

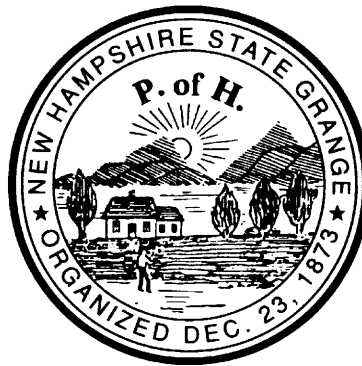
# PROCEEDINGS

Of the

ONE HUNDRED FORTY- EIGHTH  
ANNUAL SESSION

# **New Hampshire State Grange**

*Of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry*



Held at

The Best Western ~ PLUS  
Keene, NH

October 21 ~ 23, 2021

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
2014	Christopher E. Heath†.....	Barrington

\* *Deceased*

† *Present during Session*

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

The first day of the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual session of the New Hampshire State Granges was opened in the Sixth Degree with worthy Overseer Tricia J. Taylor and the officers of the New Hampshire State Grange at 7:00 PM.

Officers present were:

Master	Tricia J Taylor (Overseer)
Overseer	James Tetreault (pro tem)
Lecturer	Matthew Clark
Steward	Arthur Merrill (pro tem)
Assistant Steward	Norman Brandt
Lady Assistant Steward	Sarah Leclerc
Chaplain	Kathy Yardley
Treasurer	Daniel P. Bascom
Secretary	Gerald J. Leclerc
Gatekeeper	Andrew Savage
Ceres	Jane Trombi
Pomona	Crystal Seward
Flora	Kerriann Nightingale
Executive Committee	Beth Merrill Christopher Heath Robert Haefner Wilber Heath Adam Terrell (pro tem)
Musician	Lester Gibbs

Roll call of officers found all officers present except for the Steward, and one member of the Executive Committee. State Master, Robert Trombi was present but due to a medical condition he was unable to conduct the meeting. State Overseer Tricia J. Taylor presided over the meeting.

The Grange was then lowered to the Fourth Degree.

Acting Steward Arthur Merrill announced Amanda Brozana-Rios National Grange Director of Membership, Leadership, Development and Communication as our honored guest. The Assistant Stewards escorted Sister Amanda to the Master's station. In her remarks she spoke of how she enjoys attending different state conventions and seeing how different yet similar things are done. She is looking forward to seeing how we do things as well as spending time with us.

Roll call of Granges found a quorum present.

Norman Brandt and Adam Terrill Co Directors of the Agriculture Committee were escorted to the Masters station to present their annual report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Treasurer Daniel P. Bascom presented the annual report of the Trustees of the New Hampshire State Grange for Chairman Diane Collins.

The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.

Beth Merrill approached the Masters station and gave a passionate report of the New England Grange Building. During the report she spoke of the need for people to support the building to protect it from becoming a thing of the past. She asked for New Hampshire members to step up to the plate and help and learn the running of the building as the current Directors are giving one more year of their time.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

The Secretary read four resolutions that have been submitted for consideration by the delegate body.

Resolution #1  
Submitted by Antrim Grange #98  
Subject: Thompson Memorial

Resolution #2  
Submitted by Centennial Grange #185  
Subject: Paper Statements

Resolution #3  
Submitted by: Centennial Grange #185  
Subject: Sale of National Grange Building

Resolution #4  
Submitted by Claremont Grange #9  
Subject: Licensed Meat Processing Plants

With no further business to discuss the first day of the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Session was closed in the fourth degree.

**Friday, October 22, 2021**

The second day of the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual State Grange Session was open in the fourth degree by the Past Master Christopher Heath and the officers of the NH State Grange

Roll call of officers found all present

Roll call of Granges found a quorum

The minutes of Thursday session were read and approved.

Session committees: The following were assigned to the Masters Address Committee:

Sherrill Bokousky Chairman, Joann Brandt, Camilie Twiss.

Amanda Brozana-Rios National Grange Director of Membership, Leadership, Development and Communication was introduced.

Standing Rules for the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Session were read. A motion was made and supported to accept the rules as presented.

Gerald J. Leclerc presented his annual report as Session Coordinator.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

The Master declared a ten-minute break.

Reconvened at 9:00

Christopher Heath, State Grange Web master presented his annual report.

During the report the website was projected and he conducted a tour of how to find things he announced that two new features will be launched in early 2022. The first a photo gallery of all Past State Masters and the second will be photo gallery of all Grange halls past and present that was created by Paul and Rhoda Davis.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Co Membership Directors, James Tetreault and Gloria Davis were presented to the Masters station to present their annual report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal*

Beth Merrill was asked to reread the report of the New England Grange Building at The Big E, as many were not present who were not present last evening

Jane Trombi was invited to the Master's station to give a review of the Grange Revival 135 attendees with 13 from NH. The next Grange Revival will be in the summer of 2023 and will be in the Upper Penuela of Missouri.

Leroy Watson Chairman of the National Ex Comm was escorted to the Master's station to give an update as to the happenings of the National Grange one item in particular the sale of the National Grange building. He also announced that National Grange will be holding a full session this year in Wichita, KS

The Grange recessed for preparation of the Memorial Service

Reconvened at 11:00 am Gates were closed for the Memorial Service

### NH STATE GRANGE MEMORIAL SERVICE

WELCOME/ OPENING PRAYER	Kathy Yardley, Chaplain
OPENING SONG:	“Work, for the Night is Coming”
SCRIPTURE READING:	Isaiah 40:28-31 John 14:1-4, 18,19
READING:	“Do Not Wait Until Tomorrow” by Alfred S. Rctz
SPECIAL MUSIC:	“Summer Ended, Harvest O'er” Kathy Yardley, flute Amy Cann, violin
<i>Summer ended, harvest o'er, Lord, to thee our song we pour, For the valley's golden yield, for the fruits of tree and field; For the promise ever sure that, while heav'n and earth endure, Seedtime, harvest, cold, and heat shall their yearly round complete</i>	
MESSAGE:	“Labor and Promise” Kathy Yardley
READING OF THE ROLL:	State Secretary,
FLOWER PRESENTATION & LIGHTING OF CANDELS:	The Graces
READING:	“The Garden of Promise”
CLOSING PRAYER;	Kathy Yardley
CLOSING SONG:	“Hymn of Promise/In the Bulb There is a Flower”



## 2020 ~ 2021 In Memorial

Richard W. Patten	Past State Master, Past National Community Service Director, State Grange Historian. Past State Lecturer and Secretary, PM Pineconia/Concord Grange #322, PM Merrimack County Pomona #3, Past Junior Director, Past State Prince,
William Abbott	PM Riverside Grange #137
Adoree Ainsworth	Spouse of PM Harry Ainsworth, MountFlorist Grange #351
Carolee Barrett	PM Golden Rod Grange #114, PM Cheshire County Pomona Grange #6, Past Junior Director, Deputy & Junior Deputy, Past Home Economics Director, Past Grange Services Member
Dennis Blain	PM Ocean Side Grange #260, Past Subordinate Deputy, Past Membership Committee
John Burnett Jr	PM Danville Grange #187, PM West Rockingham Pomona #10
Frank Beck	PM Warren Grange #200
Richard Currier	PM Harmony Grange #99, PM Belknap County Pomona #4, Past Pomona Deputy
Paul Davis	Spouse of PM Carolyn Davis, Catamount Grange #97
Robert Dow	PM Loudon Surprise Grange #121
April Farewell	Spouse of PM George Farewell, Mont Calm Grange #70, PM Mascoma Valley Pomona #7 Member of the State Family and Community Committee
Jane Fenton	Spouse of PM Paul Fenton Jr. Bartlett Grange #104
Evelyn Flanders	Spouse of PM, Chichester Grange #132
Claire Gagnon	PM Hudson Grange #11
Beverly Greeley	PM Pineconia Grange #322
Daniel Harvey	PM Patuccoway Grange #166
Perley Henderson	PM Blackwater Grange #152
Leander Huckins	PM Baker's River Grange #290
Rodney Huntoon	PM Wicwas Lake Grange #292
	Past State Treasurer, Past State Executive Committee Member, PM Pineconia/Concord Grange #322, PM Merrimack County Pomona #3
Kenneth Houghton	PM Walpole Grange #125
Katherine Imbressea	PM Fidelity Grange #300
Bessy Jones	Spouse of PM Harold Jones, John Hancock Grange #33
Deanna (Dee) Joslin	Past Junior Deputy, Member of the State Legislative Committee
Pamela Kimball	PM Meriden Grange #151, Past Contact Committee Member, Past Youth Lady Assistant Steward
Dorothy Ledger	PM Granite Grange #7

Winston Merrill	PM White Mountain Grange #50, Past Pomona and Subordinate Deputy
Burton Myers	PM Winthrop Grange #315, Past State Grange Fair Committee
Vivian Moore	Spouse of PM Harold Moore, Wattannick Grange #327
Dariel Peterson	PM Oak Hill Grange #32
Keith Pomeroy	PM Prospect Grange #21
Mary Prescott	PM Parade Grange #318
Robert Purdy	PM Moultonborough Grange #197
Kathlyn Quig	PM White Mountain Grange #50, Past State Pomona
Evelyn Ray	PM Baker's River Grange # 290, Past Member State Deaf Activities Committee
Paul Rinden	PM Capital Grange #113
Barbara Sanborn	Spouse of PM Paul Sanborn, Wilmot Grange #309
Ethel Schofield	PM Squam Lake Grange #258
Laura Sevene	PM Sunapee Lake Grange #112
Paul Simard	PM Batchelder Grange #301
Rachel Snow-Crane	PM Purling Beck Grange #268
Howard Towne	PM Joe English Grange #53, Past State Agriculture Director, Past IFYE Representative, Past COMA Member
Nicholas Wadleigh	PM Belknap County Pomona Grange #4
Ann Woodard	Spouse of PM Russell Woodard, Mohawk Grange #217

Recessed for lunch.

Reconvened at 1:30

State Ceres, Jane Trombi was escorted to the Masters station to present the Masters Address for State Master Robert Trombi.

*The address was accepted and forward to the Masters address committee.*

Dan Bascom gave the annual Treasurers report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal*

State Secretary Gerald J. Leclerc, presented his annual report. During the report a 25-year certificate was presented to Sherrill Bokousky, and a 70 Year seal to Ida Hutchins

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Wilber Heath presented the report of the State Executive committee for Chairman Tricia J. Taylor.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

General Deputy Arthur Merrill was escorted to the Masters station to present his annual report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

State Lecturer Matthew gave his annual report. During his report Sherrill Bokousky was presented with an honor lecturer certificate.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Leroy Watson, Legislative Director was presented to the Master's station to present his annual report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

With no further business to discuss, the second day of the 148<sup>th</sup> session closed in the fourth degree.

The annual meeting of the NH Grange Foundation meeting followed the closing of the session.

### **Friday Evening**

The NH State Grange Banquet was held at Tempesta's

- ❖ Welcome: Robert Trombi State Master
- ❖ Presentation of the Century Farm Award: Twin Spruce Farm, Walpole NH  
Presented by Norman Brandt and Adam Terrell Agriculture Department Co Directors
- ❖ Granger of the Year Award: Jozi Best, Claremont Grange #9  
Presented by State Lecturer, Matthew Clark
- ❖ NH State Trooper of the Year: 2020 McLaughlin, 2021 Matthew D. Merrill  
Presented by Kathy Yardley and Joyce Martin Community Service Co Directors
- ❖ Quilt of Valor was presented to Alton Martin of Claremont Grange #9  
Presented by State Ceres, Jane Trombi and State Lecturer, Matthew Clark

The evening closed with Lynn Clark accompanied by sons Trevor, Seth and Jared singing "God Bless the USA" which they will be performing at National Granges Evening of Excellence.

### **Saturday, October 23, 2021**

The third day of the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual State Grange Session was open in the fourth degree by the Past Master Christopher Heath and the officers of the NH State Grange

Roll call of officers found all present

Roll call of Granges found a quorum

The minutes of Friday session were read and some corrections were made.

Amanda Brozana-Rios National Grange Director of Membership, Leadership, Development and Communication was introduced.

Youth Director Rachel Scanzani was presented to the Masters station to present her annual report. She commended the efforts of Watatic Grange for their support of the youth Program

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Joan Brandt, Junior Director was escorted to the Masters station for presentation of her annual report. During her report she was happy to announce that Christopher Morgan and William Huntoon Graduated and have joined Rockingham Grange and Blazing Star grange respectively

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Hannah West was brought to the Master's station to present the report of the Granite State Granger. She did announce that she will be retiring as Editor effective January 2023.

Hannah also presented the report of the State Grange Building for Building manager Anne Boisvert.

*Both reports were accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Shawn Scanzani was escorted to the Masters station to present his first report at Family weekend.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

9:30 Election of two members of the Executive Committee.

Robert Haefner was re-elected for a 3-year term

Anne Boisvert was elected to a 3-year term

While ballots were being read Past Master's Daniel P. Bascom and James Tetreault were called on for a few words.

In preparation for the discussion of the resolution regarding the sale of the National Grange Building, a video of the history of the National Grange Building was viewed.

