

MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

SUBORDINATE GRANGE MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

This program will begin January 1, 2025, and end on December 31, 2025. Membership will be calculated based on the monthly Grange Secretary New Member Reports. The drawings will be held at the 2025 WA State Grange Convention.

For the first 300 NEW Subordinate 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 a drawing for a prize of \$250 if we reach the goal of 300 new members. For each additional 300 new members, we will add one more prize of \$250 each.

These must be new members only. Individual youth members will count if not in a family membership. 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, 2025, and end on December 31, 2025. Membership will be calculated based upon the Junior Grange Secretary reports and the monthly Subordinate Grange Secretary New Member Reports. The drawings will be held at the 2025 WA State Grange Convention.

For the first 50 NEW Junior or Junior +1 Grange members in the state, each Junior Grange contributing to that number will have their Junior Grange or Subordinate Grange name entered in a drawing. There will be three drawings for a prize of \$25 each. For each additional 50 members, we will add one more prize of \$25 each and each additional 50 and so on. These must be new Junior or Junior +1 Grange members only. These awards will be based on the Junior Grange or Subordinate Grange Secretary reports submitted to the State Grange office. Reports are found at www.wa-grange.com Junior Forms & Reports Secretary's Report. Junior Secretary Reports are due March 31.

INDIVIDUAL GRANGE RECRUITER RECOGNITION

This program will begin on January 1, 2025, and end on December 31, 2025.

Recognition will be given to each **Grange member** who recruits new members during the calendar year.

Awards for recruiting new members may be earned by Grange members as follows:

- 5 New Members – a State Grange Membership T-Shirt
- 10 members – a \$25 Grange Bucks Certificate
- Each additional 5 members – a \$25 Grange Bucks Certificate. (Grange Bucks Certificates can be

used in the WA State Grange Store for items we have on hand, such as shirts, hats, sweatshirts, patches, mugs, etc.) There is no limit to the amount of Grange Bucks you can earn. Grange Bucks will expire one year after the issue date.

Information will be taken from the New Member reports that are submitted monthly from the Subordinate Secretary. For family memberships, each new family membership will count as two entries. The awards will be cumulative and will be sent to the recipients as they are earned throughout the year. Grange recruiters will also be recognized in *The Grange News*.

GRANGE GEAR PROMOTIONAL CONTEST

We encourage Granges to develop their own Grange Gear for promotion at their events and activities. While proper use of the Grange logo and emblem is important, we urge Granges to be creative in their use of the Grange logo and emblem.

Granges are encouraged to bring a shirt and/or a hat for the Grange Gear Promotional Contest. There will be two classes:

Class 1 – Shirts (any type)

Class 2 – Hats

All items must be turned in to the Membership Table at the Convention prior to the opening of the session on Wed, June 25.

Entries will not be returned to the Grange.

The shirts and hats will be displayed at the convention. Each person registered for the convention (both delegates and non-delegates), will be given a ballot to vote for their favorite shirt and their favorite hat.

Entries will be put into a silent auction with the proceeds going to the WA State Grange Foundation. The first-place winner in each class will be auctioned live.

Cash prizes (\$100, \$75, and \$50) will be awarded to the three highest vote getters in each class. Awards will be presented on the Celebration Banquet on Saturday evening of the convention.

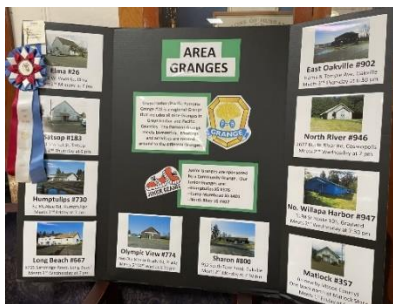
GRANGE PROMOTIONAL DISPLAY CONTEST

***“GRANGE STRONG:
ROOTED, RESILIENT, UNITED”***

We encourage Granges to promote their Grange via displays in their communities throughout the year. This may be during Grange Month, during your county fair, or at any time throughout the year.

The purpose of the displays is to promote the Grange, our programs and activities, and to share the positive impact we make on our communities. Displays are a wonderful opportunity to showcase your Grange and to gather support for your activities.

The State Grange Membership Department is having a Grange Promotional Display Contest to assist in promoting the Grange by portraying the positive influences the Grange has had on our communities, state and nation.



Contest Information and General Guidelines

- Each Grange will arrange their own display area in a prominent public location in their community. It may be in a store or library, at a fair, or during a community event.
- Each Grange should design a display featuring their projects and activities, with focus on positive impacts achieved in their community and state.
- The display should follow the theme “GRANGE STRONG”. If your display is from your county fair, you may use your fair theme.
- Grange programs should be represented (i.e. Lecturer, Family Living, Community Service, Legislative, Youth and Junior activities, etc.).
- The display must be in place for a minimum of five days or for the entire duration of the event.
- Each display must include a Grange logo and contact information for the local Grange.
- Each Grange is encouraged to take 3-5 pictures of their display (including one of the complete display).

• Place the pictures in a folder, with a 300-word (maximum) essay about the display and what you wanted to convey.

- Submit pictures of your display for promotion in The Grange News.
- 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 three displays: \$100, \$50, \$25.
- All entries should be placed in a folder and sent by October 31 to the Washington State Grange, PO Box 1186, Olympia WA 98507.

GRANGE IN ACTION PROGRAM



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 large or small. Granges (Subordinate, Pomona, and Junior) who wish to be recognized at the 2025 State and National Grange convention as a “Grange In Action” should complete the following requirements:

- Submit a 1-page letter size with pictures and captions of at least 3 various events/activities that the Grange either sponsored or assisted with from Sept 1, 2024 to Sept 1, 2025. Anything over 1 page will be disqualified

- The Grange name, number and state must be on the front of the page
- Granges that qualify for the 2025 Distinguished Grange award are not eligible for this recognition at the national level.
- Entries should be brought to the State Grange Convention and turned in to the Membership Table prior to the opening of the convention. Entries will be made into a display of “Granges in Action” at the state convention. Entries from the State Grange Convention will be forwarded by the State Grange to the National Grange for national recognition. Your entry will not be returned.
- Additional entries may be submitted for National Grange recognition and should be submitted no later than September 1, 2025, postmark or electronic by midnight on September 1, 2025.
- Mail to National Grange, Attn. Loretta Washington – 1616H

Street, NW 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.

**DISTINGUISHED
GRANGE PROGRAM**

The Distinguished Grange Program honors Junior, Subordinate, Pomona, and State Granges that fulfill their responsibilities as part of the National Grange, while excelling in areas of membership, fundraising and service to their communities. The 2024-25 Distinguished Granges will be honored for their work done from

July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

The award for being named a Distinguished Grange is presented annually at the National Grange Convention. They will receive a certificate to commemorate their achievement. Granges that qualify as a Distinguished Grange for five consecutive years will receive a plaque.

Applications: Applications are available from the WA State Grange Office or on the National Grange website: www.nationalgrange.org.

The postmark or online submission deadline to submit your materials to be considered for Distinguished Grange is August 1. Applications received after this deadline will not be recognized as Distinguished Granges.
