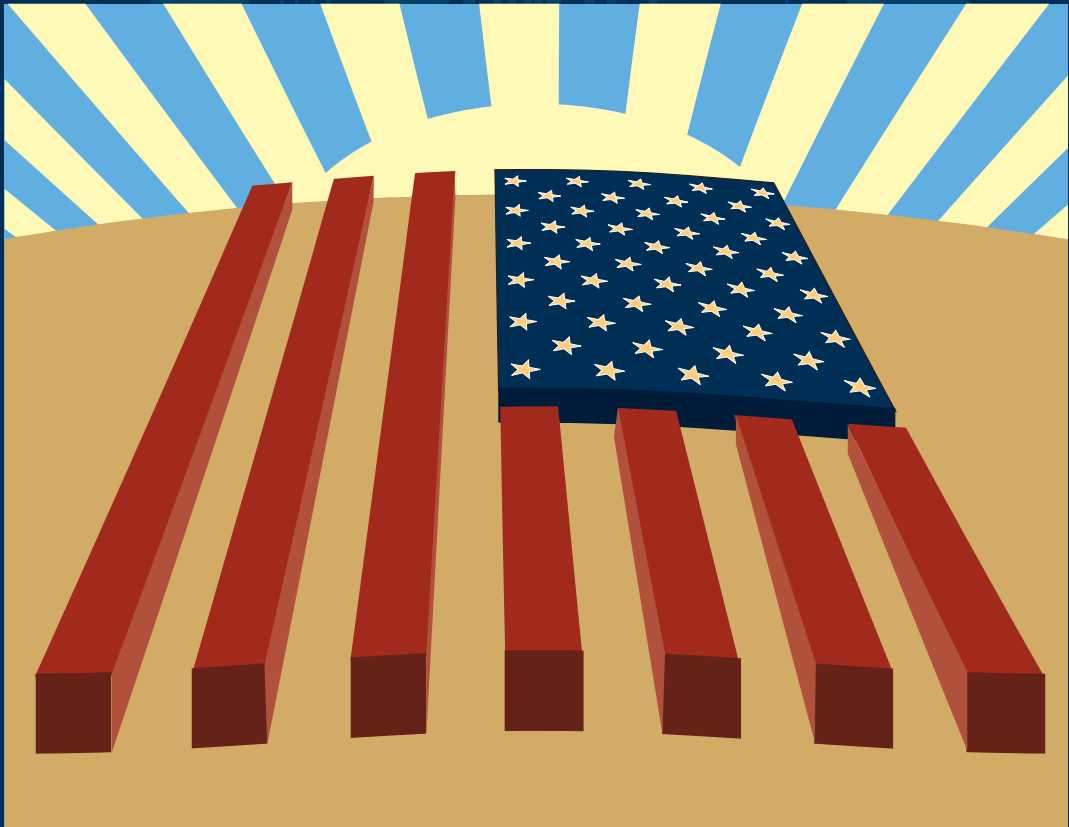


JUNIOR GRANGE GROWING



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**Junior Grange
2016 - 2017 Program Book**



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1st Edition October 2016

This version of the Junior Grange Program Guide
Replaces all prior versions.

For any additional updates or for more information,
please check the
National Junior Grange website at
<http://www.nationaljuniorgrange.org/>

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6917 Lunar Ln. Paradise, CA 95969

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November 2015

Dear Junior Grange Members, Leaders and State Junior Directors:

The Junior Grange Program is a benefit to all members of the Grange. The program focuses on benefits for the Junior Grangers, but the Leaders, Subordinate Granges, and members of all generations also benefit from their interaction with the Junior Grange members.

Who doesn't like to see the face of a child when they grasp an idea and learn to make it their own? The Junior Grange program gives children and leaders that opportunity.

The Program Guide for 2016-2017 is to allow you, the Leader, an opportunity to present, promote and encourage children in the Junior Grange to grow and try new things. Use it as a guide and make it your own.

I am looking forward to meeting many of you this next year!

Junior Grange – Growing Across the Nation.

Fraternally,

National Junior Grange Development Director

DATES AND DEADLINES - 2016

The LAST day to **postmark** (or email when available) entries is by the date shown.

August 1, 2016

Ambassador Program Application

October 1, 2016

All entries may be completed any time during the year from October 1, 2015 and October 1, 2016 which is the last day to be postmarked.

