

2020

National Junior Grange

Program Book



www.nationaljuniorgrange.org

1ST EDITION NOVEMBER 2020

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

For any additional updates or for more information

visit the National Junior Grange Website at www.nationaljuniorgrange.org

Questions of comments should be directed to:

Samantha Wilkins - National Junior Grange Director

Junior@nationalgrange.org

Or to

National Grange

1616 H St. NW Washington DC 20006

TABLE OF CONTENTS

National Junior Grange Director's Welcome Letter.....	4
Junior Grange Appeal Letter	5
2018 Ambassador Greeting.....	7
Background Checks.....	8
Age Requirements.....	10
Dates and Deadlines.....	11
2020 National Session.....	12
Host State.....	13
Kelley Farm Support.....	14
Junior Historian Award.....	15
Junior Ambassador Contest	17
Cape of Honor.....	19
Ag Awareness Award.....	21
Public Speaking Contest	22
Sign A Song Contest	23
Grange Baseball.....	24
Digital Talent Show	25
Handy Craft Contest.....	26
Creative Art Contest.....	27
Creative Writing Contest.....	28
Mini Scrapbook Contest.....	29
Photography Contest	30
Pen Pals	31
Washington DC Experience.....	32
Grassroots Activism Scholarship.....	34
Membership Contest.....	36
Grange in Action	37
Community Service Contest.....	38
Write for Good Day! Magazine	40
Quilt Block Contest	41
Passport Program	44
Junior Mentor Award- Youth Dept	46
Junior Grangers at Heart	48
State Directors Report.....	49
Junior Leader Report	50
Junior Knowledge Test	51



Dear Junior Grange Members, State Directors, and Leaders:

I am excited to spend this year with you as we continue to celebrate over 130 years of the Junior Grange service and activities. It was just a little over 130 years ago that members of the Texas State Grange decided that this amazing organization was missing something. It was at that time that the Grange became an organization for the entire family. This was one of a kind at the time and we continue to be one of the very few organizations today that is open to all ages. Throughout the last year many have shared their stories and memories from when they were Junior Grangers, and then there are others who wish they had the opportunity to experience this very special group. The Junior Grange is when many begin to create their #GrangeStory. This year I wanted to focus on that- our roots, our history, our memories, and the idea of what our future looks like--where will we be in the next 130 years--and determine how we can take the next steps in investing in the future of our organization. Taking the idea that the Grange is more than just a club; we are a culture. Through this experience we are able to cultivate connections and build the future leaders of tomorrow by acting on their development today. The Junior Grange provides an opportunity that builds character and whose effects are felt for a lifetime. This is the year to empower our Juniors to take a proactive role within their Junior Granges, their State Grange, and their communities.

This year our programs are growing stronger than ever and they are taking on new ideas that reinforce our values, our history, and our educational foundations. Junior Leaders and Directors are encouraged to utilize the national programing within their monthly meetings. Take the programs that we are designing and discover how you can utilize them and challenge the young minds around you. The programs we develop today in the Junior Grange not only help a child to become a leader, but they are the beginning of the process that is laying a foundation which will be effective for the rest of their lives.

As we enter the next year of work in the Junior Grange there are two things that I really need for our directors to be doing, 1) getting accurate and recorded numbers of all Junior and Junior 1+ membership. 2) Having completed background checks for all adults working with minors in your state. It is important for us to have those membership numbers so that we can continue to build our programing and find support for the number of Juniors we have across the country. I also cannot stress the importance of background checks. This past year the National Grange Board of Directors worked tirelessly to implement a Child Protection Policy (find information within this program book.)

Throughout the next year, I look forward to meeting many more of you and working to be present in your Grange community, either virtually or in person! This is the beginning of a new era in the Junior Grange program and I am excited for this opportunity to serve you and your Junior Granges.

Thank you all for your continued support and dedication to the Grange! If ever you need to contact me do not hesitate! I am here for you!

Fraternally yours,

Samantha Wilkins

National Junior Grange Director



National Grange Youth and Junior Departments
1616 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20006



Dear Grange Members

The National Junior Grange and National Youth Departments need your support so that we can continue to stay strong for the generations to come. For those of us who started our Grange journey wearing red tennis shoes, or for those of us who started being delighted to serve in our youth, it is undeniable what the Junior and Youth programs can do to build future leaders from Subordinate/Community Granges all the way to State and National Granges. Both the Junior and Youth Departments build skills in public speaking, Parliamentary Procedure, leadership, project planning, and the promotion of new cultures and languages (such as American Sign Language). Participation in Grange at the Junior and Youth levels gives opportunities that build characters and whose effects are felt for a lifetime.

Today our programs are stronger than ever and our participation is growing at rapid rates. With our young members stretching from coast to coast and border to border it is important that we can continue support on the National level by creating programs and incentives that encourage our youngest members to continue their excitement for this organization we love so dearly. The Junior and Youth Foundation Funds, the funds that support all of our programming, are currently not sufficient to cover the programming that we have planned for the upcoming year. These programs are set in place to help our young members become the pillars of our organization-- to guide them to become the leaders and continue our organization into the future. You can make a difference in the lives of our young members just as someone did for you. WE cannot forget that we were blessed with the gift of the Youth and Junior programs because of the support and sacrifices of those who came before us. To honor them, we must continue that support today. Support can come in many forms. You can have a "throwback" moment and put on your pair of red tennis shoes visibly marking your support by stepping forward to lead a Junior Grange or mentor a 1+ Junior member. You can also tell a Youth/Young Adult member that "I'd be delighted" to assist them in a project that they want to bring to your Grange.

For the future of our nation and for our organization, please consider supporting the Youth and Junior Departments in a way most comfortable to you. Engage with us to learn how you can lead the next generation through their Junior and Youth years in a meaningful way; sponsor specific opportunities for Juniors and Youth; become a mentor; purchase a subscription to Good Day! to introduce the Junior and Youth programs to others; or donate to our funds in the Grange Foundation, a nonprofit charitable organization that may allow you to reap tax benefits for your philanthropy. There are many ways you can help now to secure a better tomorrow, all of which are important, greatly appreciated, and will leave a lasting impression on the next generation.

Fraternally,
Mandy Bostwick
National Youth Development Director

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director

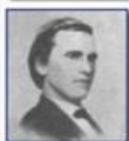
Youth and Junior Sponsorship Levels

Sponsorships go directly towards programing used at National Session.
Programing includes, but not limited to: Junior Ambassador Program, Horizon Leadership Ambassadors, Code Reading Contest, Parli-Pro Contest, Digital Talent Contest, Cape of Honor Contest, Ag Awarness Award, Grange Baseball, etc.



John Trimble Level Sponsor

\$25-\$100



John Thompson Level Sponsor

\$101-\$250



Aaron B. Grosh Level Sponsor

\$251-\$500



William Ireland Level Sponsor

\$501-\$750



Francis McDowell Level Sponsor

\$751-\$1000



William Saunders Level Sponsor

\$1001-\$2500



Oliver H. Kelley Level Sponsor

\$2501-\$5000



Caroline A. Hall Level Sponsor

\$5000+

Each sponsorship will be divided equally between the
two departments: Junior and Youth.



GOOD DAY JUNIOR GRANGERS,

Hello,

My name is Billy Greer and this this year I was the National Junior Grange Ambassador. I had a ton fun this last year and made so many new friends across the nation. Let me tell you a little about my year.

I started by attending National Session in Vermont with my dad. We had a lot of fun I met several people that I will never forget. Hanna, from Washington State, Riley Reynolds, the National Ambassador 2018, just to name a few.

