



WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT 2017

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SUBORDINATE GRANGE MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

This program will begin January 1, 2017 and end on December 31, 2017. Membership will be calculated based upon the Grange Secretary Reports and awards will be presented at the 2018 State Grange Convention in Mount Vernon.

For the first 200 NEW Grange members in the state, each Grange contributing to that number will have their Grange name entered into a drawing for each new member joining the Grange. There will be three drawings for a prize of \$250 if we reach the goal of 200 new members. For each additional 100 members, we will add one more prize of \$250 each.

These must be new members only. Youth members will count. For family memberships, each new family member will count. What will not count? Demits, reinstatements less than one year, affiliates, juniors, and e-members.

JUNIOR GRANGE MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

This program will begin January 1, 2017 and end on December 31, 2017. Membership will be calculated based upon the Grange Secretary Reports and awards will be presented at the 2018 State Grange Convention in Mount Vernon.

For the first 50 NEW Junior Grange members in the state, each Grange contributing to that number will have their Grange name to into a drawing for each new member joining the Grange. There will be three drawings for a prize of \$25 if we reach the goal of 50 new junior members. For each additional 25 members, we will add one more prize of \$25 each. These must be new Junior Grange members only. Junior 1+ members will count under the name of the subordinate Grange.

GRANGE MONTH DISPLAY CONTEST

“SET SAIL TOWARD A BRIGHTER FUTURE”

Granges are encouraged to toot their own horn and the horns of other Granges as we celebrate Grange Month in April. The State Grange Membership Department is having a Grange Month Display Contest to assist in promoting the Grange and portraying the positive influences the Grange has made on our state and nation.

For 150 years, the Grange has worked to make our nation a better place for our citizens. We are active in 244 communities throughout the State of Washington, providing a wide range of services and offering multiple activities and programs. A public display on our Grange programs will assist in informing the citizens of our state of our programs and achievements.

Grange Month is celebrated in April. We ask that each Grange create a public display to promote the Grange and to focus on the positive impacts the Grange has made in our state.

General Guidelines:

- Each Grange will arrange for their own display area in a prominent public location in their community. The display area may be a window, table, showcase, or whatever is available for use in your community.
- Each Grange will design a display featuring their projects and activities, with a focus on the positive impacts they have had on the community or state.
- The display should follow the theme “Charting our Voyage Through the Grange”.
- A wide variety of Grange programs should be represented (i.e. lecturer programs, community service, youth activities, junior programs, family living, legislative etc.)
- The display must be in place for a minimum of seven days during April.

Each display must include a Grange logo and contact information for the local Grange.

Contest Information:

- Each Grange is encouraged to take a 3-5 pictures of their display (including one of the complete display).
- Place the pictures in a folder and include a 300-word (maximum) essay describing the display and what you tried to portray.
- Include your Grange name and contact information in the folder.
- Send the folder to the State Grange Office no later than May 1.
- Pictures of the displays will be used for promotion in The Grange News. In addition, pictures will be displayed at the State Grange Convention.
- Judging will be completed by a committee and will be based on: originality, creativity, design, and overall impact.
- Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five displays: \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, and \$10.

All entries should be placed in a folder and sent by May 1 to the Washington State Grange, PO Box 1186, Olympia WA 98507. All entries will be available for pick up at the State Grange Convention.

WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE PATRON AWARD

To recognize Grangers for their participation in the total Grange program, we have developed the Patron Award. There are six requirements for this award:

Passion - Visit at least three other Subordinate Granges in our state

Activity - Participate in one Grange fund raising activity, one Grange community service project, and one Grange-sponsored contest

Tradition - Attend at least 75% of your Subordinate Grange meetings (minimum of ten meetings in a year)

Recruitment – Recruit at least one new member for your Grange or three 1+ Junior Grange members

Originality - Present a program with three elements of “RIME” (recreation, inspiration, music, education)

Networking - Publicize at least one of your Grange activities or events; OR work on a Grange promotional display (Grange month, fair booth, etc.)

All items must be completed during the contest period of January 1 to December 31, 2017. Recognition forms are available on the State Grange website. Send the form, along with any supporting documentation, to the Washington State Grange, PO Box 1186, Olympia WA 98507 by February 1, 2018. All qualifying recipients will be recognized with an original designed award pin at the Annual State Grange Convention.