

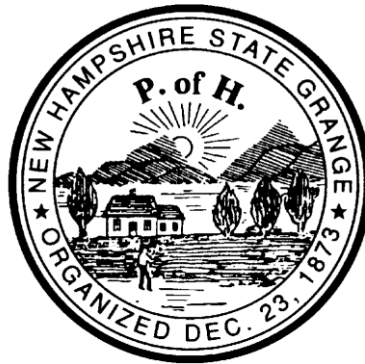
PROCEEDINGS

Of the

ONE HUNDRED FORTY- SIXTH
ANNUAL SESSION

New Hampshire State Grange

Of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry



Held at

The Fireside Inn & Suites
West Lebanon, NH

October 17, 18, 19, 2019

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary

STATE GRANGE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Organized December 23, 1873
Incorporated July 2, 1875

**ROLL OF HONOR
PAST MASTERS**

1873	Dudley T. Chase*	Claremont
1879	George A. Wason*	New Boston
1883	William H. Stinson*	Goffstown
1886	Charles McDaniels*	Springfield
1891	Nahum J. Batchelder*	East Andover
1903	Herbert O. Hadley*	Peterborough
1909	Richard Pattee*	Laconia
1913	Wesley Adams*	Londonderry
1917	Fred A. Rogers*	Meriden
1921	Herbert N. Sawyer*	Atkinson
1925	James C. Farmer*	Keene
1929	John A. Hammons*	Gilford
1933	Arthur W. McDaniel*	East Barrington
1937	William J. Neal*	Meredith
1943	Charles A. Rollins*	West Alton
1947	Charles R. Eastman*	Kensington
1953	J. Thornton Tripp*	Rochester
1955	George F. Clement*	Landaff
1959	Asa H. Morgan*	Bow
1963	Carl S. Adams*	Lebanon
1967	John L. Saturley*	Chichester
1971	E. Norris Hall*	Nashua
1975	Alton F. Carpenter*	Canaan, VT
1977	B. Franklin Hayes*	East Rochester
1980	Philip A. Shattuck*	Brookline
1984	Everett H. Poore*	Littleton
1988	Philip J. Estes*	Rochester
1990	Paul W. Davis, Sr.*	Loudon
1994	Richard W. Patten †	Concord
1998	Daniel P. Bascom †	Rochester
2002	John H. West*	Chichester
2006	Beth Merrill †	Antrim
2010	James Tetreault †	Arlington

* *Deceased*

† *Present during Session*

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
OF THE ORDER OF THE PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY
The Best Western PLUS Keene Hotel**

Thursday, October 17, 2019

The first day of the 146th Annual session of the New Hampshire State Granges was opened in the Sixth Degree with worthy Master Christopher E. Heath and the officers of the New Hampshire State Grange at 7:00 PM.

Officers present were:

Master	Christopher Heath
Overseer	Robert Trombi
Lecturer	Jane Trombi
Steward	Arthur Merrill
Assistant Steward	Adam Paquin-Varnum
Lady Assistant Steward	Kathy Yardley
Chaplain	Matthew Clark
Treasurer	Daniel P. Bascom
Secretary	Gerald J. Leclerc
Gatekeeper	Ida Hutchins (pro tem)
Ceres	Kerriann Nightingale
Pomona	Crystal Seward
Flora	Mary West
Executive Committee	Beth Merrill
	Tricia J. Taylor
	Mark Collins
	Robert Haefner
	Wilber Heath
Musician	Elizabeth Almstrom (pro tem) Wicwas Lake Grange
Historian	Richard W. Patten

Roll call of officers found all officers present except for the Gatekeeper and the Musician.

The Grange was then lowered to the Fourth Degree.

Roll call of Granges found a quorum present.

State Steward Arthur Merrill announced John Plank, Assistant Steward of the National Grange and Master of the Indiana State Grange and his Susan as our honored guest and in waiting. The Assistant Stewards escorted them to the Master's station. John and Susan both spoke briefly and are looking forward to our session and meeting with us.

Joann Brandt was escorted to the Masters station to present the report of the Agriculture Committee for Norman Brandt, Director.

Worthy Master, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters, or whomever wishes to hear this,

Another year has come and gone. It seemed to blow thru on a jet stream and I wish I could be here to be giving this report myself. Thank you Mom for reading this for me.

After last session, I was able to get my program out with the rest of the committees. I hope everyone got to see them and took advantage of the information I was able to put in them. I do understand that some Granges did not get them, I cannot see a way to remedy this as not only were they available last year hard copy but also could have been downloaded off the State Grange website and either kept digitally or printed and had as a hard copy. Hopefully this years' will be just as available.

After State session came Deputy School, the Ag committee met and spoke about possibly seeing about doing a north country, south country Maple distribution Co-op, as we understand that Grangers in the North make so much less money for their maple than us Grangers in the South do, when we make maple syrup. Sadly I have not had the time to iron out the details of this program to have it at full stream right now. I can see it working best if we can find people here in the southern part of the state that may be interested in supplementing their maple sales to come up with amounts maple they are interested in and during some of the State events it can be brought down and distributed in batches, making shipping of product reasonable and easy, if anyone is interested in working with this please contact me and I'll try to work harder on this.

In February, Membership and Ag teamed up and did Farm and Forrest expo again. This year we had piglets, chicks and lots of people talking to Grange members about the farm animals, thank you for everyone that helped.

I tried sending out programs thru the Grangevine so that interested Grange members could attend. After not seeing much interest in it, I gave up, as my time was set more and more into all the animals and getting ready for my nieces to start showing.

In July I took some time out of the Stratham fair and went to a pig workshop that was held here in NH. It was a great little program and seeing that it had been over a decade since the last pork program like this in NH I was surprised how few had attended but those that had attended were extremely interested and enthused. I wish I could have gone back for the full day to do the nutrition part but I got stuck doing the Pigs at the fair, feel free to read your Granite State Granger to learn more about that.

This year, in total, I found myself going to 7 fairs (I only was planning on going to 3), but last minute for 4 of them I was asked to transport my niece's animals to the fairs with her. Deerfield fair taking the most time as it consisted of 1 cow, 29 pigs, 5 geese, 2 turkeys, 4 chickens, and about 15 ducks. Starting at 7AM and ending at 11PM 5 trips later I got to go to bed. Having been to so many fairs this year and reading the Market Bulletin (put out by the State) made me wonder would it be worth doing a Grange Premium for 1 Exhibitor at each fair chosen by a Grange Member, using the criteria of knowledge of agriculture, care of their animal at the fair(if they have one), knowledge of other organizations that are Agriculture oriented (no they do not need to know about Grange to receive it, but if they get it my bet is they will look into what Grange is).

This year I had asked for applications for Ag Awards in July to hopefully get an outing at a farm and Awards day at said farm. Last minute in August I received an award application from a Grange member, not authorized by their Grange, which made me wonder do Granges really want to have farms recognized anymore? I will most likely be giving the 2019 Centennial award to Bartlett Dairy Farm in Concord as it is the only application that was filled out and received for Centennial farm. But I still wonder, Am I to be inspecting these Farms if they are suggested by an individual Granger over the Grange or just pass the buck if something goes wrong after giving the award? I personally thought that a good portion of these awards was a way for the Granges to be more involved in their community, if it is coming just from the State Grange will it help the subordinate Granges at all?

Hopefully this session the Legislative Director will be going over some of the bills that are currently in the House and Senate that not only will effect farmers but will also effect animal ownership in general. As it is, with the budget, somehow a law change was added that will make many more people have to choose between

becoming animal hoarders, break the law, or shell out money to become legal and have to have their private residence inspected by the State or SPCA without appointment. Along with requiring more stringent care rules, such as one species per building (defined as 6 sided unit), Stainless steel dishes (two sets as one will be sanitized while the other is being used), and much more. As there was not a defined section of what pet animals are, they are going to be decided by the Agriculture department, As the NH State Agriculture Commissioner had so gratefully said in one of the bulletins, this law is retroactive, that means if you have breed these animals (that have not been put on the list yet) in the quantity that would require you to register as a pet vendor, and sold them since July 1 st 2019, you better do it ASAP for if they become listed you will have been in violation and subject to the law and all penalties of breaking it.

Well, this seems to be getting long, and we were warned about being over wordy, so I'm going to leave it with; Think where civilization would be without Agriculture. Could we have cities if they rely on hunting and gathering? Without the Farmer could there be enough food for the work force that keeps us all occupied during our free time? Could we enjoy nights out with friends at meetings? Could we relax for a weekend voting on resolutions, giving out awards, and having a fun time with great people?

Have a great time,

Norman Brandt
NH State Grange Agriculture Director

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Daniel Bascom was called on to present the report of the Trustees of the Trust Fund.

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters;

The Trustees of the Trust Funds of the NH State Grange had their annual meeting on Dec. 8, 2018 at the NH Fire Academy, Concord NH. At that meeting it was reported that the last known living member of Winnisquam Grange, Mildred Shaw, had passed away. It was now possible to combine the Blaisdell Fund with the Trust Fund. With the approval of the NH State Grange Executive Committee and the State AG Office the NH State Grange Treasurer, Dan Bascom had the funds combined. Another item of business to report from that meeting is that the maximum amount of money for requests was raised to \$750.00.

This past year we received only 1 request for \$500.00. The account has \$7,396.47 available for assistance. Brothers and Sisters please share this with any member who may be in need of assistance. The information and applications can be found on the website or contact any of the Trustees, we will be more than happy to assist you.

Fraternally,

Diane Collins, Chairman
Ann Leger, Secretary
Rhoda Davis, Trustee
Joy Perkins, Trustee
Virginia Blackmer, Trustee

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Robert Trombi was called on to present the report of the Eastern States Trustees.

Worthy Master, Distinguished guests, Brothers and Sisters,

The New England Grange Building Trustees continue to work diligently, with the building manager, to maintain, repair, and promote the building as a strong vital Grange presence at the Eastern States Exposition.

Several projects have been accomplished (Including replacement of the lettering over the doors, and installation of a shower, for use by staff members during the fair). The building manager continues to work on possible rental uses for the building. Product sales, during the fair, continue to be a valuable fundraiser to help support building upkeep.

The operation of the New England Grange Building during the Eastern States Exposition offers Grangers the opportunity to interact with non-Grangers to promote the Grange. It offers educational opportunities as well as a place to enjoy fellowship and friendship. It is a place that Grangers and non-Grangers may visit to rest up from the day's activities. The Grange Store area offers activities that all can enjoy and products that can be shared by all.

We ask that all members consider assisting with staffing of the building, during the fair. It is an outstanding opportunity for membership outreach.

Fraternally submitted,

Robert Trombi
NE Grange building Trustee

Worthy Master introduced the members of the Assembly of Demeter who were present this evening. Rhoda Davis, Deb and Dick Patten, Jim Tetreault, Kim and Dan Bascom, Hannah West.

The Assistants removed the altar and presented Brother Plank to the Masters station to conduct a workshop on Membership

Brother Plank challenged all members to save all one dollar bills with the letter B on them and bring them to State Session next year for our State Master to donate to the National Grange building fund hence the letter B.

With no further business to discuss the first day of the 146th Annual session was closed in the fourth degree at 8:40 pm

Friday, October 18, 2019

The second day of the 146th Annual session of the New Hampshire State Granges was opened in the Fourth Degree with worthy Master Christopher Heath and the officers of the New Hampshire State Grange at 8:30 am.

Roll call of officers found all officers present except for the Gatekeeper and the Musician.

Roll call of Granges found a quorum present.

Reading the minutes of the Thursday evening session were read and approved.

State Steward Arthur Merrill announced John Plank, Assistant Steward of the National Grange and Master of the Indiana State Grange and his Susan as our guests from National Grange.

State Master Heath announced the members of the Masters address Committee
Richard W. Patten, Sherrill Bokousky, Les Avery

The Standing rules for the NH State Grange Session 2019 were read and approved.

The resolutions were read for information only.

The State Master read the Greetings from Betsy Huber, National Master,

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Congratulations to the members of the New Hampshire State Grange for holding your 146th Annual Session! These events are like family reunions, a wonderful time to have fun with friends, to celebrate your successes, and to set the legislative policies for the coming year.

National Grange's theme for this year is "Grange Heroes for our Hometowns!" We all know those special Grangers who go above and beyond the call to be Do-ers for their Grange and community. But as Grangers, we are all heroes! When the Grange takes on a service project or tackles a legislative issue for the benefit of fellow citizens that makes all members heroes for their locality. Consider what this theme means to you and then express it to your friends as the reason they too should be a part of us.

The National Grange has a new mission statement: "The Grange strengthens individuals, families and communities through grassroots action, service, education, advocacy, and agriculture awareness." An attractive poster with the mission statement is available through the Grange Store for \$5 plus shipping; quantity orders available by contacting sales@nationalgrange.org.

Our magazine, "Good Day!" has been a great success, but we need lots more subscribers to be able to continue publication. This is our only print communication with local members, especially those without access to email. You can subscribe online or by calling the National office. If you do use email, I hope we have your email address so you are receiving all the news – the weekly Patrons' Chain, the Legislative Updates, Lecturer's programs, and Sales and Benefits news. Every Granger is part of the team and we want you to be informed and included.

I am happy to say that all systems at the headquarters building are operating properly after a year and a half of repair work. But we're not finished! We are in the process of having a new roof installed to solve the leaks that have been occurring through the winter. Thank you to the many Granges and Grangers who stepped up with donations and loans, but more is needed to get us back on our feet and pay off the loans from State Granges. Please consider a donation to the National Grange Building Fund.

We are gearing up for our 153rd Annual Session this November 5-9 in Bloomington-Minneapolis, Minnesota. Registration is open on the website—early bird registration has passed, but there is still time to register for the convention. You won't want to miss this reunion and celebration with Grangers from across the country.

Thank you all for your dedicated work in New Hampshire to advance the Grange. During this 152nd year of National Grange in 2018-19, we remember the rich heritage and amazing accomplishments of our ancestors as they joined together in the Grange. Ours is the best organization in the world and we want to share it with everyone so we can continue the Grange legacy for many years into the future.

I encourage each of you to share your wisdom, enthusiasm, and humor during your State convention. The more you put into your Grange, the more you will get out of it. Our Grange is poised for great success and each one of you will play an important part in our future. Best wishes for a successful State Session!

Fraternally,

Betsy E. Huber, Master

Joann Brandt, Junior Director was escorted to the master's station to give her annual report.

Worthy State Master, Distinguished Guests, State Officers, Delegates and Patrons all,

Our State Junior Grange is still going strong. We have currently 30 on the books and we have 2 that will be graduating this year. This will leave us with 28 members. Do you have children or grandchildren that would benefit from Junior Grange? Our numbers must keep growing so we can assist our Subordinate Granges. These will be our future Subordinate, Pomona and State officers if we work with them, and teach them more about the Grange.

My theme for 2020 is "Juniors are our future leaders".

How many have ever attended Farm and Forest? In February, we were able to have Junior Grangers assisting in the State Grange booth. The booth theme this year of "By culturing our heritage we strive for a promising future". We are learning how the children are listening and teaching what they have learned. We had baby chicks for anyone to hold and questions were being asked of them. The hands on was a great learning tool as our grass roots come from Agriculture.

Junior rally held Feb 9 in Hooksett had 13 juniors. Gloria Davis' granddaughter, Page, taught us how to paint rocks. There was lots of painting and repainting. I was happy to have our State Master with us during the ritual time with all officers held by Juniors. We had two boys not belonging to Junior Grange but filled an office and asked questions with the rest. Having our Youth Director, Rachel Scanzani, share the Escape the Grange Hall was a new and exciting activity. Everyone enjoyed working together on the three she brought.

Bowling with 16 Juniors joining adults bowling. Juniors and friends had a great day!
Thank you to our State Lecturer, Jane Trombi for including us.

Fun Day held June 8 was attended by 7 children and 6 adults. This was a craft fun day with card making, Relaxation bottles with glitter and sparkles, water, baby oil. Shake and watch how the sparkles go. Christmas ornaments were painted inside and sent to the Big E for their sales table. T-shirt tie die with markers drawing their favorite design and sprayed with rubbing alcohol to make the ink bleed like tie die. Finishing with a bean bag toss with prizes.

Our two graduating Juniors are from Watatic Grange and New Hampshire State Junior Grange: Lillian (Lily) Lynch and Ava Twiss and they have joined Watatic Grange and are active members. They were part of our Charter members when we opened the NH State Junior Grange. I wish them the best and congratulate them in continuing in the grange.

One entry in the Big E Junior craft contest this year from New Hampshire was made by Rebecca Boisvert and received a first place in Springfield. Congratulations to Rebecca!

Contest winners will be on Display at the Junior Table. Stop and visit our table.

The Junior Department had a booth in Stratham Fair and Deerfield Fair this year.

In closing, I want to thank our Worthy State Master for all his support with the Junior activities this year. Of course, parents, grandparents and granges are an important part of our program as without them, we could not travel and attend Junior activities or even grow new Youth and our future.

The dragonfly is a symbol of strength and change. Its agility and adaptability make all the difference in its survival. I hope you go the extra mile and bring in Junior Grangers. You can make a difference today, tomorrow and always.

Fraternally submitted,

Joann Brandt
Junior Director

Following the report, State Master Heath presented Joann the "Hero Cape" for her to wear for the morning for all of her dedication and efforts in keeping the Junior Department active and busy.

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

Robert Trombi was escorted to the Masters station to present the report of Family Camp Weekend

Worthy Master, Honored Guests, Brothers and Sisters,

The 2019 Grange Family Camping Weekend was held on the last weekend in July, at Gunstock Campground.

We have been occupying an area of the Campground called the "Boardwalk" for several years. This area has provided us with the ability to ensure that all of our Grange campers are located together. We have easy access to a nature trail, right at the edge of the field. This year, an enthusiastic group of Grangers and friends, in campers and tents, enjoyed a great weekend of fun and fellowship. On Saturday, our group enjoyed games and fellowship, and many of the recreational activities that the Campground offers. On Saturday evening, we had our traditional potluck supper, outdoor movies and a group campfire.

For 2020, we will be venturing from Gunstock, to another not yet identified location. So, plan on joining us for another relaxing weekend of fellowship and fun, in 2020, on July 24-26. If you are interested in joining us, contact me A.S.A.P. with location suggestions.

Another Grange camping opportunity for 2019, was "The Grange Revival". "The Grange Revival" was sponsored by The National Grange. It was held on July 23-28 at Mulberry Mountain, in Ozark Arkansas. Grangers from all around the country traveled to Arkansas by motorhome, car, camper, van, plane, and U-Haul. We had 6 members representing NH at this National event, participating in fellowship, touring the area, and recreational workshops (including line dancing, geocaching, letterboxing, and crafts), some of these were offered by our own NH participants. This event will be offered again in 2021 (location to be determined).

Fraternally submitted,

Robert Trombi
Family Weekend Coordinator

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

Session Coordinator, Gerald Leclerc presented his annual report

Worthy State Master, National Representatives, Delegates and Patrons all,

It's hard to believe that we are once again holding our annual session. My how times flies. It seems like only yesterday we were saying good bye at the Best Western in Keene.

We were last here at the Fireside Inn and Suites three years ago. One of the highlights of that session was the surprise 100th Birthday celebration for Past State Master Carl Adams, and it seems fitting to once again be here as we honor him and many other members at the Memorial service later this morning.

As all of you are aware, this year's session is being held a week earlier than normal. This is due mostly to the unavailability of a venue during our normal meeting time. So in order to meet the requirements of the By-laws as to when we can hold State Session, the Fireside Inn was the only venue that had availability that fit within the By-laws.

I reported last year that it is becoming increasingly more difficult to find a facility that meets all of our needs and this year proved to be no different. We require a lot of space and finding it at a price that is affordable is not easy. Hotels charge lower rates for the meeting space but only if we meet certain requirements. With lower attendance at the session and lower numbers of room reservations this can change what we are charged for the use of the space.

Tomorrow afternoon the delegates will be deliberating on a resolution that could change and effect when we hold and limit the number of days of future annual sessions.

Having said that! There are no plans in the works for next year's session. Once a decision is made on the resolution the planning will begin for 2020 and once a location and date have been selected the information will be announced.

I will ask each of you to please take a few minutes and fill out the evaluation. This is used when planning future sessions. Please include as much information that you would like to either change or added. Let's think outside the box and think big.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all who helped in preparing for the session. The delegates for attending and participating in the deliberations that are set before us and to the non-delegates for your attendance and interest in what the State Grange is doing. I look forward to preparing for next year's session and will share the information as soon as it is available.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Session Coordinator
New Hampshire State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Kimber Bascom, Fundraising chairman presented her annual report

Worthy Master, National Representative and Members:

It was a slow year for fundraising. We had the silent auction, silver march at Deputy School in December and the 1/20 club. We did not have the opportunity to work at the Big E this year as they are transitioning with their booth. We hope to be invited back next year.

