community day, county fair or other event in your area where you have a booth or display that promotes your Grange's activities and provides membership information.
- Sponsor or host at least one contest, program or educational activity on supporting local farms, artists and businesses.

These earn 5 points each:

- Provide at least one press clip showing you are publicizing your Grange, Grange events or have a good relationship with your local press.
- Present a resolution to your State Grange on something other than Grange Growth or Grange Law. *Make sure your State Grange and/or National Grange do not already have the same policy.

Awards for Granges and Grangers

Distinguished Granges will be honored at a special reception and will be recognized in the annual convention program. They will receive a certificate to commemorate their achievement. Granges that qualify as a Distinguished Grange for five consecutive years will receive a plaque for their Hall.

Paper applications will be mailed to Subordinate/Community Grange Secretaries and can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/subordinatecommunity-grange-information/. They must be postmarked **August 1, 2022** and sent to:

National Grange
1616 H Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20006
ATTN: Distinguished Grange

Grange In Action Program

The Grange In Action program is designed to encourage all Granges to be active in their communities and complete events or projects, no matter how small. Any Grange that does not complete the application for Distinguished Grange can participate in this program. Granges who wish to be recognized at the National Convention as a "Grange In Action" should complete the following requirements:

- Submit a 1 page letter size with pictures and caption of at least 3 various events/activities that the Grange either sponsored or assisted with from Sept 1 of the previous year to Sept 1 of the present year – anything over 1 page will be disqualified
- The Grange Name, number and State must be on the front of the page
- On a separate page please include the Name, address, phone and/or cell number and email address of whom submitted the Grange in Action
- Granges that qualify for the Distinguished Grange award are not eligible for this recognition in the same year.
- Deadline to submit the 1 page to National Grange is **September 25** postmark or electronic by midnight on **September 25**.
- Mail to National Grange, Attn. Loretta Washington – 1616H Street, NW, 11th Washington, DC 20006
- Email to Loretta Washington @ lwashington@nationalgrange.org please put in the subject line for the email: Grange in Action report

Distinguished Youth Program Award

The Distinguished Youth Program Awards for Subordinate/Community and Pomona Granges honor work from July 1 through June 30.

To qualify your Grange must hold a minimum of 12 legal meetings in full form (Four for Pomonas) and earn 100 points:

- Hold at least two youth committee meetings (5 pts)
- Host a youth Lecturer's program, service event, competition, or other youth-oriented program to entice young members to further their Grange experience (10 pts)
- Have one youth member submit an application for a state or national youth opportunity (10 pts)
- Request a copy of "Apathy Not Allowed" and complete one event (15 pts)
- Take in at least one new member between the ages of 14-35 by June 30 (5 pts)
- Have one youth column or blog post on your Grange website (5 pts)
- Have one youth compete in a Sign-A-Song competition or host a youth-oriented sign language and deaf awareness event (10 pts)
- Have one youth compete in the public speaking contest or host a youth-oriented public speaking competition (10 pts)
- Have one youth compete in a State, Regional or National Baseball contest or host a youth-oriented Grange Trivia contest (10 pts)
- Organize a youth drill team (20 pts)
- Invite your State's Young Couple, Ambassador or a State Officer who is a Youth to speak at your Grange (10 pts)
- Submit an article about a youth program or project to the National Grange Youth blog (5 pts)
- Submit a list of all youth members to the National Grange Youth Department (15 pts)
- Have one youth compete in any of the National Grange youth programs (10 pts)
- Have one youth submit an entry to the National Grange Lecturer's Quilt Block Contest or Photo Contest (10 pts)
- Have one youth attend a state or national legislative event (15 pts)
- Donate \$1 per Grange member to the National Grange Foundation Youth Fund (20 pts)

The application can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth. Send it to the National Grange Youth Director postmarked no later than **September 1**. The application must be signed by the State Master.

All Distinguished Youth Programs will be presented a certificate at the National Grange Convention and be

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recognized in the annual honors list.

Grange Legacy Family Award

The National Grange recognizes families with five or more generations of members, including current Juniors. The application can be downloaded from www.organge.org/subordinatecommunity-grange-information/. To be recognized at this year's National Grange Convention, the application must be received by the National Grange no later than the first Monday in August.

National Grange Publicity Item Contest

The ability of our Granges, at every level, to successfully promote specific events or the Grange as a whole is necessary and important. The goal of the National Grange Publicity Item Contest is to recognize the public relations work being done by our Granges across the country and to share this work with other Granges with the intent of fostering more public relations efforts. The more Grange public relations occurring within our communities, the better!

