### I AM THE GRANGE

I AM THE GRANGE. I was born in 1867 and the Declaration of Purpose is my birth certificate. The blood of all the world courses through my veins because I welcome and accept all nationalities, all colors and all creeds as equals. I offer friendship, cooperation, and understanding help to those in need and aid to those in trouble.

I AM THE GRANGE. I build leaders, encourage youth and aid in promoting higher education and stand for fair dealings. I am the little backyard vegetable garden, the golden acres of wheat and the fertile lands of this great country. I am the forest and the field, the quiet village and the isolated farm. I am the cry of a newborn calf, the smell of the mown hay, the sweet scented air of flowers and the peace and contentment of rural life.

I am the first fraternity to welcome women and grant her equal rights to vote and hold office.

I am the Faith; faith in God and faith in the integrity of my fellow man.

I am the Hope; hope for a brighter tomorrow and a happier life here and in the hereafter.

I am tolerant, temperate, just, honest and open minded. I extend my hand of welcome to all who wish to join me.

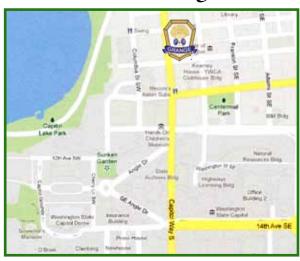
I am more than just a fraternity. I am a group of people striving and working together to make living a little more pleasant. I am a fraternity that embraces the whole family; father, mother, son and daughter.

The Grange is not just a fraternity. It is more than those things already mentioned. The Grange is a way of life.

This is the Grange and we are Grangers; we strive to live up to these great principals.



Located just two blocks from the state capitol, the **GRANGE** can get it done!



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## WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE



# 125 Years of Legislative Action and Community Service

In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity

#### **BUILT TO MAKE CHANGE**

On September 10, 1889 (three months before Washington became a state) the Washington State Grange formed to voice the populist will of citizens to oppose the then-proposed state constitution that gave too much power to railroad robber barons.

Since then, the Grange's passionate, non-partisan style of grassroots vigor has ensured that the average citizen in Washington State is fully represented in public policy dialogue.



The Grange's subsequent efforts have resulted in a number of significant accomplishments:

- Creation of Public Utility Districts (PUDs)
- Women's right to vote in our state constitution
- Rural Postal Service
- School Bus Routes
- Protecting private property rights
- Protecting voter choice through the Blanket Primary and, most recently, the Top-Two Primary.



The Grange is very active in local communities on a daily basis. Grangers have been responsible for a whole myriad of community service programs. Granges...

- Supply and help local food banks
- Raise money and donate goods to children's hospitals



- Make care packages for our troops overseas
  - O Donate thousands of dictionaries to 3rdgrade students
- - Provide college scholarships to students
  - Provide summer camps for our children

...and much more!

### BENEFITS OF BEING A GRANGE MEMBER:

- 1. Your voice counts! The Grange is NOT a special interest
- 2. Enjoy a direct voice in the state legislative process
- 3. Stay informed with Grange News
- 4. Ability to participate in community service projects in virtually every community
- 5. Leadership opportunities for adults and vouth.
- 6. Availability of dozens of college scholarships
- 7. Numerous contests and hobby activities
- 8. Access to Grange social activities
- 9. \$1,000 free accidental death insurance and discounts on travel, hotels and cell phone service.
- 10. Auto/farm home insurance available through Grange Insurance Group



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