Next, we went to Pennsylvania for the Mid Atlantic Regional Conference. We had a ton of fun over the weekend and got the chance to tour Gettysburg. I also had the opportunity to present a workshop on the 2019 Agriculture Awareness project, which was focused on Dairy Awareness. When we were in Gettysburg the state of Pennsylvania invited my whole family to the State Junior Grange camp in July.

After Mid Atlantic, I attended Great Plains Regional Leadership conference in Waco, Texas. It was a ton of fun too. Since this was my home region I was able to lead several workshops which were focused on the Awareness Award and the Cape of Honor Award. We toured the Dr. Pepper museum. Who knew there was a museum for Dr. Pepper? It was a lot of fun catching up with some of my friends that I met last year.

Next, my whole family loaded up in the car and drove to Pennsylvania for a week at their state Junior Grange camp. The camp was so much fun. The car ride there, not so much fun. Hahaha. I really enjoyed being able to spend a whole week with some new friends in Pennsylvania. By the time I left, I had about 20 new friends and I still keep in touch with some of them. During the camp I participated in many different activities and team building exercises. It was fun to get to interact with a lot of the Juniors and talk about my position as National Junior Grange Ambassador.

This last year has been so much fun and I have really gotten a lot better at public speaking. I still have a lot to learn but at least I'm getting better.

If I could say one thing about being the National Ambassador it would be that, you get out of it what you put into it. If you are afraid to go introduce yourself and talk to people you do not know, this will help with that. I learned a lot and would not trade this experience for the world. It has been a ton of fun and it is amazing how many new friends that I found across the nation. It would not have been possible if I had been the National Ambassador.

I want to thank everyone who supported me and invited me to be a part of their Grange events. Especially my family, my State Grange in Colorado, and the supporters of the National Junior Grange program.

Thank you,

Billy Greer

2019 National Junior Grange Ambassador



SAFE
GATHERINGS

BACKGROUND CHECKS

The National Grange and National Junior Grange and Youth Departments encourage you to follow the National Grange Child Protection Policy and obtain a background check through the company “Safe Gatherings” www.safegatherings.com as an alternative for having to obtain and find your own background check company. It is highly encouraged to have every person in our organization that is working in a supervisory position with our Juniors and Youth under 18 years of age to undergo this background check through Safe Gatherings as it is a National Background Check program that covers many levels of security checks as well as providing a training on working with vulnerable youth and adults.

The benefits of utilizing Safe Gatherings for the Grange is:

- **A No Hassle system:** State Masters, Directors, and Leaders now have the pressure taken off them to make sure these critical steps are taken appropriately in accordance of their state laws.
- **Everything is handled from the National Grange office and your information is kept 100% safe and secure through the Safe Gatherings Network.** (No personal information is held with the National Grange)
- **Safe Gatherings provides 4 levels of background checks:** Local, State, National, and Sex Offender.
- **Safe Gatherings provides Professional Reference Checks**
- **Safe Gatherings provides training for abuse prevention and ideas on how to appropriately work with minors who are at their most vulnerable time in life.**
- **LOW COST-** the break down cost for the 2-year clearance through Safe Gatherings is less than \$2.00 a month.



BEGIN YOUR BACKGROUND CHECK TODAY:

www.safegatherings.com

Search “Grange” to register under our organization

Our vision is for a world in which all children, youth, and vulnerable adults are protected and feel safe.

Unfortunately, that’s not the world we live in, which is why Safe Gatherings has created a comprehensive system

that screens and educates staff and volunteers – to help prevent abuse and make the world a safer place for those among us who are most vulnerable.

For more information: Please contact National Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins at 210.838.7892 or junior@nationalgrange.org

National Grange Child Protection Policy

The National Grange is committed to providing an environment that is safe for Juniors and Youth during National Grange activities. This policy is designed to protect our young people, instill confidence in those entrusting us with their children, and protect adult volunteers and staff from allegations that may be unwarranted.

Any individual age 18 and above, in a leadership position working directly with Juniors and Youth under 18, must obtain a clean and clear **national background check** through a company approved by the National Grange Executive Committee. It is highly recommended that the online service Safegatherings.com be used. All reports are kept confidential by Safe Gatherings and are not in possession of the National Grange, and are valid for two years.

Any individual age 18 and above, in a leadership position working directly with Juniors and Youth under 18 must obtain a clean and clear background check before their participation in any National Grange sponsored event. These events include but are not limited to: National Grange Session, Regional Conferences, Camps (i.e. Revival), and any other National Grange sponsored events.

The costs to obtain these background checks will be borne by the individual unless they are National Grange Staff, Directors, or members of the National Grange Youth Team, when the cost will be paid from their National Grange budget.

If an individual fails the background check they will not be permitted to work with Junior Grangers and/or Youth age Grange members.

Guidelines

Two deep leadership – there should always be at least two leaders age 21 or older at all Junior or Youth functions.

No one-on-one contact – One-on-one contact between adults and Juniors or Youth under 18 is not permitted. If the necessity for one-on-one interactions between adults and children arises, the interaction should occur in an unenclosed area and with the knowledge of another adult.

Adopted August 20, 2019

JUNIOR GRANGE PROGRAM - AGE REQUIREMENTS

Junior Grangers ages 5-14 are welcome to participate in all programs within the Junior Grange Program.

*With exceptions to participating in the Ambassador Program. However, they are still welcome to work on achieving those goals before they reach the appropriate age.

ARE YOU A JUNIOR AT HEART?

As the National Junior Grange is celebrates over 130 years of service many of us begin to think of those fond memories. For 2020 we are inviting you to become a Junior again!

Take a look at the Junior Grange Contests and submit an original piece.
Subordinate entries will be a donation of \$5.00. Cash or checks made payable to the National Grange Foundation

All Adult entries will be judged separately, and the top winners will be awarded a prize.

THE FOLLOWING CONTESTS MAY BE ENTERED BY A SUBORDINATE MEMBER:

**CREATIVE ART
CREATIVE WRITING
HANDY CRAFT
MINI SCRAPBOOK**

All Contest Entries are to be sent by Mail to:

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW
WASHINGTON D.C. 20006

DATES AND DEADLINES

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

SEPTEMBER 1st

Ambassador Program Application
Junior Historian Award Application
Junior Mentor Application
Awareness Award Submissions
Cape of Honor Application

SEPTEMBER 25th

Grange in Action

OCTOBER 1st

Community Service Report (or at session)
State Directors Report
Junior Leaders Report

OCTOBER 1

All entries may be completed any time between October 1 of the previous year to October 1 of the current year.

Creative Art
Creative Writing
Mini-Scrapbook
Photography
Handy-Craft
Digital Talent Show
Membership

Granger at Heart-Oct 20 (or at session)

November 1st

Public Speaking
Sign-A-Song
Grange Baseball- (must qualify at a Regional Conference)

Contestants must have submitted the following information by **Nov. 1**

NAME

Category (i.e. Speech, Sign-A-Song, Baseball)

Age

State

Mailing Address/name of Junior Grange

NATIONAL GRANGE SESSION 2020

PLAN TO JOIN US
NOVEMBER 17-21, 2020
for the National Grange Session
in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania

Juniors will have planned activities from November 19-21

Activities include but are not limited to:

- A hands-on interactive tour of some of America's first footprints.
- Junior Grange Contests
- Community Service Projects
- Innovative and educational Workshops
- The ability to interact with other Junior Grangers from around the Nation.

Registration is opens in April 2020

Visit www.nationalgrange.org for more up to date information.