National Junior Grange Mini-Scrapbook Contest

National Junior Grange Electronic Scrapbook Contest

National Junior Grange Creative Writing Contest

National Junior Grange Creative Art Contest

National Junior Grange Photography Contest << New for 2016-2017>>>

State Directors reports due to the National Junior Director

Junior Leader reports due to the National Junior Director

JUNIOR GRANGE PROGRAM - AGE MATRIX

Use this matrix to find which program(s) your Junior Granger(s) may participate in based on their age. For example, if your Junior member is age 10, find the 10 in the age row, follow down the column, and each x represents a program in which the Junior member is eligible to participate.

PROGRAM / CONTEST	Age (As of Jan 1 of current year)										
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Super JG Award							X	X	X	X	X
Ambassador Program *							X	X	X	X	X
Regional Workshops	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelly Farm Project	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Junior Recruiter Award	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Public Speaking – National Competition								X	X	X	X
Sign-A-Song - National Competition – Individual								X	X	X	X
Sign-A-Song – National Competition - Group						X	X	X	X	X	X
Creative Art Contest - Group 1	X	X	X	X							
Creative Art Contest - Group 2					X	X	X				
Creative Art Contest - Group 3								X	X	X	X
Creative Writing Contest - Group 1	X	X	X	X							
Creative Writing Contest - Group 2					X	X	X				
Creative Writing Contest - Group 3								X	X	X	X
Mini-Scrapbook Contest – Group 1	X	X	X	X							
Mini-Scrapbook Contest – Group 2					X	X	X				
Mini-Scrapbook Contest – Group 3								X	X	X	X
Digital Scrapbook Contest – Group 1		X	X	X							
Digital Scrapbook Contest – Group 2					X	X	X				
Digital Scrapbook Contest – Group 3								X	X	X	X
Photography Contest – Group 1		X	X	X							
Photography Contest – Group 2					X	X	X				
Photography Contest – Group 3								X	X	X	X
Junior Grange Merit Achievement Badge– Level I (age recommended)			X	X	X	X	X				
Junior Grange Merit Achievement Badge – Level II (age recommended)								X	X	X	X

2016 THEME JUNIOR GRANGE GROWING ACROSS THE NATION.

Theme by Morgan Browning, National Junior Grange Ambassador 2015



Logo designed by Ian Stryer, Washington

Purpose:

- To promote the interaction of Junior Granges within their States and across the United States.
- To promote the growth in membership and in leadership development for the Junior Grangers.

Junior Grange Activities:

- Design programs to encourage your Junior Grange members to reach out to other Junior Members within their state or in another State in the Nation.
- Find an activity which was successful in another State and share one of your own in order to try new things in your local area.
- Invite people who been involved in other states to share how programs are similar or differ from the current program at your Junior Grange.

Junior Grange Meeting:

- Use the Junior Grange ritual to show how Junior Grange is the “same” in all states.

- Invite the Subordinate and Pomona Grangers to mentor the Junior Grangers in their Degree work.

Celebrate Growth in the Junior Grange:

- Set goals to help Junior Members learn to invite one new person each month.
- Design a Community Service Project to help your community learn about Junior Grange

2017 THEME

FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE JUNIOR GRANGE.

By Sarah Jordan, National Junior Grange Ambassador 2016

Logo will be designed in a contest during 2016!!

Purpose:

- To promote the leadership development of Junior Grangers
- To show the ability of Junior Granger to be leaders in their Granges and in their communities.

Junior Grange Activities:

- Design programs to encourage your Junior Grange members to develop their leadership potential.
- Help the Junior Grangers understand that not all leaders are the same; each leaves a different footprint.
- Invite Grange Leaders to share their experiences and how their leadership skills have developed and grown over the years.

Junior Grange Meeting:

- Assign Junior Grangers different committee chairmen responsibilities and help them learn to lead a team.
- Invite adult Grange Leaders to assist as mentors with Junior Grangers in committee assignments.

Celebrate Leadership in the Junior Grange:

- Set goals to help Junior Members develop a team plan for community activities.
- Recognize "formal leaders" and "informal leaders" in the Junior Grange.