The Sesquicentennial Committee report was given by Gerald J. Leclerc, During the report, a quilt made and donated by the crafters for a fundraising raffle was displayed, with the assistance of Gloria Davis and Crystal Seward.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Kathy Yardley and Joyce Martin, Co-Directors of the Family and Community Committee presented their annual report. The report was dedicated in the memory of Past Master Richard Patten.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Recessed for lunch

Reconvened at 1:40

Wilber Heath approached the Masters station to present the 2021~2022 budgets.

Expense Budget ~ after some discussion the delegate body voted to accept the Expense Budget as presented.

Income budget~ after some discussion the delegate body voted to accept the Income Budget as presented.

Before the report of the Resolution and Bylaws committee Christopher Heath reviewed the Parliamentary Procedures.

Tara Sadd, Resolutions and By-laws committee chairman was escorted to the Masters station to present the resolutions.

Resolution #1 Passed

Resolution #2 Amendment passed. amended resolution passed.

Resolution #3 Defeated

Resolution #4 Passed.

Matthew Clark State Lecturer, Presented the Granger of the Year Award to Jozi Best.

Sherrill Bokousky, Chairman of the Masters Address Committee was escorted to the Master's station to give the report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Emilie Leclerc, Credentials Chairman gave her report.

*The report was accepted and ordered printed in the journal.*

Amanda was escorted to the Masters station and presented some NH made products.

Arthur Merrill, General Deputy installed Robert Haefner as a member of the State Executive Committee. Anne Bosivert will be installed at a later date.

With no further business to come before the delegate body, the final day of the 148<sup>th</sup> Session closed in the Fourth Degree.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Secretary  
New Hampshire State Grange

**Saturday Evening Session:**

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

Flora's Court: Flora: Kerriann Nightingale  
Ceres: Jane Trombi  
Pomona: Crystal Seward

Lighting: Adam Terrell,  
Flag Bearer: Joyce Martin

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

Honor Court: Amanda Brozana-Rioz – Past National Lecturer  
Pat Bailey – Past Lady Assistant Steward, Past Flora  
Rachel Scanzani – Past Pomona  
Kimber Bascom – Past Lady Assistant Steward, Past Flora, Past Ceres  
Diane Collins – Past Flora  
Lois Enman- Past Flora  
Ida Hutchins – Past Pomona  
Virginia Clark – Past Pomona  
Joann Brandt – Past Lady Assistant Steward, Past Flora  
Rick Bailey – Past Assistant Steward, Past Steward

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

## AGRICULTUER RPEPORT

Hello brothers, sisters' delegates alike, 2021 has continued to show the weaknesses that were expressed during 2020 Covid 19. Prices for feed have hit highs mostly caused by the lack of truckers and affordable shipping. Livestock being shipped via USPS have been delayed for arrival causing large mortality in shipping and after arrival.

Local USDA butcher facilities have been booked and are trying hard to fit in everyone contacting them. But waiting lists over 1 year is not unheard of. Meaning that local meat that can now be found to be cheaper than store meat is becoming scarce.

Meanwhile in the past 2 years changes have been made to Chapter 437 (sale of pets and Transfer of animals and birds). Requiring anyone breeding and or selling 25 or more dogs, 25 or more cats, 30 or more ferrets, or 50 or more birds' amphibians, reptiles, fish, or small mammals to register as a pet vendor. This means any person selling, trading or giving away any of these animals will need to register as a pet vendor and allow their premises to be inspected by the State of New Hampshire at any time to be sure they are following rules of a pet vendor. This means if a 10-year-old has an aquarium with a pair of guppies and the fish pair gives birth to 25 babies, 4 times a year, after 1 year decides the tank is overcrowded and gives 75 guppies to his friends to keep the tank from being so crowded. It would mean he or she would need to register as a pet vendor and pay a \$200 nonrefundable pet vendor application fee. On top of this now, at any time, without notice the Department of Agriculture can walk into his/her house to inspect his/her tank and house. Plus, all other buildings on his/her parents' property. If he or she fails to do so he/she will be subject to up to a \$1000 fine. I understand there is some good intentions behind, this but I just don't see it at all. To me it looks more like a money Grab. The commissioner of Agriculture actually writing in the Weekly Market Bulletin that if you feel you may be subject to this law, that you should put in your application with the fee before the law change passed. On top if this the bill had died in committee 2/27/2019 and was submitted as part of the budget that April 2019 where it was passed. This year they had to adjust it so that when you got your pet vendors license your town could not violate you for having a business in a residential zoned area.

At the same time, they had changed the section on Health Certificates making all Veterinarians to fill out health certificates in triplicate, 1 being given to the owner, one being kept at the vet's office, and one being submitted to the State Agriculture Department, I know when my vet asked if he could just copy his normal certificate and send a copy in the State Vet informed him, he had to use their certificate. Since then, the State has been using the health certificates to ketch people breaking the pet vendor law. There is a lot of constitutional problems with the law and how it has been implemented especially when you look at the 4th amendment, the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause. This year the Department of Agriculture has announced it will not be doing Organic certification any more in NH please see

<https://www.nhbr.com/organic-farmers-surprised-as-new-hampshire-ends-state-certification-form-any/>. And I have a communication from the State Department of Agriculture suggesting that the only way to raise swine is in a concrete slotted floor building with heating, air cooling, and misting stations. Just makes you wonder where we are going.

On other news this year we started out in a drought and most of the State was able to get out of the drought by mid-summer. Stratham fair was canceled, Farm and Forrest last minute went virtual. All the other fairs went on with some modifications. I attended Deerfield fair and will report though it went on very well, the animal barns were wanting. The poultry barn that normally has 700 plus poultry was down to 130. The Pig Barn normally containing pigs from 5-10 farms contained pigs from 2 farms. The same stuff was seen in all animal barns. Some of the farms that brought stuff went back and picked up a second load just to fill the barns. In the Grange building we, after much calling, luckily only had 5 empty booths that I had filled with small displays to keep them from looking empty. The booth NH State Grange Agriculture Department made this year was one of the most controversial booths I have come up with, without crossing lines. I divided the booth into 3 sections, Traditional farm, Organic Farm, and Factory farm, and the benefits verses the drawbacks. I heard many people start talking about it as they walked by and out. Our labors be fruitful and beneficial.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Brandt & Adam Terrell  
Co-Chairman

### **CREDENTIALS REPORT**

Worthy Master, Sister Amanda, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters,

It is again a pleasure to present the Credentials Report for the 148<sup>th</sup> State Session.

Masters	13
Delegates	18
Husbands of Masters	1
Wives of Master	4
Total Delegates	36
State officers	All present
Deputies	12
Directors & Committee Members	36

Respectfully submitted,

Emilie Leclerc, Chairman



## NEW ENGLAND GRANGE BUILDING REPORT

Worthy Master, Sister Brozana-Rios, State Officers, Delegates, and Patrons:

With pleasure I bring you this report from the NH trustees of the New England Grange Building.

We met in April via Zoom. After the 2020 Big “E” was cancelled due to the covid pandemic, there were still many questions and unknown factors as to whether the 2021 Big “E” could happen and what that experience might be for exhibitors, vendors, and fairgoers, so much was left up in the air at the conclusion of the meeting. We were in a wait-and-see-what-happens mode of (un)operation.

The next meeting was an on-site work day/meeting in July, an annual event that gets the building aired out, windows washed, and a start on cleaning out the cobwebs in anticipation of the fair. Brother Trombi and I missed this event as we were en route to the Grange Revival in South Dakota. By this time, it was fairly certain that the Big “E” would happen, so now it was the challenge of the trustees to see what the needs were in order to open and operate the New England Grange Building and if we had the wherewithal to meet and fulfill those needs. It was determined that, indeed, the NEGB would open and feature its popular craft tables and general store, which sells a variety of jams, jellies, sauces, dressings, pickles, relishes, and the like.

Building manager, Steve Logan, and store manager, Claire Logan, a couple from Rhode Island State Grange, are the selfless angels that give so much to keep our building open. Together they spend countless hours going over catalogs and placing orders for the products sold in the general store. From what I’ve been told, it’s not an easy task, as these are online catalogs, complicated to decipher. Sometimes, when the order arrives, the size or packaging of a product is a surprise, because the catalog was not clear. And getting delivery of the product to the Grange Building on a specific day is a nightmare! I have been assisting on what I call “Jam Day”, typically the last Tuesday in August, for a number of years. Finding able bodies to help move those heavy boxes from truck to building to shelves is a challenge. Freight companies do not understand or care that ours is not a usual business with doors open every day from 9 to 5. So, when they don’t show up at the appointed time, or on the scheduled day, or bring only part of an order, then the day becomes much longer for the volunteers waiting at the building, or in worst cases, the volunteers have wasted a trip to West Springfield and somebody will have to be there again the next time a truck is expected to make delivery. And don’t get me started on the phone conversations I’ve heard Steve make when there is a problem with the order, usually missing or damaged product!

Then, of course, there are all the crafty donations that Grange members all across New England send to the Grange Store. Each item has to have a price tag, of course, but somebody has to decide what the price is. And then, unfortunately, some of the items may not be constructed with the best materials, or the greatest skill, or may be off-season items so that also gets taken into

consideration when setting the price, which Claire handles carefully and kindly. By the look of the donations this year, Grangers everywhere spent much of their covid confinement knitting, crocheting, sewing and crafting, and I do not know how Claire managed to get the MOUNTAIN of donations that came in this year priced and displayed before opening day. Lots and lots of volunteers, that's for sure!

You may wonder, why do Steve and Claire go through this worry and stress each year? Because they love the Grange and they love the New England Grange Building. As do a handful of "regular" volunteers that give assistance when needed. And thankfully, despite their declaration prior to opening day this year that it would be their last year as managers, they have decided to give us one more year! I hope there is something we can do collectively, from the state of New Hampshire, to ease their burden next year and dare I say, to start training the successors we are going to need in order to preserve this prominent piece of Grange history and heritage.

Linda Sanderson, from Vermont, took charge of the Needlework Contest entries this year. There was a beautiful display of all the items throughout the fair. New Hampshire Grangers won a few awards, and those will be revealed to you during the Family and Community Committee report.

The New England Grange Building was dedicated on the day of the 1938 hurricane. Eighty-three years and more ago, New England Grangers thought it important enough for this building to be on the grounds of the Eastern State Exposition, that they labored long and hard to gather the funds and made it happen. How many Grange Halls have you visited that prominently display a framed photo of the New England Grange Building? At some point in our history, there was pride in the fact that the Grange is represented by this building on these hallowed grounds, visited by folks from across New England, the U.S. and even the world.

This year, the New York State Grange donated the Quilt that is raffled off each year for charity, which raised \$5,501.15 for the Shriners Children's Hospital. In lieu of a set price for each ticket, we ask for donations only and the fair guests were generous this year.

The sale of handwork and crafts grossed \$18,805.32 and the General Store earned \$10,916.04, down a bit from other years, but only half of the order for product came in. Very little product was left over. There are many knitted and crocheted hats donated this year that did not make it to the sale table simply because we have an overabundance of them. I believe a list of desired items and customer requests that will be released soon, and I think/hope you will be hearing more about this from the Family and Community Committee as the list gets developed more. We DO so much appreciate all your lovely handmade donations! All proceeds from these sales go to the maintenance of the building.

The Big "E" had an attendance of 1,498,774, which is the fourth largest in fair history. Not bad for the first year back after the shut down last year. People were asked to wear masks when they entered buildings and some wore them even outside. There was no reported hike in covid cases as a result of the fair as far as I am aware. There were a couple record-breaking attendance days. The last Saturday of the fair received 177,238 fairgoers, the most ever in one day at the fair. While gate, parking, and vendor revenues were down, there were significant increases in income from the midway, concerts and concessions. This looks like there may have been some attendees

who stayed away because of the ongoing risk of covid, but those who did come had a good time eating and being entertained!

Did you know that the Big “E” runs for seventeen days? That is a big-time commitment for hundreds and hundreds of folks who work at the fair, some paid and many volunteers. Did you know that the middle Sunday of the fair is Grange Day? Are we lucky that the fair honors the Grange this way? Do we take full advantage of the opportunities this provides the Grange? Have you ever gone to the Big “E”? Have you ever gone on Grange Day? Do you have ideas of special events or displays that we could feature at our building on that special day? There is a daily parade at the Big “E” and dependent on the attendance on that particular day, there could be as many or more than 130,000 people viewing the parade and seeing the Grange name. Do you know how many Grangers were in this parade in 2021? Eight. Eight people from all across New England came to show their support for the organization and the New England Grange Building. How can this be?

For many years, Grangers traveled in less comfortable vehicles over roads less safe or smooth than what we enjoy today to attend the Big “E”. It wasn’t that many years ago that we could send 2-4 members per day, who, for the price of admission to the fair, were willing to sit in the NH room in the New England Grange building for a few hours to greet visitors and answer their questions. Did you know that in recent years, the upstairs state rooms at the New England Grange Building are closed to visitors, simply because we cannot get the volunteers to help with this small, but important job? Will management at the Big “E” continue to allow Grange Day to be one of the featured days of the fair if the support of our organization is not in evidence? Will it matter to you, Grange member, when the day comes that the sign “New England Grange Building” comes off our building and it instead becomes an office building for fair management? Finding space for expansion on the campus is always a challenge, so this idea is not so far-fetched to one day become the fate of the building that our Grange forefathers dreamed about, worked for and made a reality.

