

# FAMILY LIVING

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The charge for installation of the Chairman of Family Living at all levels states, in part, *“Just as the home is the center of family living, so should the Grange be the center of rural community life. Your effort should be directed toward making your meeting place truly a Grange home, radiating friendliness and hospitality to all who come within its doors. Every time the door of the Grange Hall is opened, and guests received, the Family Living Department is involved and the way your Grange is perceived is established. You perform a very important function for your Grange.”*

The Chairman of Family Living also is given the duty of carrying out the Family Living programs, educational resources and projects established by the WA State Grange and the Family Living Team in order to increase awareness and participation across the state.

## DUTIES OF THE SUBORDINATE GRANGE FAMILY LIVING CHAIR

- Cooperate with State Director & Pomona Chairman.
- Attend a Family Living Conference in your Pomona or District.
- Hold a committee meeting early to plan the year’s activities. Set a time schedule and appoint assistants.
- Keep your Grange informed concerning Family Living activities by reporting at each meeting. Lead the members of your Grange in any activity helpful to your Grange and community. Keep Grange hall attractive, comfortable, and as efficiently equipped as possible.
- Cooperate with Lecturer in furnishing at least one program.
- Contribute to Grange sponsored Health & Charity projects.
- Assist Youth & Junior Grange members.
- Be the Hostess of your Grange, especially in welcoming guests & new members.
- Make a permanent Grange Family Living Notebook for reports, records, and activities.
- Send reports promptly to the State Director at time specified.
- Deliver all materials to the new Chairman of Family Living at the end of your term of office, including the permanent Grange Family Living Notebook.

## DUTIES OF THE POMONA GRANGE FAMILY LIVING CHAIR

- Plan a program of work for your Subordinate Granges, incorporating the State Family Living Department.
- Hold regular conferences for all Subordinate CFL’s in your Pomona to include informational

programs and exchange ideas.

- Visit each Grange within your Pomona at least once a year.
- Report at each Pomona Meeting on work planned and accomplished.
- Encourage Subordinate Reports at appropriate times.
- Submit your Year End Report & Pomona Contest Report promptly to your State Director at appropriate time.
- Arrange for Pomona Contests: planning meeting, location, judging, notifying Subordinate Chairs well in advance.
- Make a permanent Pomona Family Living Notebook for all reports, records, and activities.
- Deliver all Pomona CFL materials to incoming CLF chair at the end of your term of office including notebook.



## FAMILY LIVING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### January

- January 1 – Family living Year End Reports due to State Director.
- Do you have your location set for your Pomona Contests yet?

### February

Happy Valentines Day

### March

- Family Living Pomona Contests happening around the state.
- March 31 – Yearly Donations to various Family Living Sponsored charities suggested submission date.

## April

- Grange Month activities across the state.
- April 1 – Family Living Scholarship Applications due to State Headquarters.
- Family Living Contests being held. Look for one in your County.

## May

- May 10 – Pomona Contests completion date.
- May 20 – Pomona Contest Reports due to state Director.

## June

- Washington State Grange Convention.

## July/ August - It's fair time

## September

- Booster nights happening across the state.

## October

- Happy Fall.

## November

Happy Thanksgiving!

- Local food banks are busy this time of year, perhaps a volunteer group of Grangers would lighten the load.
- Election of Family Living Chairs in Subordinate & Pomona Granges.

- Remember our Veterans.

## December

- Merry Christmas!
- Holiday Bazaars, Open houses, Christmas programs.

## **CHARITIES**

The Family Living Department supports four charities through your generous donations. These charities include:

- The Family Living Scholarship Fund
- Jr. Grange Camp Scholarship Fund
- King Memorial
- In addition, we encourage you to give to any charity in your local area who could use some help. This may be a fire dept.,

food bank, homeless or women's shelter just to name a few.

Information on these charities can be found in your information packet.