Dan and I will be retiring in 28 days and hope that next year we can work with the Big E in the NH Building and The Grange Building.

Fund raising money was used to update legal names and nonprofit status of the Subordinate Granges. The Fund currently has a balance of \$600.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimber Bascom, Chairman
Fundraising Committee

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

James Tetreault and Gloria Davis Co Membership Directors were escorted to the master's station to present their annual Report

Worthy Master, Honored Guest and Brother and Sister Patrons:

It is with pleasure that Gloria Davis and I report to the delegates of the New Hampshire State on behalf of the Membership Department for 2019.

First, of all we want to thank Worthy Master Chris Heath for the opportunity to serve as his Co-Membership Directors for the past year, and we look forward to serving another term.

Our year began at the annual Deputy School in Concord, where we met for the first time to plan our year. Our committee was made up of the following individuals: Karlena Henry, Crystal Seward, Adam Terrell, Anne Boisvert, Sherrill Bokousky and Steve Durand.

We set out our Agenda for the year:

- Farm and Forest Plans
- Surveys of members
- Discussions on how to bring our State Grange Session to more members
- Area Membership Conferences
- Fairs

At our meeting at Deputy School, we crafted a **member survey** that was designed for Grange members, not for Granges. Every Grange member should have received one. The results of this survey are interesting. One member commented that she was 90 years old, had not been to a Grange meeting since she sent her husband off to World War II, but continued to pay her dues and become a Golden Sheaf member because the Grange meant so much to her in her younger years. We were surprised by the results from the members; in our opinion, the results don't match the reality of our current situation. I want to thank State Secretary Jerry Leclerc for his assistance in the copying and supplies that made this survey possible.

The results are as follows:

227 surveys filled out (one in each category was grange name blank)
25 with no comments or score
16 poor
28 fair
103 good
55 excellent

Our first event for the year was the **Farm and Forest Exposition** in Manchester at the Center of NH, on February 2nd and 3rd. This event was a joint effort with the Agriculture Committee. The theme this year was "By culturing our heritage we strive for a promising future".

The Membership Department wants to thank the Youth and Juniors for their assistance at this event. Farm and Forest is always a great opportunity to reconnect with our roots in Agriculture, and to promote the Grange values and the services we offer to our Community.

Area Membership Conferences this year offered three conferences in the three areas of the state. Our first conference was hosted by Antrim Grange on May 18, 2019. The Presenter at our first conference was Joe Stefenoni, who presented on the traditional process of asking people to join the Grange.

Our second conference was held was hosted by Rochester Grange on June 15. Our presenter at this conference was TJ Malaskee, Past Master of the Minnesota State Grange. His presentation was a non-traditional approach - a process of assuring quality programming, and finding opportunities which will be relevant in our communities.

The third conference was held on the hottest day of the year - July 20, 2019 - at Blazing Star Grange in Danbury. Again TJ Malaskee was our presenter. The Membership Committee offered a raffle of two nights at State Grange for anyone who attended our conferences. The drawing was won by Ida Hutchins. Congratulations Ida, and thank you all who attended one of our conferences.

This year the Membership Committee put promotional exhibits in the following **fairs** - Cheshire, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, and Deerfield.

Next year be looking for couple of items. We are planning to organize a **weekend Membership Conference** which are open to all NE Grange members.

We will be asking Granges to make a **self-evaluation** of themselves, by talking to active and non-active members to determine if your Grange still meets the needs of your members. Does your meeting night still work for the majority? Do you need to think about changing the start time of your grange?

The Membership numbers are as follows:

Subordinate:	June 30, 2018:	1279 members
	June 30, 2019:	1162 members (loss of 117 member through death or suspension)
Pomona:	June 30, 2018:	473 members
	June 30, 2019:	408 members (loss of 65 members through death or suspension)

Please stop by our table to pick up promotional brochures/membership applications. If we can do anything to assist you please feel free to contact us.

Fraternally,

Jim Tetreault, Gloria Davis Co Membership Directors NH State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

State Steward, Arthur Merrill announced that Shawn Jasper, Commissioner of Agriculture is our honored guest and in waiting. The Assistant Stewards escorted him to the Master's station to address the session.

State Steward announced that Tim McNamara, Mayor of the city Lebanon is our honored guest and in waiting. The Assistant Stewards escorted him to the Master's station. He welcomed the NH State Grange to the city of Lebanon, gave a brief history of the city.

Mark Collins was escorted to the Master's station to present the Webmaster Report:

Worthy State Master; State Officers; National Grange Representatives; Brothers and Sisters:

First and foremost, I'd like to thank all the state officers, committee directors, and grange members that passed along events, information and helpful content over the course of this last year. You have all been a huge help in keeping the website up to date. Unfortunately, I did notice a decline in emails as the year went on. To combat this, I'd ask the committee directors, or anyone else who has events in mind, to send along their programs to me as soon as possible. I'll be putting forth an extra effort by listing all of your events on the website before-hand, rather than waiting to be notified as I did this year. I'm hoping this will encourage you all to get this information to me earlier rather than later.

Another item I'd like to address, concerns how we use the website alongside our Facebook page. I'd first ask, that if you've created a Facebook event for an item listed on the website's calendar that you also send the link to me. This allows us to keep events organized in a single location, and I'd recommend this method to anyone who hasn't tried it. I'd recommend also creating or posting about your events on the State Grange Facebook page as a means of notifying our members across the state. Our aim should be to use both the website and Facebook in tandem to improve how widely our information is available.

In closing, I'd like to remind committee directors to include the webmaster in their distribution lists. I'm looking forward to another productive year working with you all.

Fraternally submitted,

Matthew Collins, Webmaster

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

11:00 am Memorial Service under the direction of State Chaplain, Matthew Clark with the assistance of the Flora, Pomona, Ceres, Secretary and Master.

Carl S. Adams	Past Master NH State Grange Past Master Mont Calm Grange #70 Past Master Lebanon Grange
Judith Abbott	Past Master Harmony Grange #99
Raymond Bailey	Past Master Cocheco Grange
Dorothy Birard	Spouse of Past Master Roy Birard Mt. Washington Grange #116 Past State Publicity/Promotion Director Past State Publicity/Promotion Comm. Member
Roy Birard	Past Master Mt. Washington Grange #116

	Past Master Northern NH Pomona Past Membership Director Past Member State Grange Executive Committee
Marjorie Burnette	Past Master West Rockingham Pomona Past Matron Sandown Junior Grange
Kathrene Bush	Past Master Ezekiel Webster Grange
Constance Carr	Past Master Mascoma Valley Pomona #7 Past Master Grafton Star Grange #60 Past Grange Services Director Past Family & Community Service Com Member
Gordon Covell	Past Master Aurora Grange
Jane Cooper Fall	Past Educational Loan Fund Committee Member
Carol Fortune	Past Master Sunapee Lake Grange #112 Past Junior Deputy
Barbara Frangione	Past Master Suncook Valley Pomona #12 Past Master Chichester Grange #132 Past State Education Committee Past State Agriculture Chairman Past State Legislative Committee Past State Building Committee
Patricia Ford	Past Master Mt Livermore Grange
Arthur Glidden	Past Master Lake Shore Grange Past Master Effingham Grange Past Master Carrol County Pomona Past Member State Grange Membership Committee
Norman Hall	Past Master Nashua Grange 1967 Past State Prince
Beatrice Hopps	Spouse of Past Master Elias Hopps Cape Horn Grange Past Matron of Groveton Juvenile Grange
Richard Keniston	Past Master Riverhill Grange Past Member State Grange Membership Committee
Ruby Noel	Spouse of Past Master Herbert Noel Dorchester Grange #280
Arlene Merrill Noseworthy	Past Master West Thornton Grange
Darriel Peterson	Past Master Oak Hill Grange
Marion Scott	Spouse of Past Master Walter Scott Bartlett Grange
Patricia Valliere	Past Master Mount Forist Grange

Past Master Androscoggin Valley Pomona
Past State Membership Director
Past Member State Youth Committee

Anne Woodard

Past Master Mohawk Grange

Philip Yeaton

Past Master McClary Grange

Recessed for lunch 11:45 am

Reconvened at 1:00 pm

Richard W. Patten, State Historian was presented to the Master's station to present his annual report.

Worthy State Master, National Grange Representatives, State Officer and Patrons all!

It is a pleasure for me to report to you what has been happening with the State Historian this year. Despite what many might think, I have submitted articles to the Granite State Granger, keeping the State Historian's Blog on Facebook, researching through countless State Grange Journals and trying to locate past royalty for the history book I am working on. I have had nice conversations with Past State Prince of 1966 Lawrence Corey from Monroe Grange, who is now living in South Carolina... He was thrilled to hear about the Grange in NH. I located the 1965 State Prince Norman Hall and State Princess Sally Seaver. Norman helped me a lot in locating Sally Seaver, who is now living in Maine with her husband who was a member of West Thornton Grange. They now belong to a Grange in Dover Foxcroft, Maine. The 1968 State Prince was Donald Shattuck, who is now living in Florida. Richard Seaver who was State Prince in 1969 is living in Minnesota He continues to write to me asking about different members. I have a special section in my book about the past royalty.

I continue to look at the Concord Monitor and The Union Leader for obituaries to see if there are members of the Grange. Many times they list their organizations including the Grange but not any name of the Grange. This doesn't count the telephone calls I receive from funeral directors or family members trying to locate if the person is still a member or how many years they belonged. In many cases it takes a few hours or days to locate this person. In some cases the person had changed last names or not living in the same community.

I enjoy reading the journals of past State Sessions. It is unbelievable how much this NH State Grange has accomplished. I found something very interesting as I was reading the journals. How many have ever heard of the Ceremony for Laying Corner Stones for Grange Halls? It was very interesting as I wonder how many Granges when they built their halls used this ceremony. I will not read the ceremony but all officers had a small part in the ceremony with the Master appointing a Marshall to direct the ceremony.

I was reading the State Grange Journal of 1879 and found it to be very interesting. The State Grange met in Mirror Hall in Manchester on December 16 and 17. Several State Officers were absent thereby having the State Master Dudley Chase appoint brothers to fill Steward, Gatekeeper, Treasurer, and sisters to fill Ceres, and Pomona pro tem. The delegates voted on 61 articles for the by-laws in the NH State Grange. It was voted by the delegates to authorize the Executive Committee to purchase the State Officers new regalia and the jewels of the office. In addition, A Subordinate Grange cannot appoint a Past Master to be a substitute to the State Master if the Master cannot attend. The State Master announced the following Session Committees: Constitution and Bylaws, Good of the Order, Finance, Cooperation, Master's Address, Executive Committee, Claims and Grievances, Mileage and Per Diem, Subordinate Granges, Trials and Appeals, Domestic Relations, and Unfinished Business. The State Master in those days followed the Order of Business as stated in the Subordinate Grange. I noticed the fees for membership were: five dollars for men and two dollars for women in the Subordinate Grange. The exception will be for charter members which will be three dollars for men and fifty cents for women. Religious and political will not be tolerated as discussions in the work of the Order, no

political or religious tests for membership shall be applied. I also found that a Grange in the seacoast area protested to the Executive Committee that there will not be a second Grange organized in Rochester. Rochester Grange had already been organized but efforts were underway to start a second one, which this Grange protested.

I was reading the 46th annual session held in Laconia at the state armory on December 9 to 11, 1919. The Grange cooperating with the Department of Agriculture and Bureau of Markets held sixteen winter meetings. It was reported the attendance was very large. During the months of August and September eleven field meetings were held in cooperation with the Farm Bureau. Once again the attendance was excellent. The State Master Fred Rogers concluded his address by saying The Grange today occupies an enviable position before the world; its influence along legislative lines is greater than ever before in its history. This position has been gained by a wise, safe, and same policy. He further stated Let us make the coming year the best ever by improving the conditions of our farms and homes and teaching the highest ideals so that we can maintain our present high position.

The Sixth degree was conferred on 200 candidates. A special meeting of the NH State Grange was held in cooperation with Hillsborough County Pomona and Peterborough Granges. The Sixth Degree was conferred on 100 patrons. Prior to the Sixth Degree, 43 patrons received the lessons of the Fifth Degree. The State Secretary reported as of September 30, 9,611 members in the Pomona Grange. Hillsborough County Pomona had 1,007 members followed by Belknap County Pomona with 899 members; Carroll County Pomona a net gain of 131 members followed by Eastern New Hampshire with 82 members. There were twenty Pomona Granges in the state.

There were 274 Subordinate Granges in 1919 had a membership of 28,254 members. There are five Granges that are inactive. Capital Grange of Concord had 419 members; Rochester had 395 members; Amoskeag of Manchester had 365 members; Cheshire Grange of Keene had 368 members; and Nashua Grange had 355 members.

Let's take trip to 2009 and see what took place at our State Session in Hampton Beach. The Ashworth by the Sea has been a great place to meet. The State Secretary reported there were twelve Pomona Granges with a membership of 917 with Merrimack County the largest with 139 members. There were 71 Subordinate Granges with a membership of 2287 with Wingold Grange the largest with 76 members. The Junior Grange situation was very poor with two Junior Granges and one closed as of the September 30 quarter. There was a fun event called the Patron's Plunge raising \$2,700 dollars for the Grange. The participants included: the Youngest, Matt Haefner; Oldest, Robert Haefner, Longest Time in Water, Allissa Estes; Most Appropriate Costumer, Rick Bailey; Chicken, Donald Ross; Funniest Costume, Chris Heath; Most Money Donated, Hannah West. The winner of the 4x4x4 contest was Gwen Yardley. The sad note was it was ten years ago that Past State Pianist, Jeanne Higgins passed away among several other Pink Sash members.

This past year as your State Secretary read the roll of members who have left our Grange on Earth and now are in Heaven. They will be greatly missed by all who knew them. As I begin to speak about these members. There is not a day that goes by I don't think of Marion T Jones, Edward Pratt, Elizabeth Cournoyer, Scott Eastman, John L Saturley, B. Franklin Hayes to name a few. I can still hear Marion's playing on the piano, or her speak Yes knowing it could be done. Or Betty Cournoyer and her hearty laughter. Eddie Pratt always talking to me like a second dad about Grange. I could go on and on but hearing John L. Saturley's voice during the Sixth Degree will always be a memory.

We as members of this great organization don't realize or maybe we, that the history of this Grange is made by you each moment. Whether it is in your local Grange, Pomona, Junior, or State Granges, you are creating history. Some of the members below that I will be speaking about may never have served on the State level, but the history they created in their local Grange is known to many.

Carl Adams, Past State Master of the NH State Grange, past Master of Lebanon Grange, served in NH State Legislature where he was appointed to several committees. He was very active in the city of Lebanon. In addition he had a family farm of which he never neglected his chores. He traveled many miles during his term as State Master. I got to meet him in his last year as State Master in 1967. He installed many Subordinate and Pomona Granges through the years. He also assisted State Secretary Scott Eastman with his installations. There was no doubt that Carl was very popular with the members. He was quiet but when asked he would give you sound advice as to what he would do. He served as a Subordinate Deputy, then became State Gatekeeper, served as Steward before he thrust into office of State Master. He served in that office with dignity and knew his Grange work extremely well.

His mother, the late Clara Adams served as State Ceres and traveled to National Grange with him. I was honored to have organized a surprise early 100th birthday party when the State Grange last met here at the Fireside Inn in West Lebanon. He was honored to have several State Legislators in the Lebanon area come to celebrate this special time with his wife Pat and his family. He was senior State Master living at that time. I could write so much about Carl but I need to close saying, Well Done Good and Faithful Servant and I am sure he is with our members who are in Heaven and they welcomed him with open arms. At this time, I would like the Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward to approach the Master's Station. I would like to present a bronze Grange Marker with a flag for his grave.

Barbara Frangione passed away in January and she was a dedicated Grange member. She served as Master of Chichester Grange and Catamount Grange of Pittsfield. I knew how much she loved agriculture and I was so happy to appoint her as my State Agriculture Director. She worked with her committee very hard in promoting agriculture. She was very active in 4-H for years. She served on other State Grange Committees. She taught school at Pembroke Academy for 18 years. Barbara was a member in several organizations as a member the United Methodist Church of Chichester. She sang in the Suncook Valley Choral. She will be missed by so many in Chichester. Her home is on a big hill overlooking the town. Across the road is a big pasture that the Marston Family have cattle grazing. She was a master gardener. Barbara, I know you are in heaven talking to Herbert and John West, and many others. Well done, good and Faithful Servant.

Arthur Glidden is another member I was proud to have met. He and his wife were very active members of the Grange. Arthur served on the State Membership Committee as well as others. He was a Past Master of Lake Shore Grange and Past Master of Effingham Grange and Carroll County Pomona Grange. He knew his Grange work very well. He was a 60 year member of the Grange and he was 96 years old. He was residing in a nursing home when he passed away.

Judith Abbott was another special friend. She was Master of Harmony Grange and served her Grange very well. I met Judy and her husband when I was placing foreign exchange students. They hosted a young man and he enjoyed his year. They even went to visit him in his country. Judith was very active in Sanbornton her Grange friends will miss her very much.

Jane Cooper Fall was a great member following in her mother's footsteps with the Educational Loan Fund serving as Secretary for many years. Her mother Lillian Foss Cooper served as secretary until her passing thereby passing the torch to Jane. She loved her position as Secretary and worked very closely with the State Treasurer. She was very knowledgeable and took a deep interest in Education. Jane will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Marjorie Burnett left our Grange circle recently and left a major void. She and her husband John traveled to many Granges helping wherever they could. Marjorie was very active in Danville Grange, which was her home Grange. She also became an affiliate in Liberty Grange, Gilman Grange, Rockingham Grange of Epping, Salem Grange, along being a Past Master of West Rockingham Pomona. She was a Past Master of Danville Grange and Past Matron of Sandown Junior Grange. When I became a Junior Deputy, Sandown Junior Grange

was in my district. I met Marjorie who was Matron and her two children were members. She worked very hard with the juniors. I appointed Marjorie as State Contact Committee Director when I became State Master.

Carol Fortune really shocked me. I had no idea she was ill and her passing will leave a major void in Sunapee Lake Grange. She was a Past Master of that Grange as well as Matron for the Junior Grange. I was pleased to appoint Carol as a Junior Deputy. She would do anything in Junior Grange Camp to make it successful. We would laugh in the morning because a member of her Grange came to help her with the Sunapee Lake children. Well, I guess Carol didn't get to much sleep as the member snored very loud. She had a great smile and helped her children so much. They were her life. Carol, thank you for all your work with the juniors.

Constance Carr, known to many as Connie also left our Order to be with our Heavenly Father in Heaven. She was a Past Master of Grafton Star Grange, serving as a member of the State Home Economics Committee for several years. I first met Connie and her husband at Grange Family Weekend. They were very friendly and good friends with Past State Overseer Elwyn Chamberlin. She traveled many miles both in Vermont and New Hampshire to promote the Home Economics program. She was a member of Mascoma Valley Pomona Grange holding an office there. Thank you Connie for your service.

Patricia Valliere left our Grange to be with her family and friends in Heaven. I first met Pat when she served on the State Youth Committee under State Director Alton Carpenter. She was a member of Mount Forist Grange in Berlin, serving as Master along with other officers. She was also a member of Androscoggin Valley Pomona Grange serving as Master. She was appointed State Membership Director and serving in that capacity for a few years. She traveled many miles with Elaine Nichols who also served on the State Youth Committee. However she took an inactive role in the last ten years or so. Unknown to many, she moved to Bedford and lived in a retirement home. It was a surprise when I learned she had passed away.

Richard Keniston was a Past Master of Riverhill Grange in Concord. He and his family worked very hard for the Grange in helping to keep Riverhill Grange active. He was appointed to the State Membership Committee where he served for a several years. However due to health reasons, he had to become an inactive member. He also endured the loss of his son who passed away suddenly.

Some of these members you might know but they were very active. Katherine Bush was a Past Master of Ezekiel Webster Grange in Boscawen. She was a very active member before being a resident of the Merrimack County Nursing Home. I received a telephone call from a member asking why she wasn't listed as a Grange member in the obituary. I told her that I knew her but when Ezekiel Webster merged with Daniel Webster Grange of Webster, somehow she got left out. Katherine was a 75 year member of the Grange.

Marion Scott, wife of Past Master Walter Scott of Bartlett Grange in Salisbury is another member that was a member of Daniel Webster Grange in Webster. When Bartlett Grange closed, their members became members of Daniel Webster. Marion was very active in Salisbury, including 4-H, church, and in the town Old Home Day celebration. She was in her mid-90's when she passed away. I also received a call from someone in Salisbury asking the same question as Katherine Bush. She was also a niece to my grandfather the late Arthur Scott who served as a Deputy for many years.

Ann Woodard served Mohawk Grange of East Colebrook extremely well. She and her husband were the main staples of this great Grange. She served as Master and Secretary for many years. Her contributions to Mohawk Grange and Upper Coos Pomona were many. She cooked for many public suppers to help raise money for the Grange and Community events in Colebrook.