What are you willing to do to help the New England Grange Building in 2022?

Fraternal submitted,

Beth Merrill, Robert Trombi, Tricia Taylor

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Worthy Master, Distinguished Guests, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters,

It’s been an interesting year for the State Executive Committee. Although we were meeting by zoom last year due to covid, we decided it was time to go back to meeting in person. We were masked and spread apart so everyone would feel comfortable. The condition of both the museum and the basement at the State Grange Building in Hooksett was causing concern as both places were overloaded with items from various Granges as well as some committee items. Moving easily in either place was not easy. We agreed to hold our quarterly meetings on

Saturdays and spend the mornings sorting out the two rooms, and holding our Executive meetings in the afternoons. This plan started in February and worked out well for us. We were not able to complete the project in the time allotted but we definitely made giant steps! We will be continuing this work during the coming year.

We have been kept busy conducting the business of the NH State Grange, always keeping in mind the Good of the Order. The minutes of these meetings have been sent to each Grange throughout the year. The future of the Grange is always our first consideration and we will continue to strive to strengthen the Grange in New Hampshire.

Thank you for your continued confidence in your State Executive Committee to act in the best interests of the NH State Grange and the Granges at all levels.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia J Taylor, Chairman  
NH State Grange Executive Committee

## **FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT**

Worthy Master, National Representative, Patrons all;

We are pleased to give this report of the Family & Community Services Committee. Our report is dedicated to Brother Richard Patten, who loved the Community Service program and gave so much of his life to serving not only the grange but the greater community. His love of helping others and seeing that they got the recognition they deserved never wavered. He will always be remembered for his passion for Christmas and especially the Concord Christmas Parade. Thank you, Dick for giving your time and efforts throughout your life. This has been another challenging year for our granges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While some granges have resumed their meetings and activities it is obvious that some are still either unable to meet or are not yet ready to return to meeting in person.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

We received a good number of reports despite these challenges. Four granges submitted very nice booklets highlighting their year's activities. Results of the judging of the booklets are:

1<sup>st</sup> place – Watatic Grange #33

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Joe English Grange

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Concord Grange

4<sup>th</sup> place – Rockingham Grange

Watatic Grange's booklet will be going on to National Grange Convention for judging there. Congratulations to Cam Twiss for preparing and submitting a very nice report booklet.

Report forms were tallied and the following granges are recognized:

1<sup>st</sup> place – Pembroke Grange

- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Concord Grange
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Walpole Grange
- 1<sup>st</sup> place/Pomona – Suncook Valley Pomona

Thank you to all chairmen who sent in reports of their grange activities. We especially like to see the extra notes that some chairmen send in describing their activities. It gives us an idea which activities granges are participating in and which ones aren't as popular. It is also nice to see the ideas that granges have about their own community service activities that aren't listed in our program booklet. We encourage all granges to find at least one project that could benefit their community and make it their own. Perhaps another organization could partner with you and help you get it done. Sometimes a good idea gets rejected because your grange is too small and you don't have enough hands to work on it. Contact a 4-H club or Scout troop or other group for the heavy lifting, so to speak.

Despite the pandemic granges still reported a lot of community service hours. Since we had a limited number of reports to gather this information from the number isn't quite as big as in previous years but nevertheless it is still impressive. The grand total is 3,075 hours for all of the granges who reported. We would like to present certificates to the following granges for their community service hours:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – Claremont Grange #9, Nancy Placy chairman 739 hrs
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Antrim Grange #98, Dawne Hugron, chairman 649 hrs
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Walpole Grange #125, Barbara Plumley, chairman 562 hrs
- 4<sup>th</sup> place – Mohawk Grange #217, Lynda Gaudette, chairman 350 hrs

Congratulations, Grangers! Keep up the good work.

We were excited to learn that a nomination from Concord Grange was the recipient of the National Grange Law Enforcement Officer Award. Congratulations to Detective/Sgt. Eric Shirley of the NH State Police. We also had a recipient of the NH State Grange Trooper of the Year award chosen for last year, but because of the shortened session we were unable to present the award. Last night, we presented both the 2020 and 2021 Trooper awards to Trooper Michael McLaughlin and Trooper Matthew D. Merrill, whose families and fellow troopers were on hand to help us honor them.

If you have a deserving candidate to nominate for the National Grange awards, please send us their names. The categories are Law Enforcement Officer, Firefighter, and Educator.

### **FAMILY SERVICES**

We had some very nice entries in the needlework contest this year. Here are the results of the contest:

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| Class A – Afghan - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Debbie Standley | Watatic Grange    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – Beth Merrill                       | Antrim Grange     |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Carol Hill                         | Rockingham Grange |

Class B – Doilies– 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Marie Mayrenen (non-member) Rochester Grange

Class C – Embroidery – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Helen Lemieux (non-member) Rochester Grange

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Annette Lemieux (non-member) Rochester Grange

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Camilie Twiss            Watatic Grange

Class D – 3 pc Baby Set – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Debbie Standley    Watatic Grange

Class E – Plastic Canvas – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Rhoda Davis        Pembroke Grange

Class G – Garment – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Marie Mayrenen (non-member) Rochester Grange

Class K – Baby Afghan – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Debbie Standley    Watatic Grange

Class L – Sewn Garment – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Sharon Stickney    Antrim Grange

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Joyce Martin        Claremont Grange

Other Crafts – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Sherrill Bokousky            Watatic Grange

Woodworking – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Roberta Mason    Watatic Grange

Quilts – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Jane Trombi                    Walpole Grange

We sent all of our first-place winners in the needlework contest on to be judged at the Big E. Congratulations to our winners at the New England region level:

Plastic Canvas – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Rhoda Davis            Pembroke Grange

Baby Afghan - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Debbie Standley        Watatic Grange

3-piece Baby Set - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Debbie Standley    Watatic Grange

We delivered two big totes full of items for the Grange Store in the New England Grange Building at the Big E. Pembroke Grange, Watatic Grange, Rochester Grange, Antrim Grange and some non-members sent a wonderful collection of hats, mittens, scarves, afghans, lap robes, aprons, hanging dishtowels, scrubbies, potholders, pillows and more. Thank you to Beth and Arthur Merrill for helping to get everything down to the Big E for us, we appreciate your generosity.

Because of the disruption of the pandemic last year, we decided to ask granges to bake oatmeal cookies again for the baking contest in the hopes that we might actually get to have a contest at state session this year. We were delighted to have several entries here this weekend. The winner of the baking contest is.....

Thank you so much to all who participated. We hope your granges will hold a baking contest again next year for our next challenge – blueberry muffins! Again, they must be from scratch, no mixes will be allowed. You may add anything to them that you like, just be sure to clearly label them if they contain nuts or peanuts.

According to the year-end reports we received, the Night Night Hugs project and the Dictionary project are still very popular in most granges. Both of these projects help us get the grange name out in front of the community so keep up the good work!

We did not put together bags for the Glencliff Home in December because we didn't get together at Deputy School to assemble them. We have the items for the bags ready to be packed and delivered in time for this Christmas.

At Deputy School in 2019, our committee decided to have a Family & Community Day event at the state grange building. We planned to have workshops, hands-on community service projects and activities for both Family and Community Services. Unfortunately, the pandemic shut that plan down in 2020. We are planning to give it another shot in 2022, so look for more information to come. One idea we are working on for the event is a cooking contest – maybe chili? You have shown us your baking skills, now let's see some cooking!

Next year's program has a few changes in it, along with a number of project ideas and suggestions. We hope your grange will participate in as many of them as possible, and as always, we would love to hear about your successes. Thank you everyone for your participation in the Family & Community Services Program.

Best wishes for a better and brighter 2022.

Fraternally Submitted,

Kathy Yardley & Joyce Martin,  
Co-directors, Family & Community Committee

### **FAMILY WEEKEND REPORT**

Worthy Master, National Representative, Brothers and Sisters all,

It is a pleasure to give this report about our annual Family Camping Weekend. This is always a great time where friends and families can gather to enjoy each other's company. This year Family Weekend was held at Sandy Beaches Campground in Henniker, New Hampshire on August 6th, 7th, and 8th. This was about a week later than usual since many of the regular attendees were traveling home from National Grange Revival in July. The weekend was relaxing with about 25 attending our annual potluck dinner held on Saturday evening.

I am looking for suggestions of campgrounds for where we can hold family weekend next year. Be on the lookout for more information in early 2022 for reservation information. If you have a favorite place, please see me so that we can look into their accommodations and possible group rates or reservations. Campgrounds have once again become very popular destinations so it will be important to get the reservations done early to guarantee space for everyone.

Fraternally,

Shawn Scanzani  
Family Weekend Coordinator

## **GENERAL DEPUTY REPORT**

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters,

This has certainly been a strange year. Some of our Granges have met in person, others a combination of electronically and in person. However, most did not meet at all.

### **Pomona Grange**

There are 8 Pomona Granges holding a charter at the current time. 5 of them reported having met in the past year in person or electronically. The other 3 have not met at all this past year in any form. One of them has not held a legal meeting in at least 4 years.

It is in my opinion, that there will be no Pomona granges in New Hampshire in 10-15 years. I am not sure what can be done to turn this around. If you have any ideas, let me know.

### **Subordinate Grange**

We started the year with 41 Granges. Sunapee Lake Grange was closed in 2020. Hampton Falls Grange consolidated with Gilman Grange in December of 2020.

I received reports for 23 of the subordinate granges, 7 of those did not meet at all. 4 others met, but did not hold a legal meeting in that time. The highest number of members at any one meeting was 23. The top scoring grange was the largest in the state, Wicwas Lake Grange. Next year's fall report will be changed; some things will be gone, and others added.

Now for some good news: Rockingham Grange in Epping was talking of closing. I was invited to attend the May meeting to speak to them as to the procedures needed to close or consolidate. It was at that meeting that a committee was formed and ideas were thrown out as to what they could do to keep going. The building needs a lot of repairs. Not many members attend. There was a small group of members who were determined to try.

In September, I visited again. They voted on 16 new members. Brother Dan Bascom obligated the 12 members who were in attendance, and a full slate of officers was elected. Congratulations to them all, and to Deputy Norman Brandt for his hard work in this endeavor.

Now, a challenge to all of you: visit at least one other grange meeting in the coming year. See what they are doing to see what they are doing to better their communities; it might be something you can do in yours. Fill an office, take part in the program.



Thank you to the deputies for taking on this task in these trying and interesting times. We hope to visit every grange in the state next year as hopefully all will be meeting in person. If not, we will attempt to meet virtually with those who chose that option.

Now, unfortunately, some not so good news. More than half of our granges have 25 members or less. The time is not too far in the future when we will not have enough granges to send 2 delegates to National Grange Convention. We must do something to reverse the membership losses we have every year. Again, any ideas are welcome.

Fraternally Submitted,

Arthur Merrill  
General Deputy,  
New Hampshire State Grange

### **GRANITE STATE GRANGER**

Another year has passed, and another four issues of the Granite State Granger have been prepared and mailed. As always, I thank my family – Anne, Mary, and Kevin – for their help. Thanks also to State Secretary Jerry Leclerc for providing the address labels in a timely manner.

Have you noticed that the Granite State Granger has dropped from twelve pages to eight in recent issues? With many events and meetings cancelled, there hasn't been a lot going on in the Grange. The current crop of Directors contains several persons of few words. The death of Dick Patten put an end to a full page from the Grange Historian, another page devoted to Grange Services, and a column of Concord Grange news. For printing purposes, I need to work in multiples of four. If I have approximately nine pages of copy, I must either condense it to eight pages or expand it to twelve. It is easier to cut one page than to add three.

Before I go any further, I need to memorialize Dick Patten for all he did for the Granite State Granger over the years. He was a man who knew the value of publicity and spreading the word. He made sure any Grange events he was involved with were advertised early and often. He was a font of good ideas, and he wasn't afraid to write them up and put them out there. He was usually the first one to submit his articles, and he would often ask for the date of a deadline before I could send out a reminder. The hours I spent correcting his spelling and adjusting his sentences and paragraphs were well worth the time and effort.

Now I will recognize a few of the people who have made my work easier this year. Camille Twiss realized that I would be trying to fill space and has been sending in Grange memories, book reports, and program suggestions for me to use. Cam is an excellent writer, and I can just pop her articles in where space allows. If you have enjoyed her submissions this year, please ask her to send more.

Norman Brandt has been taking time out of his busy life to write down agricultural information and farm stories at some length. I love his folksy writing style, and I hope the readers appreciate

it, too. Norman is a good source of ideas along with his stories. Did you know that our National Master, Betsy Huber, mentioned him and his suggestion about Grange officer elections in a recent column of “The Patron’s Chain,” a National Grange news bulletin?

Kathy Yardley is another contributor who can be counted on to provide a full page of useful and well-written Family & Community content. Joann Brandt plans ahead to announce the events of the Junior Department and then submits a write-up and pictures afterwards.

I also truly appreciate the Grangers who make an effort every issue to send in a paragraph or two about what their Grange has been doing. Big news and a picture are exciting and newsworthy, but everyday events are important, too.