## **PROGRAMS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

- Care Cloths
- Project Linus
- Preemies Blankets, Hats, & Booties
- Used Eyeglasses
- Quilts for the Brave /Quilts of Valor
- Hugs in a Quilt
- Hugs in a Mug
- Comfort Toys
- Adult Bibs
- Lap Robes
- Chemo Caps

All project information is in the packet this year. Ask your Family Living person for more information.

## **STATE FAMILY LIVING CONTEST RULES**

Division J-1 – Juniors ages 8 and under

Division J-2--Juniors ages 9 to 13

Division Y – Youth ages 14 to 18

Division A – Adults ages 19 and older

Judging: Entries are judged by the Danish system. The first, second, or third place winners at the state level will be picked from the blue-ribbon winners.

Awards: State Awards in each Class include first, second, and third place rosettes, along with cash awards in each group as follows:

### Division J:

- Best of Show \$15.00
- Second Best of Show \$10.00

### Division Y:

- Best of Show \$25.00
- Second Best of Show \$15.00

### Division A:

- Best of Show \$50.00
- Second Best of Show \$25.00

Grange members and non-Grange members may enter all contests.

## **GROUP 1 - BAKING**

Thank you to the Washington Association of Wheat Growers for sponsoring our Baking Contest.



Washington Association of Wheat Growers Award: The Washington Association of Wheat Growers Award and Rosette and Cookbook will be awarded to the first place winner. Second Place will be awarded a cookbook. First place Youth will be awarded a Wheat Magic Recipe Book and a Ribbon. First place Junior will be awarded a Wheat Magic Recipe Book. Each entry must be accompanied by one copy of the recipe placed in a legal sized envelope. Tape the envelope to the entry. Best of Show winner may not be entered in the same class for four years after winning,

REMEMBER: All entries must be in a disposable container or on a disposable base and wrapped in clear plastic.

All entries must be made from scratch. All bread must be a standard sized loaf.

All cookies, muffins, biscuits, and rolls must have 4 pieces. Youth and Juniors may not have alcohol in their baking entries.

#### Class A – Breads and Rolls

Lot 1 – Yeast Breads & Rolls

Lot 2 – Sweet Yeast Pastries

Lot 3– a Quick Breads, May be a small loaf

b- Muffins (4)

c-Biscuits(4)

Lot 4 – Diabetic Quick Breads

Lot 5 – Gluten Free Bread & Rolls

Lot 6—Sour Dough

Lot 7--Other

#### Class B – Desserts

Lot 1– Frosted Layer or Sheet Cake  
From scratch

Lot 2– Bundt Cake From Scratch

Lot 3 – Frosted Cupcakes – Entry must include 4 cupcakes  
From Scratch

Lot 4 – Decorated Cakes & Cupcakes - may be done on a form

- 4-1– Cake
- 4-2– Cupcakes

Lot 5 – Fruit Pies – 8” or 9” in a disposable pan

Lot 6--Other

Lot 7 –Cookies-- 4 Cookies required

- 7-1 – Baked
- 7-2 – Non-baked
- 7-3 – Diabetic
- 7-4 – Gluten Free
- 7-5– Decorated Cookies
- 7-6--Other

Lot 8 – Bars – Entries must be cut.

- 8-1 – Brownies – May be entered uncut
- 8-2 – Diabetic
- 8-3 – Gluten Free
- 8-4 – Other
- Lot I—Sour Dough

#### Junior Baking Class A

Lot 1 Quick Bread May be a small loaf

Lot 2 Muffins (4) May be from a mix

Lot 3 Biscuits (4) May be from a mix

#### Junior Baking: Class B

Lot 1—Cake mix cake

Lot 2—Frosted Cupcakes (4) May be from a mix

Lot 3- Cookies

3-1 Baked

3-2 Non-baked

3-3 Cake-mix cookies

3-4 Decorated Cookies

3-5-Other

Lot 4 Bars

4-1 Brownies (4) May be from a mix

4-2 Other

### **GROUP 2 – CANDY**

All entries must be made from scratch. No entries with uncooked eggs will be accepted. All entries must have 13 pieces. Youth and Juniors may not have alcohol in their candy entries.