Darriel Peterson served as Master for Oak Hill Grange in Frankestown very well. I met Darriel when I was State Lecturer and she was Lecturer for Oak Hill Grange she entered in many of the Lecturer's art and photo contests. She was a great member that will be missed. She was also a member of Contoocook Valley Pomona Grange.

Beatrice Hopps was someone I didn't meet when I traveled to Groveton Grange as a Junior Deputy. However, when her obituary was in the newspaper it listed as being a long time member of the Grange. So I went and did some research and sure enough she and her late husband Elias were members of Cape Horn Grange and then it closed. They became members of Groveton Grange. Elias was a Past Master of Cape Horn Grange. Beatrice was a Past Matron of Groveton Juvenile Grange. She lived to be 100 years old and she was very active in the Groveton/Northumberland area.

Arlene Merrill Noseworthy passed away recently and I read her obituary in the Union Leader. It was very extensive and mentioned all the activities she was involved in the Plymouth Fair entering many exhibits in the agricultural portion of the fair. I found out she was a Past Master of West Thornton Grange and Past Matron of West Thornton Juvenile Grange. I also learned this member was a sister to the late Winston Merrill of Littleton, whose late wife was Beverly Merrill, past State Home Economics Director.

Patricia Ford passed away recently and she was a Past Master of Mount Livermore Grange. She was a very active member whose efforts to keep this Grange from closing were endless. She will be greatly missed by her members.

Roy and Dorothy Birard, I was in total shock to find out that Dorothy had passed away last November and Roy just passed away in mid-July. This couple were very special to Deb and I. They were very supportive of the Grange. Roy being a past State Executive Committee member, State Membership Director, Past Pomona Deputy, Past Master of Mt. Washington Grange, Past Master of Northern NH Pomona Grange. They traveled many miles from the Northern Sector to the Southern portion of our state. They were the backbones of Mt. Washington Grange in Whitefield. Roy was like an uncle to Deb as he reminded her of the Fournier family uncles. They will be so much missed.

Norman Hall was the son of E Norris and Lillian Hall, Past State Master and Ceres. Norman was a Past Master of Nashua Grange and then became a member of Brookline Grange. He was also a Past State Prince being honored in 1967. Norman's wife Mary Shea was the daughter of Past State Master Philip and State Ceres Madeleine Shattuck. She also served as a Junior Deputy before she passed away. Norman's sister Barbara Ford was a Past State Junior Director. Norman was a big help to me earlier this year as I was trying to locate past royalty. He was a noted funeral director in Nashua. Norman was a dedicated Granger.

Philip Yeaton of Short Falls or Epsom was from a large Grange family. He and his family not only were active in the Grange but also owned a large dairy and beef cattle farm. They were members of McClary Grange of Epsom serving as Master among several offices. He was also a Past Juvenile Grange Master of McClary Juvenile Grange. He was instrumental in organizing the Epsom Historical Society, active in the Odd Fellows Lodge and Agriculture. His farm continues today on Route 28 in Epsom.

I would like to mention that I once again purchased flowers for the Grange Memorial Stone in the NH Veterans Cemetery for Memorial Day. I also have received nice thank you letters from towns that I had sent Secretary Minute Books to. I have more to send and hopefully this next year I can accomplish that.

I also hope to get my committee together to help organize the History Room at the State Grange Building. That is my goal for the coming year. I appreciate any help in getting cabinets at my former residence to my new residence this year.

I apologized to members who think this report is maybe too long, but it is important that our new members realize and understand how much this organization meant to people, not only in the Grange but in the community. For many years, the Grange Hall was the center of activity. Between square dances, public suppers, fairs, parades, voting for the municipal, state, and federal elections and churches made the Grange Hall

the place to go. History in my opinion is very important. I am asking each Grange to appoint a Historian to organize a history of their Grange. I would willing to help anyone do this.

I would like to thank our State Master Chris Heath for his support, Hannah West for always reminding me it is time for an article for the Granite State Granger. She has agreed to be Librarian for the Museum Room in our State Building. I appreciate the efforts of Rhoda Davis, Esther Herrick, Shelley Huntoon, and Debbie for willing to help organize that room. It has been difficult to find a day that our State Master can be with us. It is my top priority with their help to get it organized and catalogued as to what is there. I also would like to this opportunity to personally thank Cam Twiss, Rhoda Davis, Donald Ross, Norman Brandt, and Jerry Leclerc for their telephone calls and visits and most of their support to Debbie and me. It has been a difficult time for both of us. There are several of us who have had similar difficult times and I have tried to be there for them. When I took my First Degree at Pineconia Grange, I was taught that we despite age differences were Brothers and Sisters in this organization in good times and in bad times. It is in the bad times that we try to reach out for a few words to help cope, but many times there is no one there. I realize we are all busy in many ways but if someone needs support, try to be there. A few words is worth so much. Thank you Worthy State Master for your support as I continue to research and write the history according to my version of 53 years. The people who mentored me to reach heights in Grange I never thought possible.

I would like to close this report by dedicating it to our most Senior Past State Master who is now serving our Heavenly Father in the Great Grange above. I am not sure if I want to thank Brother Carl Adams for bestowing the senior living State Master honor on me or not. I know I have been told I live in the past but the Grange has been good to me and I will always be thankful for the support I have received. When I was not good enough in school, Grange was there and made me feel I had something to offer. I would like to thank Hannah West for her help and information when someone passed away. It seem possible I remember Hannah as a teacher at Concord High School when I was a student.

Thanks to Debbie and our State Master Chris Heath for their support. It means a lot.

Fraternally,

Dick Patten, State Grange Historian

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

During the report Sister Pat Adams was escorted to the Master's station were Richard presented her a Grange grave marker and Flag for Brother Carl's grave.

Following the report, Brother Richard had John and Susan Plank escorted to the Master's station and presented them with a few gifts.

Recessed for lunch 11:50

Reconvened at 1:40

State Overseer, Robert Trombi introduced State Master Christopher E. Heath to present his annual address.

National Representatives, State Officers, Pink Sash family, delegates, brothers and sisters patrons all.

As I was preparing this year's masters address I was really struggling with what to say to you all. I honestly feel like I have been a broken record that keeps playing the first 10 seconds of the song over and over again. I hoped that the message I have been sending over these past four years would have conveyed the urgency we need concerning the changes in our thinking, actions and reactions. I know that there is truth behind the message I

have been trying to spread since I became the State Master. Many Granges are struggling and we need some drastic changes in some of our Granges if they are to survive into the next decade.

I want to try to paint a picture for you, in your mind, of a possible future Master's address concerning the status of the Grange in New Hampshire. Close your eyes, try to draw a mental picture of what I am going to say to you in your mind..... Brothers and Sisters, what a great year we have had in the Grange. The Granges in New Hampshire have had a fantastic year. We have organized 10 new Granges and initiated over a thousand new members. Financially we have had great returns on our investments and as a result have earned over an additional million dollars in our coffers. Our smallest Grange in membership is now at eighty-five members. We have a total of three hundred healthy, thriving Granges across the state. At our latest degree day we exemplified the first four degrees for over thirty new members. We have organized three new Pomona Granges and have three hundred and fifty new Pomona members. At State session the sixth degree was administered to ninety-five new initiates and the average age of those new sixth degree members is thirty-five. We organized five new Junior Granges and have sixty new junior members across the state bringing our total to two hundred and fifty active kids. We have three buses scheduled to go to National Grange so that many new members can take the seventh degree. Forty Granges will receive their Distinguished Grange award and the State Grange will be recognized for a net gain in membership.....So now go ahead and open your eyes now.

By a show of hands, how many of you would love to hear this news at our State Session? I know I wish this was what I was going to you today. Wouldn't it raise our Grange spirit and make us want to strive to improve these numbers for the following year? We would all have a better disposition concerning the future of the Grange if all this were true. I know that I would be so happy if we had accomplished these achievements this year..... I would have been so proud as well as humble to give this report to you as the Master of the NH State Grange.

The reality is not so hopefully. The truth is that we have had another Grange close since June 30th, 2019. One Grange has been consolidated since September 30th, 2019 and yet another Grange is set to consolidate by December 31st, 2019. We have had a Grange vote to surrender their building to the State Grange because they can no longer afford to keep it. Another Grange has approached the executive committee requesting permission to sell their hall because they do not have funds to make much needed repairs.. Currently the State Grange have, in our possession, two Grange halls from closed Granges that need to be disposed of because we can't afford to keep them.

This is a sad state of affairs for our Granges in NH but it is the truth. I dislike having to share all this negative news but I really do try to be transparent with you, our members. Unfortunately there is more disappointing news to come to you here today. We are aware of two other Granges that are not able to have meetings and will most likely be closed within the next year unless something can be done to invigorate them and get them meeting again. We have two Pomona Granges that are in the same boat and have challenges trying to get a quorum present to hold meetings. These trends are all things we as Grangers should want to see stopped. This is clearly not a good direction for our organization to be going and we must all do our part to help reverse this direction.

You might be sitting there thinking to yourself, "What can I do to help my Grange or another Grange near me?" The truth is you can show your Grange and your Grange family some love and offer to help them. This might be through volunteering at one of their events or by assisting them with recruiting new members. Maybe you know someone from their town that is looking to be a part of something bigger. Maybe by helping a neighboring Grange, they will in turn offer to help you. We all know the saying "Many hands make light work", well let's get in there and help lighten the burden that we all feel.

So why are we not all out helping each other? There may be many reasons for this but one of them stems from many years ago when Granges competed against each other to be the best in the State. This stigma has stayed with us even though we no longer have this degree of competition at a state level. Grangers need to realize that competitiveness is good when things are good but now when things are bad, we need to work together and

strive to revitalize the Grange everywhere. Competition is good and healthy but I don't believe that this is what our organization's founders wanted us to do, we were meant to help each other and be there for each other through thick and thin.

We have had some small but positive achievements this year in the area of membership. At least six Granges, which I know of, have obligated new members this year. I don't have a full accounting of how many but the numbers that I have heard put this figure at around 25 new members and this is only the ones I have heard about. This is awesome news that makes me happy and makes me feel good inside. It should also make you happy and encourage you to go find some new members for your Grange! These little steps are what is going to save the Grange in New Hampshire. These gains in membership help but this doesn't offset the number of great grangers that have gone on to the Great Grange above. It is a sad realization that we are losing more and more members at an alarming rate. Membership needs to be our major focus for the next decade. The Granges need to implement a strategy for how to gain more members by getting out into the community and spreading our Grange message.

In my opinion, it is time that the State Grange consider creating a paid position within the state grange that would be responsible for public relations /membership recruiting. I charge the members and delegates to consider this recommendation. I envision this position would be a person who would work with our current Granges. They also would be working in non-Grange communities to drum up interest in our great organization. If we were to invest thirty thousand dollars a year for the next three years to a position such as this, the return on this investment could be so much more. Many Granges need help re-establishing their presence in their communities. Grange is considered the best kept secret in many communities and we need to reverse this fact. Granges used to be the center of the community and a place where everyone would get together. The Grange was responsible for educating, entertaining and providing for the community. The community, in turn, helped the Grange in continuing the great work and service that they provided. We need to get back to this mentality and start making the Grange the focal point of the community. The Grange and its members have so much to teach and share with people. Society has lost some of the great arts and our organization could be a leader in bringing these back into our home towns.

I know that there are members who are tired of listening to me say that membership needs to be a priority. Some Grangers are tired of hearing me say this and that they would rather keep going in the direction they are going. They appear to be happy with the way things are going and don't want to leave their comfort zone. I say to them, if you keep doing business as usual, your Grange will not be around in 10, 15 or 20 years. We need to look at the big picture. We need to change our thoughts where we can and for those who choose not to jump on board, we need them to not create roadblocks for others who want to change. Change is scary but it is also good. Sometimes it is bad but how do you know if you never try it. This couldn't be more evident and relative in this world at this time.

This past year has been a very difficult road for me as a person I have been through a lot and things have been tough. I recently found out that my full time job will be coming to an end due to restructuring at my company and now I am faced with finding a new job. This is a change in my life that is going to affect me drastically. I had hoped that I would be at my current employer until I retire but that is no longer a possibility. Change was bound to happen and I am embracing it like a champ. Oh how I wish I could have seen the future before all of this happened. For those of you who have never filled in as a leader in an organization, you have no idea how much time and money it costs to be a volunteer. Please don't let my statement scare you from volunteering. Not all positions are as labor intensive and costly as this one can be. I have had to make some difficult choices in my life and in the Grange and if I had to make them again, I wouldn't change a thing.

I hope that I can somehow inspire you to go home to your community Granges and be a Grange Hero. We need more Do'ers in our organization who not only do things for the Grange but also in the community. Our world needs more heroes and people who are out to change the world. The world we live in has changed tremendously. Generational gaps have been made and seem to be getting farther and farther apart. Most of

today's young people are only joining when they get something for being involved. The truth of the matter is we have less and less Do'ers. What is going to happen when they are all gone?

Our Grange leaders need to start training/mentoring their replacements. All too often when I go to Granges, people are asking me how they do this or where do they go to find that. It used to be that when someone new went into a new office in the Grange, others would help educate and instruct them on how to do their job. This is happening less and less now. Is it because we don't want to share or is it because the old officer passed away and no one knows how to do it properly? This is on every level of the Grange. We all need to be more conscious of the fact that the next person who is doing the job may not know what to do. We need to help these new officers like we were helped when we were new.

In closing I would like to thank all of the Grangers who have supported the State Grange over the past year. Without you there would be no State Grange and no future for this organization. Your dedication and determination has brought us to this point in our journey. Your actions when you return home from this annual session will help determine the future. I hope that you can catch the Grange spirit and take it back to your Granges and communities. Always look out to see where you can make a difference. Don't be afraid of being different and certainly be a good ambassador for the Grange. Be a hero today, tomorrow and forever. I hope the best for all the Granges in the new Grange year.

Fraternally,

Christopher E Heath
NH State Grange Master

The address was accepted and sent on to the Master's address committee.

State Treasurer, Daniel Bascom presented his annual report.

Worthy State Master Chris Heath, National Reps John & Susan Plank, Fellow Officers, Grangers All:

This is my seventh year serving as your State Treasurer. Last year I presented you with my first deficit budget and yes, we ended the year with a deficit \$1,259.00 using the 3.5% spending that we have done for the past 6 years. This year I am proposing another deficit budget using a 5% 3 year rolling average spending with a deficit of \$2,084.00. This will be my first year having to pull money from principal. The budget will be addressed tomorrow when we present it for approval. This is partly due to the Executive committee deciding to alleviate NH Granges from paying the National Grange Assessment fee. This fee will be covered by interest received from our invested funds.

My report last year stated when I became Treasurer in 2012 our operating fund was \$158,944.00 which has increased to \$254,311.00 in 7 years. An increase of \$95,367.00. This is due to the watchful eye of the executive committee and the great investment strategy of the Morgan Stanley Investment Firm. We have been averaging 7 to 8% per year during this 7-year stretch. Some years as low as 3%, some years as high as 12%. This is a much better interest rate than you can get on any saving, checking or money market account. Wilber Heath and I met with John Habig, Financial Advisor at Morgan Stanley in April. The recommendation was for us to continue with our investment strategy.

As I have stated in the past, I don't receive all financial statements until about October 10th, this leaves me very little time to complete my financial report for year end. All financial figures will be printed in the journal. This year due to our one-week early session, I was fortunate to complete the September quarter, compile the budget and have my books ready for audit on October 13th.

Monday night I completed the epostcards for all Granges, it took me about 8 hours over two nights. The copy for your Grange is in your packet, if, for some reason you misplace it I can send you a new copy. I am doing this for each Grange so you will continue to retain your nonprofit status.

I am working with the State of NH to have those Granges who have lost their nonprofit with the state to get reinstated. I hope to have this project completed early in 2020. In 2020 each Grange should receive notice from the Secretary of State to renew your nonprofit status/incorporation fee. This is the \$25.00 that you pay to the state every 5 years.

Last December was a very trying time for Kim and I, losing both our mothers and Kim being laid up for 8 weeks with a pinched nerve in her back. I would like to give all of you with one big hug, your support with cards, calls and meals got us through. Learning to run the dishwasher and washing machine wasn't easy, but Kim never complained about my cooking.

Now on to the next chapter in our life, retirement! We will be retiring on November 15th, becoming snowbirds, winters in Florida and summers in Maine. I plan to keep the Treasurer's office running as usual. Our new contact information will be printed in the roster. 28 days until retirement, but who's counting.

I would like to thank each and every one of you for the confidence you have entrusted in me and thank you for asking me to serve as your Treasurer.

Fraternally,

Daniel P. Bascom
State Treasurer

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

State Secretary Gerald J. Leclerc presented his annual report:

Worthy State Master, National Assistant Steward, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters

This is my seventh report to you as your State Secretary.

Subordinate Granges:

We began the year with 47 Subordinate Granges and a membership number of 1279. Barnstead Community Grange and Granite State Grange both surrendered their charters as of September 30 2018. This leaves us with 45 Subordinate Granges and a total membership of 1162, a loss of 117 members.

The largest Subordinate Grange is Wicwas Lake Grange #292 with a total of 84 members.

There are several Subordinate Granges that are currently behind on reporting and owe past dues to the State Grange, and others that are not meeting regularly or not holding meetings as prescribed by the By-laws of the State Grange. I will be making recommendations to the State Grange Executive Committee on how to get these Granges in compliance.

Pomona Granges:

We currently have a total of 8 Pomona Granges with a total membership of 408, which is a loss of 65 members from 2018. No Pomonas had a gain in membership this past year. The largest Pomona in the State is Pemigewasset Valley Pomona #18 with 85 members.

By order of the National Grange, I have issued the following membership awards:

16 ~ Silver Star Certificates to

Norman Brandt	Wingold Grange #308
Hope Hayden	Gilman Grange #1
Robert Izzo	Rockingham Grange #183
Joy EH Perkins	Tuftonborough Grange #142
Martha Peterson	Tuftonborough grange #142
Jane Smalley	Mt Hope Grange #77

- 1 ~ 30 Year Certificate
- 3 ~ 35 Year Certificates
- 3 ~ 40 Year Certificates
- 8 ~ 45 Year Certificates

5 Golden Sheaf Certificates

Charles Gibbs	Joe English Grange #53
Alden Harradon	Joe English Grange #53
Patricia Kimball	Meriden Grange #151
Barbara Pratt	Crown Point Grange #65
Wilber Heath	Centennial Grange #185

- 5 ~ 55 Year Seals
- 2 ~ 60 Year Seals
- 7 ~ 65 Year Seals
- 8 ~ 70 Year Seals

8 ~ 75 Year Diamond Certificates

Dorothy Bartlett	Concord Grange #322
Francis Cox	Rochester Grange #86
Richard Currier	Harmony Grange #99
Constance Ives	Concord Grange #322
Louella Lewis	Wingold Grange #308
Carolyn D. Pike	Rochester Grange #86
Alphonse Talbot	Crown Point Grange #65
Norman Talbot	Crown Point Grange #65

2~ 80 Year Letter

Lola Jones	Concord Grange #322
Irene Noyes	Concord Grange #322

The two months following State Session is the busiest time for the secretary's office with completing the journal and putting together the roster. Normally this isn't difficult but as I began the process, the new Membership Directors asked me for address labels for all the members of the Grange. What should have been an easy task turned out to become a major undertaking.

The database as of right now can only print an address label for an individual member which is fine if that is what you want to do. However, in this situation it would have been more efficient to print one label per address which includes all the members residing at the address.

The 2019 NH State Grange Roster was ready for Deputy School in December. This is always a monumental endeavor requiring many hours of inputting of names, addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers. Most Granges did submit a form so very few pages were left blank.

No matter how many times this is proofread, some corrections and updates are always needed. Roster corrections were sent to the Granges, and hopefully made it to the Masters' and Secretaries' copies. I am asking all secretaries who have not yet sent in the new form for the coming year to please make sure that this form is filled out clearly. Most of the corrections that needed to be made were because the information was difficult to read. For those who have sent the form already, thank you. If something is not clear, you will be receiving a call from me.

Each year as I print and mail the Roster, I can't help but wonder how often, if ever, this is looked at or used. Does your Master and Secretary know where their roster is? Would it be more beneficial to condense the information that is included? Should we prepare a Roster with just the State officers and State team members along with the meeting dates and time of each Grange with just the Master and Secretary listed?

The Journal of Proceedings for the 144th Annual State Grange Session was completed and ready for distribution in early January. Having the journal completed quickly remains a priority to me so that those wishing a copy can receive one while the session is still fresh in their minds. The Journal was submitted and placed on the NH State Grange website, and I hope that many of you reviewed it. I am pleased to be able to report that 10 Granges and 3 members requested a copy of the Journal, which is up from last year.