Besides shrinking in size this year, the Granite State Granger has continued to shrink in readership. I am now mailing out fewer than nine hundred copies per issue. It is becoming difficult to properly sort the papers for the least expensive bulk mailing rates. I need to sort by zip code, and the Post Office requires at least 150 items to a box. As I combine zip codes to fill the boxes, the rate per piece increases. It isn’t a big difference, but it all adds up. My concerns about the ability of newsprint to hold up to modern mailing machinery are still valid.

I think it is time for a change, so I am giving you fair warning. This is my penultimate (next to last) report as editor of the Granite State Granger. You have until January of 2023 to find someone to take over the work I have been doing or to find another way to spread the news.

Meanwhile, let’s make the coming year a success for the Granite State Granger. Make some news, take some pictures, share your ideas, plan events or projects and advertise them, shout out your accomplishments. Let’s fill twelve pages an issue or maybe even sixteen!

Fraternally submitted,

Hannah West, Editor

## **JUNIOR REPORT**

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

Our State Junior Grange is still going strong. We have currently 23 on the books, according to our State Secretary, and have heard of applications to be coming in soon. Do you have children or grandchildren that would benefit from Junior Grange? Our numbers must keep growing so we can assist our Subordinate Granges. Missing the meetings with the children, I put together a packet for each Junior and mailed each separate so they would have some mail for Christmas and Valentine’s Day. It included crafts, a word search and a coloring page. 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 2022 is “Be Kind and Share with Friends”. National Junior Theme is “Cultivating Connections”

Junior rally to be held Feb 13 in Hooksett had to be canceled due to Covid-19 and hoping to be able to attend bowling in March we were able to have 14 Juniors joining adults bowling. Juniors and friends had a great day! Knowing that gardening is something that is with family, I put together peat discs, cups, seeds and many pages of when to plant what seed inside and outside. I forgot my sample Marigold pot that was just popping out of the soil to show how fast it starts. There is a photo of it this fall after planting it in with my tomatoes for you to see how it grew. I hope children will share with me their results. Bowling winners were ages 4-9 - Connor Scanzani, Ages 10-12 - Seth Clark and Ages 13-15 - Trevor Clark, congratulations to all.

June 12, we held the Junior Fun Day with everyone bringing a bag lunch. We made pinecone foxes, Christmas ornaments, having a nature scavenger hunt and trying to blow the largest bubbles.

When writing my Granite State Granger articles as the year went on, I included ideas of activities that parents can do with their children.

No entry in the Big E Junior craft contest this year from New Hampshire and the Northeast Juniors.

The Junior Department had no Stratham Fair but we did a Deerfield display this year and a copy of the photo is in our display.

We have two Juniors Graduating this year. Christopher Morgan of Rockingham Grange who has now been elected to Assistant Steward, and William Huntoon of Blazing Star Grange. I hope they will both continue on in their grange. Congratulations!

In closing, I want to thank our Worthy State Master, Bob Trombi, for all his support with the Junior activities this year. Of course, parents, grandparents and grangers 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.

I hope you go the extra mile and bring in Junior Grangers. If your grange is having trouble getting 7 members at a meeting these juniors can count as attending but can't vote. You can make a difference today, tomorrow and always.

Fraternally submitted,  
Joann Brandt,  
Junior Director

## LECTURERS REPORT

Worthy Master, State Officers, National Rep., brothers and sisters all,

What a year this has been. There have been many changes over the last year. Last year at session many may remember that my wife Lynn was pregnant. Two days later, on Monday morning Oct.26<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 815 am Ethan Daniel Clark came in to the world.

We have seen changes to each of our lives in the daily routines we have. It has been great being able to get out and see others face to face. Whether they were family, close friends, co-workers that have been working remote, or grange members. The last two years have been a great opportunity for me to reflect back on the lessons that are taught in every aspect of the ritual we follow as grange members. From the opening to the closing, the installation, the memorial services, the draping of the charter, and the degree work of all levels of the grange there is a lesson to learn. I hope we have not forgotten those lessons and continue to apply them to our daily lives.

With the ever-changing waters over the past two years, sometimes daily, sometimes hourly, it did make it difficult to schedule and plan stuff. I was able to hold the bowling day on March 14<sup>th</sup> at lakeside lanes. We had 42 bowlers as well as others who came to support and help out. The following is a list of the winners:

Women Class A  
1<sup>st</sup> Hannah Rogier  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lucia Savage  
3<sup>rd</sup> Melissa Lynch

Men Class A  
1<sup>st</sup> Arthur Merrill  
2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Twiss  
3<sup>rd</sup> Matthew Clark

Women Class B  
1<sup>st</sup> Goldie French  
2<sup>nd</sup> Becky Rogier  
3<sup>rd</sup> Megan Ricker

Men Class B  
1<sup>st</sup> Andrew Savage  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lawrence Brandt  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wilber Heath

Women Class C  
1<sup>st</sup> Emilie Leclerc  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ava Twiss  
3<sup>rd</sup> Beth Merrill

Men Class C  
1<sup>st</sup> Blaze McMullen

Juniors  
Age 6-9 Connor Scanzani  
Age 10-12 Seth Clark  
13-15 Trevor Clark

I am pleased to announce that the 2022 bowling day will be Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, starting at 12 noon. There will be an increase in the fees this year as the bowling center went up on their price. The price will be \$16 for adults and \$12 for Juniors. I look forward to seeing many there. The Grange month event was once again cancelled due to Covid-19. I will be planning a Grange month event in April. Look for more details to come later.

There has been a group of crafters that have been meeting at the State Grange Building during the winter to work on different things. Using the Grange Building for such items as making a quilt that can cover three or four tables during the “laying it out” process is much easier than trying to do it in someone’s house, and still have room for all the other necessities to go with that. I will be working with the group to get some dates and times to continue this.

On Saturday Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> a small group of people gathered for the talent showcase. There was one entry. Lynn Clark joined by her sons Trevor, Seth, and Jared performed “God Bless The USA” by Lee Greenwood. They will be performing at the banquet tonight as well as representing New Hampshire at the National Talent Showcase in Wichita, Kansas next month. The Clark family will be road tripping to nationals leaving on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and returning home on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. More details about that next year.

Time for me to be honest. These last two years have been trying. Many granges have not met. Some have met via online meetings. Whatever your grange’s situation has been it has been hard. I know for me personally it has been hard getting back into the swing of things. I have received many contest entries this year and they are on display for everyone to look at. Please take the time to look at the work those folks have done and read the poems that were written. The following is a list of the winners:

#### Art Contest

- A. Oils & Acrylics
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason                      Watatic
  
- B. Watercolors
  
- C. Charcoals, Pastels, Pencil
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason                      Watatic
  - Junior
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Mallory Enman                      Rochester
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Cole Enman                          Rochester
  
- D. Mixed Media
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason                      Watatic
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Arthur Merrill                      Antrum
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Camilie Twiss                        Watatic
  
- E. Coloring page
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Camilie Twiss                        Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Roberta Mason                      Watatic  
3<sup>rd</sup> Kathe Twiss                         Watatic

F. 3-D Sculpture

1<sup>st</sup> Sherrill Bokousky                      Watatic

Photography Contest

A. Give it Your Best Shot!

1<sup>st</sup> Jane Trombi                              Walpole

2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Twiss                              Watatic

3<sup>rd</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

B. Photo Caption

1<sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Trombi                              Walpole

3<sup>rd</sup> Brian Twiss                              Watatic

C. Hometown Pride

1<sup>st</sup> James Jacob                              Rochester

2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Trombi                              Walpole

3<sup>rd</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

Creative Writing

I. Poetry

1<sup>st</sup> Sherrill Bokousky                      Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Judy Bailey                              Rochester

3<sup>rd</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

II. Book Report

1<sup>st</sup> Sherrill Bokousky/Ava Twiss Watatic

Create A Card Contest

Category I, Class A: Recycled Retirement

1<sup>st</sup> Sandra Marcoux                         Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrill Bokousky                      Watatic

3<sup>rd</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

Category I Class B: Recycled Graduation

1<sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrill Bokousky                      Watatic

Category I Class C: Recycled Thanksgiving

1<sup>st</sup> Ava Twiss                                 Watatic

2<sup>nd</sup> Roberta Mason                         Watatic

3<sup>rd</sup> Sherrill Bokousky                      Watatic

Category II Class A: Computer Generated Retirement

1 <sup>st</sup> Roberta Mason	Watatic
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sherrill Bokousky	Watatic

Category II Class B: Computer Generated Graduation

1 <sup>st</sup> Jane Trombi	Walpole
2 <sup>nd</sup> Roberta Mason	Watatic
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sherrill Bokousky	Watatic

Category II Class C: Computer Generated Thanksgiving

1 <sup>st</sup> Sherrill Bokousky	Watatic
2 <sup>nd</sup> Roberta Mason	Watatic

Category III Class A: Hand Stamped / Decorated Retirement

1 <sup>st</sup> Jane Trombi	Walpole
2 <sup>nd</sup> Aurora Farrell	Centennial
3 <sup>rd</sup> Beth Merrill	Antrum

Category III Class B: Hand Stamped / Decorated Graduation

1 <sup>st</sup> Beth Merrill	Antrum
2 <sup>nd</sup> Jane Trombi	Walpole
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sandra Marcoux	Watatic
Junior	
1 <sup>st</sup> Alayna Twiss	Watatic

Category III Class C: Hand Stamped/Decorated Thanksgiving

1 <sup>st</sup> Beth Merrill	Antrum
2 <sup>nd</sup> Jane Trombi	Walpole
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sandra Marcoux	Watatic
Junior	
1 <sup>st</sup> Alayna Twiss	Watatic

This year I received 8 Subordinate and 1 Pomona report back. I thank those lecturers for the info they provided. One lecturer did present her report in the form of a scrapbook this year. I would like to present a Certificate of Excellence to Sherrill Bokousky from Watatic Grange for all the work she has done in giving us a snapshot of her work as lecturer.

I look forward to this next year and all the opportunities it brings.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Clark  
Lecturer

## MASTERS ADDRESS

National Representative, State Officers, Delegates, Brother's and Sister's all,

It is with pleasure that I present to you my first State Master's Address. Although this is not the way I anticipated my address being presented to you, I am thankful to be here. The past two weeks have been very difficult for me Healthwise. As most of you know, I had a mild stroke on October 10th. The result of that stroke affected my ability to read as well as some memory and processing issues, so that is why this is being read by my wife, Jane.

Our year started off with a bit of uncertainty with Covid -19 looming around us. With our session last year having been just a one-day event, it felt like we missed seeing family that we might only see once a year. My first year as a National Grange delegate found us meeting virtually via zoom, much different than the experience I anticipated. Although we were able to have our discussions, voting and committee work virtually, it was unusual compared to an in-person experience. The National Grange administration did an admirable job maintaining the normalcy of the process during a challenging time. Everything went very smoothly and was well organized. Both Jane and I are looking forward to the National Session in person this November.

A huge thank you to my team of State Officers, Deputies and Directors for their flexibility during this time of uncertainty with the Covid challenges still surrounding us. We were unable to have our full Deputy/Leaders School in December, however the Deputies were able to meet with General Deputy Arthur Merrill to go over their duties. The Directors met with me via zoom to discuss the coming year.

I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the challenges the individual Granges faced with difficulty in holding their meetings. Many were able to meet via zoom, which allowed them to have members attend who might not otherwise have been able to. I encourage Granges as you meet in person to have the ability for members to still participate by virtual means. This will help to keep members involved and the communication lines open by expanding meeting possibilities. Since many Granges are getting back to normal, meeting in person, now is the time to begin re- expanding our reach into our communities. I encourage every Grange to find something in your community that you can support and help with and put much of your efforts into that project. Whether it be the food pantry, community garden, historical society, local park, etc., this will let people know the Grange is alive and well. Be in the public, talk to community members, find out what is needed and support that cause. Reaching out and working with other groups in the community offers the opportunity to get others interested in what your Grange is doing. But most of all don't forget to ask others to join the Grange. If you don't ask, they won't join! The current unique social challenges offer opportunities for creative outreach. These challenges should be embraced and shared within our Grange circle.



Communication within our organization is vital to its existence and growth, whether in local Granges or the State Grange. Does your Grange have members that don't attend? When was the last time you reached out to those members other than for dues payment? Have you included them in your planning of events? Have you sent them a note saying you miss them and would like to see them at a future meeting? Do they know what you are doing for community service? These are all questions you should be discussing at your meetings. I encourage all Granges to reach out to non-active members via email, newsletter, card, etc. to keep them updated and included in your local activities. I am going to request that the Deputies, during their Spring visit, challenge every Grange to expand their horizons in this direction. The Fall report filled out by the Secretaries will have a place to note how and when they reached out to all their members.

Communication is also necessary from the State Grange to the Community and Pomona Granges. Every year the State committee Directors put together a program that is given to all Granges talking about opportunities being offered to all members. This should not be the only communication during the year. I am going to encourage all my directors to send out newsletters as necessary to keep members updated on events and activities. Once this information gets to the local Granges, it is then their responsibility to be sure all members are informed. We do have electronic forms of communication, but not everyone is connected in that way.