November 17-21, 2020
Valley Forge Casino Resort
1160 First Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406
(610) 768-3215

2020 HOST STATE

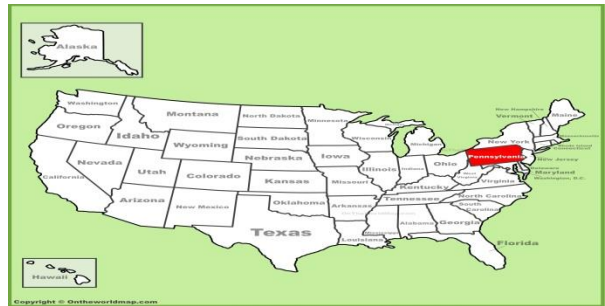
State of Pennsylvania

Facts:

- Capital: Harrisburg
- Entered the Union: December 12, 1787

Pennsylvania was the 2nd state

- Motto: "Virtue, liberty, and independence"
- Flower: Mountain-laurel
- Tree: Eastern Hemlock
- Bird: Ruffed Grouse
- Insect: The Firefly
- Song: "Pennsylvania"
- Nickname: The Keystone State



Pennsylvania on the map



STATE FLAG

CONSIDER COMPLETING
THE PASSPORT for Pennsylvania this year



STATE SEAL

KELLEY FARM PROJECT

The Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm in Elk River, Minn., is home of one of the founders of our Grange Order. They could use the aid of the Junior Grangers 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.

Plan with your Junior Grangers a way to 'support an animal' on the Kelley Farm.

Here is a breakdown of how much it costs just for grain to feed the animals on the Kelley Farm:

Raising a pig from birth to finish = \$150 (one season)

Care for a horse per year = \$1800

Care for a Cow per year = \$900

Care for an Ox per year = \$1000

Lamb birth to yearling = \$150

Broiler hatch to finish (5 weeks) = \$5

Turkey hen (14 weeks) = \$17

Turkey Tom (18 weeks) = \$19

You can write to the farm for more information:

Oliver H. Kelley Farm

15788 Kelley Farm Rd.

Elk River MN 55330

Email: Kelleyfarm@mnhs.org

To see pictures of the Kelley Farm animals, visit the Minnesota Historical Society website 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 DONATIONS:

JUNIOR GRANGE:	#	STATE:
NUMBER OF MEMBERS:	JUNIOR LEADER NAME:	AMOUNT OF DONATION \$:
JR GRANGE MAILING ADDRESS:	CITY, STATE	ZIP

Make your checks payable to **"Grange Foundation, KELLEY FARM."** Send your check and this form to:

National Grange Office in Washington D.C. 1616 H St NW Washington DC 20006

14 | 2020 National Junior Grange Program Book

Submit applications/entries to National Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins- 1616 H ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20006

JUNIOR HISTORIAN AWARD

The new Junior Historian Award will represent a Junior Granger who has gone above and beyond to prove that they demonstrate a superior knowledge of the Junior Grange and Grange History. The purpose of this award is to challenge Junior Grange members to learn and become fluent in the Rituals and History of our organization.

This award is supervised and administered by the National Junior Grange Director. All candidates are expected to submit a completed application and all required documentation.

A special recognition and certificate will be awarded at the Junior Grange Breakfast during the National Grange Convention.

All the following must be submitted/obtained to receive the award.

1. Must be a JG member for a minimum of 2 years and in good standing.
2. Submit a copy of the Junior Grange Knowledge test.
 - a. Test may be scored by State Director. But, score will be confirmed by National Junior Grange Director. A score of 80% or higher is required to pass.
 - b. All tests answers must be hand written by applicant.
3. Must be able to recite the Junior Grange Pledge and display the Junior Grange Grip
4. Be able to adequately explain procedures used when opening and closing the Grange (opening the Bible, Flag presentation/retiring, and retiring the emblem)
5. 200-word biography for each of the founding Grange members.
6. Create a display about the history of your State Grange. (Submit pictures of the display)
7. Write a 1-page typed summary of what your hopes and dreams are for the future of the Grange.
8. Submit 1 letter of recommendation- recommendation must come from a Grange member who can vouch for your invested interest in Grange History.

Requirements must be certified by Junior leader, Subordinate Master, or Junior Deputy.

Award applications must be submitted and postmarked by September 1.

Junior Historian recipients will be recognized during the Junior Grange Breakfast at the National Session.

Junior Historian Application

Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age and Tshirt Size	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Master Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by	Date Completed
1. Junior Member at least 2 years		
2. Attach completed Knowledge test		
3. Ability to recite the JR Grange Pledge and display Grip		
4. Able to explain the opening and closing procedures		
5. Biography of Founders		
6. State Grange Display		
7. Future of the Grange Essay		
8. Attach 1 letter of recommendation		
As Junior Leader I certify that _____ has qualified for the Junior Historian Award, having met all requirements for this award.	Signature of Jr. Leader:	Date Submitted:

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The purpose of the National Junior Grange Ambassador program is to provide an opportunity for outstanding Junior Grangers, selected by their State Grange, to attend the National Grange Convention and build their leadership potential. They will be given the opportunity to build relationships with other Junior Grangers and Grangers across the Nation. They will receive vital training that will be instrumental in developing the Junior Grange programs within their state, as well as preparing them for their future in the Grange.

A maximum of 2 Junior Grangers per state, one male and one female, may be chosen to represent their State at the National Convention. One candidate will be chosen through a process of interviews and observations made by a council of judges. The candidate that is chosen will serve as the National Junior Grange Ambassador and will be a representative of the National Junior Grange program for a one-year term.

Other candidates not selected to serve as National Junior Ambassador will have the opportunity to serve on the National Junior Grange Council-There are several council positions open each year. These members will assist the National Ambassador with tasks from their home states throughout the year and each member will have a direct focus (i.e. contests, agriculture, ritualism etc.) for the betterment of the organization and its programming needs. Applications are not guaranteed selection for council or ambassador.

All applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a Junior Grange member for a minimum of 3 years.
2. Must be between the ages of 10-14 years, having observed their 10th birthday, but not their 15th by December 31st of the year they attend National Session.
3. Applicants must be able to attend National Convention to represent their state during Junior Grange activity days (Thursday-Saturday) at their own costs.
4. Applicants must have a parent or guardian attend National convention with them.

Applicants must submit the following:

1. 4 letters of recommendations from:
 - a. State Master
 - b. State Junior Director (if applicable)
 - c. Junior Leader (if applicable)
 - d. Educational Leader (i.e. teacher, Sunday school teacher etc.)
2. Headshot- a professional photograph containing only yourself
3. 1-page biography telling about yourself, your family, and your Junior Grange Achievements.
4. Attach a 1-page essay on "Why you would like to represent the National Grange as the NJGA."

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION: September 1

Each State Grange may send one male and one female representative.

****At this time all Ambassadors must be able to attend National Convention and all Junior Activities at their own cost****

National Junior Grange Ambassador Application

Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age and T-Shirt Size	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Master Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by: (leader signature)	Date completed
1. Meets membership requirement. 3 year member and between 10-14 years old.		
2. 4 Letters of Recommendation		
3. Attached Biography and headshot		
4. Attached Essay "Why would you like to represent the National Grange as NJGA?"		