Near the end of each quarter, a packet was sent to each Pomona and Subordinate Secretary with information for the members, as well as the usual report forms. I can't stress enough how important it is to complete the reports and send them in on time. What we pay to National Grange is based on the membership numbers from these reports. If I don't receive a report from a Grange, the membership number I use on my report is the number last reported. There have been times when a Grange report was submitted after my deadline to National, and the Grange reported a loss of members. If these reports were sent in on time, we wouldn't have needed to pay dues on the lost members now being reported. I also need to stress that it is extremely important that the dues check accompany the report. Several granges are sending these separately which requires unnecessary documentation.

Last year, I had mentioned that, in an effort to encourage each grange secretary to report on time and every quarter, I would be instituting an "Honor Secretary" award and will make a recognition at next year's Session. I unfortunately failed to share the requirements on how a Secretary could achieve the Honor. As a result of my oversight, I will recognize all Secretaries who have sent in the reports on time.

Congratulations to the following Secretaries:

Jane Trombi	Cheshire County Pomona Grange
Frances Everad	Eastern NH Pomona Grange
Caroline J. Ross	East Rockingham Pomona Grange
Gerald Leclerc	Hillsborough County Pomona Grange
Ida Hutchins	Pemigewassetts Pomona Grange
Hannah West	Suncook Valley Pomona Grange
Ralph Ford	Baker's River Grange
Wilber Heath	Centennial Grange
Mary West	Chichester Grange
Diane Collins	Clairemont Grange
Esther Herrick	Concord Grange
Donald Ross	Gilman Grange
Norma Neary	Golden Rod Grange
Roberta Sliva	Hampton Falls Grange
Darlene Sellars	Harmony Grange
Gerald Leclerc	Hudson Grange
Charlene Hooper	Joe English Grange

Melissa Locke	Mount Hope Grange
Ed Ford	Mt Livermore Grange
Rhoda Davis	Pembroke Grange
Ana Simard	River Hill Grange
Lois Enman	Rochester Grange
Joy Perkins	Tuftonborough Grange
Jne Trombi	Walpole Grange
Kathe Wolf	Watatic Grange
Monica Benett	Wicwas Lake Grange

As the Secretary, it is our duty to keep our members informed, and this is done with the reading of communications. I would like each Subordinate and Pomona Secretary and committee chairman to establish the following philosophy: if it's mailed to you for your Grange, read it out loud to your members. The communication doesn't need to be read word for word; giving highlights is fine as long as the important information is shared.

The supply department continues to be very busy filling orders. Receiving of membership award and supply requests on scrap pieces of paper or in an e-mail has ended. Each Grange is now required to send the appropriate completed forms to me. New blank forms are sent back with the order. This is done for two reasons: one, this replenishes the Granges supply of forms and two, for those awards coming directly from National Grange, receiving a new blank form lets the secretary know that I have sent the request.

State Session is once again approaching and with that comes the preparations associated with it. The program was created, printed, and folded, resolutions formatted, printed and collated, ribbons ordered, and delegate packets assembled, the list goes on and on. I must admit that while this seems to be overwhelming, I find it exhilarating and look forward to the whole thing coming together. I must admit that this year, preparing for Session has been difficult, as I have been dealing with a back issue and cannot fully concentrate on tasks and having to ask for help, which is not something that I can easily do.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sarah and Emilie for their never ending support and assistance in helping me get ready for State Session. I don't know if I would have been able to pull it off in the manner that I set these past seven years. Thank you Sarah and Emilie!

In conclusion, there are some people that I would like to thank for assisting in the planning and execution of all that goes with State Session. State Master Chris Heath, for being available when needed. State Ceres Kerriann Nightingalem for taking charge of the banquet. Arthur Merrill, Adam Paquin Varnum, Kathy Yardley and Mark Collins for getting the meeting space set. Also, to The Graces and their band of helpers, who prepared the court. And most of all I would like to personally thank each Pomona and Subordinate Secretary for the time they take in their busy lives performing the duties of this office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Robert Trombi, Chairman of the State Executive Committee gave his annual report.

Worthy Master, Distinguished guests, Delegates, Brothers & Sisters,

I am pleased, once again, to present to you, my report for the State Executive committee.

The Executive Committee held several meetings this year. Copies of the minutes of these meetings have been supplied to each Grange. On the first of this month, we entered into a lease agreement with a church who will be meeting in the State Grange Building regularly. We are looking forward to a very rewarding relationship with our new tenant.

At our most recent meeting we discussed the budget (which we will present this weekend) audited the Secretary & Treasurer books and discussed final preparations for State Session.

Your State Executive Committee appreciates your support, as we work in the name of this State Grange. We are confident that our decisions have been in the best interest of The Grange in New Hampshire.

If you have not seen them please contact the State Secretary to ensure that they are being sent to the proper services.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Trombi
Chairman of the Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Sunday, October 21, 2018
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

Present: Robert Trombi, Christopher Heath, Beth Merrill, Robert Haefner, Wilber Heath, Tricia Taylor, Mark Collins, Daniel Bascom, Gerald Leclerc

The meeting was called to order at 10:26 am

Minutes from the August 23, 2018 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Chris Heath to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master's Report:

- Pleasant Valley Grange hall and property has been sold
- West Thornton Grange hall and property has been sold.
- Granite Grange Hall: ServPro was there to clean and recommend we contact an abatement company to remove the asbestos first. We will be receiving a refund from ServPro. An asbestos removal company will be contacted and once removed we will proceed with the cleaning and put the building on the market.
- Granite State Grange has been closed effective September 30, 2018. The State Secretary will send the remaining members demits so they can join another Grange if they desire.

Secretary's Report:

- Croydon Grange is the only Grange that is in the arrears for dues and will be contacted to get them up to date.
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Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the report of the Master and Secretary. Vote was favorable.

Treasurer's Report:

- Income and Expense reports were presented and reviewed.

Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the report as presented. Vote was favorable.

Old Business:

- WIFI for the State Grange building: This is complete the modem has been hooked up and service is now available in the building.
- Non-Profit status: Watatic Grange has been reinstated. The Treasurer is now working on Jeremiah Smith and Wingold Granges
- Pomona town hall meeting was held and 23 members representing all 8 Pomona's were present. The minutes of the meeting will be included in the Delegate packets.

New Business:

- Request from the Building Manager requesting to be replaced. Wilber Heath knows of a member who has experience in this and will contact him to see if he is interested. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to allow Wilber Heath to ask the member and inquire if there would be a fee. Vote was favorable with one opposed.
- Chris announced that we need to appoint a second delegate to National Session regardless of who is elected as State Master. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to send Wilber Heath as our second delegate. The vote was favorable with one abstention.
- E-filing: Dan announced that this will be happening soon.
- Jerry Leclerc requested the use of a couple of tables and possibly some chairs for Thanksgiving. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to allow the use of these. Vote was favorable with one abstention.
- Lower Interval Grange is having difficulty find insurance for their hall due to its condition. The Executive Committee needs a list of what needs to be done in order to correct this and obtain insurance.
- Proposed 2018-2019 Income and expense budgets:
 - Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to increase the Junior Budget to \$500. Vote was favorable.
 - Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to increase the Deputy budget to \$2500. Vote was favorable.
 - Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to accept the modified budget. Vote was favorable.

Next Meeting: Sunday following the Installation of Officers.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 11:45 am.

Secretary's and Treasurer's books were audited following the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 27, 2018
Best Western Hotel ~ Keene, NH

Present: Robert Trombi, Christopher Heath, Beth Merrill, Robert Haefner, Wilber Heath, Tricia Taylor, Mark Collins, Daniel Bascom, Gerald Leclerc

The meeting was called to order at 3:50

Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Chris Heath to elect Robert Trombi as Chairman for the Executive Committee. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to elect Gerald Leclerc as Secretary for the Executive Committee. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to reappoint Ann Leger and Joy Perkins as Trustees to the Trust Fund. Vote was favorable.

Next meeting will be At the NH Fire Academy on December 8, 2018.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 3:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
NH State Grange Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Saturday, December 8, 2018
The New Hampshire Fire Academy

Present: Robert Trombi, Beth Merrill, Wilber Heath, Christopher Heath, Mark Collins, Tricia Taylor, Robert Haefner, Gerald Leclerc, Daniel Bascom

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 by Robert Trombi, Chairman.

Minutes of the October 21st & 27th, 2018 meetings were reviewed. Motion by Wilber Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to approve the minutes. Vote was favorable.

Minutes for Saturday of State Session were read. Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Chris Heath to accept the minutes. Vote was favorable.

The members of the Executive Committee as well as the Master, Overseer, Secretary, and Treasurer, read and sang the Conflict of Interest Policy for the New Hampshire State Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry for 2019.

Master report:

- Chris Heath gave an update on the happenings of the National Grange Session that was held last month in Vermont.

Secretary Report:

- Croydon Grange is still behind in reporting and paying dues.
- Journal of Proceedings is almost completed. As soon as the final report is submitted and the financials are received the final proof read will be completed and distributed.
- The By-law change adding Section 7 to Article XV (Junior Granges) was presented for informational purposes. The cover has also been revised. 2 copies of the Cover and affected page will be sent to each Subordinate and Pomona Grange for the Master and Secretary Copy of the By-laws.

Treasurer Report:

- State Session was \$2000 over budget. Dan will look at the bills to make sure they are correct.
- New Hampshire Charitable Foundation needed phone numbers for certain State Grange positions. Dan has taken care of this.
- Currently work on year end and getting the books ready of the tax accountant.
- Reported that Mildred Shaw, the last surviving Member of Winnisquam Grange has passed away. As a result, the remainder of the money in the Blaisdell Fund has been moved to the Trust Fund.

Matt Collins, Webmaster was asked to give an update on accessing the Grange Cabinet page on the State Grange website. He recommends that a password be assigned to it so that it can only be accessed by Grange members. A motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Wilber Heath to have the Cabinet page protected by a password and that the password should be the Annual Subordinate password. The vote was favorable.

It was also recommended that we assign Emergency contact info and was decided that this be the State Master and Chairman of the State Executive Committee.

Old Business:

- Granite Grange Hall: Chris reported that he is not getting any answers to his requests from Serv-Pro and has requested the deposit back which has also not been resolved yet.
- Building Manager; Wilber Heath will contact the person that he has in mind to see if he would be interested in the position. He will report back as soon as he has an answer.
- Outside Video cameras and wireless set up: Motion made by Mark Collins and seconded by Tricia Taylor to purchase and install said equipment. Vote was favorable. Chris Heath will take care of doing this.

New Business:

- State Lecturer has requested a Key to the State Grange Building. Tabled to the next meeting.
- State Master Chris Heath will be looking for members to update the State Grange By-laws. Suggestions for members are welcomed.

Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to go into Executive Session. 11:57

Reentered Public Session at 12:05

Motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Tricia Taylor to have our next meeting on March 8, 2019 at 7:30 at the State Grange building. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 12:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 8, 2019
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

Present: Robert Trombi, Christopher Heath, Beth Merrill, Robert Haefner, Wilber Heath, Tricia Taylor, Mark Collins, Daniel Bascom, Gerald Leclerc

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

Minutes from the December 8, 2018 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Tricia Taylor to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master's Report:

- Granite State Grange has been in contact with the State Master in regards to surrendering their charter.
- Henry Wilson Grange would like to consolidate with Rochester Grange.
- Stratford Grange has an issue with their Officers performing their duties.
- State Master attended the Masters Conference in Kansas and shared some of the topics discussed. He also has raffle tickets available for the National Grange Quilt Raffle.
- Attended the 150th Celebration of the Minnesota Sate Grange.

Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Bob Haefner to accept the report of the Master. Vote was favorable.

Secretary's Report:

- The following Pomona and Subordinate Granges are behind in reporting to the State Grange:
 - Mascoma Valley Pomona and
 - Northern NH Pomona
 - Blow-Me-Down
 - Croydon
 - Dorchester
 - Lower Intervale
 - Riverside
- Two Junior members graduated into Watatic Grange
- The Journal of Preceding's for the 2018 Annual Session is complete and ready for distribution. It has been sent to the Web Master to be place on the website.
- By-law changes as mentioned at the last meeting have been sent to the Secretary of each Grange. There was some difficulty getting this to the Web Master but the problem has been resolved.

Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the report of the secretary. Vote was favorable.

Treasurer's Report:

- Checked issued to Serv-Pro for Granite Grange has been returned
- Income and Expense Reports were distributed and reviewed.

Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to accept the report of the Treasurer. The vote was favorable.

Old Business:

- The Hotel contract for the 2019 Annual Session was presented and discussed. Motion made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to accept and sign the contract. Vote was favorable.
- Lower-Intervale Grange has no new information on the building improvements.
- Building Manager: Anne Boisvert has been reassigned as the Building Manager,
- Outside cameras: Chris Heath has looked into this and each camera will cost \$35.00 and will need to be wired into the building. He will look into other options and report back.
- A request was made by the State Lecturer asking if she could be issued a key to the State Grange Building. During discussion it was also requested by Mark Collins to have a key to the building as well as the equipment room so that he can work on the sound equipment. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to issue both with the needed keys. The vote was favorable.
- Four Subordinates and two Pomona's still owe for Bonding
- Non Profit Status for 6 Granges are being worked on and hope to have them completed soon.

New Business:

- A request was made from Hudson Grange to receive \$5000 from their escrow account for Grange Hall improvements. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to grant the request. The vote was favorable with 2 abstentions.
- Received a \$500 check from Grange Advocacy.
- Grange Services received a \$5000 donation for the Educational Loan Fund from The Jane Cooper Fall Estate.
- Received a letter from Morgan and Stanley, Wilber, Tricia and Dan will be making their annual visit.
- Halloween Grange has requested to allow them to sell their Grange Hall. Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor allow them to sell the building following the guidelines in the By-laws. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to enter Executive Session. Vote was favorable. Entered Executive session at 9:00

Reopened in regular session at 9:15

Beth Merrill suggested that we go back to using the Executive Committee Worksheet so we can track what is being done and when.

Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Wilber Heath to adjourn. The vote was favorable and the meeting closed at 9:25 pm

Next meeting will be June 20, 2019 at 7:30 at the Sate Grange Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 20, 2019
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

Present: Christopher Heath, Beth Merrill, Robert Haefner, Wilber Heath, Mark Collins, Gerald Leclerc

Absent: Robert Trombi, Dan Bascom, Tricia Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by acting chair Mark Collins

Minutes from the March 8, 2019 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Bob Haefner and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master's Report:

- An abatement company has been contracted to clean the mold and asbestos in Granite Grange Hall.
- Granite State Grange has surrendered their charter and have turned over all property to the State Master, including the keys to the building. Don Whittum will be contacted to have him get a deed to the building. \$700 has been handed over to the State Treasure to be placed in the defunct Grange account.
- Centennial Grange will be consolidating with Henry Wilson Grange.
- The State Master will be making a visit to Aroura and Riverside Granges this summer.
- Halloween Grange may have a buyer for the Grange building and land. The chairman will send the Master a letter letting her know that they can sell following the steps in the By-laws.

Secretary's Report

- The following Granges are currently behind in reporting and dues payments
Arlington Grange, Croydon Grange (6 quarters), Pine Grove Grange
Stratford Grange, Tuftonborough Grange and Mascoma Valley Pomona
- Reports to National Grange have been sent

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the report of the Secretary. Vote was favorable.

Treasurer's Report:

- Wilber Heath handed out the Income and Expense reports provided by the Treasurer.
- There are still several Department checks that are outstanding.
- The annual visit was made to Morgan Stanley.

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the report of the Treasurer. Vote was favorable.

Old Business:

- The Secretary is working on setting up the walk-through at the Fireside Inn. More information to follow.

- The Secretary is in contact with the Holiday Inn in Concord to see about availability for the 2020 session.
- Discussion was held on securing some type of affordable insurance for State Grange to have available to Granges who aren't covered.
- Mark Collins will write a resolution requiring the Subordinate Granges to have insurance.
- The State Grange has secured some assistance to the Building Manager.
- Video cameras have been installed. 1 inside the building and 2 on the outside. A new router has also been installed.
- Discussed how to secure the router and other IT equipment. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to purchase some type of cabinet that can be locked and hold the equipment. Vote was favorable. Mark Collins will take care of finding the cabinet.

New Business:

- A request was received from Dick Patten, State Historian requesting the purchase of a Grave marker and flag to be presented to Pat Adams to be placed on Past State Master Carl Adams grave. A motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Chris Heath to allow Dick to purchase the marker and flag. Vote was favorable.
- Discussion was held about recent activity with the neighbors dumping yard waste on our property and them thinking that it was their property. A motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Chris Heath to locate the deed and lot map should this happen again. Vote was favorable. Chris Heath will look into getting the deed and lot map.
- State Secretary reported that the State Grange seal is no longer working and requested to purchase a new one. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to allow the purchase of a new seal. Vote was favorable.
- The Secretary received a request from a neighbor from the street above the Grange building requesting use of the parking area on July 13, 2019 for an event they were having at their home. Vote was favorable.
- A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner for the Executive Committee authorize and add a line item to the budget in the amount of \$800 for Farm and Forrest. Vote was favorable.
- A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to reimburse the Membership Department \$1000 for the cost of the 2019 Membership Conferences. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber to enter Executive Session. Vote was favorable.
8:39 pm

Returned to regular session at 8:42 pm

Next meeting will be August 22, 2019 at 7:30 at the State Grange building.

A motion was made by Bob Haefner and seconded by Chris Heath to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee

New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, August 22, 2019
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

Present: Christopher Heath, Beth Merrill, Robert Haefner, Mark Collins, Robert Trombi, Dan Bascom, Tricia Taylor, Gerald Leclerc

Absent: Wilber Heath

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman Robert Trombi

Minutes from the June 20, 2019 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Chris Heath to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master's Report:

- Granite State Grange Hall – The building is in decent condition but sits on a very small piece of land. Deed could not be located so the State Master will go to the Clerk's office in Rockingham County to get one
- Granite Grange Hall – A new abatement company will be going into the building to clean the mold and asbestos. We will be bill for the service.
- State Master Heath announced that John Plank, National Grange Assistant Steward and his wife Susan will be our representatives at this year's session.
- Pembroke Grange is possibly looking for a temporary place to meet as the building they current meet in needs some work and the landlord is not cooperating with getting them corrected.
- A new modem is needed for the state Grange building. The Secretary will call and order one.

Motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Bob Haefner to accept the Master's report. Vote was favorable.

Secretary's Report:

- The following Granges are currently behind in reporting:
 - Blazing Star
 - Croydon
 - Mohawk
 - Mt Pistareen
 - Riverside
 - Mascoma Valley Pomona
- A report was given on the upcoming session in West Lebanon

A motion was made by Tricia Taylor and seconded by Bob Haefner to accept the report of the Secretary. Vote was favorable.

Treasure's Report:

- The income and expense reports were presented and explained.

A motion was by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to accept the report as presented. The vote was favorable.

Old Business:

- Status of the Website - Things are going well.
- Granite Grange Hall Stage Curtain – Granite Grange has an historic painted curtain and discussion was held on what to do with it. It was suggested to remove it and store it before the building is sold.
- Liability insurance resolution – Mark Collins presented the proposed resolution to be presented at State Session.
 - Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Hafener to submit the resolution as amended. Vote was favorable.
- Neighbors – There had been an issue with the neighbors using our property for a convenient place for their yard waste. Since the installations of the outside cameras, the issue seems to have corrected itself.
- The router cabinet for the kitchen is in the process of being purchased and should be completed soon.
- Halloween Grange – A letter will be sent to them explaining the process they need to follow to sell their Grange Hall.
- Bonding – A discussion was held about bonding payments, deputies will be having a conversation with the Granges at their visits.

New Business:

- Liberty Bible Baptist Church – The Pastor came and toured the building and are very interested in using it for their services. They would like to start using the building as soon as they can. Usage will be every Wednesday evening and every Sunday (morning and evening).
 - Motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Tricia Taylor to rent the hall for \$300 a month with in kind services. Vote was favorable.
- Pembroke Grange – A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to offer the State Grange building as a temporary meeting place if needed. Vote was favorable.
- State Banquet – The cost of the banquet was quoted from the Fireside Inn and Suites at \$42.08 per person. Typically the price is rounded up to the nearest dollar. A motion was by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to not round up and charge \$42.00 per ticket. Vote was favorable.
- Robert Trombi reported that Gunstock is now requiring us to pre pay for all the boardwalk sites for 2020 Family Weekend. Unfortunately a new location is being looked at and announced as soon as possible.
- HVAC System – Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to contact the HVAC Service to have the furnace and A/C systems checked and cleaned. Vote was favorable. Wilber Heath will contact Anne Bosivert to recommend that the HVAC Service Co. be contacted.
- National Grange Assessment Fees – A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to no longer charge the Subordinate Granges for the Assessment Fee, but to now have the fee be paid by the New Hampshire State Grange. Vote was favorable.
- Dan Bascom, State Treasure presented the 2019-2020 proposed income and expense budgets. Each line item was discussed and changes made as needed. The final budgets will be presented at the October 13th meeting for a vote to submit to the delegate body at session.