Our State Grange website is another format of communication. Thank you to Chris Heath for embracing the need for a replacement as webmaster. Your efforts to keep the website updated is very much appreciated. It allows all our members to keep informed of what is happening within our Grange.

Membership within our organization continues to be of concern. We continue to see a decline in numbers in each Grange, which has resulted in some Granges closing and other Granges consolidating. Before a Grange considers closing, they need to make sure they have exhausted all options and reached out to their deputy or the State Master for assistance. Don't assume that closing is the only option you have. Sometimes a reorganization can come from a possible closing. This is evident in Rockingham Grange. I commend them in their efforts to remain open by recruitment of many new members to make that happen. Sometimes just reorganization is the answer.

I know there were many other points I meant to touch on, but this was as much as I had written prior to my medical issues and at this time the ideas are not coming to me. If anyone has any questions or feel there were subjects not addressed, please reach out to me. I ask that you bear with me during the healing process as I hope to make a full recovery. I would like to thank Tricia Taylor, State Overseer, for stepping in as Master to run the session and Past State Master, Chris Heath for presiding during the 6th Degree.

Fraternally submitted,

Robert Trombi  
Master, NH State Grange

## **MASTER ADDRESS COMMITTEE**

National Representative, State Officers, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters all,

Worthy Master, we thank you for your report and also hope for a speedy recovery from your current health issues.

Although your first year as national delegate was challenging, you were able to credit the National Grange administration to maintaining normalcy. To continue to get to your teams of Deputies and Directors to meet.

You recognized the challenges that Granges experienced this year and encouraged them to meet virtually. You have encouraged Granges to be more visible in their communities by working with other groups and asking others to join the Grange.

Communication is recognized by you as necessary on all levels, we hope that your requests to improve communications will be completed.

We hope that your focus on membership continues as it is a concern for all of us.

Thank you!

Sherrill Bokousky, Joann Brandt and Camilie Twiss, Master Address Committee

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**  
**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE STATISTICS**  
**REPORT:**



**AS OF JUNE 30, 2021**

<b>Total number of Subordinate Granges:</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Total number of Pomona Granges:</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>Total number of Subordinate Grange Members:</b>	<b>1,032</b>
<b>Total number of Pomona Grange Members:</b>	<b>342</b>
<b>Granges Closed this year:</b>	<b>02</b>
• Sunapee Lake	
• Hampton Falls consolidated with Gilman #1	
<b>Granges with net gains in membership:</b>	<b>03</b>

Worthy Master, Honored Guest, and Brother and Sister Patrons:

This is the report of the New Hampshire State Grange Membership Committee. We are honored to be appointed to serve new State Master Bob Trombi as Co-Directors of the State Grange Membership Committee.

Unfortunately, Covid 19 has again taken its toll on the opportunities for the past year. We need to get our Granges re-energized.

Regrettably, we had no events during this year. I realize that in my own world Grange has not been a priority. Like many Grange members, I got out of the habit of doing Grange. We are not alone. My own Church, the United Church of Winchester, is experiencing this as well. People are now out of the habit of attending Grange and Church.

This year is about getting back into the habit of “doing Grange!” How do we do that? We figure out how to get our individual Granges back to together, either in person or by using Zoom or Facetime. If you have members who are uncomfortable being present in person, give them the opportunity to join the members gathered at your meeting location, using one of these two platforms.

At your meeting locations, do you need to ask your members to wear face masks? The Membership Committee has purchased facemasks that are available at the Membership table for Granges to take. You can also go online to Amazon and purchase a large box of them for \$14.99. Do you need to add a social distancing component to your meeting? Seat everyone six feet apart. Also, make sure your meeting location is properly sanitized. Perhaps refreshments should be individually wrapped to ensure proper sanitation? Let’s start talking to our members about how we can bring them back to Grange meetings this year.

The Membership Committee would like to recognize Norman Brandt for his work revitalizing Rockingham Grange. They have 16 new members and elected and installed a full set of officers for the coming year! Thank you, Norman, for your hard work!

This year the State Grange Membership Committee is pleased to bring you the hospitality room here at the convention. We want to thank everyone for the contributions you all made to make this a success!

We look forward to getting Grange back on track in NH next year.

Fraternally,

Jim Tetreault and Gloria Davis, Co-Directors,  
Membership Committee  
New Hampshire State Grange

## RESOLUTIONS AND BY LAWS

Worthy Master, National Representative, and Brother and Sister Patrons all,

It is with pleasure that I present the 2021 Resolutions Committee report on behalf of the Resolutions Committee. I want to thank the members – Sister Jozi Best and Brothers Bob Haefner and Jim Tetreault – for agreeing to participate on the committee.

For the second time in my tenure as Chair of the Resolutions Committee, and I'm sure due in large part to the upheaval of the COVID-19 pandemic, there were no resolutions submitted prior to this 2021 annual meeting. Therefore, without resolutions to review, the Committee did not meet in 2021.

There have been four resolutions which will be acted upon.

*Resolution #1*

*Submitted by: Antrim Grange #98*

*Subject: Thompson Memorial*

WHEREAS, there is a marker in Littleton, NH honoring John Thompson, one of the founders of the Grange, and

WHEREAS, there is no longer a nearby Grange to maintain the area,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the officers of the NH State Grange, as a committee, maintain the Thompson marker.

Discussion:

***There being no discussion, the vote was taken and it was unanimous in favor of the resolution.***

*Resolution #2*

*Submitted by: Centennial Grange # 185*

*Subject: Paper Statements*

WHEREAS, the income level in the United States is low and not everyone can afford home internet, and

WHEREAS, in this digital world most companies are trying to save money in every avenue they possibly can, and

WHEREAS, most companies charge a monthly fee to its consumers for sending out paper statements, and

WHEREAS, the consumers should have the right to choose how they want their statements delivered to them, and

WHEREAS, these delivery methods should not come at an extra charge to the consumers who use these companies for sales and service, and

WHEREAS, increased digitization of media, communications and statements are negatively affecting many people in the rural areas of the United States, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Grange support free paper statements for consumers *who desire them*, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Grange encourages banks, credit card companies, and any other businesses that sends statements to their customers monthly, to provide paper statements to their consumers at no extra charge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Grange encourages the Federal Government to better control these businesses and require them to provide the same service at no extra charge.

Discussion:

Sister Hill and Brother Collins proposed an amendment (see first resolved, above). Unanimous vote in favor

***The resulting vote on the amended resolution was a unanimous in favor***

*Resolution #3*

*Submitted by: Centennial Grange #185*

*Subject: Sale of National Grange Building*

WHEREAS, the National Grange is the oldest Fraternal Agricultural Organization in the United States and has been in existence for over one hundred and fifty years, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building was built in 1957 by the Grange and dedicated by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1960, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building is the only private edifice in a federal block in the heart of Washington, D.C. in sight of the White House, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building serves as a non-governmental headquarters for agricultural and rural families, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building is the main source of revenue for the National Grange and its programs, and

WHEREAS the blood, sweat and tears of the Grange membership for all generations has labored long and diligently to procure the National Grange building, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building is an iconic symbol of our great fraternal order, and

WHEREAS, the National Grange building, if sold, would displace the current tenants that have offices in the building, and

WHEREAS, the loss of the National Grange building would be another step towards the demise of our organization, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire State Grange go on record opposing the sale of the National Grange building, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Grange delegates to the 155th National Grange session think long and hard about the ramifications of selling the National Grange building, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Grange delegates charge the National Master and Executive committee with finding alternatives to selling the building, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if a building is purchased from the funds of the selling of the National Grange building, that every possible contingency is considered before purchasing.

Discussion:

The discussion included total expenses to fix the National Grange building. Brother Watson, Walpole Grange 125, answered the question. There is an estimate of \$8 million, not taking into consideration of scheduling and deferred rents if we do it all at once, or doing it over time and costs go up because of increased cost.

Andrew Savage Wingold Grange moved to amend resolution by deleting the last two resolves. Brother Merrill 2nded the amendment. ***This amendment was defeated.***

A lengthy discussion ensued.

Brother Merrill moved and Wilber Heath seconded to ***move the question. Passed.***

The vote on the resolution was too close to call so a division was called. The result of the division was 14 for and 19 against the resolution. ***The resolution was defeated.***

*Resolution #4*  
*Submitted by the Claremont Grange*  
*Licensed Meat Processing Plants*

**WHEREAS**, there is a shortage of licensed meat processing plants with trained personnel in New Hampshire; and

**WHEREAS**, local farmers who raise meat animals are struggling because they have no places to go to process their livestock; and

**WHEREAS**, this contributes to difficulty in the production and expansion of meat animals on New Hampshire's many farms; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** that the NH State Grange and local Granges should actively communicate with and support NH state legislators and organizations such as the Farm Bureau and the NH Department of Agriculture to encourage people into this profession, make training more accessible and cost effective and streamline rules and regulations so as not to place an unfair burden on the NH meat processing industry.

*Discussion:*

Jozi Best spoke to the resolution and described the problem with lack of meat processing facilities in the state. Further discussion followed. Brother Ross moved the question. Brother Eldrich seconded. The resulting vote was too close to call, so there was a division vote. The result of the division vote on moving the question was 18 in favor 12 nos.

The resolution is before the body, which voted in favor unanimously. ***The resolution passed.***

There being no further resolutions, this completes the Resolutions & By-laws Report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tara Sad, Chair  
Resolutions & By-laws



## SECRETARY REPORT

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

This past year although not as difficult as the previous one, has certainly been a challenge for all of us. Many Granges were still meeting electronically, via conference calls, but more in person meetings were now happening. Some of the guidelines were still being followed to keep our members safe and healthy. Again, this year no Granges were penalized for submitting late reports. I am planning on reinstating the Honor Secretary program this coming year and this will start with the December report. I would like to honor all Secretary's at the 129<sup>th</sup> Annual Session.

Subordinate Granges:

We began the year with 41 Subordinate Granges and a membership number of 1110. Sunapee Lake Grange #112 closed during the third quarter of 2020 and Hampton Falls Grange #171 consolidated with Gilman Grange #1 in the fourth quarter. This leaves us with 39 Subordinate Granges and a total membership of 1032, a loss of 78 members.

Concord Grange had a gain with 3 new members and Park Grange had a gain of 2. Gilman Grange also had a gain as a result of the consolidation with Hampton Falls.

The largest Subordinate Grange is Wicwas Lake Grange #292 with a total of 85 members.

There are several Subordinate Granges that are currently struggling to meet and the State Grange is working with them to build membership or to look for a neighboring Grange to consolidate with.

Pomona Granges:

We currently have a total of 8 Pomona Granges with a total membership of 349 leaving us with a loss of 17 members. Eastern NH Pomona had a gain in membership this past year with 2 new members. Congratulations! The largest Pomona in the State is Pemigewasset Valley Pomona #18 with 75 members.

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

5 ~ Silver Star Certificates

Rachel Bailey Scanzani	Hudson Grange #11
Sandra Bokousky Marcoux	Watatic Grange #36
Douglas Clegg	Joe English Grange #53
Marie MacDonald	Joe English Grange #53
Daniel MacDonald	Joe English Grange #53

6 ~ 30 Year Certificate  
5 ~ 35 Year Certificate  
2 ~ 40 Year Certificate  
6 ~ 45 Year Certificates

13 ~ Golden Sheaf Certificates

B. Richard Bailey	Hudson Grange #11
Eldonna Brooks	Mohawk Grange #217
Leta Brown	Mohawk Grange #217
Wayne Brown	Mohawk Grange #217
Bruce Heath	Centennial Grange #185
Eunice Hodgdon	Tuftonborough Grange #142
Barbara Humphrey	Gilman Grange #1
Dennis Hyde	Mohawk Grange #217
Arthur Merrill	Antrim Grange #98
Norma Neary	Pembroke Grange #111
Gail Paul	Gilman Grange #1
Kim Ann Swenson	Crown Point Grange #65
Russell Woodard	Mohawk Grange #217

4 ~ 55 Year Seal  
2 ~ 60 Year Seals  
10 ~ 65 Year Seals  
6 ~ 70 Year Seals

5 ~ 75 Year Diamond Certificates

Linnia Riley	Harmony Grange #99
Roberta Roberts	Wingold Grange #308
Richard Stevens	Wingold Grange #308
Maxine Tyler	Mt Hope Grange #77
Marguenta Yeaton	Rochester Grange #86

5 ~ 80 Year Letters

Edna Bartlett	Concord Grange #322
Gorden Gowen	Walpole Grange #125
Wallace Hooper	Joe English Grange #53
Irene Lynde	Concord Grange #322
Frances Towne	Joe English Grange #53

The month following State Session is the second busiest time of the year for the secretary's office with completing the Journal and putting together the new Roster. I'm happy to report that both the Journal and the Roster were completed by Decembers and ready for distribution with the fourth quarter mailing.

The 2021 NH State Grange Roster was slightly changed by placing two Granges on a page. This was done in an effort to reduce the number of pages as well as to reduce the cost to mail 2 copies

to each Grange. The Roster is now half the size as the previous year but due to postal increases the cost was not as low as I had hoped but none the less it still saved us some money. If your Grange has already sent the information in for the 2021-2022 Roster, thank you if not please remember the deadline is November 1st.