Parental Permission: I certify that my child, _____, has my permission to apply for the position of National Junior Grange Ambassador. We will be able to attend National Grange Convention and will be able to cover any costs associated with attending convention. I also give my permission for my child's photograph to appear in publications for the National Grange. I also understand that if my child is selected for NJGA there may additional expenses throughout the year that may not be covered by the National Grange.	
X _____ Phone: _____	Date: _____
Junior Leader Certification I Certify that _____ qualifies for the National Junior Grange Ambassador Program and has met all the program requirements for participation.	
X _____ Phone: _____	Date: _____

BE A SUPER JUNIOR

Cape of Honor Award

Do you have a Junior Granger who has gone above and beyond for the Grange and their community? Now it is the time to honor them in a special recognition during the National Grange Session. Junior Grangers who plan, participate, and serve their communities will have the opportunity to be honored for their hard work.

Juniors are challenged to put on their capes and get out into their communities.

CONTEST PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Cape of Honor award is to spotlight our Junior Grangers that are doing the work of true Grangers and going above and beyond our expectations. Every Junior that submits an application and meets the tier requirements will be recognized during the Junior Grange Breakfast at National Session; however, the Junior Granger with the most community service hours served in a 1-year time frame will be named as the Super JG of the Year. **Submissions must be postmarked by September 1.**

All Applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange member in good standing
- 2) Must be between the ages of 5-15 at time of submission and not yet received the obligation into the Subordinate Grange.
- 3) Junior Granger is expected to keep track of community service hours September 1 of the current year through August 31 of the following year. (Example September 1, 2019- August 31, 2020)
- 4) Junior Granger must keep track of their projects throughout the year.

All Applicants must submit the following:

- 1) Application form (found on next page)
- 2) A letter from the Junior applicant stating "Why they have a passion to serve their communities and what their favorite service project was from the last year"
- 3) A list of service projects done throughout the year- along with how many hours each project took from start to finish.
- 4) The number of community service hours completed.

TIERS FOR AWARDS:

WHITE TIER: Junior must complete between 10-30 community service hours to complete this tier

RED TIER: Junior must complete between 30-50 community service hours to complete this tier

BLUE TIER: Juniors must complete between 50-100 community service hours to complete this tier

GOLD TIER: Juniors must complete over 100 hours of community service to complete this tier

JUNIOR APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND NATIONAL GRANGE SESSION BUT ARE NOT REQUIRED.

IF Junior is not in attendance the award will be sent with the State Junior Director or State Master.

****At this time applicants are invited to attend National Convention and all Junior activities at their own cost****

National Junior Grange CAPE OF HONOR Application

Junior Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Master Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by: -Leaders Signature-	
1. Is a Junior Granger in good standing-		
2. Number of Service Hours Completed:		HOURS: _____
3. Junior has completed the following Tier: _____		Circle one: White Red Blue Gold
SUBMIT FOLLOWING ITEMS	CHECK WHEN ATTACHED	
1. Letter from Junior Granger		
2. List of Projects Completed		

Parental Permission: I _____ certify that my child, _____, has met all of the above requirements for the Cape of Honor Award and I give permission to the National Grange to publish my Child's name and/or picture in future publications produced by the National Grange.		
X _____	Phone: _____	Date: _____

2020 AGRICULTURAL AWARENESS PROJECT

2020 Awareness Award Theme:

AGRICULTURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Complete the following tasks to receive your 2020 Awareness Award!

1. Research the affects that Agriculture has on the environment- this is a very broad topic- do some research and dive in a little deeper to an area that interests you. Find someone in your community that works in that field and interview them to find out more about how their job has an effect on agriculture and the environment.
2. Either at home, school, or Grange create a compost pile- see how much compost you can create over 1 month time-bonus points if you continue this project all year- report back to your Grange on what you learned.
3. Create a flier to be distributed or hung up at your Grange Hall or local establishments- This flier must contain information based on the area of interest you researched.
4. Learn how to reduce-reuse-and recycle. Create a chart to be hung up in your Grange Hall, home, and/or school indicating the items that you can recycle. - Report to your Junior Grange the impact you have seen with recycling.
5. Many items can be used in multiple ways- find items around your house that can be recycled and create something new out of that item- submit a picture of the item you created.
6. Speak at your Junior Grange and/or Subordinate Grange about the importance of protecting our environment and the affects that agriculture has on the environment.

Submit the following information:

- Copy of your flyer and chart
- Pictures of you interviewing a community worker.
- Pictures of your composting efforts
- Pictures of your efforts to bring awareness! (Talking to neighbors, at your Grange meeting, hanging flyers, etc...)

The Awareness Awards will be presented during the Junior Grange Breakfast at National Session. If you are unable to attend National Session we will send your certificate home with State Master or another representative. Awards will be given to either Individuals or Junior Granges.

Individual Junior Submissions MUST HAVE

- **Name**
- **Age**
- **Grange Name & Number**
- **State**
- **Mailing Address**
- **Email/ Phone Number**

Junior Grange Submissions MUST HAVE:

- **Junior Grange Name & Number**
- **Junior Leader's Name**
- **State**
- **Mailing Address**
- **Email/Phone Number**

SUBMISSIONS FOR AWARD MUST

BE MADE BY September 1

FOR additional resources please visit
www.nationaljuniorgrange.org

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Public Speaking Contest will be held during the National Grange Convention held every November. This contest will be open to all State Junior Grange Public Speaking winners and will be judged at National Session. Winners will be announced at the Evening of Excellence and Best of Show winners will give their speeches at the Junior Grange Breakfast on Saturday morning.

Requirements:

-**Age:** 5- 14 years of age

- **Participants** must have achieved First Place in their State Junior Competition, or Best of Show at their Regional Competition. One participant in each category (Short Story/ Prepared) may represent their state at National Convention and the Best of Show winner may represent from their region.

Name, age, speech title, category and State name must be turned in by November 1st to the National Junior Grange Director at juniors@nationalgrange.org.

Categories

Impromptu-(only at Regional Conferences) The contestant will draw 2 topics from a mystery bag and select one of those topics to give their speech on. The contestant must meet a minimum of 1 minute with no more than 3 minutes for their speech.

Short Story- The contestant may present a short story or poem of their choosing. The contestant must meet a minimum of 1 minute with no more than 3 minutes for their story.

Prepared- Deliver a prepared speech on one of the following topics:

- 1) How does being a Junior Granger Impact My Community
- 2) Any topic of their choice

The contestant must meet a minimum of 3 minutes with a maximum of 7 minutes for their prepared speech.

Judging Criteria:

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

National Competition Winners:

1st-3rd place winners in each age category will receive cash prizes. A Best of Show winner will also be announced and given the opportunity to present their speech at the Junior Grange Breakfast.

Note no funding will be provided to attend the National Grange Session

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE SIGN-A-SONG CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Sign-A-Song Contest will be held during the National Grange Convention every November. This contest will be open to all State Junior Grange Sign-A-Song winners and will be judged at National Session. Winners will be announced at the Evening of Excellence and winners will give their presentations at the Junior Grange Breakfast on Saturday morning.

Requirements:

- **AGE-** 5- 14 years of age
- **CATEGORIES:** Novice, Hobbyist, Group
- All National Junior Grange competition participants must have achieved First Place in their State Junior Competition, or Best of Show at their Regional Competition. One participant from each category may represent their state at National Convention and the Best of Show winner may represent from their region.
- Name, age, song title, and state must be turned in by November 1st to the National Junior Grange Director at juniors@nationalgrange.org

Judging Criteria:

Utilization of total communication.....	30 points
(Sign language ability, signs clearly with creative interpretation)	
Body expression, display of emotion	30 points
Presentation, interpretation with confidence	30 points
Clarity of music selection	10 points
Total Possible	100 points

National Competition Winners:

1st-3rd place winners in each category will receive cash prizes

A Best of Show winner will also be announced and given the opportunity to present at the Junior Grange Breakfast at National Session.