Reviewed the Task Calendar and update as needed.

Beth Merrill reported that she and Arthur went to the Graveside service for Roy Birard.

Next meeting will be October 13, 2019 at 10:00 am at the State Grange Building.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 9:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange
Executive Committee

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Andrew Savage, General Deputy was presented to the Master's station to present his annual report.

Worthy Master, Brothers, and Sisters

It's been a short year, but that didn't make it any easier than the previous ones. As we look back upon this past year, let us not lose Hope for the future. We should always be on the lookout for ways to make changes to what we are doing so that we can attract and retain new members.

Subordinate Granges

This year we tried to reward granges for the following:

- Following proper procedures
- Performing ritual
- Growing the membership
- Participating in state level activities
- Being active in their communities

To promote this agenda, we made a few changes to the scoring system. I want to spend some time going over the reasons for, and results of, these changes.

First we changed the financial section. With the state treasurer filing the 990N reports for the subordinate granges, it made sense to de-emphasize the need to file the report at the subordinate level, but we still want our granges to keep those filings as part of their records. Roughly 80% of our granges met this expectation, so keep up the good work.

We wanted to stress the importance of auditing the grange's financial records, so we doubled the award a grange could get simply by bringing the executive committee together with the treasurer and secretary once every 3 months. Only 1/3rd of our granges were up to this challenge, so perhaps the other granges should consider auditing their books immediately before or after a regular meeting.

In addition to giving a large amount of points for ritual work, we made another increase in the award for performing subordinate degrees. We know that not every grange can gather enough members to do them alone, so we strongly encourage you to invite another grange (or two) to help you out. All granges who participate get to claim the points. I believe that it is more important than ever to renew the tradition of performing degrees, before we lose the knowledge of how to do them properly. 10% of our granges answered this challenge, and I hope to see an increase next year.

Membership is vital to the survival of our granges, and this year the membership committee put together three events focused on promoting membership. In addition to getting points just for having one member of your grange attend a meeting, there was also a prize raffle. Whether it was the points, a strong interest in keeping our granges alive, or the prize, they were well attended. 50% of our granges were able to claim these points. This is a much better response than we got from trying to get our granges to complete membership related goals outside

of their comfort zone, so I am pleased with this change. We also increased the value of new and reinstated members, but this didn't meet with the same level of success.

The last changes were an effort to increase involvement from current members. We are now giving additional points for having two delegates at state session instead of one to encourage greater participation. Because this was changed after state session, any impact will not be measurable until next year.

The biggest change we made this year was to abandon the push for the granges to have a visioning session, and instead offer an unlimited amount of points for entries in state level contests. I would say this was a success, as there have been almost no visioning sessions in the last few years, and more than 1/3rd of the granges reported participating in contests. I am certain this does not reflect some granges that simply overlooked an opportunity to claim extra points. The most entries claimed by a single grange: 23 (230 points).

The last thing I want to mention on the subject of involvement is that we need some new faces to join our deputy force. For a very small investment of your time, you can enjoy making a big impact on a grange (or two) in your area. We all enjoy seeing new faces at our meetings, so why not volunteer to be that new face that brings delight to another grange?

Finally, as we have always had good reports of grange involvement in their communities, we opted not to adjust the award for community participation. Over 90% of our granges were awarded points this year.

And now the part you've all been waiting for, the highest scoring granges for the past year.

Small granges:

3rd place – Baker's River Grange

2nd place – Arlington Grange

1st place – Antrim Grange

Medium granges:

3rd place – Rochester Grange

2nd place – Mohawk Grange, Blow-Me-Down Grange

1st place – Wingold Grange

I would like to point out that despite being a 'small' grange, Antrim Grange was actually the highest scoring grange overall. Congratulations to these granges for the work and effort they put into this organization and I hope you continue to do well in the future.

Pomona Granges

Similar changes were made to the scoring for the Pomona granges, but there was no evidence of success in encouraging the Pomona members to do more.

None of the Pomona granges have kept up with auditing their books.

None of them reported exemplifying the fifth degree this year.

None of them reported an increase in average attendance.

The highest scoring Pomona grange this year was: Eastern New Hampshire Pomona

Conclusion

Once again I have to thank all of the deputies who continue to volunteer their time and expertise. Your commitment to this organization is the only thing that makes this job possible. We had a couple of team

members retire this past year so it's more important than ever that we find grange members who are willing to step up and take their place. It will take some of your time and energy, but please believe me when I say that it's well worth it.

Fraternally,

Andrew Savage, General Deputy
NH State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Jane Trombi, State Lecturer presented her annual report.

Worthy Master, Fellow State Officers, National Representatives, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters, all,

It's hard to believe that it's time again to present to you my annual lecturer's report! Time seems to go by faster every year! This has been a busy year in the Lecturer's Department, with lots of fun activities going on.

My year as lecturer started out at National Grange Convention last November in Stowe, Vermont, where I helped the National Lecturer with the Night of Excellence and also had a chance to attend the workshop she presented. Spring brought the Northeast Leaders Conference, which gave a chance for myself and the State Lecturer's from New York, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Maine, to discuss and plan the Northeast Lecturer's Conference. In March we held our annual State Grange Bowling Tournament at Lakeside Lanes in Manchester. All the winners were announced in the GSG and will be added to this report. Plan now for next March 15th to join your fellow grangers at bowling. With April being Grange Month, we celebrated by having Spring Fling and the Grange Month Banquet. Unfortunately I had the flu and was unable to be there. Many thanks to Beth Merrill for taking the lead at this event and to Sherrill Bokousky for preparing the meal. Also at this event, was the talent contest. Congratulations to Mary West, who will be representing New Hampshire at the Night of Excellence at the National Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota next month. Your contributions to the Talent Fund are much appreciated and will help defray Mary's cost to go to Minnesota. Plan now for next year's Grange Month Event on April 4, 2020. Encourage your members to participate in the Talent Contest. It's a great way to entertain our members and show off that talent!!

After taking a year off, the Northeast Lecturer's Conference was held in August in Massachusetts. Our theme of "Down on the Farm" was well received and the program put on by the State Lecturer's was a lot of fun. Thank you to all the Granges who donated to my State Lecturer's gift, which State Master, Chris Heath, presented to me at Spirit Night. It is greatly appreciated. We are planning our next Northeast Lecturer's Conference for 2021 as we have decided it will be every two years and it will be held here in New Hampshire.

The Lecturer's department has several contests each year for our members. Each lecturer should receive the program and have all the information about these contests. The entries are displayed here at state grange for all to see the wonderful work of our members. Some years we have an abundance of entries and other years, not so many. I am very happy with the number of entries this year. What a display!! I am hoping that all the lecturers are conveying the contest guidelines to all their members. If you are not a lecturer, and have not heard of the current contests, talk to your lecturer. I will also have the program on the state grange website. This year I changed the deadline for the photo contest and had already changed the deadline for the art contest for those entries to be due here at state session. I felt since the items are quite bulky and expensive to mail, I wanted to make it easier for grangers to get them to me. I did receive some in the mail, which is fine, but I hope this does make it better for most. Because of that deadline, I just finished with my art and photo judge before coming into this afternoon session, so I don't have a completed list of winners, but they will be attached to this report for the journal, as well as the winners of the Create a Card and Creative Writing. Be sure to check out the display room to see who our top winners are. I will have prize envelopes for winners when items are picked up.

Again this year the National Grange is holding a photo contest. Each state can send one winner. I would like your help by voting for your favorite photo in the display room. Each picture is numbered and paper and pens are available for you to write the number of your choice on and then place it in the jar provided. The winner will be announced at the end of session on Saturday.

I received 12 end of year reports from lecturers. I love reading what granges have been doing and there were some good suggestions for workshops, so please if you are a lecturer, know that I read them and if you are not a lecturer, encourage your lecturer to send in their report. It truly is helpful. I also have an Honor Lecturer's Report that can be filled out and this year I am happy to give my Honor Lecturer's Award to Sherrill Bokousky of Watatic Grange. Congratulations Sherry for keeping your members informed and having fun at the same time! Keep up the good work. Sherry will receive a copy of the Northeast Lecturer's Conference program and program helps.

With your help I know we will have another successful grange year and many thanks for your faith in me to serve as your State Lecturer. I am proud to be part of a great team of State Officers and Directors and we all appreciate your support.

Thank you Worthy Master for your continued support of the State Lecturer's Department.

Fraternally Submitted,

Jane Trombi
NH State Grange Lecturer

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

State Grange Bowling Winners 2019:

Men's High Triple:

Class A: Wayne Condon
Class B: Andrew Savage
Class C: Norman Brandt
Class D: Matt Littlefield

Women's High Triple:

Class A: Lois Enman
Class B: Mary Dowes
Class C: Jennifer Bailey
Class D: Christine Savage

Grange Teams:

First: Rochester Team 1 1017
Annette Lemieux, Wayne Condon, Lois Enman, Judy Bailey

Second: Henry Wilson Team 1 933
Jonathan Russell, Ralph Russell Sr., Ralph Russell Jr.,
Richard Russell

Third: Wingold 921
Andrew Savage, Christine Savage, Lawrence Brandt
Natalie Brandt

Juniors: Age 4-7

1st Kate Lynn Raymond

2nd Jake Scanzani

Age 8-10

1st Nicholas Hayes

Age 11-14

2nd Salem Russell

1st Ava Twiss

2nd Paige Davis

In the Create-a-Card contest there were four classes: Birthday, Easter, Sympathy, and Veteran/Soldier, with three categories in each class; Recycled, Computer Generated, and Hand Stamped or Decorated. The winners are as follows:

Class A: Birthday

Recycled

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| 1. Jeannie Horne | Bakers River |
| 2. Ava Twiss | Watatic |
| 3. Lois Enman | Rochester |

Computer Generated

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| 1. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |
| 2. Claire Lebel | Wicwas Lake |
| 3. Beth Merrill | Antrim |

Hand Stamped and or Decorated

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| 1. Beth Merrill | Antrim |
| 2. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |
| 3. Ida Hutchins | Bakers River |

Class B: Easter

Recycled

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| 1. Ava Twiss | Watatic |
| 2. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |

Computer Generated

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| 1. Beth Merrill | Antrim |
| 2. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |

Hand Stamped/Decorated

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| 1. Beth Merrill | Antrim |
| 2. Ida Hutchins | Bakers River |
| 3. Kathy Yardley | Walpole |

Class C: Sympathy

Recycled

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| 1. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |
| 2. Ava Twiss | Watatic |

Computer Generated

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| 1. Beth Merrill | Antrim |
| 2. Sherrill Bokousky | Watatic |

Hand Stamped/Decorated

- | | |
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| 1. Beth Merrill | Antrim |
| 2. Crystal Seward | Rockingham |
| 3. Ava Twiss | Watatic |

**Class D: Veterans/ Soldier
Computer Generated**

1. Beth Merrill Antrim

Hand Stamped/Decorated

1. Beth Merrill Antrim
2. Joyce Martin Claremont
3. Kathe Wolf Watatic

Juniors 10-14

Class A: Birthday

Recycled

1. Alayna Twiss Watatic

Class B: Easter

Recycled

1. Alayna Twiss Watatic

Class D: Veterans/Soldier

Recycled

1. Alayna Twiss Watatic

In the photography contest we had four categories: Give it Your Best Shot, Pets, On the Farm and Stonewalls. The winners are as follows:

GIVE IT YOUR BEST SHOT

1. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
2. Helga Paquin Wicwas Lake
3. Claire Lebel Wicwas Lake

PETS

1. Claire Lebel Wicwas Lake
2. Sarah Leclerc Hudson
3. Bonnie Lampman Rockingham

ON THE FARM

1. Bonnie Lampman Rockingham
2. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
3. Beth Merrill Antrim

STONEWALLS

1. Carol Hill Rockingham
2. Christine Savage Wingold
3. Helga Paquin Wicwas Lake

In the Creative Writing Contest, the winners are:

POETRY

1. Genevieve Twiss Watatic
2. Wayne Condon Rochester
3. Sherrill Bokousky Watatic

BOOK REPORT

1. Joyce Martin & Jane Trombi Claremont and Walpole
2. Cam Twiss & Sherrill Bokousky Watatic

In the Art contest we had 5 categories: Oils and Acrylics; Watercolors; Charcoal, pastels, pencils; Mixed Media, Coloring pages and 3-D Sculptures. The winners this year are:

OILS AND ACRYLICS

1. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
2. Kelly Bennet Wicwas Lake
3. Dora Farrar Stratford

Junior Age 10-14: Alayna Twiss Watatic

WATERCOLORS

1. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
- Junior Age 5-9: Mallory Enman Rochester

CHARCOAL, PASTELS, PENCIL

1. Camilie Twiss Watatic
2. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
3. Pam Kimball Meriden

MIXED MEDIA

1. Elizabeth Congdon Walpole
2. Beth Merrill Antrim
3. Marion Woodworth Rochester

COLORING

1. Claire Lebel Wicwas Lake
2. Beth Merrill Antrim
3. Camilie Twiss Watatic

Junior Age 5-9: Mallory Enman Rochester

Junior Age 10-14: Cole Enman Rochester
Alayna Twiss Watatic

3-D SCULPTURES

1. Sherrill Bokousky Watatic

Robert Haefner, Legislative Director presented his annual report.

Worthy Master, National Representatives, Fellow Officers, Delegates and Grangers all,

Greetings. We started our year off with a meeting of the Legislative committee at a restaurant in Marlborough with all members in attendance. It was an organizational meeting and we set up our plan for the year. In the spring we had 2019 Grange Day at the State House. While the group was small, we had a full day. We for the first time attended the opening of the Senate session. We were introduced by Senator Carson. We also sat in the House Gallery for a short while and Virginia gave us a tour of the State House. It happened to be Hot Dog Day. Some stayed for the hot dogs and others went to the Barley House for lunch. In the afternoon we toured the NH Historical Society Museum at the Tuck Library. That was followed by a stop at the Governor Winant statue where Sister Tara gave us the biography of the former Governor.

This year, as members of the committee talked about a Legislator of the Year, we were unable to decide on a good candidate. We finally chose not to give the award this year, for the first time. We want the award to recognize a job well done that is above and beyond and non-partisan.

Tara and I traveled to National Grange session last November to discuss two topics. We started the discussion on the National Grange Legislative Fly and had Lunch with the National Master and Burton Eller to discuss what the National Grange is doing with lobbying to expand Rural Broadband across the country. The lack of Broadband in many parts of Hampshire are a significant problem for Grangers across the State. Tara Sad and I, in our role as Policy Consultants to the Council of State Governments, put on a major Policy Summit on Broadband in Wilmington Delaware. Yes, NH Legislators were represented among the multi state attendees. We had a follow on to that in Pittsburgh in July.

Our Major project for this year and into next is to host the National Grange Legislative Fly – In here in New Hampshire, timed for the First in the Nation Presidential Primary. Our planning is well along. We are working with Burton Eller at National Grange. You will be among the first to learn, that Secretary of State Gardner has just in the last couple of weeks, set the date of the Primary for Tuesday February 11. There for we have set the dates for the Fly-In. We will have National Grange attendees fly in or drive on Thursday February 6. Stay tuned for the agenda for the Fly-In. Now that we have a date, we can set up a contract with a hotel, reserve vans, plan meals and events. Four years ago, we had great attendance and a bunch of youth. We hope to duplicate that again. I hope with this notice that we can attract a better group from New Hampshire. Our initial plan calls for the Fly-In to start with a gathering and Pizza party on Thursday evening. Over Friday and Saturday, attendees will have an opportunity to work on the Campaign of their choice. Spending half a day at a campaign was a big hit last time. We are also expecting the other highlight to be spending some time at the center of New Hampshire where the press is located and broadcasting from, including the spin rooms. You are sure to spot a candidate or two or more. We will also try to set up a tour of the NH State House and a meal or two. We are looking for an available speaker with knowledge of the primary and its history.

Respectively Submitted

Bob Haefner
Legislative Director

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Matthew Clark approached the Master's station and gave his report for the Virtual Meeting Committee.

Worthy Master, Delegate body, Brothers and Sisters all,

First I would like to give an apology to you all. After last year's session I was asked to chair a committee to come up with policy for virtual meetings. Making the transition into my new position at work and winter on the forefront I set this to the back burner till spring. Once spring came it had fallen off my radar. Again I apologize.

There has been some work done though. Like any good organization why reinvent the wheel when someone else has already done it. New Jersey State Grange had a virtual grange in which they created policy for. So we got our hands on their policy and sent it to the committee for review. I did not get the committee together for a meeting. Arthur did go to Mt. Pistareen for their sept. meeting in which the policy was discussed. As Mt. Pistareen Grange is the Grange who submitted the resolution last year and want to use this format. The only part of the policy that the grange had a problem with is the requirement of a quorum present in the hall as required by the bylaws of the Grange. I believe we need to do some more work on this and come to a compromise.

Matthew Clark

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Names for the Saturday's opening were drawn.

3:00 pm - The New Hampshire State Grange Foundation Annual Meeting.

**N.H. Grange Foundation
2018 Annual Meeting Minutes**

Present: Jim Tetreault, President, Tara Sad, Secretary; Andrew Savage, Treasurer; Gail McWilliam-Jellie; John Porter; Sandy Salo; Bob Haefner

Not Present: Tim O'Connell, Linda Lauer, Jozi Best, Lorraine Merrill, Dave Babson

President Tetreault opened the meeting at 3:07 pm.

Secretary's Report

Jim Tetreault asked if the board members had reviewed the minutes of the 2017 Annual Meeting, which the Secretary had distributed prior to this meeting. He asked if there were any additions or changes to be made to the minutes. There being none, **Bob Haefner moved** and **Gail McWilliam-Jellie seconded** a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. There was no discussion, and the resulting vote was unanimous in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Andrew Savage reported on the balance of our accounts. The Morgan Stanley Account has a balance of \$110,786.72, and the Provident account had a balance of \$1,273.10. We were able to give two \$2,000 scholarships this year. We also were able to assist Granges with obtaining financing for work on their grange buildings. These granges were Halloween (\$100), Blow-Me-Down (\$1,500), and Antrim (\$600). **Tara Sad moved**, and **Bob Haefner seconded** a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. There being no discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Re-election of the Members –

The names of those board members whose terms expire in 2018 were put forward for election to another three year term:

Jozi Best
Gail McWilliam-Jellie
Tim O'Connell
Jim Tetreault

Bob Haefner moved and **Tara Sad seconded** the re-election. There being no discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

The full Grange then voted as well on the re-election of the board members, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Election of Slate of Officers

The board then voted on the election of the existing slate of officers.

Jim Tetreault, President
Dave Babson, Vice President
Tara Sad, Secretary
Andrew Savage, Treasurer

Sandy Salo moved and **Gail McWilliam-Jelli seconded** a motion to approve the slate of officers. There being no discussion, the motion carried.

The full Grange then voted on the slate of officers, and the result was unanimous in favor.

There was a question from the Grange membership as to how many meetings we hold a year. President Tetreault noted that this year we had four meetings, one of which was held by conference call. This conferenced meeting was very successful, and will help to enable members to participate who live far from Concord, the site of our meetings.

The minutes are to be sent to the webmaster for posting online.

There being no further business, **Bob Haefner moved** and **Tara Sad seconded** a motion to adjourn. The vote was unanimous in favor. The time was 3:17 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Sad, Secretary

Presidents Report for the New Hampshire Grange Foundation

Greetings from the Grange Foundation:

In doing some research for this report I have determined that this is the 10th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Grange Foundation. So Happy 10th Birthday, Grange Foundation.

The Foundation was founded on the basis of a bequest from Clarence Sprague, who in the 1930's, received a scholarship from a local Grange in NH. Sprague was so grateful for that support in his early years from the Grange that he wanted to return the favor and remember the Grange in his last will and testament. The Grange, being a 501c8 organization rather than a 501c3 that receives tax benefits, spurred the NH State Grange Executive Committee to look to establishing a foundation to accept and manage the bequest.

What are the goals of the NH Grange Foundation? To support students going on to receive an education beyond high school. The Foundation serves an important function for Community Granges across the state. The Foundation is able to accept monies on behalf of local Granges, allowing the donor to receive a tax benefit. Does your Grange look for donations in the Community? Right now we have one Community Grange that is using the Foundation, to help with a major restoration of their Hall. I encourage you to talk to the members of Antrim Grange about how they are doing this. It could be a major benefit to your Grange

I want to thank the members of the Foundation board this year for bearing with me. As many of you know in 2014 I stepped away from Grange officer's leadership, because of the state of my mom's health. Many of you may not be aware, but my mom's health took a serious downward spiral starting at Christmas time of 2018, and it came to head in May of 2019, almost resulting in her death. We were lucky, the right doctor walked into her room on that first Sunday of her hospitalization asked the right questions, and we were lucky to have the right answers. After spending two weeks in the hospital, and six weeks in Applewood Nursing home in Winchester for rehab, our family is lucky to have her recover and return home in a much healthier state than when she left

home in May. She will undergo several operations in the coming months, which we hope will ensure a better quality of life for the future.