RULES

A. The National Grange Publicity Item Contest is open to all Granges (State, Pomona, Community, Junior), Grange committees or Grange groups (i.e., auxiliary, youth, Junior 1+).

B. A Publicity Item may be a flyer, poster or advertisement; a short video; a radio commercial or announcement; a social media post; a press kit or media release; a shirt, button or other wearable item; or anything else you create to promote Grange.

C. All contest entries must be received electronically as a single (1) file no larger than 1GB via Google Forms at

<http://tiny.cc/grange20pubitem> by October 31, 2021.

D. There are two (2) divisions: > Created by a professional (paid or in-kind). > Created in-house (without professional assistance)

E. There is no limit on the number of publicity items that can be submitted by any Grange, Grange committee or Grange group.

F. Each item should be no more than one (1) year old.

G. If your publicity item is wearable please take a photo/s of the item and submit the photo/s.

H. Entries received after the **October 31** deadline will not be judged.

H. All entries will be shared by the National Grange with State, local and Junior Granges across the country.

I. All entries scoring at least 70% will be shared with the National Grange with State, local and Junior Granges across the country. .

PRIZES

Monetary prizes will be awarded: 1st - \$200, 2nd - \$100, 3rd - \$50 and 4th - \$25 in each division.

Scholarships

Grange Insurance Association

Born in 1965, the Grange Insurance Association scholarship fund began with just a few hundred dollars in rewards. The fund grows every year, with grants exceeding \$30,000 today. This kind of generosity from donors allows us to send more students from our communities to colleges and universities worldwide.

Who is eligible? Applicants must meet **one** of the following:

- A current GIA policyholder or the dependent of a GIA policyholder living in Oregon, California, Colorado, Idaho, Washington, or Wyoming.
- The dependent of current a GIA company employee, but not the child or legal ward of officers, directors or agents of GIA.
- The previous recipient of a GIA scholarship.

Where can the scholarship be used?

Three scholarships will be for students not pursuing a college diploma, but seeking further education and/or training in a vocation often not covered by more traditional colleges or universities.

Twenty two scholarships will be for academic studies and may be used at any institution offering courses leading to a certificate or a degree in a recognized profession or vocation, including: community colleges, business colleges and technical institutes.

What is the application process?

- The application form, which can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/ must be complete and legible.
- An official grade transcript. If you are attending college, please send a transcript of your college grades and your scholastic placement in class (upper half, upper third), if available.
- A handwritten or typed essay in which the applicant tells about yourself, your family and your future goals. Also include any leadership or volunteer-related programs or projects in which you have been involved in high school, in the community, or elsewhere. What college, university, or trade school do you plan to attend and how will this scholarship assist you?

When is the deadline?

The application with transcript and essay must be postmarked no later than **March 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

The decision of the committee will be final.

How much is the scholarship?

The top winner in each category will receive a \$2,500 award and each additional winner will receive \$1,000-2,000.

Grange Workers Activities (GWA)

Who is eligible? An Oregon Grange member, who by September 1 will have completed at least one year of college, business school, nurses training, or vocational education. Graduate students and previous GWA scholarship winners are not eligible.

Where can the scholarship be used?

A check will be made out to the school where you are enrolled. You must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours fall term.

What is the application process?

An application form will be mailed to your Subordinate/Community Grange Secretary or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/.

When is the deadline?

The completed application must be sent to the Oregon State Grange office, 643 Union St NE, Salem, OR 97301 postmarked no later than **May 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

The State Grange GWA Director and District Chairpersons select and announce the winner at Oregon State Grange Convention in June.

How much is the scholarship?

One \$1000 Scholarship will be awarded.

Marcel “Muzzy” Mandel Memorial

Who is eligible?

An Oregon Grange member or the child or grandchild of an Oregon Grange member who has graduated from high school or completed a GED.

Where can the scholarship be used?

The scholarship is to be used for undergraduate work while attending any institute for post-high school education.

What is the application process?

The application form will be mailed to your Subordinate/Community Grange Secretary or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/. All sections must be completed. Up to two additional sheets may be attached. The application must be accompanied by two letters of recommendation, one of which is from a Grange member.

When is the deadline?

The application and recommendations must be sent to the Oregon State Grange Office, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301 postmarked no later than **May 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

Board members of the Oregon State Grange Foundation will review applications and select the recipient.