SUPER JG AWARD

The Super JG Award is the highest level of achievement an individual Junior Grange member may obtain. This candidates for this award must demonstrate a superior knowledge of the Junior Grange including the business meetings, ritual, programs, recruitment, community service, Grange knowledge test, essay and letters of recommendation.

This award is supervised and administered by the National Junior Grange Director. All candidates are expected to submit a completed application and documentation. The Grange knowledge test may be taken at any time and submitted to the National Director for scoring. Scores will be sent back to the directors. The award will be granted upon final review by the National Junior Grange Director.

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

All of the following must be submitted to receive the award.

1. Must be a Junior Grange member for at least two years before applying for this award.
2. Complete the Super JG Award Application and attach all documentation.
3. Recite the Junior Grange Pledge from memory.
4. Demonstrate the Junior Grip; Salutation, accompanied by the correct language of the Salutation; Voting Sign; and the Use of the Gavel.
5. Recite from memory the Junior Grange Master's part of the opening and closing of a Junior Grange meeting.
6. Explain the procedures used in opening and closing the Grange: Opening the Bible, Flag Presentation and Retiring, and Retiring the Emblem.
7. Create a Lecturer's program and present it at a meeting or special event. The program should be a minimum of 10 minutes in length. Attach a copy of the program and photos.
8. Enter two or more National or State-sponsored Junior Grange contests within the past two years. Attach short description of the contest entered and photos of the project.
9. Recruit a new member for your Junior Grange. Attach copy of the completed application. Photos of the member(s) first meeting are recommended, but optional.

10. Organize a Community Service project. Attach information on the project and photos of the activity.
11. Submit an essay with the application. "What the Super JG Award Means". The essay should be a minimum of two pages.
12. Submit three letters of recommendation from (1) your Junior Leader and (2) Subordinate/ Community Grange Master, and (3) School Teacher.
13. Submit the completed Super JG written test. *(By Mail or scan to PDF and e-mail)*
The test is comprised of Grange History, the Junior Manual, and Junior Grange Programs. It is developed each year by the National Grange Junior Director and will be sent to each State Junior Director. Test will be scored by the National Director. A score of 85% or better is required to pass.

Test may be retaken, if necessary, without having to submit new application.

Requirements must be certified by Junior Leader, Subordinate Master or Junior Deputy

Award applications may be presented any time during the year. The Super JG recipients will be recognized during the National Junior Grange Breakfast at the Annual Session.

Super JG Award Application

Subordinate/Community Grange Name	#	State	
Junior Grange Name:	#	Type Member: <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Grange Member <input type="checkbox"/> Subordinate 1+ Member	
Junior Leader:	Phone #:		
Address:	City, State and Zip		
Member Name:	Date of Birth:	Age	Date Joined:
Address:	City, State and Zip		
Requirements	Requirement Met / Certified By		Date Completed
1. Must be a Junior Grange member for at least two years before applying for this award.			
2. Recite the Junior Grange Pledge correctly from memory.			
3 Demonstrate the following: (1) Junior Grip; (2) Salutation, accompanied by the correct language of the Salutation; (3) Voting Sign; and (4) the Use of the Gavel.			
4. Recite the Junior Grange Master's part of the opening and closing of a Junior Grange meeting, from memory.			
5. Explain the procedures used in opening and closing the Grange: Opening the Bible, Flag Presentation and Retiring, and Retiring the Emblem.			
6. Create a Lecturer's program and present it at a meeting or special event. The program should be a minimum of 10 minutes long. Attach a copy of the program to this application and photos.			
7. Enter two or more National or State-sponsored Junior Grange contests within the past two years. Attach a short description of contests entered – or include photographs of the project.			
8. Recruit a new member for your Junior Grange.			
9. Organize and participate in a Community Service project. Attach a short description and photos of the project.			
10. Submit an essay with the application. "What the Super JG Award Means". Minimum of two pages.			
11. Attach three letters of recommendation from (1) the Junior Leader, (2) Subordinate/Community Grange Master, and (3) Your			
12. Attach the completed Super JG written test. National Director will score test. 85% is required to pass. Test may be retaken, if necessary, without having to complete a new application			
Junior Leader Certification			
I certify that _____ has qualified for the Super JG Award, having met all of the requirements for this award.			
X _____ Date _____			
Send Award To:		Date Required:	
Send this completed application with test and program attachments to the National Junior Grange Development Director, Lillian Booth, 6917 Lunar Ln, Paradise, CA 95969. Please allow three weeks for processing.			
Revised 10/2014			

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION

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 they will be exemplary representatives of the Junior Grange, participate in and lead Junior Grange activities at the National Grange Annual Session; act as Ambassadors throughout the year; promote the Junior Grange Program; and exemplify leadership qualities.