Note no funding will be provided to attend the National Grange Session

GRANGE BASEBALL

Grange Baseball

Individuals have the opportunity to gain knowledge about the Grange and Junior Grange, its history, and impact on rural America.

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.

Age: 5-14 years of age by December 31 of the competing year.

- 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 homerun question.

- Once the teams have been decided, the teams will need to come up with 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 is able to participate at a regional level, only Juniors/Youth/Young Adults will be able to participate at National session.

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

Contestant's information must be submitted no later than Nov. 1 to the National Junior Grange Director at junior@nationalgrange.org.

Name

Age

State

Junior Grange Name and Number

Mailing Address

DIGITAL TALENT SHOW

Junior Grangers Got Talent? Junior Grangers from around the country will showcase their talents through a digital talent show. All variety of talents will be accepted, so send in your best performance.

RULES:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member
2. 1 entry per Junior Grange member
3. All entries must be appropriate; those deemed inappropriate at the discretion of the National Junior Grange Director will be eliminated.
4. By submitting an entry, you are automatically waiving rights of publication and are allowing the use of submission to be used by the National Grange as they see fit.
5. Length- Each entry must be between 3-5 minutes long. (not to exceed 5 minutes)
6. Each entry must be introduced with the following information:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Title of Talent
7. Submissions must be made with a downloadable file such as Dropbox and sent to junior@nationalgrange.org
 - Submissions may be sent via mail on a flash drive or CD
 - Mailed submissions must be postmarked by October 1st
 - Mailed submissions must also provide an email address and contact phone number.
 - Digital submissions must be uploaded by October 1st

AGE: All Juniors age 5-14 will be allowed to submit an entry

Judging will be based on creativity and overall performance.

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

HANDY CRAFT CONTEST

Seed Art

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
- 2) Choose seeds of every shape, color, and size that you want.
- 3) Create a mosaic picture using only seeds
- 4) Seed Art display should not exceed 8.5x11in (standard printer paper size)
 - a. When shipping place in a clear sheet protector
- 5) Be creative and detailed as possible.

Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information:

- a. Name
- b. Age (and birthdate)
- c. State
- d. Grange name and number
- e. Mailing address

Submissions must be postmarked by **October 1st** of current year to be entered into National Competition.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

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

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

CREATIVE ART CONTEST

Using the theme for the appropriate year, draw or paint a picture showing what the theme means to you.
The theme for 2020 is "Cultivating Connections."

Rules:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
- 2) Maximum size is 8 ½ x 11 inch paper (may use smaller art paper if so desired)
- 3) May use any medium they choose (i.e. crayons, pencil, markers, paint, etc.)
- 4) Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address

Submissions must be postmarked by October 1st of current year to be entered into National Competition.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

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

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

Topic: Choose from one of the following topics

- If you were to have a day to spend with one of the founding members of the Grange who would it be and why? What would you do? What would you talk about?
- Pick a person from any time in history that you could spend the day with- who would it be and why? What would you do? What would you talk about?

RULES:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
 - 2) Length- Each entry must be a minimum of 1 page long and a maximum of 4 pages. Double spaced, typed or handwritten.
 - 3) Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address
- Submissions may be sent via e-mail as PDF documents by October 1.
 - Mailed submissions must be postmarked by October 1st of current year.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

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

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

MINI-SCRAPBOOK CONTEST

Purpose:

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

This is your journey- Design your pages around your Junior Grange Activities for the year.

Rules:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member.
2. Scrapbook must be on standard 8 ½ x11 paper
3. Maximum 15 pages, excluding cover sheet
4. Include a Scrapbook cover sheet with
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address
5. Submissions must be postmarked by October 1st of current year.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

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

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

Photography Contest

Take a photograph of what you think represents the National Grange theme for the year.

Rules:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member
2. Photo submission size is 5x7 inches.
3. Photos may be submitted in black and white or color.
4. On Back of photo include:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address
5. Submissions must be postmarked by October 1st of current year.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

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

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the Junior Breakfast at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

Pen Pal for Juniors

How fun is it to meet new Grangers from across the US. But what happens when we meet them at a National, Regional, or State Event? Do we keep in contact with them? Or do we just hope that we will get to see them the following year at another Grange event?

Well it is time to help solve that. It is time to build Junior Grange relationships across the nation! By implementing the new Pen Pal Program we will be working to promote Grange health, developing and bettering handwriting skills, and making use of the United States Postal Service.

To Sign up for the Pen Pal Program and be matched with another Junior from around the United States please send the following information to the National Junior Grange Director Junior@nationalgrange.org or fill out the online form located on www.nationaljuniorgrange.org.

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW Washington DC 20006
National Junior Grange
PEN PAL SIGN-UP

Name: _____
Last First MI
Age _____ Gender _____

Junior Grange Name: _____

Grange State: _____

Address: _____
Street Address

City State Zip Code

Parent Email: _____



WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE

Washington DC Experience March 7-11, 2020

Your National Youth, National Junior and Legislative Departments and in alignment with *Apathy Not Allowed* (Apathy Not Allowed books available from the National Grange office)

Registrations Due by February 1

Registration available online www.nationaljuniorgrange.org.

Youth, Young Adults and Juniors are invited to join us in Washington, DC March 7-11, 2020 for the Washington DC Experience. The purpose of the Washington DC Experience is for Junior and Youth/Young Adult aged Grangers from across the country to come together and learn about how the Grange functions on the legislative side. Youth and Juniors will be educated on the many ways in which Grangers and citizens alike can advocate on issues they feel important to shape public policy and communities in which they live.

During the Washington DC Experience, Grangers are invited to get an up-close and behind the scenes look at what government is and how it operates in Washington, DC. Junior and Youth members, along with their leaders/parents, are invited to attend the Washington DC Experience. Junior and Youth Leaders accompanying must adhere to the National Grange Child Protection Policy.

Grangers will attend briefings with important information pertaining to the Grange Legislative Department. Plans will also include meeting with governmental departments (such as Department of Agriculture and Department of Education) meeting with Congressmen and Senators from your state and a tour of DC.

Just as our Grange Declaration of Purposes suggests, we will ensure that our Grange Youth, Young Adults and Juniors “take a proper interest in the politics of one’s country” so they might become the informed and involved citizens required to move America forward and to guarantee a better society for future generations.

Make plans to join us now. Travel and lodging costs are the responsibility of the attendees with a \$150 registration fee to cover some meal costs and tours.

See application for the Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship opportunity.



WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE cont.

The purpose of getting Junior Grangers involved in this Legislative experience is for Junior Grangers from across the country to come together to learn about how the Grange functions on the legislative side.

Junior Grangers will learn to Stand UP and SPEAK Out for the Junior Grange.

During the Washington DC Experience Junior Grangers and Youth alike are invited to come and get an up close and behind the scenes look at what Government is and how it operates in Washington DC.

Junior Grangers, their leaders, and parents are invited to attend.

WE will attend briefings with important information pertaining to the Grange Legislative departments. Plans will also include meeting with different legislative departments (such as the Department of Education, the Department of Agriculture, etc.), meeting with congressmen and senators from your state or their representatives, possibly take a tour of the capital, and visit a museum or two.

PLAN ON JOINING US TODAY!

CONTACT YOUR NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE DIRECTOR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

JUNIOR@NATIONALGRANGE.ORG

ONCE YOU CONTACT Samantha Wilkins a schedule of events and more information will be sent to you regarding the Washington DC Experience.