How much is the scholarship?

The amount of this scholarship is based on the interest earned on Brother Mandel's bequest. The scholarship will be paid to the recipient with proof of enrollment. The request for payment must be submitted before the end of May of next year.

Mary Helen Sauter Ramm Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Mrs. Ramm's daughters to honor their mother and her commitment to education. In 1941 Mary graduated from high school at age 16 but put off college until after World War II. She first started college in 1948 to study history and education but was forced to quit school for both financial reasons as well as to help on the family farm and was not able to return to school until 1960. She graduated from Central Washington College of Education in the summer of 1961. She taught elementary school. Mary was a history buff and during the last year of her life she spent many hours on the family history and genealogy.

Who is eligible?

A female undergraduate student who is returning or has returned to college after a three year break and is an Oregon Grange member in good standing. Previous winners may reapply.

Where can the scholarship be used?

This scholarship is open to all qualifying students but priority will be given to students majoring in Education, History or Family History/Genealogy.

What is the application process?

1. Complete the application form, which will be mailed to your Subordinate/Community Grange Secretary or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/schoalrships/
2. Include a statement of need, goals and personal information that does not exceed 500 words. It should include:
 - Leadership positions you hold/have held in organizations in your school and community including Grange.
 - Participation in community service activities in your community including with your Grange.

- List awards or honors received in the past five years.
- Your family situation (husband/children/grandchildren, etc.).

3. Copies of previous college transcripts (does not need to be certified) and letter of acceptance if you are not currently in school.
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a member of your Grange

When is the deadline?

The scholarship application must be sent to the Oregon State Grange office, 643 Union Ave, NE, Salem, OR 97301 postmarked no later than **May 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

The Oregon State Grange Foundation selects the winner and reserves the right not to award the scholarship in any given year. The winner will be announced at the annual Foundation meeting held during the Oregon State Grange Convention.

How much is the scholarship?

A minimum of \$250 will be paid directly to the winner upon proof of registration and can be used for any college expenses.

Charles E. Spence Memorial

Who is eligible?

An applicant must have been a Grange member in Oregon for at least two years.

Where can the scholarship be used?

The applicant's choice of school.

What is the application process?

An application form will be mailed to your Subordinate/Community Grange Secretary or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/. Send the completed application, plus one additional page if necessary, along with a letter of recommendation from the President of your Subordinate/Community Grange.

When is the deadline?

Send the completed application to the Oregon State Grange, 643 Union St NE, Salem, OR 97301 postmarked no later than **May 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

The Oregon State Grange Executive Committee will review applications and select based on:

- Scholastic ability
- Grange involvement
- Community service
- Subordinate/Community President's reference
- Financial need

The winner will be announced at the annual State Grange Convention. Your presence is requested although not required.

Additional scholarships may be awarded if funds are available.

How much is the scholarship?

\$1000

National GROW Club Scholarship

Who is eligible? A Grange member in good standing who is a full-time student enrolled in a college, university, community college, technical institution or trade school.

Where can the scholarship be used?

The recipient can pay educational expenses at any college, university, community college, technical institution or trade school.

What is the application process?

Complete the application, which can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/, answering all questions and providing the required attachments. The total application including attachments must not exceed ten single-sided pages. The complete application with all required attachments must be sent in one package.

Attachments include:

- Official transcript: Graduating high school seniors must submit their high school transcript. Those who have completed any semesters of college and are currently enrolled in college must submit an official college transcript.
- One letter of recommendation from a leader in your Subordinate/Community Grange, who is not your relative.
- One letter of recommendation from your State President.
- One Letter of recommendation from a source other than a relative.
- Signed statement by applicant and guardian.

When is the deadline?

Complete applications with attachments must be mailed to the National Youth Director postmarked no later than **September 1**.

Who selects the recipient?

The National GROW Club Board will select a recipient based solely on the application. The chosen recipient will be notified by October 1. The scholarship winner will be announced at the GROW Club meeting during the National Grange Convention.

How much is the scholarship?

At least one \$500 scholarship will be awarded.

Other Standing Committees

These State Grange Standing Committees do not sponsor Awards, Contests or Scholarships:

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Director



Grange Growth Summit

In December 2020 there was a hopeful feeling for the future, but for Granges another four or five months would go by before we were able to open up our buildings even for our own meetings. But as winter faded into spring and summer, we were finally open and ready for business – the business of being a Grange! The State Grange had colorful banners printed welcoming back the community to our halls and to our hearts and one was delivered or mailed to each Grange. Some Granges put them up right away while others waited for a special event, but we hope that each Grange has found a use for them and is truly welcoming back the community to your Grange.