Sincerely submitted,

Jim Tetreault, President
NH Grange Foundation

John Porter from the New Hampshire Barn Preservation gave a presentation from the preservation society.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed in the fourth degree at 4:14 pm

Saturday, October 19, 2019

The Third day of the 146th Annual session of the New Hampshire State Granges was opened in the Fourth Degree at 8:30 am by the following officers

Master:	Adam Terrell	Walpole Grange
Overseer:	Jane Trombi	Walpole Grange
Lecturer:	Wilber Heath	Centennial Grange
Steward:	Beth Merrill	Antrim Grange
AS	John Plank	National Grange
LAS	Susan Plank	National Grange
Chaplain:	Daniel Bascom	Rochester Grange
Treasurer:	Renee Gerritsen	Antrim Grange
Secretary:	Robert Haefner	Hudson Grange
Gatekeeper:	Sarah Leclerc	Hudson Grange
Ceres:	Jozi Best	Claremont Grange
Pomona:	Matthew Clark	Golden Rod Grange
Flora:	Robert Trombi	Walpole Grange
Ex Comm:	Tricia J Taylor	Blazing Star Grange
	Gerald Leclerc	Hudson Grange
	Armand Gerritsen	Antim Grange
	Mark Collins	Claremont Grange
	Adam Paquin Varnum	Antrim Grange
Musician:	Elizabeth Almstrom	Wicwas Lake Grange

Roll call of State officers found all present except for the Gatekeeper and the Musician.

Roll call of Granges found a quorum present.

Reading the minutes of Friday's session were read and approved.

State Steward Arthur Merrill announced John Plank, Assistant Steward of the National Grange and Master of the Indiana State Grange and his Susan as our guests from National Grange.

State Steward Arthur Merrill announced TJ Malaskee, Past Master of the Minnesota State Grange.

State Master Chris Heath announced that the 150th Birthday of the New Hampshire State Grange is approaching in 2023. In preparation for this, the Freedom Gavel, which was used in celebration of our 100th Birthday, will be traveling to each Subordinate and Pomona Grange in the state from now until the celebration. The State Master

also announced that the committee in charge of planning the celebration will be Gloria Davis, Sherrill Bokousky, and Crystal Seward.

Rachel Scanzani, Youth Director was escorted to the Master's station to give her annual report

Worthy Master, National Guests, State Officers, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters all,

Last year when I was asked to take on this role I was a bit nervous, but excited at the same time. The most obvious and the only answer in my mind was "Of course, I'd be delighted." I had little idea that the coming months would be filled with tremendous heartache and grief with the loss of several family members in just a few short months. I did what I could to wade through the distractions of life to build this program. I had big shoes to fill with many previous Youth Directors who provided some amazing programs while I was growing up through the New Hampshire State Grange Youth Program.

My goal for this year was to simply continue to build a solid foundation. We began our year with our Winter Youth Rally in February. We spent the afternoon completing the Grange Knowledge Test and working in teams to Break-out of the Grange Hall. Modeled after popular escape rooms around the state, teams worked together to solve the riddles and find the clues hidden within Grange materials to open the locks. After a taco bar dinner, it was time for a meeting. While our attendance was promising with many Grangers in the hall, the number of youth members was limited and the consensus was to hold an informal meeting and continue on with our planned program of Grange Baseball. Again, there were many smiles, laughs and an overall good time was had by everyone in attendance.

The spring continued with a bowling event in April with very few in attendance. This is an event that we will be working to develop further for next year. The rainy spring left me troubled about what to do with our June Youth Rally. Our plans for this event were to spend the majority of the day outside in the lakes region of the state. With wet weather continuing, the difficult decision was made to postpone our June Rally to later in the summer and to save this program for another year. We met in August for a BBQ meal at the State Grange Building and then continued on to Chucksters in Hooksett for an evening of mini-golf and ice cream. Once again, the rain made a brief appearance, but we managed to escape the impending thunderstorms. I would like to thank all of those who came to support us at each of these events and especially to Larissa Grant for her help planning and to Kevin Belval for being our chef. Kevin was constantly checking in on me to make sure that I was keeping up with everything and I am very grateful for that.

I would be remiss if I didn't speak of the annual North East Youth Conference. This year's conference was held in July at the University of Connecticut. As I participated in workshops, watched the competitions, I reminisced about the many years I spent attending this conference. Adam Terrell represented New Hampshire well and will continue to do so in a few weeks at National Session. Adam participated in many of the weekend's competitions and will be representing the North East States at National Session as both a public speaking contestant and he will be performing his sign-a-song entry. I wish to congratulate Adam and wish him luck in November. Adam has been a constant at many youth events in the last several years and has represented us well at each of them. I would like to present Adam Terrell with an award. This plaque is to recognize his achievement as New Hampshire's Male Ambassador for this previous year. Congratulations and thank you for being an active part of the NH State Grange Youth program.

In the display room, there are several things to draw your attention to. There are several entries for the papercraft and Tshirt contests. Please take a look at those as you wander through. Ribbons and prizes will be delivered this weekend to all winners or their delegates. Special congratulations should go to Joyce Martin for her 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place entries in the papercraft contest. Winning the Tshirt contest is **Beth Merrill** for her Grange entry and **Jennifer Rouse** Open Topic entry. The Grange Knowledge test is always a big hit, and this year was no exception. The winner, with the highest score of the standard test was **Arthur Merrill** with a score of **96**. The winner of the challenge test with a score of 95 was Beth Merrill. Again, congratulations to all of the

participants in these contests. If anyone is feeling like they want a challenge, please let me know if you are interested in creating next year's Grange Knowledge Test. There will be a special prize if someone can come up with a test that can truly challenge the Merrills.

While we try to provide programs at the state level, the majority of work for and by the youth in New Hampshire is completed at local subordinate and pomona granges. At this time I would like to recognize Watatic Grange for all of the hard work that they have done in the last year to support their youth members. They have achieved the highest score of any subordinate or pomona grange that reported their work. Their work can be seen in their report book that is in the display room.

Like many of you I have struggled for years about how to help the Grange grow our membership. I am, by nature, not someone who is going to go starting conversation and persuading strangers, or even friends to join our organization. There is not a sales bone in my body. However, I, and many of you have the ability to provide the why. The "why" people should join our great organization. This is where my goal lies for the coming year. Many of my best Grange experiences happened during youth events and they were always something that I looked forward to. Simply because they were fun. We as youth, in conjunction with the lecturers of each Grange, have the opportunity to provide the fun. We all choose to do things because they are fun, whether it is a craft, cooking, or some other hobby. We seek out opportunities to participate in our chosen hobby and we stick with it because we enjoy it. Let's work this year to bring the fun to each event, so that everyone, the youth, new members, or seasoned Grangers seek opportunities to participate in everything the New Hampshire State Grange has to offer. In closing, I leave you with the inspiring words of the great Kevin Costner - "If you build it, he will come."

Faternally,

Rachel Scanzani, Youth Director
NH State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

The assistants escorted Hannah West, Granite State Grange Editor to the Master's station to present the report of the GSG.

My Fellow Grangers,

Again this year four issues of the Granite State Granger were prepared and mailed in a reasonably timely manner. I owe considerable thanks to Kevin Belval, Anne Boisvert, and Mary West for their assistance in making the process successful.

The Granite State Granger is your newspaper, so please send me your news. After the State Grange Directors have submitted their columns there are many small sections to fill. A short write-up about a program or event in your Grange may inspire others to try something new. Your announcement of a birth or a marriage or a special anniversary will keep us connected as a Grange family.

Pictures are always welcome. A good picture has simplicity and clarity. A close-up is more effective than a group shot. Fuzzy pictures will only become fuzzier when changed to gray-tone and printed on newsprint. Light colored backgrounds print better than dark. If there are children in a picture, please be sure that you have permission from parents or teachers to print the picture in a newspaper that will be seen by strangers.

The Granite State Granger is a dues benefit, and each household in your Grange is supposed to receive a copy. Please help to keep the mailing list up to date. Non-profit mail is not returned if it is undeliverable, so it can be a real challenge to know which papers reach their intended destination. The State Grange Secretary keeps the

membership list and prints the newspaper labels. He is the one to inform if you have a new member or if a member's address has changed. Please notify the State Secretary if one of your members is not receiving their paper and include the proper address. You may notify me as well. I can send out an extra paper in a pinch, but the State Secretary is the one who originates the labels.

Respectfully submitted,

Hannah West, Editor

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

Anne Bosivert, Building Manager was presented to the Master's station to present her report.

A bit more was done with the building this year and things are moving in a positive direction in a large part due to Beth Merrill and her crew. They have been cleaning the building on a regular basis which is wonderful. They also planted some heirloom tomatoes and cucumbers by the side of the building for edible landscaping. The lawn maintenance was a bit of an issue, but I believe that is in the process of being taken care of. I would like to thank Kevin Belval who dropped everything and arrived for a couple of hours of work to clear the hayfield after I arrived to give the key to a renter and found that things were a bit more overgrown than I had realized. While he was doing that, I did a lot of weeding of the side gardens.

The occupancy permit has now been renewed after a small amount of maintenance to the emergency lights. The fire extinguishers were inspected by a different company this time as I found the one we usually used had gone out of business. The exhaust fan on the stove was cleaned and reinstalled and the place where the cover attaches was repaired so that the cover could also be put back on.

Just this month, a church has begun using the building regularly on Wednesdays and Sundays. We have rented the building several times again this year to members of the NH Nepali community for various events. It is actually rented today for a baby rice-feeding ceremony, which is a blessing and celebration of a child who is about six months old and includes ceremonially giving the baby a spoonful of rice as a first solid food. There have also been a handful of Grange events and committee meetings held at the hall.

The next major thing on the horizon, quite literally, is that if you stand in the State Grange Building parking lot and look up you will see that the chimney is a mess. It has had little to no maintenance in years and recently was (we believe) struck by lightning. A representative from Crown Chimney came to look at it yesterday and will be preparing a quote to replace it as both the inside and outside are damaged quite badly. I did call seven other places, five of whom never returned my call. One called and asked that I send a picture but I never heard from him again after that. The seventh is completely booked and could possibly look at us for next spring or summer. Crown Chimney is based in Hooksett so it is local and they are very nice and professional so I think they will be a good choice for us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Boisvert, Building Manager
NH State Grange

The report was accepted and ordered and printed in The Journal

The report for Grange Services was presented by State Master Chris Heath. Due to the resignation of Linda Phelps the committee met in July with Lois Enman as temporary coordinator to discuss and award scholarships from the Educational Loan Fund.

Kaleigh Hansen has paid off her 2 loans leaving only 1 outstanding loan to Gabrielle Van Sant.

Contributions were received from 2 Pomona's, 11 subordinates and 1 personal totaling \$490.00. With interest drawn from Morgan Stanley 3 scholarships were awarded totaling \$6,500.00. The recipients were Thomas Anthony/Quinnipiac University, Matthew Collins/Vermont Technical College and Adam Paquin-Varnum/River Valley College. The Educational Loan Fund financials can be found in the State Treasures report.

The report was accepted and Ordered printed in the Journal.

Election of Officers for one member of the Executive Committee: The name of Beth Merrill was suggested and voting followed; Beth Merrill having the majority of the votes cast was elected to the State Executive Committee for the next three years. State Master Heath asked Arthur Merrill to install Beth.

Leroy Watson, National Grange Executive Committee, was called on to speak. He gave us up dates on the legal issues currently involving the National Grange.

TJ Malaskee, PM of the Minnesota State Grange, was called on to speak

Kathy Yardley and Joyce Martin, Co-Directors of the Family and Community Services Department, presented their annual report.

Worthy Master, National Representatives, State Officers and Patrons all;

It is our pleasure and privilege to give our first report as co-directors of the Family & Community Service Department. We would like to thank the Worthy Master for placing his confidence in us to take on this task. We chose to serve as co-directors because we are new to state grange committee leadership and so we thought we might want and/or need to lean on each other as we navigate these new waters, so to speak. From our perspective it was a wise choice. We have spent quite a bit of time together learning about the program we inherited from a seasoned pair of directors who have been most willing to help us in any way we needed and answer any questions we might have. We would like to thank Dick & Deb Patten for their support and patience with us.

Our first task was to get ready for Leaders School which was held at the NH Fire Academy in December 2018. We met with a few members of our committee and went over the program, talked about new ideas and possible plans and projects for the upcoming year and then we prepared the room in assembly-line fashion to fill 115 goody bags with treats and fun and useful items for the residents of the Glencliff Home. This was such an enjoyable project and we will be doing it again this year. Our committee certainly enjoyed it too, and they were very supportive of our efforts to make sure we got them done correctly. Once again, Ida Hutchins willingly delivered the bags to Glencliff for us. Thank you so much Ida, we appreciate your efforts. Hopefully you're still willing to deliver them again.....?

We tried to keep you all informed of upcoming deadlines and contest rules as well as community service projects by way of the Granite State Granger and by a couple of mailings. We strongly encourage each chairperson to report at each meeting and keep your members informed of projects, activities and contest rules so that everyone can participate. Also, remember that the Needlework Contest, the quilt, woodworking and other craft contests are open to non-members, so if you know of any handy folks with talents for any of these, be sure to give them a copy of the rules and entry deadlines. And while you have their attention, tell them what you love about grange and ask them if they might be interested in joining!

This year's baking contest was brownies – a rather fitting choice, since that is what Kathy does for a living! (Only she makes them by the thousands a day....)

We would like to thank Bellows House Bakery of North Walpole, NH for generously sponsoring the prizes for this contest. The results of the baking contest are:

1st Place – Edith Jennings – Hillsborough County Pomona

2nd Place – Sandra Huckins – Pemigewasset Valley Pomona

3rd Place – Frances Everard – Eastern NH Pomona

Thank you all for participating, you made some very yummy brownies!

Next year's baking contest will be oatmeal cookies. You can use any recipe you like and again, if you choose to add nuts make sure you clearly label your entry as containing nuts so that the judges and anyone else who enjoys them are aware of a potential nut allergy. And remember, no boxed or pre-packaged mixes are eligible.

We received a nice selection of entries for the needlework contest this year. Our judges were very pleased and thoroughly enjoyed judging them. We have learned that we need to make sure the rules and guidelines are sent out to everyone early in the year so that things such as the correct size and/or the proper material are clearly understood. We did have a few items in a couple of classes that were clear winners as far as quality and workmanship went but were not the correct size so they could not be placed. Please, be sure and check the rules for your particular class so that all your hard work will be able to be judged when it reaches our judges.

Here are the results of the wonderful needlework entries we received:

Class A – Afghans

1st Place – Carol Hill – Rockingham Grange #183

2nd Place – Katherine Umberhind – Hampton Falls Grange #171

3rd Place – Ida Hutchins – Bakers River Grange #290

Class B – Doilies

1st Place – Katherine Umberhind – Hampton Falls Grange #171

2nd Place – Ann Leger – Riverside Grange #137

3rd Place – Sherrill Bokousky – Watatic Grange #36

Class C – Embroidery

No entries

Class D – 3 Piece Baby Set

1st Place – Debbie Standley – Watatic Grange #36

2nd Place – Theresa Rousseau – Watatic Grange #36

3rd Place – Beth Merrill – Antrim Grange #98

Class E – Plastic Canvas

1st Place – Ann Leger – Riverside Grange #137

2nd Place – Rhoda Davis – Pembroke Grange #111

3rd Place – Shelly Huntoon – Pembroke Grange #111

Class F – Counted Cross Stitch

No entries

Class G – Adult Garment

1st Place – Marie Mayranen – Rochester Grange #86 (non-member)

2nd Place – Ann Leger – Riverside Grange #137

3rd Place – Ida Hutchins – Bakers River Grange #290

Class H – Latch Hook

1st Place – Claire Gagnon – Hudson Grange #11

Class I – Quilted Wall Hanging

No entries

Class J – Stuffed Toy

1st Place – Marie Mayranen – Rochester Grange #86 (non-member)

2nd Place – Camilie Twiss – Watatic Grange #36

Class K – Baby Afghan

1st Place – Claire Gagnon – Hudson Grange #11

2nd Place – Beth Merrill – Antrim Grange #98

3rd Place – Debbie Standley – Watatic Grange #36

Congratulations to all who entered and Thank You! We look forward to more beautiful needlework next year, so get busy!

The entries that won first place in the state judging were sent on to Eastern States for the Northeastern Needlework Contest. Thank you to Bob Trombi and Beth Merrill who transported them down to the Big E for us. We're very fortunate to have people from our state who go down to set up the New England Grange Building and are able to deliver the entries, plus all of your handiwork that was created for the Grange Store. Kathy was able to bring them home at the end of the fair (thank you Arthur Merrill, for doing the awkward lifting of those big totes from the grange building all the way out to the truck in the parking lot). We had three winners at Eastern States, they are as follows:

1st Place – Ann Leger – Riverside Grange #137 – Plastic Canvas lantern

2nd Place – Carol Hill – Rockingham Grange #183 – Afghan

3rd Place – Katherine Umberhind – Hampton Falls Grange #171 – Doily

Congratulations, ladies!

We had three entries in our state level contests. Here are the results:

Woodworking

1st Place – Rick Bailey – Hudson Grange #11

2nd Place - Kaleigh Hansen - Hudson Grange #11

Other Crafts

1st Place – Marion Woodworth – Rochester Grange #86

Thank you all for your participation, our judges enjoyed judging your entries.

We sent a very large tote and a good sized box of items for the Grange Store at the Big E this year. Pembroke Grange #111 was the busiest grange again this year, they sent an unbelievable amount of items! Watatic Grange #36 and Baker's River Grange #290 also contributed a number of items, as did Beth Merrill, who delivered more items to the store each time she went down to the fair. Here is the list of items we sent:

38 hats
3 earwarmer/headbands
19 dishcloths
4 scarves
3 baby afghans
3 hat & scarf sets
1 couch afghan
3 large afghans
2 pairs of slippers
7 potholders
2 tissue box covers
1 Baby Hat & Booty set
2 lap robes
1 table runner
30 scrubbies
some crocheted yarn ornaments and stuffed toys
a “bunch” of handmade cards

Well done, Grangers! Thank you so much for your contributions.

We again asked for donations for the Mountain of Mittens project. Thank you to all of you who contribute to this cause, there will be many warm hands this winter because of you. If you forgot to bring mittens to state grange, you certainly can still help by taking them to your local schools, boys & girls clubs, shelters, etc. We ask that you please keep a count to include in your year-end report so we can get an idea of the total number of items that have been donated. It's nice to know how big an impact we have around the state and also where we might need to make a much needed donation.

We've had a lot of participation in the Night Night Hugs project this year. Again we asked granges to put the sacks together and take them to shelters in their area or to call on us if you needed help distributing them. We are happy to do that if necessary. As with the Mountain of Mittens project, we ask that next year you record how many sacks you made and delivered on your year-end report form. We don't know if the goal set forth last year by Deb & Dick was met (which was for every grange to supply two sacks or the funds for them so that all 11 shelters are covered), but the reports received indicated that a good number of granges did in fact give out these sacks.

We've kept most of the program the same for next year with a few small changes. As directors we are planning a much more in depth meeting with our committee at Leaders School in December because we have lots of ideas for the coming year, including new small project ideas for granges to do on their own as well as larger state projects which hopefully we can do together as a group. We look forward to sharing those with you in January.

Community Service is still very much a part of our granges, as we saw from your reports. Some granges do lots of small but meaningful projects and activities while others do projects on a much larger scale.

Wicwas Lake Grange #292 partnered with a local church to plan and put on a benefit ham & bean supper with a donation box and raffle baskets which raised over \$15,000 to benefit a young boy diagnosed with a rare and life-threatening illness. They also presented a community children's Christmas party with a cookie walk and a meet and greet with Santa Claus. They voted as a grange to support legislation to correct and change the spelling of Lake Wicwas and traveled to the state house to lend support at the Senate hearing for the bill.

Concord Grange #322 organized the 69th annual Concord Christmas Parade and a Christmas Tree lighting ceremony and celebration outside the state house in Concord, complete with fireworks, live music, horse-drawn wagon rides, a petting zoo for the kids and a visit from Santa Claus.

Smaller granges are no less busy, as was evidenced by Watatic Grange #36, who completed almost every project and activity on the report form. The members donated gifts, clothing, personal care items and food to seven different shelters and missions, provided 400 dictionaries to third graders in eight different schools, and traveled out of state to an assisted-living facility where they brought a full dinner and entertainment to a group of twelve nuns who reside there.