You may also contact National Grange Legislative Director, Burton Eller at BEller@nationalgrange.org

Dates for the WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE are March 7-11 2020

Tentative Schedule will include: Saturday: Meet and Greet at Hotel

Sunday: Travel to National Grange Headquarters- Learn about the NG Legislative department and how it works in DC- Tour-

Monday: Briefings at National Headquarters- Mock Interviews and Tour

Tuesday: Meetings with Representatives

Wednesday: Wrap up meetings and depart

Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship

Deadline: February 1 - Sponsored by Potomac Grange #1, Washington, DC

Any Youth, Young Adult, or Junior that has applied to attend the Washington DC Experience is eligible to apply for the Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship. The scholarship application with supplemental materials will be submitted to the National Grange Junior Director and will be passed along to the National Grange Legislative Director and Potomac Grange #1 for selection. Two travel/lodging scholarships, not to exceed \$800, will be awarded.

Applicants must submit ALL of the following:

1. The completed application form.
2. Junior Members:
 - a. Submit an Op-ed you wrote advocating on behalf of the Grange for a specific issue that is affecting your home, school, or community.
 1. Include the following in your statement
 - a. What the issue is
 - b. Use your words to give your opinion on the topic
 - c. Decide how the issue can be resolved with the Grange's help
 - d. Convince me to help you resolve the issue
3. An essay about what you want to gain by attending the Washington Experience
4. Two letters of reference; one from your State Master/President, State, Subordinate/Community, or Pomona Legislative Director or State Youth Director or from a National Grange Officer demonstrating your character, ability for engagement and activism and interest in Grange policy. The second letter can be from anyone outside of the family unit

Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship Application

Deadline: February 1

State _____ Subordinate/Junior Grange & No. _____

Applicant Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Circle One: Junior (5-13) Youth (14-21) Young Adult (22-35)

General Biographical Information: (education, years in the Grange, etc.) and other information of relevance.

Have you held any Grange offices or served on any committees, etc? If so, please indicate these below.

Have you worked or volunteered for any local, state or national political campaigns or offices? If so, please indicate these below.

I certify that the above information is correct.

Signature

Date

Parent/ Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

Please indicate the name of your references whose letters you have attached to this application.

Name: _____ Position _____

Name: _____ Position _____

2020 National Grange Membership Department Contest

There are two categories to this contest.

1. Digital Displays
2. Non-Digital Displays

The goal of this contest is to create a display promoting your Junior Grange and to use it in the community your Junior Grange serves.

ABOUT YOUR DISPLAY:

Junior Grange displays should promote the active role your Junior Grange takes in its community by highlighting the activities your Junior Grange puts on, the community service projects it engages in, and the future vision of the membership.

The displays can also briefly highlight the history of the organization.

Displays should be visually appealing, including pictures to enhance the viewer's experience.

Displays can be both active and passive in nature.

Active displays are ones where Junior Grange members are there to talk to potential new members and answer any questions about what your Junior Grange does.

Passive displays are ones that are set up for the public to view without anyone being there to answer potential questions.

Both displays should have the information necessary for someone to find out more information about your Junior Grange including, but not limited to: website, meeting date & time, email, social media addresses, etc. Displays should also be stocked with pamphlets about the Junior Grange and membership applications for anyone wishing to fill one out.

In developing your display, consider what your Junior Grange does to improve your community and the things that would entice people to join your Junior Grange and become active members. Also consider what are the outcomes of being a Junior Grange member, not just the features of membership.

Digital displays: can be a video, or a collection of images and text that showcase what your Junior Grange does to serve its members and better its community. Digital displays can be created in a variety of programs including, but not limited to: Microsoft PowerPoint, Prezi, Google Slides, Keynote, iMovie, Adobe Spark, Windows Movie Maker, and Impress. Digital displays can also have audio laid over the images with a narrator explaining the outcomes of being a Grange member and why someone should join the Junior Grange. Digital displays should be viewed on a laptop computer or TV screen that is set up at the events your Grange is working.

To enter this contest, please submit to the National Grange Membership Director:

1) A short (up to two (2) page) write-up of where your Junior Grange placed its display and what interest the display generated; did you take in new members? Develop new contacts within you community? Develop a new program based on the needs of your community members?

2) Along with the write-up please submit up to five (5) photos of your Junior Grange display in action.

Digital displays need to be created in some form of digital media that can be universally shared and viewed. If your Junior Grange created an information or membership pamphlet specific for your Junior Grange to go along with your display, please include it as well.

The top four displays in each category will be displayed in the Showcase at the 154rd National Grange Convention.

Contest entries are due to the National Grange Membership Director no later than October 1, 2020

Grange In Action

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 2019 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, 2019 to Sept 1, 2020 - 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 2020 Distinguished Grange award are not eligible for this recognition.
- Deadline to submit the 1 page to National Grange is September 25, 2020 postmark or electronic by midnight on September 25, 2020.
- Mail to National Grange, Attn. Loretta Washington – 1616 H Street NW, 11th Fl. Washington, DC 20006
- Email to Loretta Washington @ lwashington@nationalgrange.org please put in the subject line for the email: Grange in Action report

To be named a “State Grange in Action”, a State Grange must have at least 6 Granges recognized as “Grange In Action.”

Some of the entries will be on display at next year’s National Convention.

Those Granges that submitted a 1 page entry will receive a certificate with the National Grange President’s signature.



Revised on 10/7/19

Created by: Loretta R. Washington, 11/2/18
Sales, Benefits, Programs & Membership Recognition Director

National Grange

Junior Grange Community Service Contest

Through the National Grange Community Service Department

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 C/S projects on their own or in conjunction with their sponsor Granges. This would also be a way to enhance the 1 Plus program by drawing attention to what a single Junior is doing in their community and hopefully pique the interest of other children in that age range.

Each Junior Grange or 1 Plus 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 single 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 JG Leader about how this impacted the community and what the JG's learned.

PRIZES/AWARDS

TBD

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: NOW

Any projects completed after 12/1/2019 can be entered for this year's contest

Program Information

1. The Junior Grange leaders throughout each state should submit their reports to the state community service director or person within state that collects subordinate CS books. Judges for the CS books should also be the judges for the Junior reports.
2. Each winning report should be sent to National Junior Grange Director, Samantha Wilkins prior to October 1 or in person at the National Grange Convention to National Grange Community Service Chairman, Pete Pompper.
3. Getting the word out. National Grange will send out information through Good Day magazine and Patrons Chain.
4. **NG Point of Contact** will be Pete Pompper, National Grange Community Service Director.

National Grange
Junior Grange Community Service
Project Report

This page should be the cover page for your report.

Junior Grange Name: _____ State: _____

JG Leader's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number _____

Name/Type of project: _____

Total # of JG members: _____ Total # JG members involved with this project _____

Important information to include in your report: report should be no more than 3 pages (front and back) not including this cover page.

Date and location of the project, number of people impacted, names of other groups who helped, number of non-Grangers who helped, no more than 4 photos, 1 or 2 newspaper articles about event, no more than 3 thank you letters.

Report must be returned to the National Junior Grange Director by October 1.

WRITE FOR GOOD DAY!™ MAGAZINE

The National Grange has a quarterly print magazine and you're invited to contribute content for it!

From photos to essays, poems to portraits, we invite submissions.