If we have learned anything in the past couple of years it is that we can move forward even during the darkest days. Mask wearing is becoming normal, and we find that we can cope, we can still function and we can still thrive. Some Granges have found “new” old members through the use of online platforms. Those members who haven’t been attending for a variety of reasons now can from the comfort of their living room, even while their fellow Grangers have traveled to the local hall. We have always been an “inclusive” organization, and our current situation shows how hard we work to make everyone welcome.

We can no longer wait for the pandemic to just go away, but what we can do is to work smart and stay safe while continuing to move forward. As our ritual says “Difficulties are but opportunities to test our abilities” and we can overcome them by working together.

Grange Growth Summit!

This year in March a *Grange Growth Summit* will be held at Sunnyside Grange in Clackamas County. We hope that each Grange will consider sending a representative(s) to this weekend event. Details will be mailed to each Grange but we are looking for leaders and “leaders on the horizon” to take part. Growing the Grange doesn’t just mean bringing in new members, it means growing in all ways, through leadership, through activities and through education. It means taking care of the members we have and the members we want to join. It means learning to articulate what is important in our Grange and what we can or should let go of. A healthy Grange is not just one who brings in new members it is one where all members can grow and flourish to their best potential.

Visitation Plan for 2022!

Besides the Growth Summit, the State Grange is committed to restarting our visitation plans, and we will have a new display that can be used for your events and personalized to fit your Grange. We also want to restart the conversations from early 2020 on the needs expressed by our members, and what the State Grange can do to help. We have made some headway on the comments we received in early 2020 and will update each Grange on our progress as we visit.

We ask none to join us who cannot see good in their fellow beings; but to all interested in Agriculture, who have generous hearts and open hands to help the needy, raise the fallen, and id in making the labors of this life cheerful, we say, “Welcome to the Grange.”

~ Installing Officers charge in the Installation of Officers



Grange Growth Summit

<p>1) The roots of our success and how to teach the values of the Grange and live them out loud.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Talk with local community service organizations, support groups and/or churches to discover what unmet needs exist in your community. b. Have members brainstorm ideas on how to meet these needs and make plans on how to implement them. c. Seek partnerships with local organizations. d. Promote your efforts and the partnerships your formed to meet community needs.
<p>2) What is your Grange's purpose and how do you use it to build capacity?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Use social media – Facebook and community apps such as Nextdoor can reach large audiences. b. Publicize your events in local newspapers. Purchase ads, if you can, to support the paper and have follow up articles published about the event. c. Use display areas in your Hall to tell your story to renters and visitors. d. Have a presence at local events, fairs, parades and farmers markets. e. Engage in a membership drive contest with another Grange.
<p>3) Member appreciation and cultivating a positive environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Display the local, state and national awards your Grange has won. b. Consider have your own 'Granger/Volunteer of the Year' award. c. Have the Gatekeeper/Greeter ensure a friendly welcome is given to all who come to meetings and events. d. Ensure all members are provided an opportunity to be heard during meetings. e. Promote inclusivity – not only is it welcoming to members, it is encouraging to prospective members.
<p>4) Generational difference and how to use them to our advantage.</p> <p>Young people are the future of any Grange. Design events and activities for all ages. Families are more involved when the entire family is involved</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Allow Junior members to hand out small free prizes to other children at grange events, you can even have them make prizes, like painted rocks. b. Have craft and art activities open to all ages. c. Have your Juniors make a "What I Love About Our Grange" poster and display it in your Hall. d. Encourage Juniors and Youth to engage in your events.
<p>5) Civility and conflict resolution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Declaration of Purposes expresses how we strive to resolve issues in harmonious brotherhood: <i>We propose meeting together, talking together, working together, and in general acting together for our mutual protection and advancement. We shall constantly strive to secure harmony, good will and brotherhood to make our Order perpetual. We shall earnestly endeavor to suppress personal, local, sectional, and national prejudices, all unhealthy rivalry and selfish ambition. Faithful adherence to these principals will insure our mental, moral, social and material advancement.</i> b. The National President Sister Betsy Huber has called on Granges at all levels to use the principles of our order to help heal the political divisions in our country. This is the time we need to show to our communities the power there is in following the motto of the Grange: In Essentials, Unity; In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In all things Charity.

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