A maximum of two Junior Grangers may be chosen and are expected to attend the National Grange Annual Session, attending all Convention events. This program will require parent/guardian permission and participation.

All Applicants are required to meet the following requirements:

1. Membership requirement:
Must be a Junior Grange Member for a minimum of three (3) years and has not taken the 4th Degree or Obligation of the Subordinate Grange as of the date of application.
2. Age Requirement:
Must be a minimum of 11 years old and cannot have reached age 14 by November 1, 2016. Age verified by the application and certification of the Junior Leader.
3. Submit four letters of recommendation with the application. One letter each as follows: (1) the State Master of your State Grange, (2) the Subordinate/Community Grange Master, (3) the Junior Leader and (4) a school Teacher or Church Leader.
4. Submit a one to two page biography of your accomplishments and achievements
5. A photo containing only yourself.
6. Applicant must have taken and passed a Super JG Grange Knowledge Test. Attach a copy of the test or a copy of the National Super JG Certificate.
7. Must be able to attend the National Grange Convention, Thursday through Saturday. Ambassadors will be reimbursed for a portion of their expenses.
8. Parent/guardian of the Junior Granger must attend the Convention.
9. Be a role model at the National Session and attend all Junior Grange related activities.
10. Write an essay of no more than 250 words on "Why I would like to represent the National Grange as the Junior Grange Ambassador."
11. All of the above written material should be placed in a report presentation folder with the Application as the front page.

Mail to the National Junior Director, Lillian Booth, 6917 Lunar Lane, Paradise, CA 95969, postmarked no later than August 1.

KELLEY FARM PROJECT

The Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm in Elk River, Minn., home of the founder of our Grange Order, could use the aid of Junior Granges from across the country to help feed the animals at the Kelley Farm. With workhorses, oxen, milk cows, pigs, sheep and chickens to feed every day of the year, all donations large or small are greatly appreciated and will help with the feed costs a great deal.

You can write to the folks at:

Oliver H. Kelley Farm
15788 Kelley Farm Rd
Elk River, MN 55330

Email: Kellyfarm@mnhs.org

To see pictures of the Kelley Farm animals, go to the Minnesota Historical Society web site at www.mnhs.org, and click on Oliver H. Kelley Farm.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP! PLEASE USE THE FORM BELOW TO SEND IN YOUR DONATION

Junior Grange:	#	State:
Number of Members:	Amount of Donation \$	
Junior Leader:		
Address:		
Make your check payable to "Grange Foundation, KELLEY FARM." Send your check and this form to the National Grange Office in Washington D.C.		

HOST STATE STUDY – 2016 – WASHINGTON D.C.

Facts:

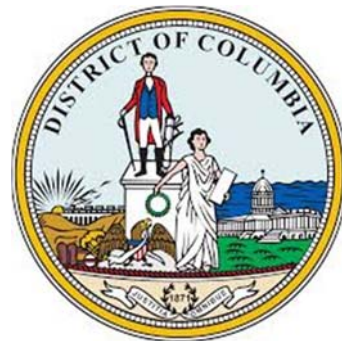
- City Designed by Pierre Charles L'Enfant
- Created on July 16. 1790
- Became nation's capital on June 11, 1800
- Year Settled: About 1749
- Bird: Wood thrush
- Flower: American beauty rose
- Tree: Scarlet Oak
- Motto: "Justitia Omnibus" has been translated as: "Justice to all."
- Song: The Star-Spangled Banner, words by Francis Scott Key
- Origin of Name: The name Washington was to honor the first president of the USA, George Washington. The name Columbia is in reference to Christopher Columbus.
- Nickname: Nation's Capital, The Federal City, Capital City



Location of Washington D.C.