ALL SUBMISSIONS WELCOME: There is no age restriction on any creative submission category, so Juniors interested in photography, creative expression through poetry and prose may submit to communications@nationalgrange.org before any deadline of upcoming editions. We also accept D-I-Y craft projects with step-by-step instructions, a list of necessary materials, photos of each step (high quality) and a short introduction to the project. When submitting by email, please keep each email under 5MB or contact the Communications Department to determine other submission options.

JUNIOR-ONLY CATEGORY:

Each issue has a theme and we have open contests for entries. Top entries will be sent along to the Communications Department for inclusion in the upcoming magazine and all those who submit will receive a certificate.

Submissions may be made via email to juniors@nationalgrange.org. The entire email should be 5MB or smaller or you should contact the Junior Department to determine other submission options.

January 21, 2020 (Spring 2020 Issue) - If I were President...

April 1, 2020 (Summer 2020 Issue) - Words/Writing or Learning

July 1, 2020 (Fall 2020 Issue) - Harvesting/Farming

Oct. 1, 2020 (Winter 2020 Issue) - 20 years from now/Looking ahead or Future

FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS: The work must be your own original writing, photography or art. You may get your parent, guardian or another mentor or adult's assistance to write or create the piece, but we expect all those who assist to adhere to high ethical standards and allow the Junior's work to be reflected without influence by the adult/older assistant.



2020 National Grange Quilt Block Contest

RULES

- A. The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone.
- B. All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by **October 31, 2020**. Send entries to:
- Christine Hamp, National Lecturer
16418 N. Birdie Road
Nine Mile Falls WA 99026
- C. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 154th National Grange convention in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.
- D. The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- E. There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- F. All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and other items to be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity.
- G. A 2020 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 each Group.
- ☐ Ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.



2020 National Grange Quilt Block Contest

Shoo Fly or Choice*

(*Any block of your choosing.)

Color:

Each block should incorporate teal or turquoise.

Fabric A: use a light color.

Fabric B: use a dark color.

Fabric:

All fabric used should be cotton.

Constructing the Quilt Block:

Fabric A: Cut four (4) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and two (2) $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.

Fabric B: Cut one (1) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square and two (2) $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.

Place a $5\frac{1}{2}$ " square A and a $5\frac{1}{2}$ " square B with right sides together. Make a pencil line diagonally on back of fabric. Sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both sides of the line. See Diagram 1 below (dotted lines are sewing lines). Repeat with other set of $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares. Cut on pencil line and press toward the dark fabric. Now trim the four (4) A/B blocks to measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square. See Diagram 2 below.

Assemble in horizontal rows as shown below in Diagram 3. Sew the block together using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. Each finished quilt block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Press all seams. Clip and remove all threads.

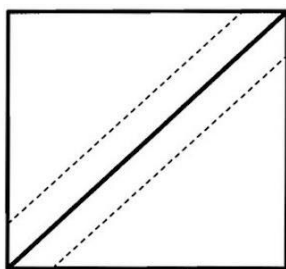
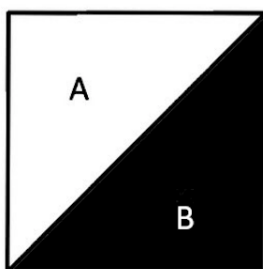


Diagram 1



. Diagram 2.

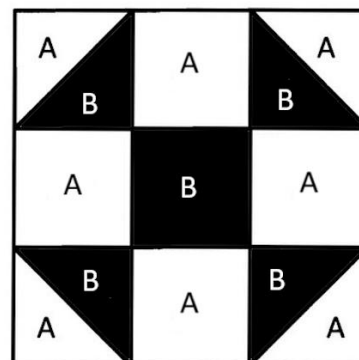


Diagram 3..



2020 Quilt Block Contest

ENTRY FORM

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Email:

Phone:

DO NOT JUDGE ☐

Grange Member: ☐

Non-Member: ☐

Grange Name: _____ No.: _____ State: _____

☐ - Group I (Age 14+)

☐ - Group II (Age 13 and under)

☐ - Group III (MEN; Age 14+)

All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by October 31, 2020.

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

Please make and submit 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: Christine Hamp, National Lecturer

16418 N. Birdie Road

Nine Mile Falls WA 99026

PASSPORT PROGRAM

The Junior Grange *Passport* is designed to be an exciting and innovative way for Juniors to learn more about *their world, their country, their state, their community, and their Grange*.

The *PASSPORT* program is an online digital format, so leaders will now have easier access to stamps that will not require a purchase, and thus save on programing costs within your state. This format will allow us to have constant changes and additions, which will grant us the ability to spotlight important issues or events throughout history. This transition will be beneficial to all Junior Grangers, Leaders, and Educators. Junior Grangers will now have an easy to handle notebook that will allow them the ability to keep track of their accomplishments and utilize them as resources for outside studies. Educators will be able to utilize the Passports as part of their curriculum, encouraging their students to learn more about the Grange and other educational entities that will be offered. Leaders will appreciate the ability to have immediate availability of the downloadable stamps, making it easier to plan and award Juniors with a stamp in their *PASSPORT*.

The program is broken down into five categories:

1. **Grange Adventures**
2. **Grange States**
3. **Career Readiness**
4. **American History**
5. **World Discovery**

It is highly encouraged that each Junior Director promotes the use of the *PASSPORT* program. The completion of these stamps not only gives each Junior a sense of accomplishment, it also provides a challenging educational foundation. Through the *PASSPORT* program Juniors will gain knowledge about the Grange and the world around them that will last beyond the time they spend in the Junior Grange. Laying the path for a strong future leader.

Be sure to check the Junior Grange website where you will be able to download the current *PASSPORTS* and be sure to check back often as there may be new Stamps introduced throughout the year!

PASSPORT IDEA SUBMISSIONS

Any ideas can be submitted to the National Junior Grange Director for consideration as an entry in the National Junior Grange Passport Program. Ideas can be submitted from any member of the Grange as well as outside idea resources. The entire form must be filled out to be considered for an entry in the Passport. Please send submissions to: Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director

The National Grange
1616 H St. NW, Washington DC 20006

Please fill out the following information:

Submitter's Information:

NAME: _____ GRANGE NAME/STATE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

Passport Information

Category (circle one): Grange Ritual Grange States Career Readiness
American History World Discovery

Name of Passport Stamp: _____

Difficulty Level: ★★★★★

Target Audience: _____

Necessary Resources: (ie colors, internet, paper etc...) _____

Learning Objectives: _____

Learning Outcomes: (Upon completion, Junior Grangers will be able to.....)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

How many steps does your entry take to complete? (please limit to no more than 12 steps) _____

List Steps on Back: (example: Step 1: Define Endangered Species)

Junior Mentor Award

in conjunction with the National Youth Department

Grange youth and young adults can have a powerful impact on the Grange experience with our youngest members. These youth invest into our Junior Grangers at multiple levels – at the community, Pomona and state levels. This award is designed to recognize the Grange youth and young adults that go above and beyond to guide and mentor Junior Grangers.

State Masters, State Youth Committees and/or State Junior Grange Committees can nominate a Grange youth/young adult, between the ages of 14 and 35. The application deadline is September 1.

State winners will receive a certificate and be recognized at National Session during Youth Leadership Days. The Junior Grange and Youth Departments will organize a committee to select one overall winner. The overall winner will receive a plaque in recognition of their achievements.

If you have questions contact National Grange Youth Development Director at

youth@nationalgrange.org or National Junior Grange Director

junior@nationalgrange.org.

Please mail the applications to youth director.

Electronic applications can be found at www.nationalgrangeyouth.org

Junior Mentor Award Entry Form

Due: September 1

Nominee(s) Name: _____

Nominee(s) State and Subordinate Grange: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Please tell us why this person should be selected:

How has this youth/young adult impacted the lives of Junior Grangers?