Class A – Cooked

Class B – Uncooked

Class C – Decorated

### **GROUP 3 – FOOD PRESERVATION**

All canning entries must be prepared using USDA/ Extension service information.



Juniors under aged 8 may not enter products processed in a pressure canner. Parents shall use discretion when Juniors are using a hot water bath canner.

More than one item per class may be entered on the Pomona level.

(i.e peaches and pears and applesauce.)

All entries must be clearly labeled on the product to include:

- Item Name
- Processing Date – Month, Day, & Year
- Processing Method
- Processing Time
- Pounds of Pressure – if pressure- canned
- Altitude of Processing Location
- Hot Packed or Cold Packed
- Boiling Water or Pressure Canned

Approved standard canning jars must be used. New canning lids must be used. Lids must be approved for processing and shelf storage. No temporary storage plastic lids allowed. Rings are to be included on jars but must be able to be removed for judging.

Class A – Fruits

Class B – Vegetables

Class C – Jams, Jellies, & Preserves

Class D – Meat

Class E – Tomato Products Please include recipe or source.

Class F – Salsas - must indicate type and amount of citric acid added. Please include recipe or source.

Class G – Pickles & Relishes Please include recipe or source.

Class H– Vinegars

Class I– Juices

Class J – Pie Fillings

Class K – Soups

Class L-Syrups

Class M- Other

Class N – Dried Products – In a small jar or resealable bag. Please include method of dehydration.

- Lot 1 – Vegetables – 1/3 Cup
- Lot 2 – Fruits – 1/3 Cup
- Lot 3 – Soup Mixes – 1/3 Cup

- Lot 4 – Herbs – 1/3 Cup
- Lot 5 – Fruit Leather – 6” or more by 1 ½” wide
- Lot 6 – Jerky – 6” or more by 1 ½” wide
- Lot 7 – Other

#### GROUP 4 - NEEDLEWORK

Class A – Large Item for the House

- Lot 1 – Crochet
- Lot 2 – Knit
- Lot 3 – Tat

Class B – Small Item for House

- Lot 1 – Crochet
- Lot 2 – Knit
- Lot 3 – Tat

Class C – Item to Wear

- Lot 1 – Crochet
- Lot 2 – Knit
- Lot 3 – Tat

Class D – Afghan

- Lot 1 – Crochet
- Lot 2 – Knit

Class E – Baby Afghan or Lap Robe

- Lot 1 – Crochet



- Lot 2 – Knit

Class F – 3-Piece Baby Outfit

- Lot 1 – Crochet
- Lot 2 – Knit

Class G – Cross-Stitch, Embroidery,

- Lot 1 – Hand Embroidery
- Lot 2 – Counted Cross-Stitch Must have back showing.
- Lot 3 – Needlepoint
- Lot 4 – Machine Embroidery
- Lot 5 – Ribbon Embroidery
- Lot 6 – Plastic canvas
- Lot 7- Other

#### GROUP 5 – SEWING

May enter more than one item per Class at the Pomona level.

Class A – Adult Clothing

Class B – Children’s Clothing

Class C – Coat or Jacket

- Lot 1 – Lined
- Lot 2 – Unlined

Class D – Lingerie

- Lot 1 – Pajamas
- Lot 2 – Nightgown
- Lot 3 – Robe
- Lot 4 – Slips, Bras, Panties

Class E – Household Item

- Lot 1 – Large
- Lot 2 – Medium
- Lot 3 – Small

Class F – Apron

Class G – Costume

Class H – Other

#### GROUP 6 – QUILTS

Class A – Traditional Quilts – Quilts made with repeating blocks and Machine quilted

- Lot 1 – Large Quilt – 90” minimum
- Lot 2-Medium Quilt Queen/Standard
- Lot 3 Small Quilt Twin
- Lot 4–Lap Quilt
- Lot 5 – Baby Quilt
- Lot 6 – Wall Hanging – Any Size
- Lot 7 – Small Quilted Item
- Lot 8 – Other



Class B – Non-Traditional Quilts – Bargello, Sampler, Line, Paper Piecing, Applique, Landscape, or the like and Machine Quilted.