State Flag



State Seal

HOST STATE STUDY – 2017 – STATE OF WASHINGTON

Facts:

- Capitol City: Olympia
- Year admitted into Union: November 11, 1889
- Washington was the 42nd State admitted to Union
- Year Settled: mid-18th Century
- Bird: American Goldfinch
- Flower: Pacific Rhododendron
- Tree: Western Hemlock
- Motto: an official motto has not been recognized by Washington State Legislature
- Song: "Washington, My Home"
- Origin of Name: Named after George Washington, the first President of the United States
- Nickname: Evergreen State



Location of Washington



State Flag



State Seal

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Public Speaking Contest will be held on Friday morning of the National Grange Session. This will be open to all State Junior Grange Public Speaking Winners and will be judged at the National Session. Winners will be announced at the Evening of Excellence and will give their speeches at the Junior Grange Breakfast on Saturday morning.

Requirements:

- Age:
Participants will be a minimum of 11 years old on January 1, and cannot have reached their 15th birthday as of November 1 of the year of competition at National Session.
- Participants will have achieved First Place at their State Junior Grange Competition. One participant may qualify from each State.

Topic: Deliver a prepared Speech on one of the following topics:

2016:

(1) How the Junior Grange Can Grow Across the Nation OR (2) Any Topic of your choice

2017:

(1) Following in the Footsteps of Junior Grange OR (2) Any topic of your choice.

Length:

- Minimum of 4 minutes to a maximum of 7 minutes.

Judging Criteria:

Time:	10 points
Content:	40 points
Voice Control	20 points
Body Language:	15 points
Eye Contact:	15 points
TOTAL POSSIBLE:	100 Points

National Competition Winners will receive Cash Prizes:

1st	\$100.00
2nd	\$75.00
3rd	\$50.00

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE SIGN-A-SONG CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Sign-A-Song Contest will be held on Friday morning of the National Grange Session. This will be open to all State Junior Grange Sign-A-Song Individual and Group Winners, and will be judged at the National Session. Winners will be announced at the Evening of Excellence and will perform their song at the Junior Grange Breakfast on Saturday morning.

Requirements:

- Individual Competition Age:
Participants will be a minimum of 11 years old on January 1, and cannot have reached their 15th birthday as of November 1 of the year of competition at National Session.
- Group Competition Age:
Two or more participants will be a minimum of 9 years old on January 1, and cannot have reached their 15th birthday as of November 1 of the year of competition at National Session.
- All National Junior Grange competition participants will have achieved First Place at their State Junior Grange Competition. One individual participant and/or group may qualify from each State.

Judging Criteria:

Utilization of total communication.....	35 points
(Sign language ability, signs clearly with creative interpretation)	
Body expressions, displays emotion.....	30 points
Presentation, interpretation with confidence	35 points
TOTAL POSSIBLE:	100 Points

National Competition Winners will receive Cash Prizes:

1st	\$100.00
2nd	\$75.00
3rd	\$50.00

CREATIVE ART CONTEST

Using the theme for the appropriate year, draw or paint a picture showing what the theme means to you.

Rules:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member
2. Age groups: 7 and under; 8-10; and 11-14 (age determined as of January 1, 2016).
3. Maximum size is 8 ½ by 11 inch paper.
4. May use crayons, colored pencils, markers, paints or watercolors.
5. On the back write name, birth date, Grange name and number.
6. Judging will be based on creativity, originality and use of theme.
7. Entries may be submitted as completed by a Junior Grange or State Junior Grange Contest. Items must be postmarked by October 1, 2016 and sent to the National Junior Director.

Awards: In each age group

	Age 7 & Under	Age 8-10	Age 11-14
1st	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
2nd	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
3rd	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00

CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

Topic:

2016 – Junior Grange Growing Across the Nation.

- Write a story about what you would like to grow and who would help you.

2017 – Follow in the Footsteps of the Junior Grange

- Write a story about where your footsteps might go and who would go with you.

Rules:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member

2. Age Groups: 7 and under; 8-10; and 11-14 (age determined as of January 1, 2016)

3. Length:

- Age 7 & under – maximum of two pages.
 - Minimum of two pages, doubled spaced, typed or hand written on 8 ½ x 11 paper. May be dictated to an adult.
- Age 8 to 10
 - Minimum of 3 double-spaced, typed or hand-written on 8 ½ x 11" paper.
- Age 11 to 14
 - Minimum of 4 pages double-space, typed or hand-written on 8 ½ x 11" paper.