Hudson Grange #11 provided turkeys to a local food pantry for the Fill An Empty Plate project, distributed the drug deactivation system packs from RALI New Hampshire, and adopted a needy family for Christmas, providing them with several hundred dollars' worth of food and gifts.

Joe English Grange #53 coordinated a Memorial Day Program with their elementary school, paying tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice and also placed over 200 American flags on veteran's graves in their local cemetery. They gave a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior and their "bag ladies" made 65 sleeping bags which were given to several homeless shelters.

Mount Hope Grange #77 hosted a sugar-on-snow party for the community of Landaff, organized a town-wide trash cleanup and created a prize-winning float for the Lisbon Lilac Festival.

Hampton Falls Grange #171 organized and presented a Christmas fair, gave 100 dictionaries to third graders and served as Pease Greeters for departing and returning troops at Portsmouth International Airport.

These are just some of the ways our granges support their communities. No matter how large or small the projects are, what you do for your community can have a lasting impact on the lives of people in need. Don't ever think that your project is too small or that no one will care – only you and your grange know what is needed by your town and its citizens.

A number of granges have honored members of their community with special awards during the year. It is an honorable thing to do and we are so pleased that grangers take the time to seek out deserving folks in their communities who are worthy of recognition for their efforts. Most granges choose to honor a teacher, police officer and/or firefighter as well as a community citizen, but have you thought about other awards that might be appropriate? Some granges salute our agricultural roots with an agriculture or farm award, and even a young farmer award. Other ideas might be a youth service award or maybe a community spirit award, or even a business award for a local business that makes a positive impact on its citizens and community. We encourage you to really think about the ways that your town or city has benefited from other people's time and energy and create meaningful awards and presentations that honor them and the efforts they have made. We strongly feel that all of these awards should be presented in your communities because that is where the efforts of the recipients are most truly recognized, and not at the state level – these are, after all, COMMUNITY awards. You will notice in next year's program that we will not be asking for nominations for community award winners for state level awards.

That being said, we did go ahead with the awards this year since they were already listed in the program for the year. We did choose a firefighter, police officer, educator and first responder from nominations we received. We are also honoring a state trooper, a fish & game officer and a lifetime achievement recipient. We were informed that because of the change of date of our convention this year only one of the recipients of all of these awards was able to attend last night's banquet and award presentation. Arrangements will be made to present the other awards at a later date.

Recipients of this year's awards are:

Police Officer – Patrick McStavick (Hudson Grange #11)
Firefighter – Jonathan Sinclair (Concord Grange #322)
Educator – Rachel Scanzani (Hudson Grange #11)
First Responder – Father Ray Ball (Concord Grange #322)
State Trooper –
Fish & Game –
Lifetime Achievement –

We received a total of 17 completed subordinate report forms and 4 Pomona forms. We also received seven very nice reports in booklet form. Thank you to all the chairmen who took the time to show us how they participated in the Family & Community Service Program this year. We are definitely awed and inspired by all that you have done. The total number of community service hours given by grangers that were reported to us is..... anyone have a guess?... 10,650! So we know there were probably at least that many more hours that we don't have a record of. Give yourselves a round of applause, you deserve it!

Here are the results of the report form judging:

Subordinate Granges:

1st Place – Wicwas Lake Grange #292, Jeanne Lowrey, chairman 335pts,
and 3,785 community service hours
2nd Place – Pembroke Grange #111, Patricia Fowler, chairman 335 pts,
1,167 community service hours
3rd Place – Rockingham Grange #183, Carol Hill, chairman 310 pts

Pomona Granges:

1st Place – Hillsborough County Pomona #1, Dawne Hugron, chairman 140pts
2nd Place – Suncook Valley Pomona #12, Shelley Huntoon, chairman 125 pts
3rd Place – Eastern NH Pomona #2, Fran Everard, chairman 100 pts

The booklet reports results are:

1st Place – Watatic Grange #36, Camilie Twiss, chairman
2nd Place – Joe English Grange #53, Arlene Dodge, chairman
3rd Place – Concord Grange #322, Shelley Huntoon, chairman
4th Place – Hudson Grange #11, Claire Gagnon, chairman

Watatic Grange's report will go on to National Session to be judged there. Congratulations to you all!

Finally, we would like to thank everyone who helped us this year, we had the best support from so many of you, especially our committee members who were far more experienced at this than we were! A special thank you to Virginia Clark who steps down after many years of service on this committee, you will be greatly missed!

Faternally submitted,

Kathy Yardley & Joyce Martin, co-directors
Family & Community Services Committee

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal

Budget was presented by Robert Trombi, Chairman of the State Grange Executive Committee.

Expense budget was presented: Motion made and seconded to accept the Expense Budget. Motion made and seconded to add a line item for the 150th celebration at \$500 a year to a maximum of \$2000. Voted favorably. The budget as amended was voted favorable.

Income Budget was presented: Motion was made and seconded to accept the budget as presented.

Arthur Merrill was escorted to the master's station to present the report of the Pomona Study Committee.

Worthy Master, Brothers and sisters:

On September 16, 2018 twenty-three members representing the eight Pomona Granges currently holding charters in the state of New Hampshire met at the State Grange building in Hooksett.

Five questions were asked by the State Master, Chris Heath. Here are the questions and some of the responses given.

#1 What do you get from Pomona?

Pomona is a good place to hear what the other Granges are doing, and to make new friends.

#2 What do you think Pomona Granges should be doing?

Pomona should be doing degrees. Pomona should hold social events instead of business meetings. Pomonas should help the Subordinates. Sit was suggested that only four officers might be needed (Master, Overseer, Treasurer, and Secretary).

#3 Would you attend Pomona meetings if they were more than one hour's drive away?

If it was one the members wanted to attend and it was worthwhile, they would. Again mentioned should be more social.

#4 Should Pomona Granges close?

Close and distribute funds to the Subordinate. There has been talk of change for many years, but no plans, and no follow through. We've been talking about what to do with Pomona Granges for more than 100 years.

Three ideas for the Pomonas to consider: Ritual, social, or assist Subordinates with degree work. It was suggested that Pomonas could pick one of the three and report any successes or challenges to State Grange after one year. Pomona needs to be challenged to do something different, and they need to feel they have some freedom to see what works for them.

#5. If Pomonas were redistricted, how many would there be and where would they be?

One thought was for (A) three, another was for (B) four Pomona Granges in the state.

(A) Three new Pomona Granges would look something like the following: A line starting at the Mass. border in Nashua, at Route 3, going north to Concord, then continuing north on Rt. 93 to Tilton. Another line from the Vermont border at Lebanon going east through Tilton, to the Maine border would divide the state into three parts.

(B) Four Pomona Granges would be: 1) leaving Northern New Hampshire Pomona as is (would be a problem in itself), 2) the present Hillsboro County Pomona, Cheshire County Pomona and the western part of Suncook Valley Pomona would become one Pomona, 3) the present East Rockingham, most of Eastern NH, and the eastern part of Suncook Valley would become one Pomona, and 4) the present Mascoma Valley Pomona, Pemigewasset Valley, and the northern two Subordinates currently in Eastern NH would be the fourth Pomona.

Other comments and recommendations:

Presently four or five of the Pomona Granges are meeting quarterly. There is very little, if anything, that any Pomona is currently doing that the Subordinate Granges couldn't be doing.

This fall, during the Deputy visits, two Pomona Granges did not meet with the Deputy, two others met, but did not have a quorum present. The other four had between 7 and 21 members present. Not one Pomona had all the Subordinate Granges in the district represented.

It is the recommendation of this Committee, that the current eight Pomona Granges in NH be closed as of December 31, 2020. All monies belonging to these Pomona Granges may be distributed by these Pomona Granges to the Subordinate Granges within their jurisdiction as they see fit. Three new Pomona Granges shall be organized and opened between January 1, 2021 and June 30, 2021 according to the recommendations as stated in #5A above. It also is recommended that NO OTHER Pomona Granges be organized in the state of New Hampshire unless it receives a favorable vote of the delegate body of the New Hampshire State Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

Arthur Merrill, Chairman
Pomona Study Committee

A motion was made and supported to accept the recommendations of the committee. The vote was favorable.

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Tara Sad was escorted to the Master's to present the report of the Resolutions committee.

Worthy Master, Honored Guest and Brother and Sister Patrons

It is with pleasure that I, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, present the 2019 Resolutions Committee report. I want to thank the members of the committee – Jozi Best, Bob Haefner and Jim Tetreault – for their work in reviewing and making recommendations on the five resolutions that we were presented.

Resolution # 1

Submitted by: Hampton Falls Grange #171

Subject: Judicial System Reform

Whereas: The New Hampshire Court system is not set up for low income people.

Whereas: Some judges make decisions with much of their own personal bias and not on the evidence presented.

Whereas: It costs more than \$10,000 to appeal a judge's judgment if the judge chooses to dismiss a motion to reconsider.

Whereas: Some of these judges constantly make bias decisions regularly.

Be It Resolved: That the New Hampshire State Grange supports a justice reform that will allow a low cost method of having your cases reviewed by an external judge.

Be It Further Resolved: That we believe that if a judge is not found to be bias regularly that they be dismissed from the bench.

Recommendation:

The Resolutions Committee felt this resolution, while well-intentioned, is unnecessary. There is currently a legislative committee that has been working on addressing the needs of the poor in the court system. They are already passing legislation to help those who cannot afford the high costs of litigation.

As to the judges, there is a Judicial Conduct Board in charge of oversight of NH judges. A person who feels they have been treated unfairly by a judge, or that a judge is biased against them, can file a complaint with this board, who will rule on it. The Board even has the ability to remove a judge from the bench.

Because of this, the Resolutions Committee Recommended **Not To pass** this resolution, by a Vote of 4 to 0.

*There being no amendments, there was a motion and a second **Not To Pass**, which was passed.*

Resolution #2

Submitted by Antrim Grange #98

Subject: New Hampshire State Grange Session

Whereas: Article V, Section 1, of the New Hampshire State Grange By-laws states:

“This Grange shall hold its regular annual meeting **between October 15 and the first Thursday of November, preferably the Thursday before the fourth Friday of October** of each year, convening at a time and place designated by the Executive Committee. The location selected must provide complete access and accommodate all members, including those with wheelchairs, with walking disabilities, with hearing or sight disabilities, and be a healthy, smoke-free environment. **(10/25/2008)(10/29/2011)**”

Be it resolved the Article V, Section 1, be changed to read:

This Grange shall hold its regular annual meeting **between October 15 and October 28**, convening at a time and place designated by the Executive Committee. The location selected must provide complete access and accommodate all members, including those with wheelchairs, with walking disabilities, with hearing or sight disabilities, and be a healthy, smoke-free environment. **(10/25/2008)(10/29/2011)**”

Recommendation

The Resolutions Committee felt that this proposed change in the State Grange Bylaws is a good one. The wording is enabling, not mandatory. It allows the Executive Committee to set the first date of the Annual Meeting from Thursday to Friday. This will allow flexibility when necessary, but doesn't necessarily change the traditional first day of the Annual Meeting. Because of this, the Resolutions Committee has voted to **Recommend** this resolution, by a Vote of 4 to 0.

There were two amendments offered from the floor, both of which were moved and seconded and ultimately passed. The amendments were: This Grange shall hold its regular annual meeting **between October 15 and October 28, convening at a time the meeting start time, duration** and place designated by the Executive Committee. The location selected must provide complete access and accommodate all members, including those with wheelchairs, ~~with~~ walking disabilities, ~~with~~ hearing or sight disabilities, and be a healthy, smoke-free environment.

There being no further amendments, a motion to accept the resolution as amended was seconded, and then passed resolution.

Resolution #3

Submitted by: New State Grange Executive Committee

Subject: Grange Liability Insurance

Whereas: If a member or visitor to the hall is hurt, the Grange could be sued to cover the costs;

Therefore be it Resolved: That the New Hampshire State Grange By-laws be updated with the following additions.

Under article XII General provisions, add the following:

Section 5 – Insurance

Division 1, A Grange must have general liability insurance to cover the organization in the event of an accident.

Recommendation

The Resolutions Committee felt that this proposed change in the State Grange Bylaws is a good one. The new Section 5 will require all granges to carry general liability insurance, to cover them in the event of an accident, whether the accident takes place at a grange hall or at an event sponsored by a grange. While the Committee recognizes the fact that liability insurance can be expensive (approximately \$100 per quarter, or \$400 per year), the potential costs from a liability lawsuit are staggeringly high. For their own protection, we feel it is in the best interests of the granges to carry general liability insurance. Because of this, the Resolutions Committee has voted to recommend this resolution **pass**, by a Vote of 4 to 0.

*There was one amendment offered, which was moved, seconded and accepted. It read: Division 1, A Grange must ~~have~~ **show proof of** general liability insurance to cover the organization in the event of an accident.*

There was then a motion to pass this resolution as amended, which was moved and seconded, with the resulting vote was in favor of the motion.

Resolution #4

Submitted by: Wingold Grange #308

Subject: NH Agriculture

Whereas: NH has a diverse economy which includes Agriculture.

Whereas: Agricultural operations are under increased pressure.

Whereas: The current Commissioner of Agriculture appear not to be standing up for farms.

Whereas: The NH State Grange did not appear to be represented at this year's bills that could be used against Agricultural Operations.

Be it Resolved: That the New Hampshire State Grange support any bill that protects all aspects of Agriculture.

Be it Further Resolved: The New Hampshire State Grange Legislative Director actively and visually move against any bill that is in the House or Senate, by putting in a letter during the hearing and possibly get news articles released to multiple public venues.

Recommendation

The Resolutions Committee discussed this resolution at length. We agree that the Grange should support agriculture in the State of New Hampshire whenever possible, but only insofar as our existing Policies allow. We have established policies for a variety of issues, including Agriculture. The policies are created through resolutions passed at the Annual Meetings. These give a clear path to what our State Grange stands for on issues. It is not up to the Legislative Director to review each and every one of the over 1,000 bills filed every year in Concord to determine which have anything to do with Agriculture, and then, on his or her own, attend the hearings and lobby for or against the bill, without the direction of the full Grange. That is the role of a paid lobbyist, which the Grange no longer has in Concord. Also, the committee objects to the third 'Whereas', which claims that the Commissioner of Agriculture is not standing up for farms. Commissioner Shawn Jasper has, in fact, been working tirelessly this year on his initiative to help save our disappearing dairy farms, among other issues. Because of this, the Resolutions Committee has voted to recommend **Not to Pass** this resolution, by a Vote of 4 to 0.

The Master of the Wingold Grange withdrew this resolution.

Resolution #5

Submitted by: Wingold Grange #308

Subject: Driving Rules

Whereas: When driving you must have control of your vehicle at all times.

Whereas: When an accident occurs while you are driving that involves wildlife, the fault belongs to the driver.

Whereas: When a driver hits a person the fault belongs to the driver.

Whereas: The road is a public domain and with few exceptions (such as limited access highways), animals can travel, and be transported, under their own power.

Be it Resolved: That all animals (humans, wildlife, domestic animals, etc) be treated equally in the eyes of the law while crossing the road.

Be it Resolved: That a driver must compensate the owner of any animal struck for the damages.

Recommendations

The Resolutions Committee feels that there are existing laws for reimbursement of to the owner of the value of a dog (**466:42-b Civil Recovery**. – Whoever wrongfully kills or maims, entices or carries away a licensed dog shall be liable to its owner for its value in a civil proceeding.) But who is to determine the compensation? Does a purebred poodle have a greater monetary value than a beloved family mutt? Who is to determine the value? The claim is made in this proposed resolution that the fault always lies with the driver whenever an animal gets killed in an accident. If a moose, deer, dog, cat or turtle darts in front of a vehicle, it is not the fault of the driver if that animal is killed. The same is true of a person who is killed. If the person runs out in front of a car, giving the driver no time to stop or avoid an accident, it is not the driver's fault. And, in the law, animals and people are not treated equally. Animals are either wild or they are domesticated, but they are property – not humans. Because of this, the Resolutions Committee has voted to recommend this resolution **Not be Passed**, by a Vote of 4 to 0.

There being no amendments, there was a motion and a second from the floor that this resolution not be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Sad, Chair, Resolutions Committee

Resolution #1 Defeated

Resolution #2 Passed as amended

Resolution #3 Passed as amended

Resolution #4 Withdrawn from the Master of Wingold Grange #308

Resolution #5 Defeated.

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Master's address committee report was read by the State Secretary.

We thank the State Master for sharing a dream that would be very exciting to hear and showing the reality of our current situation is almost important to hear. We need to know the facts.

Concerning the paid position: Recommendation has a large financial cost; it is important to have proper resources in place. We recommend this financial cost be investigated and thoroughly evaluated to bring before next year's delegate body.

We encourage the State Master to continue his work with all departments and the Deputy Force to help create more "Doer's". As membership is an important need to keep going, we need all to be working on the goal. We need to encourage communications in all forms to be successful with the State Master's goal of increased membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Patten, Les Avery and Sherrill Bokousky

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

State Master Heath presented his last "doer" pin to Les Avery for all of his efforts in the North Country.

Sarah Leclerc presented the credentials report.

Report of the Credentials Committee:

Voting Delegates	
Master	21
Wives of Masters	5
Husbands of Masters	2
Delegates	27
Total Delegates	54
State Officers	18
Deputies	9
Committee Members	17

Non-Delegates	30
Special Guests	3
Juniors	4

Respectfully submitted,

Emilie Leclerc and Sarah Leclerc

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the Journal.

With no further business to discuss the final day of the of the 146th Annual Session of the New Hampshire State Grange closed in the fourth degree at 3:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary
New Hampshire State Grange

The Saturday evening session open at 7:00 by the officers of the New Hampshire State Grange In the Sixth Degree. State Secretary, Gerald J. Leclerc announced that the following members have presented applications for admission to the Court of Flora.

Dora and Alan Farrar, Stratford Grange, Elizabeth Almstrom, Wicwas Lake Grange

The Sixth Degree was exemplified by the officers of the New Hampshire State Grange.

Flora's Court: Flora: Mary West	Attendants: Joyce Martin
Ceres: Kerriann Nightingale	Ida Hutchins
Pomona: Crystal Seward	Jane Heath
	Darlene Eldridge

Soloist: Hannah West
Lighting: Adam Terrell, Shawn Scanzani
Flag Bearer: Rachel Scanzani

Rose Drill: Members of Hudson Grange #11: Rick Bailey, Pat Bailey, Shawn Scanzani, Rachel Scanzani, Sarah Leclerc, Bob Haefner, and Jacob Scanzani

Honor Court: Pat Bailey – Past Lady Assistant Steward, Past Flora
Rachel Scanzani – Past Pomona
Sarah Leclerc – Past Pomona
Kimber Bascom – Past Lady Assistant Steward, Past Flora, Past Ceres
Hannah West – Past Ceres, Past Lecturer, Past Member of Executive Committee
Susan Plank – First Lady, Indiana State Grange
John Plank – Assistant Steward, National Grange, Master, Indiana State Grange
Rick Bailey – Assistant Steward, Steward
TJ Malaskee – Past Master, Minnesota State Grange
Christopher Szkutak – Assistant Steward, Massachusetts State Grange

With no further business to discuss the Grange was lowered in to the Forth Degree and closed at 8:30 pm.