- Lot 1 – Large Quilt – 90” minimum
- Lot 2 –Medium Quilt Queen/Standard
- Lot 3 – Small Quilt Twin
- Lot 4 –Lap Quilt

- Lot 5–Baby Quilt
- Lot 6 – Wall Hanging – Any Size
- Lot 7– Small Quilted Item
- Lot 8 – Other

Class C – Quilts – Hand Quilted

- Lot 1 – Large – 90” minimum
- Lot 2 – Medium Queen/Standard
- Lot 3- Small Twin
- Lot 4 – Wall Hanging – Any Size
- Lot 5 – Baby or Lap
- Lot 6 – Other

Class D – Comforters – Tied

- Lot 1 – Large – 90” minimum
- Lot 2 –Medium Queen/Standard
- Lot 3- Small Twin
- Lot 4 – Wall Hanging – Any Size
- Lot 5 – Baby or Lap
- Lot 6 – Other

Class E- Quilt made by an organization

#### GROUP 7 – COMFORT TOYS

Grange members and non-members may enter. Toys must be soft sculpture, filled with a commercial fiberfill, and measure not smaller than 6” and not to exceed 24”. Entries must conform to U.S. Safety Regulations with no sharp edges that might injure a child. Trimmings must be secure with no buttons or glue-on eyes.

There is no limit on the number of entries per person allowed for judging. All judging will take place at the State level. Toys are judged on cleanliness, safety, general appearance, and workmanship. All toys become the property of the Washington State Grange and non will be returned to the contestant. Awards will be given at the State level as follows:

Division J:

- Best of Show \$10.00
- Second Best of Show \$5.00

Division Y:

- Best of Show \$15.00
- Second Best of Show \$10.00

Division A:

- Best of Show \$25.00
- Second Best of Show \$15.00

**GROUP 8 – STATE QUILT BLOCK**

Each block must measure 12 1/2 inches square unfinished. All judging will take place at the State level. Quilt blocks are judged on cleanliness, general appearance, and compliance to size requirements and theme. Grange members and non-members may enter. All quilt blocks become the property of the Washington State Grange and none will be returned to the contestant.

The State Quilt Block Contest will be awarding first, second, and third place rosettes for each class along with Best of Show and Second Best of Show for Adult & Youth divisions Youth Division – Ages 15 and under

- Best of Show \$15.00
  - Second Best of Show \$10.00
- Adult Division – Ages 16 and over
- Best of Show \$25.00
  - Second Best of Show \$15.00

This year we will be using the block Jacob’s Ladder. Any colors are fine for the ladder part with white for the other two corners. I think this will make a striking quilt.

**NATIONAL GRANGE QUILT BLOCK CONTEST**

STATEMENT OF INTENT: The Quilt Block Contest provides an opportunity for Grange members and friends to collaborate in creating quilted items that can be donated or auctioned for funds to provide additional services to community members in a nationwide effort

RULES:

- A. The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone – Grange members and members-to-be.
- B. All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by September 1, 2024. Send entries to: Tom Gwin, National Lecturer, PO Box 1186, Olympia WA 98507
- C. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 158<sup>th</sup> National Grange convention in Bettendorf, Iowa.
- 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 you must 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.
- G. A 2024 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)

PRIZES:

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> (\$50), 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$30), and 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$20) place in each Group.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entrants. Any questions? Contact Tom at [lecturer@nationalgrange.org](mailto:lecturer@nationalgrange.org)

**Split Back Star Block**

This pattern was the 2023 Quilts of Valor official block.

The pattern and specific instructions are found in the 2024 National Grange Contest Guide.



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