4. On the top center of the paper, place name, birth date, Junior Grange name and number.

5. Judging will be based on creativity, originality and use of the theme.

6. Submission: Entries may be scanned and e-mailed as PDF documents. If mailing, the last day to submit must be postmarked by October 1, 2016 and sent to the National Junior Director.

Awards: In each age group

	Age 7 & Under	Age 8-10	Age 11-14
1st	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
2nd	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
3rd	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00

All entries will receive participation certificates.

MINI-SCRAPBOOK CONTEST

2016 – Junior Grange Growing Across the Nation.

2017 – Follow in the Footsteps of the Junior Grange

Purpose:

To capture the activities of the Junior Grange member throughout the year. What did you do? Where did you go? What did you make? What did you participate in?

This is your journey – use the theme to design your pages!!

Rules:

1. Junior Grange Member.
2. Age groups: 7 and under; 8-10; 11-14 (age determined as of Jan. 1, 2016).
3. Scrapbook pages must be 8 ½ by 11 inches. Maximum of 10 pages, excluding cover sheet.
4. Include with scrapbook a cover sheet with contestant's name, birth date, address, Grange name and number.
5. Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of the theme.
6. Entries may be sent to the National Director between August 30th and October 1st, with the final date postmarked as of October 1st.

Awards: In each age group

	Age 7 & Under	Age 8-10	Age 11-14
1st	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
2nd	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
3rd	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00

DIGITAL SCRAPBOOK CONTEST

We are in the digital age – and the “cloud” – so let’s try something new!! This is a digital scrapbook contest to try out your technical skills. Have fun with it!!!

2016 – Junior Grange Growing Across the Nation.

2017 – Follow in the Footsteps of the Junior Grange

Purpose:

To capture the activities of the Junior Grange member throughout the year. What did you do? Where did you go? What did you make? What did you participate in?

This is your journey in your Red Shoes!!!

Rules:

1. Junior Grange Member.
2. Age groups: 7 and under; 8-10; 11-14 (age determined as of Jan. 1, 2016).
3. Maximum of 10 pages, excluding cover sheet.
4. Include with scrapbook a cover sheet with contestant’s name, birth date, address, Grange name and number.
5. Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of the theme.
6. Entries may be sent to the National Director between August 30 and October 1st. If mailing, the final date postmarked is October 1st.

Awards: In each age group

	Age 7 & Under	Age 8-10	Age 11-14
1st	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
2nd	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
3rd	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00

All entries will receive participation certificates.

AWARD CERTIFICATES

Award Certificates are personalized with the member's name and signed by the National Junior Grange Director. Please request them from the National Junior Grange Director. Please allow three weeks for your request to be mailed to you so you get them on time.

- Graduation Certificates – Recognizes Junior members who will be graduating from Junior Granges.
- Continuous Membership Certificate – Recognizes Juniors for number of years of participation in Junior Grange, starting from 3rd year.
- Community Service Award – Can be requested by State Junior Directors to recognize outstanding Community Service within the Junior Granges*.
- Leadership Award – Can be requested by State Junior Directors to recognize outstanding leaders for their efforts*.

Award Certificates Request			
Mail Certificates To (print name):		Address, City, State Zip Code	
Junior Grange Position Held:		Date Submitted:	Email Address:
#	Issue Certificates To:	Type of Certificate:	
1	Print Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Membership _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service* <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership*	
	Address, City, State Zip Code	Member of – print name of Junior Grange & #	
2	Print Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Membership _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service* <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership*	
	Address, City, State Zip Code	Member of – print name of Junior Grange & #	
3	Print Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Membership _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service* <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership*	
	Address, City, State Zip Code	Member of – print name of Junior Grange & #	
4	Print Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Membership _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service* <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership*	
	Address, City, State Zip Code	Member of – print name of Junior Grange & #	
5	Print Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Membership _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service* <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership*	
	Address, City, State Zip Code	Member of – print name of Junior Grange & #	

* Use page 2 to provide a short description for each Community Service and/or Leadership Certificates)

Award Certificates Request - Page 2

Mail Certificates To (print name):	Address, City, State Zip Code	
Junior Grange Position Held:	Date Submitted:	Email Address:

#	Community Service Description	Leadership Description
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Mail or e-mail completed request form to:
 Lillian J.D. Booth, National Junior Grange Director – junior@nationalgrange.org
 6917 Lunar Lane
 Paradise, CA 95969

MERIT ACHIEVEMENT BADGE PROGRAM

The Junior Grange Achievement Award Program has two distinct levels.