Please list some specific tasks, projects or initiatives that this youth has led to inspire Juniors

Give some examples of how they have gone above and beyond to help Junior Grangers and/or a Junior Grange Department

Feel free to use additional pages if necessary

Name of Grange submitting nominee: _____

Chairperson's Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



ARE YOU A JUNIOR GRANGER AT HEART?

Many of us remember our Junior Grange days fondly or some of us wish we would have had the opportunity to be a Junior Granger!

WELL GRANGERS you are in luck!

As the **National Junior Grange** celebrates over 130 years of service

We are inviting you to become a Junior again!

Look at the Junior Grange contests and submit an original piece created within the last year.

Contests are found on www.nationaljuniorgrange.org

There will be a cash or check entry fee of \$5.00 for Subordinate members.

All Adult entries will be judged separately from Juniors and the top winners will be awarded a prize! You may only enter one item per category!

ALL MAILED ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY OCTOBER 20, 2020

IN PERSON SUBMISSIONS MAY BE MADE AT NATIONAL SESSION BY TUESDAY AT 9AM

THE FOLLOWING JUNIOR CONTESTS MAY BE ENTERED BY A SUBORDINATE MEMBER:

- CREATIVE ART
- HANDY CRAFT
- CREATIVE WRITING
- MINI SCRAPBOOK

MAIL CONTEST ENTRIES ALONG WITH \$5.00 entry fee to:

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW
WASHINGTON DC 20006

**Make Checks Payable to the
National Grange Foundation**

State Directors Report

Due Date: October 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Director,
Samantha Wilkins
1616 H ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20006

State Junior Director:	State:
Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Phone: ()	E-Mail:
Number of Junior Grange Members (Including 1+ Members) in your state as of June 30th:	1+Members _____ Junior Members _____ Total Number of Members _____
Number of Chartered Junior Granges in your state as of June 30th:	
Number of Subordinate/Community Granges with 1+ Program in place:	
ATTACHMENTS: Please attach additional information:	1. List of Junior leaders to include names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails. 2. List of those 18+ working with Junior Grangers. 3. PROGRAMMING: Outline the planning for the participation in any local, regional, State, or National Junior Grange Program. 4. MEMBERSHIP: Outline membership promotion efforts by the Junior Grange members and leaders. 5. Comments or suggestions for the betterment of the Junior Grange Program.
Attach a list complete with the name of Leaders and Adult helpers working with Juniors who have completed background checks and when the background check expires.	

JUNIOR GRANGE LEADER REPORT

Due Date: October 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Director,
Samantha Wilkins
1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006

Who should file report: ALL JUNIOR GRANGE LEADERS

Junior Grange Name/ Number	State
Junior Grange Leader:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Phone: ()	E-Mail:
Number of Junior Grange Members as of June 30th:	
Number of Adult Leaders working with your Junior Granges as of June 30th:	
Number of meetings held this year:	
Average attendance per meeting:	
ATTACHMENTS: PLEASE ATTACH THESE ITEMS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. PROGRAMMING: Outline the planning for the participation in any local, regional, State, or National Junior Grange Program.2. MEMBERSHIP: Outline membership promotion efforts by the Junior Grange members and leaders.3. List of adults working with minors with current background checks.4. COMMENTS: Provide comments or suggestions for the betterment of the Junior Grange Program.

JUNIOR KNOWLEDGE TEST

Junior Grangers must complete the **Junior Knowledge Test** in order to receive the

Junior Historian Award.

Test may be administered and graded by the Junior Leader or State Junior Director but will be confirmed by the National Junior Grange Director.

Junior Knowledge Test is an open book test. Juniors may utilize material produced by the Grange and/or the National Grange Website, Junior Grangers must score a minimum of 80% on the test to qualify for receiving the ***Junior Historian Award.***

Highest score possible is 110%

Please return completed test to

Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director

1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006

2020 JUNIOR KNOWLEDGE TEST

Please return to: Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006



Name: _____

Junior Leader: _____

Date: _____ Junior Grange _____ No. _____

Score _____ (highest score possible 110%)

1. In what city is the National Grange Headquarters located?

2. What is the current National Grange Theme?

3. Name the seven founders of the Grange: (First and Last Names – Spelling Counts)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

f. _____

g. _____

4. Name three of the National Junior Grange contests

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

5. What is the Junior Degree Motto? _____

6. What is the youngest age a child may join the Junior Grange? _____

7. What year and where was the first Junior Grange established? _____

8. Name three of the current National Grange Officers and the State they are from:

OFFICE	NAME	State
a. Lady Assistant Steward	_____	_____
b. Gatekeeper	_____	_____
c. Ceres	_____	_____

9. What is the emblem of the office of Lecturer?

10. How many raps of the gavel calls the officers to rise?

11. The two Assistants help which officer?

12. What is the signal at the gate? _____

13. The _____ says. "Worthy Steward, the Gate is closed" during the opening of the Junior Grange Meeting.

14. In the Junior Grange Degree, who says "My friends, in joining the Grange you have acted wisely"? _____

15. The _____ opens the Bible during the opening of the Junior Grange meeting.

16. Who is the current National Junior Grange Director?

17. What is the National Junior Grange website address?

18. In the Junior Degree, which officer says, "Remember that we must sow good seed, and prune the young tree with care if we would gather good fruits"?

19. What year was the National Grange organized? _____

20. What officer is responsible for taking and reading the minutes at the Junior Grange Meeting? _____

21. When the Secretary calls the Roll Call of Officers, which officer is called sixth?

22. What is the Junior Grange Pledge?

23. What is the emblem of the Master's office? _____

24. Name three of the categories in the Junior Grange Passport Program:

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

25. List the three Graces and the correct Emblem for each:

GRACE

EMBLEM

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

26. At what age do you graduate from the Junior Grange Program and become a Community/Subordinate Grange Member? _____

27. In preparing the ballot for membership the Steward will present the box to this officer for inspection: _____

28. What is the emblem of the office of Ceres? _____

29. The _____ asks, "Friends, do you seek admission to our Order, with desire for improvement, and to cultivate a love for the farm and the home?"
30. During the Junior Degree, who gives the Instructions for the Salutation?
- _____
31. Name the State where the Kelley Farm is located. _____
32. Name two animals you will find at the Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm.
- a. _____
- b. _____
33. Who is the National Grange Youth Director? _____
34. The National Grange Digest provides the rules and regulations for all levels of Grange work.
- a. True
- b. False
35. Who says: "Therefore, let us make the animals and the birds our friends"?
- _____
36. Name your favorite Junior Contest and tell why it is your favorite:
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
37. In what year did the name Juvenile Grange change to Junior Grange? _____
38. What officer determines the left and right side of the Grange hall? _____
39. This should be placed in a position one-third the distance from Ceres to Overseer and have the Bible upon it. _____
40. What is the official color of the Junior Grange? _____
41. While some subordinate Grange officers carry staves, Junior Grange officers carry smaller versions called this _____
42. Complete the Grange Motto:
- "In essentials, _____; In non-essentials, _____; In all things, _____."

43. On the back of this test draw a diagram demonstrating how a Hall is to be set up for a Junior Grange Meeting. Label where each officer would sit, their staff (if any), include the flag and Musician.

44. BONUS QUESTION: How many children does the National Junior Grange Director have and what are their names and ages (1+ for each correct answer)

- a. How many children _____
- b. Names _____
- c. Ages _____