The Journal of Proceedings for the 147th Annual State Grange Session was completed and ready for distribution by leaders' school in December. 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 placed on the website for anyone to see. If a Grange wishes to have a hard copy sent to them all they need to do is request one. If a member would like a copy, one will be provided to them for the cost of printing and postage. Unfortunately, only three Granges requested a copy of the Journal and only two members requested one as well. I can only hope that many went to the website and read the Journal.

For those who did read the Journal, I'm sure you noticed the new format. With only having a one-day session Directors were not present to give their reports. The meeting minutes were a documentation of the events that happened during the day. Therefore, the minutes were printed as written and the reports that were submitted to me by the directors were placed in alphabetical order based off the category their department fell within. I'm planning to continue this format and hope that many of you will find it much easier to read and find the information you are looking for.

As usual, at 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. With many Granges back to meeting in person on a more regular basis the more reports were submitted on time or not as late as the previous year. Unfortunately, there are still a couple of Pomona's and one Subordinate Grange who are not current.

As the Secretary, it is our duty to keep our members informed, and this is done with the reading of communications. Each year I stress how important this is and have always tried to give you timely information and keep you informed as to what is going on.

We still seem to be failing in getting the information out to our members. The State Master recently received a letter from a concerned member and shared it with the Executive Committee. Some of their concerns were;

1. Communication and how this could be improved.
2. Each State committee has a chairman, they should keep in contact with the Granges. Sending notices and reminders to Granges instead of relying on the program set up by departments this would help in promoting their contests and increase the number of entries.

3. State leaders need to respond to emails and phone calls in a timelier manner (this is one area that I will be focusing on as this is an area that I need to improve)
4. Date documents: documents should be reviewed on a regular basis and noted at the bottom when last revised or reviewed so members will know if they have the current form. (This past year National Grange updated some of the order forms and included the revision date I will be looking at the forms used in the Secretaries office and make changes as needed and will include the date indicating that going forward this form will be the one needed.

I personally want to thank this member and let you all know that it was indicated that this wasn't done to criticize but to offer suggestions.

The supply department continues to be very busy filling orders. It never fails when I think I have filled all the orders more come in. This is a good thing and thank you all for your patients as I fill the order. There have been times when I just failed to send off an award or a needed supply item. My apologies to those who had to wait longer than expected for the supplies. I will be looking at all the forms and update as suggested in the above paragraph. Once the forms are completed, I will send a complete set to each secretary.

As is customary, an evaluation form has been included in the packet regarding this session. Please take a few moments to complete it. I am looking for any feedback about the session, positives and constructive. As you can see some changes were made this year as a result of comments and suggestions made on the forms last year. I continued with the pre-registration of Delegates as this was very popular with the Granges I may also try and include some type of pre-registration for non-delegates and do a trial run in 2022. Also, tables for the delegates were well received and many requested that this be continued as well.

Last year we faced some challenges and now is the time to reflect on them and find ways to help us grow from what we experienced. We were forced to do things differently and not what we have been regimented to do for the last 148 years. Change is good, exciting and sometimes scary. We persevered and continued to meet and remain active given what we were faced with. Now is the perfect opportunity for you to share any of your thoughts and ideas of your experiences on evaluation form.

In conclusion, I would like to thank George, Sarah and Emilie for your never-ending love support and assistance throughout the year. You have been my sounding boards and confidence boosters when things weren't going as planned.

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

## SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

The committee met in April to brainstorm about how New Hampshire State Grange can celebrate its sesquicentennial many ideas for events, contests and activities were shared and written down. Much of what was discussed were things way outside the box. Remember this is a big deal and therefore deserves big ideas.

Calendar of events:

1. Inform the Members that this milestone is approaching and plans are under way.
2. Get members involved. Do you have an idea you would like to take charge of in celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup>?
3. Communicate, communicate, communicate. We will be letting members know what is happening requesting assistance and volunteers.
4. Kick off the year of celebration at the 2022 annual session
5. Start the traveling Gavel
6. Participate in community events where active Granges are meeting
7. Promote the Grange in any positive way possible
8. Initiate at least 150 new members
9. Filling a time capsule to be opened at the 175<sup>th</sup> celebration
10. Celebration banquet October 2023

First and foremost, the committee felt that in order to accomplish these grand ideas we were going to need money so therefore fundraising will be the main focus this coming year.

The committee sponsored a Logo Contest, members were asked to create in any format a logo that could be used for fundraising and promotional purposes. The Logo had to include the New Hampshire State Grange and 150th or Sesquicentennial. The selected entry would be reworked digitally so that it could be reduced or enlarged depending on what it was being used for.

I pleased to report that we received four entries, two from Watatic Grange, one from Hudson Grange and one from Stratford Grange.

The judging was done in July by Gloria Davis, Crystal Seward, Dawn Hugron and Chris Heath. The judges had a difficult time selecting one winner so after some discussion it was decided to select two. One for invites and stationery and one for promotional materials. It was felt that both could be used on fundraising as well.

Now that we had made a selection, I contacted Amanda from National Grange to see how we could proceed with re formatting them. Being a true Granger, Amanda was more than happy to

assist us in accomplishing this task. Unfortunately, the entries selected contained more detail and required someone with more experience in this type of computer formatting.

As a result, what we will be doing is simplifying the two logos by combining portions of all entries and hope to have this completed soon.

The two entries that were selected were created by Camilie Twiss of Watatic Grange and Emilie Leclerc of Hudson Grange. The other two entries were submitted by Sherrill Bokousky of Watatic Grange and Ann Leger of Stratford Grange. All four will be receiving a ticket to the Sesquicentennial Celebration Banquet at the 2023. Thank you, ladies, for your entries.

As you have heard in the Lecturers report yesterday. We have the “Crafters” who have craft weekends at the State Grange building throughout the year. The Crafters have generously donated a handmade quilt to the committee to be raffled off. Tickets go on sale following this. The winner will be drawn during the Sesquicentennial report next year.

We will be asking each Grange to sell tickets more detail on this will be forthcoming.

If any members have a suggestion, please let us know. This is an exciting time for the Grange and the perfect opportunity let our communities know that we are still here.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Davis, Crystal Seward and Gerald J. Leclerc  
NH State Grange Sesquicentennial Committee

### **SESSION COORDINATORS REPORT**

Worthy Master, National Representative, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters,

It is again a privilege to present to you the report of the Session Coordinator,

Welcome back to the Best Western PLUS ~ Keene. The last time the session was held here was 2018 Chris Heath was Master.

This certainly has been an interesting year regarding planning the session. For some reason just when you think you have it all in place, something happens and it's back to the drawing board. You will hear more about this later in the report.

When I contacted Best Western following the 147th Session I was informed that they weren't yet booking events for 2021 and to call the first of the year. This was pretty much what all facilities were saying. So, starting the planning was put on hold for the time being.

Once the facilities started to book functions for 2021 my first choice was Keene given our new State Master Bob Trombi couldn't be elected and installed in his hometown, I thought it only fitting that he conducts his first official year as Master at home.

Several emails were exchanged with the sales manager regarding the contract, Room rates, the hospitality room, breakfast options etc. Most of this was simple and required little attention. However, as this time of year is considered peak foliage season, negotiating for lower room rates was fruitless. Even trying to get one rate for the entire stay was not an option. At this point all was set and announcements went out to the Granges with the rooming and session location details.

In April a walkthrough of the facility was held in order for us to work with the staff and share with them what we need and for the Stewards and Graces to measure the space and start planning the meeting space and court. This is also the time Ceres works with the caterer to start planning the banquet.

With all of this now completed, all I needed to do was wait until September when I make a final visit to the hotel to share with them the finer details of our session such as how many tables and chairs are needed and placement in the meeting room, display area, registration, etc.

Earlier in the report I said, " just when you think you have it all in place, something happens and it's back to the drawing board"? Well on September 2nd I received an email from the Sales Manager that I have been working with was leaving and would forward all our information to the GM to give to the new sales manager. Calls were made and was told someone would be in touch. Finally in the last week of September I received a call from the new sales manager who had a list of questions regarding the session and what meeting space we had booked. The notes left for her were very cryptic and it was not clear.

Last Wednesday I made another trip to Keene to meet with Alice in sales to review the contract and make the final tweaks. I'm happy to report that when the meeting ended the Best Western staff were all on the same page and looking forward to our arrival.

I would like to thank the Stewards, Graces, Sound Crew, and anyone else who helped prepare the meeting and display space for the session. So much happens behind the scenes and those responsible need to be commended for all their efforts.

Plans are underway for the 149<sup>th</sup> and 150<sup>th</sup> NH State Grange Sessions. 149<sup>th</sup> I am in contact with The Holiday Inn in Concord and for the 150<sup>th</sup> we will either be in Concord again or be in Manchester which is the city that hosted the 1<sup>st</sup> New Hampshire State Grange Session. More information regarding both will be announced as soon as plans have been made.

In closing I would like to thank the members of the NH State Grange for trusting me with this important responsibility. Many hours are spent preparing for this event to make sure all attendees have a great Grange experience. Please complete the survey form to let me know if there's something you would like to see or do at the session.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Leclerc, Coordinator  
New Hampshire State Grange Session

### **STATE GRANGE BUILDING**

Due in large part to the continuing pandemic, the State Grange Building was used during the past year primarily by the Grange and the Liberty Bible Baptist Church with only a couple of outside rentals. In the last part of 2020, the assembly permit was again renewed with the town of Hooksett. Orkin Pest Control was hired to deal with some issues with mice which had been noted by members of the church and the Grange crafters group. An inspection found that one of the screens over the vents in the attic was damaged and the other missing. Kevin Belval subsequently installed new screening which seemed to make a big difference with the problem. Orkin will continue to monitor the building quarterly to keep tabs on pest activity such as the mice and carpenter ants.

Beth Merrill, who is my official Executive Committee liaison and also the building janitor, met with me at the building to discuss many things in January of 2021. In February a new lightbulb was installed in the fixture above the back door, the valve seal on the toilet in the men's room was replaced, a new NH State flag was purchased and put up, and two replacement smoke detectors were purchased and installed. One dead tree had been noticed behind the building as cause for concern and members of the Executive Committee made a list and took pictures of other leaning, dead, or otherwise problematic trees and branches that should perhaps be addressed. In June, two trees and several additional branches were taken down by Accurate Tree Service and a large brush pile behind the building was chipped at the same time. The Executive Committee spent a couple of work sessions cleaning and reorganizing in the basement during the year. The fire extinguishers were inspected this past week. Beth and I will continue to meet periodically and continue to work on keeping the State Grange Building in Hooksett maintained and improved.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Boisvert, building manager

### **TREASURER REPORT**

Worthy State Master Bob Trombi, National Rep. Amanda Brozana-Rios, Fellow Officers,  
Grangers All:

As I complete my ninth year as your State Treasurer, I would like to dedicate this report to Past State Treasurer Rodney Huntoon. He was such an inspiration to me. Rodney served 20 years as



our Treasurer and retired in 2002, my final year as your State Master. I am proud and honored to follow in his footsteps

As I start my tenth year as your Treasurer, I am excited to report I did not have to withdraw anything from principal and our investments had an exceptional year. Since becoming your Treasurer the operating account has increased by over \$129,000.00. The Randall Richardson Fund by over \$16,000.00, the Educational Loan Fund by over \$69,000.00 and the Trust Fund by over \$33,000.00. Your Executive Committee has done very well managing our investments and trying to keep expenses down. We also have over \$42,000.00 in the Defunct Grange account which is earmarked to loan to Grange halls in need.

Due to the continuation of the covid pandemic Granges are still struggling to meet. With that in mind I am pleased most Granges were able to keep up with their quarterly dues. If all Granges had paid their dues and bonding, we would not have ended the year with a deficit.

Covid has made it very difficult dealing with the IRS, one year ago last August I received notice Wingold Grange received their nonprofit status back. I have tried numerous times since then to get an accepted 990N-e-postcard, to no avail. The IRS is more than a year behind in updating their records. With that said I file all ePostcards online and am happy to report that your 990N-e-postcard acceptance letter for 2020 is in your packets, except for Wingold.

I would like to take a moment in my report to thank two unsung heroes who for many years supported the GSG, John & Marjorie Burnett. Their many donations have helped offset the expenses of the GSG. Their passing will be felt for many, many years to come.

In speaking of the GSG, Hannah what can I say? Hannah, you have carried and continue to carry the GSG torch. We all owe you a huge thank you, keeping us informed about past as well as future Grange activities.

Last year I sold my final cord of firewood, retirement has been great. After returning to Rochester in April, we spent the spring cleaning out the Rochester house, put it on the market June 2<sup>nd</sup> and sold it July 4<sup>th</sup>. So now we spend our summers in Maine and winters in Florida. Thus, giving me more time to keep the accounts updated. With that, this year I was able to complete my report for the Journal and will hand it to the secretary as soon as I am done here. On our way here to Keene, we drove by Concord and dropped off the paperwork to the CPA to complete the IRS Tax report.

I will not bore you with the financial figures as they will be printed in the journal. If any of you have questions or concerns, please see me after the meeting.