Level 1 is recommended for Junior Grange members ages 5 to 9 and will consist of the objectives for the current Achievement Award program.

Level 2 is recommended for Junior Grange members ages 10 to 14 and will consist of a completely new set of Merit Achievement Badges. During the transition into the new two level program, Junior Grange members ages 10 to 14 may continue to earn Merit Achievement Badges using the Level 1 Merit Achievement Badge manual.

Merit Achievement Badges Level 1 – Recommended for Ages 5 to 9:

The Merit Achievement Badge program will have three themes;

1. The Grange Adventure
2. Team Up America
3. Discovery Network

After the Junior Member completes the Merit Achievement Badge requirements, the Merit Achievement Badge can be ordered from the Grange Store. (www.grangestore.org) These badges are pin on buttons approximately 1 ½ inches in diameter.

Merit Achievement Badges Level 2 – Recommended Ages 10 to 14:

For Junior members age 10 to 14, the new Level 2 Merit Achievement Badge program will be a journey of exploration into the world surrounding us. For example, the Animal Science Merit Achievement Badge will delve into the science of Beef Cattle production, another component will deal with Dairy Cattle production. The journey will also touch on Poultry productions.

Each of the new Merit Achievement Badges will require more work on the part of the member, but the rewards for completing the requirement will extend beyond a Merit Achievement Badge. The Junior Grange member will gain a better understanding of the particular area covered by the Merit Achievement Badge. This knowledge will last beyond the time spent in the Junior Grange.

Merit Achievement Badge Manuals:

There are now two Junior Grange Merit Achievement Badge Manuals. The Level 1 manual will provide details on the requirements for completing each Merit Achievement Badge. It will also provide the Junior Grange members with ability to track completion of Merit Achievement Badges. The Level 2 Manual will include a record sheet for each Merit Achievement Badge which lists the learning objectives, the requirements to be met, and provides a sign-off showing that each requirement is completed.

Be sure to check the National Junior Grange website where you will be able to download the Merit Achievement Badge Manuals. Be sure to check back often as new Merit Achievement Badges may be introduced throughout the year.

STATE DIRECTORS REPORT TO NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE DIRECTOR

Due Date: October 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Director, Lillian Booth, 6917 Lunar Ln, Paradise, CA 95969

State Junior Grange Director		State:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: ()	E-mail:	
Number of Junior Grange Members (including Junior 1+ Members) in your state as of June 1 st		
Number of chartered Junior Granges in your state as of June 1 st		
Number of Subordinate/Community Granges with a Junior 1+ Program in place.		
ATTACHMENTS: Please attach additional information.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List of Junior Granges and a list of names of leaders with addresses, phone numbers and e-mail. 2. List of individuals, other than the ones you have already listed, that you wish to receive the National Junior Grange Newsletters, e-mails and Program Guide. 3. Comments or suggestion for the betterment of the Junior Grange Program 	

JUNIOR GRANGE LEADER REPORT

Due Date: October 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Development Director, Lillian Booth, 6917 Lunar Ln, Paradise, CA 95969

Who should file report: All Junior Grange Leaders

Junior Grange Name:	#:	State:
Junior Grange Leader:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: ()	E-mail:	
Number of Junior Grange Members * as of June 1 st		
Number of Adult Leader working with your Junior Granges as of June 1 st		
<p>ATTACHMENTS:</p> <p>Please attach these items.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PROGRAMMING: Outline the planning for or the participation in any local, regional State or National Junior Grange program. 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE: Outline any project organized by or participation in by the Junior Grange in the community. 3. COMMUNICATION: Provide copies of websites, social media announcements, newsletters, conference programs, etc. 4. MEMBERSHIP: Outline membership promotion efforts by the Junior Grange members and leaders. 5. RITUAL: Outline any Grange ritual study or performance of the Junior Degree during the year. 6. COMMENTS: Provide comments or suggestions for betterment of the Junior Grange program. 	

*Ages 5-14 and not have joined Subordinate Grange