2019 Tabular Scores

Pomona Grange	Number	Membership		Total Assets	Average Attendance
		6/30/2018	6/30/2019		
Cheshire County	6	39	35	\$ 1,003.34	10
Eastern NH	2	66	61	\$ 11,721.74	17
East Rockingham Hillsborough County	11	53	46	\$ 16,738.42	10
Mascoma Valley	1	59	56	\$ 1,082.20	10
Northern NH	7				
Pemigewasset Valley	5	41	40	\$ 2,500.00	4
Suncook Valley	18	85	86	\$ 1,410.99	10
	12	59	53	\$ 4,816.69	11

Subordinate Grange	Number	Membership		Real Estate	Total Assets	Average Attendance
		6/30/2018	6/30/2019			
Antrim	98	21	21	\$ 87,400.00	\$ 118,487.15	7
Arlington	139	21	18	\$ 190,000.00	\$ 193,792.19	
Aurora	235	24				
Baker's River	290	17	17	\$ 31,200.00	\$ 34,307.33	5
Blazing Star	71	63	64	\$ 180,000.00	\$ 369,698.44	7
Blow-Me-Down	234	40	27	\$ 307,500.00	\$ 417,023.78	9
Centennial	185	27	19	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 33,029.14	8
Chichester	132	32	30	\$ -	\$ 18,480.94	7
Claremont	9	16	13	\$ -	\$ 2,634.43	7
Cocheco	81	29	28	\$ 109,200.00	\$ 119,455.08	11
Concord	322	67	57	\$ -	\$ 16,238.37	10
Crown Point	65	32	28	\$ -	\$ 14,186.01	8
Croydon	357				\$ -	
Dorchester	280	17	15	\$ -	\$ 32,694.96	4
Gilman	1	23	22	\$ -	\$ 259,841.27	9
Golden Rod	114	23	21	\$ -	\$ 19,900.41	11

Halloween	317	10				
Hampton Falls	171	33	28	-	\$ 5,695.76	8
Harmony	99	34	31	-	\$ 8,653.84	11
Henry Wilson	205	21				
Hudson	11	28	23	\$ 412,300.00	\$ 455,945.15	
Jeremiah Smith	161	14	10	\$ 186,000.00	\$ 214,288.80	7
Joe English	53	37	33	-	\$ 16,666.18	11
Lake Shore	128	17	17	-	\$ 124,911.93	6
Londonderry	44	34	32	\$ 324,400.00	\$ 325,650.00	9
Lower Intervale	321	31	30	\$ 43,600.00	\$ 45,373.80	12
Meriden	151	13	11	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 165,144.59	6
Mohawk	217	46	45	\$ 85,400.00	\$ 103,709.32	14
Mount Hope	77	35	35	-	\$ 6,430.00	10
Mt Livermore	288	16	15	-	\$ 6,759.37	5
Mt Pistareen	145	16	18	\$ 179,000.00	\$ 182,139.04	7
Park	249	32	37	-	\$ 12,468.24	6
Pembroke	111	25				
Pine Grove	298	19	14	-	\$ 12,021.00	8
Riverhill	346	15	15	\$ 186,899.00	\$ 197,629.29	8
Riverside	137	13	11	-	\$ 2,615.00	
Rochester	86	50	46	\$ 192,300.00	\$ 228,151.98	12
Rockingham	183	20	19	\$ 219,600.00	\$ 296,521.01	6
Stratford	238	11	14	-	\$ 6,103.42	5
Sunapee Lake	112					
Tuftonborough	142	17	15	\$ 117,300.00	\$ 117,300.00	7
Walpole	125	49				
Watatic	36	18				
Wicwas Lake	292	87				
Wingold	308	52	51	-	\$ 19,677.96	11

INCOME BUDGET 2019-2020 NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

	Proposed 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Proposed 2019-2020
Invested Funds			
Income	7,866.86	7,867.38	12,191.54
Withdrawals from Principal			
Special Invested Funds			
Defunct Grange Accounts		7,709.69	
Investment Management	1,200.00		1,200.00
Other Budget Income			
Bonding Fees Subordinate/Pomona	2,928.00	2,486.00	2,486.00
Dues & Fees	34,050.00	31,340.50	31,870.00
Family Weekend	200.00		200.00
Granite State Granger Donations	550.00	1,235.00	550.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		2,100.00	
National Grange Session Assessment	1,511.00	218.00	
Operations - Fund Raising	2,000.00		2,000.00
Eastern States/ Blueberry Pie	800.00	700.00	
Sixth Degree Fees	50.00	40.00	50.00
Spring Fling	350.00		350.00
State Grange Building Use	3,500.00	1,920.00	5,000.00
<i>State Grange Building Fund Donations</i>	100.00	55.00	100.00
State Session	5,000.00	4,069.98	5,000.00
Supply		199.35	
Total	60,105.86	59,940.90	60,997.54
		675.00	
		60,615.90	

Defunct Grange Acct - serv pro checked returned

Misc - Grange Advocacy

EXPENSE BUDGET 2019-2020

	Proposed 2018-2019	Actual 2018-2019	Proposed 2019-2020
Accounting Services	1,700.00	1,735.00	1,750.00
Bonding Fee Sub & Pom	2,636.00	2,536.00	2,150.00
Bonding Fee State Grange	376.00	376.00	376.00
Defunct Grange Account			
Department Expenses			
Agriculture	400.00	400.00	200.00
Family & Community Services	750.00	750.00	750.00
Grange Services	150.00	150.00	150.00
Historian	225.00		225.00
Lecturer	600.00	600.00	600.00
Legislative	350.00	350.00	350.00
Membership		1,500.00	1,500.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	100.00	100.00	100.00
Youth	400.00	400.00	200.00
Junior	500.00	500.00	400.00
Deputies Expenses	2,500.00	1,838.60	2,000.00
Dues-National Grange	15,050.00	13,853.00	14,028.00
<i>Family Weekend</i>	200.00		200.00
Farm & Forest		595.00	600.00
General Deputy Expenses	125.00		100.00
<i>Granite State Granger</i>	2,500.00	2,398.80	2,500.00
Leader's School- December	350.00	475.00	475.00
Legal Fees	1,000.00		1,000.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	100.00	176.30	100.00
National Session Assessment	1,279.00	1,279.00	1,253.00
National Session 2018/2023	900.00	100.00	900.00
Office Equipment	500.00		500.00
Officer Expenses			
Master's Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Secretary Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Treasurer Expenses	600.00	590.00	600.00
Printing/Postage/Supplies	4,500.00	3,741.18	4,000.00
Sesquicentennial			500.00
Sixth Degree Fees- National	25.00		25.00
Spring Fling	350.00		350.00
State Grange Insurance	2,400.00	2,158.00	2,200.00
State Grange Building	8,000.00	8,549.28	8,500.00
Other Hall Expenses		690.60	700.00
State Session	6,000.00	7,922.73	6,000.00
State Session Deposit	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
State Session Sound System	200.00		200.00
Supply		21.00	
Website	600.00	590.00	600.00
Totals	62,866.00	61,875.49	63,582.00

misc - bank chg (\$2.00 paper statement),
 - new checks, flowers

**New Hampshire State Grange
Income Annual Summary
2018-2019
Exhibit B**

Operating Account Income	7,867.38
Withdrawals from Principal	0.00
Defunct Grange Account	7,709.69
Investment Management	0.00
Bonding Fees Subordinate/Pomona	2,486.00
Donations	0.00
Dues & Fees	34,340.50
Family Weekend	0.00
Granite State Granger Donations	1,235.00
Miscellaneous	2,000.00
National Assessment	218.00
Operations – Fund Raising	.00
- Eastern States Blueberry Pie	700.00
Sixth Degree Fees	40.00
Spring Fling	.00
State Grange Building Donations	55.00
State Grange Building Use	1,920.00
State Session	4,069.98
Supply Department	199.35
Trust	0.00
	59,940.90
Add in returned checks	675.00
Total Income	60,615.90

Exhibit C
NH State Grange
Expenses 2018-20198

Date	Paid To	Account Charged	Check #	Amount
10/8/2018	Business Card	Postage/Printing/Supplies	2887	605.54
10/8/2018	Hooksett Sewer Commission	State Grange Building	2888	57.25
10/11/2018	Eversource	State Grange Building		41.50
10/18/2018	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2889	91.44
10/20/2018	Arthur Merrill	Deputy Milage	2890	495.30
10/20/2018	Matthew Collins	Web Master	2891	100.00
10/26/2018	Kim Bascom	State Session - flowers	2892	105.00
10/26/2018	Andrew Savage	Deputy Milage	2893	117.60
10/26/2018	Ida Hutchins	Deputy Milage	2894	57.90
10/26/2018	Arlene Fall	Deputy Milage	2895	69.40
10/27/2018	Adam Terrell	Randell Richardson Fund	2896	100.00
10/31/2018	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
11/8/2018	Robert Trombi	State Session - sash cleaning	2897	93.60
11/8/2018	Beth Merrill	State Session - feast	2898	99.00
11/8/2018	Business Card	Supplies	2899	216.26
11/8/2018	Northeast Conn	National Session	2900	100.00
11/8/2018	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	2901	45.00
11/8/2018	National Grange	Dues	2902	3,514.00
11/9/2018	New Checks	Misc		52.30
11/9/2018	Eversource	State Grange Building		36.86
11/19/2018	Lois Enman	State Session - cleaning s cloths	2903	104.04
11/19/2018	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2904	70.44
11/19/2018	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2905	101.83
11/28/2018	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	2906	56.68
11/30/2018	Business Card	Postage/Supplies/Fire	2907	8,142.51
11/30/2018	Bank Charge	Acid/Sessio		2.00
12/1/2018	Norman Brandt	Misc		2.00
12/1/2018	Kathy Yardley	Agriculture Dept	2908	200.00
12/1/2018	Linda Phelps	Family & Community Dept	2909	375.00
12/1/2018	Jane Trombi	Grange Services	2910	75.00
12/1/2018	Robert Haefner	Lecturers Dept	2911	300.00
12/1/2018	Robert Haefner	Legislative Dept	2912	175.00
12/1/2018	NH State Grange	Trust Dept	2913	50.00
12/1/2018	Rachel Scanzani	Youth Dept	2914	200.00
12/1/2018	Joann Brandt	Junior Dept	2915	250.00
12/1/2018	Matthew Collins	Web Master	2916	150.00
12/1/2018	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	2917	1,250.00
12/1/2018	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	2918	375.00
12/1/2018	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	2919	150.00
12/4/2018	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	2920	200.00

12/8/2018	Hannah West	GSG	2921	191.65
12/8/2018	Antrim Grange	State Grange Building	2922	157.50
12/10/2018	Eversource	State Grange Building		152.37
12/22/2018	Daniel Bascom	Membership cash	2923	500.00
12/30/2018	Eversource	State Grange Building	2924	171.37
12/31/2018	Business Card	Postage/Printing/Supplies	2925	1,023.32
12/29/2018	NH Farm & Forest	Farm & Forest Expo	2926	595.00
12/30/2018	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
12/31/2018	Eversource	State Grange Building		171.37
1/8/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2927	70.44
1/14/2019	Hooksett Water Treatment	State Grange Building	2928	58.00
1/18/2019	Hennessey & Vallee PLLC	Accountant	2929	1,735.00
1/14/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2930	51.98
1/17/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2931	70.44
1/31/2019	Business Card	Postage/ Printing	2932	625.47
1/31/2019	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	2933	55.00
1/31/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
2/8/2019	MSA Group	Insurance	2934	2,158.00
2/11/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		1.30
2/14/2019	National Grange	Bonding	2935	2,536.00
2/28/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2936	70.43
2/28/2019	National Grange	Dues	2937	3,486.00
2/28/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
3/1/2019	Business Card	Supplies	2938	166.15
3/8/2019	Antrim Grange	State Grange Building	2939	172.50
3/8/2019	Beth Merrill	State Grange Building	2940	43.11
3/1/2019	National Grange	State Grange Bonding	2941	376.00
3/8/2019	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	2942	375.00
3/8/2019	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	2943	1,250.00
3/8/2019	Matthew Collins	Web Master	2944	150.00
3/9/2019	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	2945	150.00
3/9/2019	Hannah West	GSG	2946	166.64
3/9/2019	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	2947	23.24
3/9/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2948	25.30
3/13/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		185.47
3/19/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		166.02
3/21/2019	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	2949	700.00
3/21/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2950	70.43
3/30/2019	Eastern Propane & Oil	State Grange Building	2951	100.00
3/30/2019	Business Card	Postage/ Supplies	2952	58.60
3/31/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
4/6/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2953	51.50
4/6/2019	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	2954	200.00
4/6/2019	Daniel Bascom	Postage	2955	133.03
4/16/2019	Hookset Sewer Commission	State Grange Building	2956	58.00

4/24/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2957	70.41
4/24/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		164.06
4/25/2019	National Grange	Assessment	2958	1,279.00
4/30/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
5/5/2019	Business Card	Postage/Supplies/ State Session	2959	1,334.06
5/5/2019	Transworld Systems	Pleasant Valley	2960	227.52
5/16/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2961	70.34
5/16/2019	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	2962	55.00
5/16/2019	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	2963	23.17
5/16/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2964	22.85
5/16/2019	Antrim Grange	State Grange Building	2965	150.00
5/31/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
6/1/2019	National Grange	Dues	2966	3,423.00
6/7/2019	Lavallee Oil Co	State Grange Building	2967	197.35
6/11/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		180.78
6/12/2019	Business Card	Postage/Printing/Supplies	2968	201.50
6/18/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2969	20.59
6/18/2019	Hannah West	GSG	2970	399.44
6/18/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2971	70.34
6/24/2019	Arthur Merrill	Deputy Milage	2972	750.00
6/24/2019	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	2973	1,250.00
6/24/2019	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	2974	375.00
6/24/2019	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	2975	150.00
6/24/2019	Norman Brandt	Agriculture Dept	2976	200.00
6/24/2019	Kathy Yardley	Family & Community Dept	2977	375.00
6/24/2019	Linda Phelps	Grange Services	2978	75.00
6/24/2019	Jane Trombi	Lecturers Dept	2979	300.00
6/24/2019	Robert Haefner	Legislative Dept	2980	175.00
6/24/2019	NH State Grange	Trust Dept	2981	50.00
6/24/2019	Rachel Scanzani	Youth Dept	2982	200.00
6/24/2019	Joann Brandt	Junior Dept	2983	250.00
6/24/2019	Matthew Collins	Web Master	2984	150.00
	Void		2985	
6/30/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
7/2/2019	Beth Merrill	State Grange Building	2986	140.93
7/2/2019	Chris Heath	Void	2987	
7/7/2019	Chris Heath	State Grange Building	2988	349.99
7/11/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		161.67
7/15/2019	Hooksett Water Treatment	State Grange Building	2989	58.00
7/15/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2990	20.39
7/15/2019	Business Card	Postage	2991	20.27
7/25/2019	Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	2992	70.67
7/26/2019	Lavallee Oil Co	State Grange Building	2993	2,294.15
7/31/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00

8/10/2019	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	2994	55.00
8/3/2019	Andrew Savage	Deputy Milage	2995	146.70
8/3/2019	Ida Hutchins	Deputy Milage	2996	101.70
8/3/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	2997	20.39
8/3/2019	Business Card	Postage	2998	57.65
8/9/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		158.37
8/10/2019	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	2999	23.10
8/22/2019	National Grange	Dues	3000	3,430.00
8/31/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00
9/4/2019	James Tetreault	Membership	3001	1,000.00
9/10/2019	Eversource	State Grange Building		164.48
9/5/2019	Void		3002	
9/5/2019	Antrim Grange	State Grange Building	3003	60.00
9/5/2019	Business Card Consolidated	Postage/Printing/Supplies	3004	173.91
9/5/2019	Communications	State Grange Building	3005	71.71
9/9/2019	Concord Monitor	GSG	3006	1,479.36
9/26/2019	Hannah West	GSG	3007	161.71
9/26/2019	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3008	22.06
9/26/2019	Eastern Propane & Oil Consolidated	State Grange Building	3009	646.37
9/26/2019	Communications	State Grange Building	3010	143.42
9/26/2019	Matthew Collins	Web Master	3011	140.00
9/26/2019	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	3012	140.00
9/26/2019	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	3013	375.00
9/26/2019	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3014	1,250.00
9/30/2019	Bank Charge	Misc		2.00

Exhibit D
New Hampshire State Grange
Expense Annual Summary
2018 – 2019

Accounting Services	1,735.00
Bonding Fee Sub & Pom	2,536.00
Bonding Fee State Grange	376.00
Defunct Grange Account	
Department Expenses	
Agriculture	400.00
Family & Community	750.00
Grange Services	150.00
Historian *submit bills by quarter	
Lecturer	600.00
Legislative	350.00
Membership	1,500.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	100.00
Youth	400.00
Junior	500.00
Deputies Expenses	1,838.60
Dues- National Grange	13,853.00

Family Weekend	0.00
Farm & Forest Expo	595.00
General Deputy Expenses	
Granite State Granger/ mailing permit	2,398.80
Leader's School	475.00
Legal Fees	
Miscellaneous	176.30
National Assessment	1,279.00
National Session 2018	100.00
Office Equipment	
Officer Expenses	
Master	5,000.00
Secretary	1,500.00
Treasurer	590.00
Operations-Fund Raising	0.00
Printing/Postage/Supplies	3,741.18
Sixth Degree Fees	
Spring Fling	
State Grange Building	8,549.28
State Grange Insurance	2,158.00
Other Grange Hall Expenses	690.60
State Session	7,922.73
State Session Deposit	1000.00
State Session Sound System	
Supply Department	21.00
Website	590.00
Totals	63,582.00

CHECKING ACCOUNT

October 1, 2018	TD Bank Checking Account	1,156.74
	Income – Exhibit B	60,615.90
	Expense – Exhibit C	<u>-61,875.49</u>
September 30, 2019	Balance	-102.85
Accounts Receivable		
October 1, 2018	Balance	2,045.00
	Payment on loans	<u>0</u>
September 30, 2019	Balance	2,045.00
State Grange Building Hooksett		
October 1, 2018	Purchase Price	87,500.00
September 30, 2019	Purchase Price	87,500.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE SUPPLY DEPARTMENT CHECKING ACCOUNT

October 1, 2018	TD Checking Account	340.05
	Income	1,032.45
	Expense	<u>-994.00</u>
September 30, 2019	Balance	390.50

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE MORGAN STANLEY Operating Account

October 1, 2018	Balance	255,024.96
	Transferred	0.00
	Taxable Income	6,429.25
	Realized Gain/Loss	8,096.70
	Deposits	422.52
	Quarterly Income Paid	-7,867.38
	Withdrawals	-20.86
	Fees Paid	-3,030.68
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	18,214.31
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	254,311.22

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

**MORGAN STANLEY
Defunct Granges**

October 1, 2018	Balance	33,396.07
	Taxable Income	878.25
	Realized Gain/Loss	196.79
	Deposit	.00
	Withdrawals	.00
	Fees paid	-396.08
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	1,952.72
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	33,587.82

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
US TREASURY I SERIES BOND
Defunct Grange**

October 1, 2012	Purchase Price	2,106.91
September 30, 2019	Purchase Price carried forward	2,106.91

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
MORGAN STANLEY
Escrow Accounts**

October 1, 2018	Balance	559,886.74
	Taxable Income	13,281.98
	Realized Gain/Loss	18,237.82
	Paid Granges	-19,122.34
	Deposits	1,706.25
	Withdrawal	-5,000.00
	Fees Paid	-6,583.45
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	45,165.79
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	652,159.26

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

MORGAN STANLEY
Randall Richardson Memorial Youth Fund

October 1, 2018	Balance	29,915.54
	Taxable Income	717.58
	Contributions	.00
	Realized Gain/Loss	726.24
	Aid to Youth	-.00
	Fees Paid	-359.79
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	3,207.03
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	30,899.70

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
MORGAN STANLEY
Education Loan Fund

October 1, 2018	Balance	163,166.21
	Taxable Income	4,195.09
	Realized Gain/Loss	5,854.64
	Scholarships	-5,500.00
	Fees Paid	-1,979.99
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	13,796.03
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	167,697.28

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
MORGAN STANLEY
Northeast Connection

October 1, 2018	Balance	48,388.81
	Deposits	4,427.42
	Taxable Income	383.70
	Realized Gain/Loss	-128.13
	Withdrawals	-44,181.05
	Fees Paid	-240.39
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	303.79
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	10,041.31

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

**MORGAN STANLEY
NH Grange Trust**

October 1, 2018	Balance	56,198.99
	Taxable Income	1,657.51
	Deposits	14,468.65
	Withdrawal	-75.00
	Donations	0.00
	Realized Gain/Loss	2,113.89
	Aid to Members	-500.00
	Fees Paid	-817.14
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	6,711.82
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	73,760.63

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
MORGAN STANLEY
NH Grange Trust – Blaisdell Fund**

October 1, 2018	Balance	16,160.16
	Funds Transferred to Trust Fund	-14351.34
	Taxable Income	171.65
	Realized Gain/Loss	.00
	Fees Paid	-60.67
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	.00
September 30, 2019	Ending Market Value	263.94

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE TRUST
CHECKBOOK SUMMARY**

October 1, 2018	Morgan Stanley Checking Account	4,781.75
	Income	
	3.5% Income from investments	3,114.72
	Deposits	75.00
	Donations	.00
	Minus restricted donations & donations	<u>-0.00</u>
	Total Income	7,971.47
	Expenses	
	Aid paid to members	-500.00
	State of NH – charitable filing fee	<u>-75.00</u>
	Total Expenses	-575.00
September 30, 2019	Ending Balance	7,396.47

**New Hampshire State Grange
Income Annual Summary
2018-2019
Exhibit B**

Operating Account Income	7,867.38
Withdrawals from Principal	0.00
Defunct Grange Account	7,709.69
Investment Management	0.00
Bonding Fees Subordinate/Pomona	2,486.00
Donations	0.00
Dues & Fees	34,340.50
Family Weekend	0.00
Granite State Granger Donations	1,235.00
Miscellaneous	2,000.00
National Assessment	218.00
Operations – Fund Raising	.00
- Eastern States Blueberry Pie	700.00
Sixth Degree Fees	40.00
Spring Fling	.00
State Grange Building Donations	55.00
State Grange Building Use	1,920.00
State Session	4,069.98
Supply Department	199.35
Trust	0.00
	59,940.90
Add in returned checks	675.00
Total Income	60,615.90