Our State Grange building continues to be a major expense in our budget. We are now covering about half of the expenses with rent we receive which is such a big help. The executive committee has signed a new rental agreement with Liberty Bible Baptist Church. It is good to have a regular tenant in our building. Anne Boisvert our building manager and Hannah West who handles our rentals deserve our thanks for all they do. Thanks Anne & Hannah.

With the report from the post office that mail will be slower from now on, I am very concerned that bills won't reach me in time to avoid late payments. The secretary and I are closing the current credit card account with Bank of America and have opened a new one with TD Bank.

This will allow me to access the account online at any time and make payments directly. Jerry will be able to send me voucher numbers, if necessary, via email which will help speed up payments.

I was pleased to be able to help with the sale of Lower Intervale Grange Hall. Peg Winton and Trisha Taylor did a great job working with the buyers. The new owners have done major renovations and are allowing Lower Intervale Grange to continue to use the hall.

I wish to thank Wayne and Gail Turcotte for their continued support, their knowledge of this office is invaluable. We keep in touch via email, and we received a surprise visit from them at our cottage this summer. Gail is doing very well considering all she has been through.

In retirement I decided I needed something else to do. General Deputy Arthur Merrill needed help with the deputy force, so I agreed to help, taking on 3 Granges. Only 1 has been able to meet, Aurora Grange in Pittsburg, it's just over 2 ½ hours from our cottage. We encountered 2 moose on our way home from the spring visit. The fall visit was their soup night, delicious. I encourage everyone to get out and visit other Granges, we had such interesting discussions.

As I have stated in the past I thoroughly enjoy serving as your Treasurer, it helps to keep my mind active during my retirement years and I will continue to serve as long as you will have me. God willing, I might be able to serve as long as Rodney, I just hope I can live up to his reputation. Thank you all for your confidence in me.

Fraternally,

Daniel P. Bascom  
State Treasurer

### **TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS**

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters, Patrons all;

The Trustees of the NH State Grange did not have their annual meeting in 2021. Due to a new job for the chairman, she forgot that they did not meet at the Deputy School in Hooksett and did not schedule one later in the year. The Trustees **will** be meeting in December this year.

This last year the Trustees received only 1 request, the amount of \$1,000 was granted. We would like to thank the Grange for the 2 donations that were received in memorial for Richard Patten.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

## WEBMASTER REPORT

Worthy Master, National Representative, State Officers, delegates, Pink Sash family members, brothers and sisters' patrons all.

Another year in the Grange has come to a close and the new year is in our headlights. This past year has seen our organization get back to some normalcy, for most, and we are starting to adapt to our new environment, world and communities. As your webmaster for the past year, I have tried my best to keep the website up to date and relevant for what has been happening throughout the year. I want to thank each and every person who has provided positive comments that have been passed along and sent in corrections for the website.

I am currently working on two new sections for the web site and hope to reveal the new material by the first of the year. The first will be a digital photo gallery of the Past State Master's wall located in the State Grange Building. This will be helpful for anyone who takes the Grange knowledge test. Hopefully this addition will be a great learning and reference tool for non-members, present and future Grangers. The second will be another photo gallery. This gallery will be a digital photo gallery on the Grange buildings, past and present, of the State of New Hampshire. These photos are originally from a scrap book that was compiled and provided by Paul and Rhoda Davis. The goal of this section will be to make this "virtual" scrap book available for all members and the public to view.

The goal of the webmaster, moving forward, is to have members, directors and officers send material, information, programs and notifications that are ready to be implemented into the website. Too often, this past year, I found myself reaching out to people to get information for the web site. In a perfect world, everyone would send me their news and information in a timely fashion so that it can have maximum exposure on the site so that any and everyone who is looking for the information can find it. With this being said, the best way to get information to me is via email sent to [webmaster@nhgrange.org](mailto:webmaster@nhgrange.org) Providing information in face-to-face conversations or over the phone can often be lost, resulting in hurt feelings, disgust towards a person, or animosity for inattentiveness to requests. To avoid this, I ask that as long as I am filling this position, I will only accept information provided through the email address.

Thank you, Worthy State Master, for the opportunity to serve the organization in this capacity. I would like to thank Junior Director, Joann Brandt for constantly providing updated information consistently so the Junior page could be updated. Thank you to those members who have provided information and corrections to update the website. I personally want to thank my predecessors for updating, modifying and maintaining the website over these past few years. Their hard work and dedication to their job has made my job easier and more enjoyable.

Respectfully,

Chris Heath  
NH State Grange webmaster.

## **YOUTH REPORT**

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

We have once again completed another Grange year, and while this one was still different from what we are accustomed to, it was much closer to where we were. Our Youth activities were limited, but we learned and grew once again. With conditions still being unfavorable to a large gathering in February we tried something completely new and went virtual and asynchronous. We posted online through the State Grange Website hours of activities that could be done on your own time that were similar to activities we would have completed in person. From the Grange Knowledge Test, to sign-a-song videos to paper-craft tutorials. My hope was for people to come together within their household or their local Grange and participate where they felt most comfortable. While I hope that we can continue to meet in person moving forward, I think that this is a great way for us to think about leveraging the power of the internet for our benefit.

By the beginning of May it seemed as though the local epidemic conditions were improving enough that we felt comfortable holding our June Youth Rally in person. This was our first real event in over a year and it felt good. While attendance was limited due to the relatively short notice, we had a great time. The weather gods were not in our favor by providing us with a heat wave so we had to pivot once again the day of and ditch our community service idea of cleaning up some of the flower beds at the State Grange building. Our mighty group worked on some paper crafts, Escape rooms, the Grange Knowledge Test, and general fellowship after a long and difficult year. After dinner, we went old-school and brought back some classic lecturer activities to round out our day. It wasn't exactly as we had planned, but it was a great day.

For reasons beyond my control, our planned virtual North East Youth Conference was cancelled shortly before it was scheduled to take place this summer. We were invited to attend virtual workshops from other regions and for participants to take part in virtual public speaking and sign-a-song contests. Unfortunately, these were not open to spectators. I hope that National Grange will continue to support not only the Northeast Region, but all regions in hosting these conferences in the next year.

There were many Granges and Grangers that have thrived this year. Winners for all prizes can be seen on the display. Congratulations to all of those who participated in the Grange Knowledge Test and in the various contests. Watatic Grange has once again blown my mind with the enthusiasm and participation of their youth members in their local activities. There is a great deal of talent there! Please take a look at some of the hard work that they have done that is displayed. An additional thank you goes out to all of those Granges and individual grangers who have supported the youth and youth activities in the state through your presence, your smiles, and unwavering moral support over the last year.

Our Youth Department theme for the next year will be “Moving Forward.” How can we move forward and grow? How can we move forward and improve? How can we move forward and welcome others? With this in mind we have three brand new contests that are launching this year so please see the 2022 program for full details! I hope that we have all grown from the many challenges we have endured in the last 18 months and I truly look forward to the coming year.

Grange T-Shirt Contest

1st place: Sherry Bokousky

2nd place: Roberta Mason

3rd place: Brian Twiss

Open Category T-Shirt Contest

1st place: Ava Twiss

2nd place: Sandra Marcoux

3rd place: Brian Twiss

Paper Craft Contest

1st place: Roberta Mason

2nd place: Cam Twiss

3rd place: Sherry Bokousky

Fraternally,

Rachel Scanzani

Youth Director, NH State Grange

## **NH GRANGE FOUNDATION**

October 23, 2021

To the officers and members of the New Hampshire State Grange:

This is the Annual Presidents report of the New Hampshire State Grange foundation. This year’s President Report is short this year due to Covid 19.

The foundation met in July via zoom and with the economic conditions turning around from last year’s reporting, our endowment has performed well in the stock market this year, thus allowing us fund two \$5, 000.00 scholarships Details will becoming available in the next issue of the Granite State Granger.

With the onset of the pandemic technology has played an important role in allowing us to meet in the comfort of our homes. One of the “complaints” I had was that it took longer to get to our meeting than the actual meeting itself. Zoom has allowed us to have good thoughtful meetings, without long distance travel, it has also allowed members who live a long distance to still be part of the meeting and share their talents on a regular basis

I want to thank all of the Directors for serving.

Sincerely,

Jim Tetreault,  
President NH State Grange Foundation

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Saturday, October 17, 2020  
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 10:15 am

Minutes from the August 27, 2020 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Chris Heath to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

A recommendation was made that the reports of the Treasurer, Secretary and Executive Committee be made part of the program for State Session. All members were in agreement.

Discussed how Granges are meeting during the pandemic. Some are meeting in person; some are using ZOOM and some are doing conference calls. There are still some that are not meeting regularly.

Master's Report:

- No information has been received from Crown Point Grange requesting to consolidate or close.
- A public Service Announcement was recently printed in the Concord Monitor regarding Grange Advocacy.

Secretary's Report:

- State Session is next Saturday and everything is ready to go!

Agenda Items:

- The new lease with Liberty Bible Baptist Church has been signed. No issue with the rent increase.
- Driveway work was recently done and several members of the committee were not pleased with the puddling. Wilber will work with Ann Bovert to have the issues corrected.
- Arlington Grange is behind in paying their loan, as a result they will be charged 5% for the balance due.
- The Treasurer has the e post cards ready and will be added to the program packets which will be distributed at state session.

- Beth met with Anne Bosivert and spoke about possibly adding a \$50 cleaning/damage fee to the rental agreement. No decision has been made yet.
- Beth spoke of the wild fires in California which has destroyed many structures including Grange Halls. She suggested that perhaps the NH State Grange show support and encourage Granges in NH to donate Gift cards to Home Depot, Lowes.... A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to donate \$500 to the Grange Hall rebuilding in California. The vote was favorable.

Treasurer's Report:

- The Income and Expense reports were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to accept the reports. Vote was favorable.
- The proposed 2020/2021 Income and Expense budget were presented and discussed with some adjustments being recommended and made. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to accept the amended budgets and present them to the delegate at State Session. The vote was favorable.

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Tricia Taylor to adjourn. The vote was favorable.

The next meeting will follow the close of session on October 24, 2020.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

Treasurer and Secretary 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 24, 2020  
Best Western PLUS ~ Portsmouth, NH

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

Absent: Chris Heath

The meeting was called to order at 2:43 pm. By Chairman, Robert Trombi.

Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to appoint Tricia J. Taylor as Chairman of the Executive Committee. Vote was favorable.

Motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Bob Trombi to appoint Gerald J. Leclerc as Secretary of the Executive Committee. Vote was favorable.

Next meeting will be Saturday December 12, 2020 (Time and location to be announced)

Motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Mark Collins to adjourn. Vote was favorable.

Meeting closed at 2:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Saturday, December 12, 2020  
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

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

Absent: Daniel Bascom

The meeting was called to order at 11:36 am

Minutes from the October 17, 2020 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Minutes from the October 24, 2020 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the minutes as presented. Vote was favorable.

Minutes for the 147<sup>th</sup> Session of the New Hampshire State Grange were presented. Motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Chris Heath to accept the minutes as amended. The vote was favorable.

General Deputy, Arthur Merrill installed Christopher Heath as a member of the Executive Committee.

Master's Report:

- State Master Robert Trombi Presented Christopher Heath with a Past Masters pin.
- Reported on the happenings of the National Session. This year due to the pandemic, National Session was held virtually and from all indications went well.



- Adam Terrell of Walpole Grange participated in the Evening of Excellence.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the Masters report. Vote was favorable.

Secretary's Report:

- The 2021 New Hampshire State Grange Roster is completed and will be sent to the Granges with the quarterly packets. This will be sent to the Webmaster to be placed on the State Grange web page.
- The Journal for the 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the New Hampshire State Grange is completed and ready for distribution. This will be sent to the Webmaster to be placed on the State Grange web page.
- The following Granges are behind in reporting:
  - Mascoma Valley Pomona
  - Northern NH Pomona
  - Golden Rod Grange
  - Mohawk Grange
  - Mt Pistareen Grange
  - Pine Grove Grange

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the Secretary's report. The vote was favorable.

Treasurer's Report:

- Received check from Lower Intervale Grange for the sale of their hall.
- \$1,000.00 will be sent to them as prescribed in the By-laws. They are requesting an additional \$2,150.00 to cover building a storage closet at historical society, moving expenses (they had to hire someone to help them move) and new liability insurance.
- Letters were sent to all (24) Granges that had not completed their NH nonprofit renewal. It included how and where to complete the renewal.
- Updated the delinquent Granges account. This includes legal expenses State Grange has incurred helping subordinate Granges, plus expenses State Grange pays on halls until they are sold. It is our hope to recoup this money if or when the Grange closes.
- Bonding only one not paid from last year, Northern NH Pomona \$42.00. I will remind them.
- Requesting to withdraw about \$5,000.00 from principal to cover budget.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to grant Lower Intervale Grange the additional \$2,150.00 to cover moving and storage expenses. The vote was favorable. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to allow the Treasurer to withdraw \$5000.00 from principal to cover the budget. The vote was favorable.

A letter was received from the "New" owner of the Lower Interval Grange Hall and property detailing what the plan is for the future of the building and how they would like to honor the Grange History in the area. After some discussion, it was agreed that before the new owner

proceeds to far the State Master will send a letter to the owner with contact information at National Grange regarding any trademark protection information.

#### Old Business:

- Hampton Falls Grange: State Master Robert Trombi received a copy of the Letter sent from Hampton Falls Grange#171 requesting to consolidate with Gilman Grange #1. He also received a copy of a letter from Gilman Grange #1 inviting Hampton Falls Grange #171 to consolidate with them. And a copy of the letter sent to the members of Hampton Falls Grange #171 informing them that at the December 17, 2020 meeting the membership present will vote on the consolidation.
- Halloween Grange: The necessary Grange property has been removed from the building. Chris Heath will go and place a lock on the door and post no trespassing signs on the property. He will also contact a realtor in the area to sell the building and its contents.
- Signage for the State Grange property has been received. Wilber will work with the building manager regarding installation.

#### New Business:

- Received a request from Concord Grange #322 to withdraw \$500 from their escrow account. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Bob Haefner to grant the request. The vote was favorable.
- Chris Heath reported that he has removed record books from Granges that have closed and are being held in the museum room. The plan is to catalogue them and offer them to the historical societies of the towns where the Grange was. If they don't want them or if they are in tough condition, they will be discarded.
- The Baptist Church is not breaking down after their services as stated in the lease. Beth will work with the building manager and see if any other agreement was made with the church.
- Discussion was held on who the liaison from the Executive Committee to the Building Manager should be. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins that Beth Merrill be appointed as the liaison. The vote was favorable.
- It has been noticed that the State Grange Building is experiencing some pest activity. Beth will contact the building manager to see what the status is with our Orkin treatments.
- It was reported that the Web master (Matthew Collins) has resigned. The State Master will be looking for a replacement.
- Mark Collins has offered to re-institute the Executive Committee task sheet and will take charge of it going forward.
- State Secretary announced that the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Session will be held October 21 – 24, 2021 at the Best Western PLUS ~ Keene. More information will follow as the time approaches.
- Roll Books for each Grange is property of the New Hampshire State Grange and when a Grange closes these are to be turned over to the State Grange. Currently these are being

stored in two different locations. Jerry Leclerc reported that plans are underway to move ALL roll books to the State Grange Building where they will be sorted, catalogued and stored. The most recent ones will be accessible for those needing to research when someone originally joined the Grange.

- The basement at the State Grange building is in desperate need of being cleared and reorganized. The Executive Committee will hold a cleaning day on February 20, 2021 from 9 am to 12 pm. This will be followed by a pot luck lunch and an Executive Committee meeting at 1:00 pm.
- The brush pile in the back of the building needs to be removed. Chris Heath will contact the Hooksett Fire Department to see if we can move the pile and burn it on site.

Motion made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Chris Heath to close in public session and open in executive session. Vote was favorable.

Closed at 1:29 pm

A motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Chris Heath to close in executive session and return to public session. Vote was favorable.

Returned to public session at 1:56 pm

Next meeting will be Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 1:00 pm.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber Heath to adjourn. The vote was favorable.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Saturday, February 20, 2021  
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

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

Absent: Daniel Bascom

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman Tricia Taylor. The meeting was preceded by a work day cleaning the basement and records room at the State Grange Building by the members of the Executive Committee.

Minutes from the December 12, 2020 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master Report:

- Hampton Falls Grange officially consolidated with Gilman Grange on December 12, 2020. Due to a snow storm the meeting to vote was cancelled. The State Master used his executive power to officially consolidate the two Granges.

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to accept the Masters report. The vote was favorable.

Secretary Report:

- The following Granges have not yet reported for the quarter
  - Blazing Star Grange #71
  - Dorchester Grange #280
  - Mt. Pistareen Grange #145
  - Park Grange #249
  - Pine Grove Grange #298
  - Stratford Grange #238
  - Northern NH Pomona #5
  - Mascoma Valley Pomona #7

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to accept the Secretary's report. The vote was favorable.

Treasurer Report:

- The income and expense reports were e-mail to the members prior to the meeting for review.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Trombi to accept the Treasures report as presented. The vote was favorable.

Old Business:

- Halloween Grange Hall: all keys have been turned over to Chris Heath. Chris will be contacting a realtor to put the property on the market.
- Baptist Church: There have been some concerns with the Church not breaking down after the services on Sunday as stated in the lease. Beth Merrill has been addressing this with Anne and will be speaking with the Pastor once she receives a full copy of the lease.
- 148<sup>th</sup> State Session: Plans are underway to hold the session at the Best Western in Keene. A walk through has been set up with the hotel and the officers who have meeting space responsibilities. IT is hoped that a final contract will be ready to sign at the next Executive Committee meeting.

- Record Books from closed Granges: Chris Heath has begun to organize record books that are stored at the State Grange building. He has completed what is in the museum room and has documented what we have and ones that were destroyed due to the unsafe condition. There are still some in the basement. He will continue to organize them and contact the Historical Societies of the towns that these Grange were from to see if they would like them.
- Roll Books: All roll books previously held by the State Historian have been moved to the Records Room at the State Grange Building, the secretary will begin the process of organizing and cataloging them.

New Business:

- Tree Removal: A new quote was received for the removal of a tree and the brush pile in the back of the State Grange Building. At the meeting it was discussed and agreed to ask about adding some removal of branches from other trees. Mark Collins took pictures and sent them to Anne to share with the tree removal service. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the revised quote. The vote was favorable.
- Inter net and Cameras: it appears that there are some issues with the functioning of the internet and the security cameras. Further research will be conducted to see how to resolve the issues.
- Large Chairs left from previous owner: It is felt that the chairs take up a lot of space and are not used for any events. It was discussed whether we keep them or sell them. After some further discussion a motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Robert Haefner to keep three and sell the others. The vote was favorable. Beth Merrill will coordinate this with the building manager.
- Wb Master: Chris Heath has agreed to be the Web Master for the State Grange website. He is working on getting programs and other information from the directors to be put on the site. He has updated the front page and will continue to make changes as needed.

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to adjourn. The vote was favorable.

Next meeting will be Saturday, May 8, 2021. We will continue the cleaning project at 9:00 am, pot luck lunch at 12:00 pm meeting at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Saturday, May 8, 2021  
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

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

Absent: Mark Collins

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman Tricia Taylor. The meeting was preceded by a work day continuing with cleaning the basement and records room at the State Grange Building by the members of the Executive Committee.

Minutes from the February 20, 2021 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master Report:

- Gave highlights of the recent Masters conference hosted by National Grange.
- Granite Grange Hall: The Master spoke of some concerns he has heard about with the condition of the hall. He asked if someone would be willing to go and check out the building and do an inventory. The State Secretary has offered to do this.
- Halloween Grange Hall: Reports that a cat was stuck in the building and a neighbor assisted the owner in freeing the cat. Neighbors are concerned with the condition of the structure.
- The National Grange Journal is available and has asked the secretary to order on for our records.
- Received \$500 from Grange Advocacy for cosigning a letter to Capitol Hill to support bills which authorize Medicare to reimburse cancer patients who use new cutting technology as well as the New Hampshire State Grange chronic pain op ed which appeared in the Union Leader on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to accept the report. The vote was favorable.

Secretary Report:

- The following Granges have not yet submitted the December report:
  - Claremont Grange
  - Dorchester Grange
  - Golden Rod Grange
  - Park Grange

- Pine Grove Grange
- Stratford Grange
- Mascoma Vally Pomona Grange
- Northern NH Grange
- Concerns with Northern NH Pomona: Last report was March 2019 the last known Master is no longer a Grange member and the secretary subordinate has since closed and she has not yet been able to join another Grange.

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

#### Treasure Report:

- The Income and Expense report were distributed and discussed.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Wilber Heath to accept the report. The vote was favorable.

#### Old Business:

- Halloween Grange Hall: Wilber met with a realtor to review options on selling the property. The building is in tough shape and is not a selling point. He will look into the possibility of breaking the site into two lots. Wilber should know more by the end of the month.
- Baptist Church: Beth requested a copy of the lease so that when she meets with the Pastor she will be prepared as to what the lease contains. She has noted that some areas of concern have shown some improvement. Bob Trombi will get a copy of the lease to Beth. Bob has received a request from the Pastor asking if they could store 30 chairs in the building.
  - A motion was made by Bob Haefner and seconded by Chris Heath to NOT let the church store 30 chairs in the building. The vote was favorable.
- Granite Grange Hall: It was discussed further about selling the Grange Hall and property as is. A motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Bob Hafner to have the Secretary do inventory of the building and report back at the next meeting. The vote was favorable.
- NH State Grange Session: Plans are underway to return to a full session at the Best Western ~ PLUS in Keene. The State Ceres is currently working with the hotel to finalize the banquet. More information will be sent as the session approaches.
- Tree Removal: The tree removal has been scheduled for June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Padded wooden Chairs: No progress yet on the selling of the chairs.
- Outside Storage unit: Discussed placing a storage unit on the property for the purpose of storing a lawn mower and other gardening tools. The committee has previously voted to purchase one how ever there is some concern as to where it can be placed and does the town of Hooksett has an ordinance for such a structure. The secretary will contact to town of Hooksett and report back at the next meeting.

- Granite State Grange Hall: Chris Heath will contact a realtor next week.

New Business:

- Renting the State Grange Building: Discussed the possibility of returning to renting the building at 50% capacity. Motion was made by Gerald Leclerc and seconded by Chris Heath to begin renting the building again. The vote was favorable.
- Noted that the John Thompson Memorial in Littleton is in need of some attention.
- Motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Chris Heath to use the remaining balance of the funds from the 125<sup>th</sup> celebration and apply it to the 150<sup>th</sup> celebration. The vote was favorable.

Next meeting: August 21, 2021. We will continue to do the cleaning project at 9:00 am, pot luck lunch at 12:00 pm and meeting at 1:00pm.

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

Meeting adjourned at 3:06 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Saturday, August 21, 2021  
State Grange Building, Hooksett, NH

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

Absent: Robert Haefner, Wilber Heath,

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman Tricia Taylor. The meeting was preceded by a work day cleaning and organizing in the Museum room at the State Grange Building by the members of the Executive Committee.

Minutes from the May 8, 2021 meeting were presented. Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to accept the amended minutes. Vote was favorable.

Master's Report:



- At a recent open house hosted by Rockingham Grange, they received the applications for 16 new members. Daniel Bascom will be performing the obligation ceremony on the 16 applicants at the next meeting.
- New Hampshire was well represented at the Grange Revival in South Dakota with a large turn out from the Heath Family. Many have already made reservations for the next one!
- A memorial service was held earlier in the day for Past Junior Director Carolee Barrett who passed away at the beginning of the pandemic. State Chaplain, Kathy Yardley did a nice job in performing the service.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to accept the Master's report. The vote was favorable.

#### Secretary's Report

- The following Granges are behind with reporting to State Grange:
  - Mohawk Grange
  - Mount Hope Grange
  - Mt Livermore Grange
  - Mt Pistareen Grange
  - Park Grange
  - Stratford Grange
  - Wingold Grange
  - Mascoma Valley Pomona
  - Northern NH Pomona

All Granges will be notified that they will not have voting privileges at State Session if the past reports and dues payment are not received prior to the start of the session.

Motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to accept the report of the secretary. Vote was favorable.

#### Treasurer's Report

- The Income and Expense reports for the June quarter were presented and reviewed.

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

#### Unfinished Business:

- Granite Grange Hall: Nothing new to report as the inventory of the buildings contents has not yet been completed.
- Halloween Grange Hall: The property has been put on the market and hopefully will be sold soon.
- Granite State Grange Hall: The offer made to the abutter was rejected as there were several concerns with the current structure and the cost associated with its removal. After some discussion a motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to offer a selling price of \$5000 with the purchaser paying the closing costs. The vote was favorable.

- State Session 2021: Plans are well underway for returning to a full session. Many of the changes made last year will continue such as pre-registration, tables for the delegates. Masks and social distancing will be looked at as we approach the session and decisions will be based off of what is recommended by the COC.
- Hospitality Room as the session currently has no host. A motion was made by Beth Merrill and seconded by Mark Collins to offer a Grange or individual \$200 to host the room. The vote was favorable.
- Baptist Church: The time for reviewing the lease is approaching and will be voted on at the next meeting scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 pm via ZOOM.
- It's been reported that the parking lot at the State Grange building is being used by the public who cross the street to enjoy river activities. A motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Robert Trombi to place a sign in the paring area stating private property on public parking. The vote was favorable.
- The lawn mower at the State Grange building is in need of a new carburetor. Motion was made by Mark Collins and seconded by Robert Trombi to pay up to \$50 to repair the mower. The Vote was favorable.
- Wooden Chairs: after some discussion a motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Beth Merrill to table action on the chairs until after state session. The vote was favorable.

#### New Business

- State Treasurer, Daniel Bascom presented each member of the committee with a proposed 2021-2022 Income Budget and a 2021-2022 Expense Budget for the members to review prior to the next meeting.
- Beth Merrill spoke of some of the prep work currently underway regarding the Big E. More information will be coming out soon and request and as always, they will be looking for volunteers.

A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Trombi to adjourn. The vote was favorable.

Next meeting will be September 23, 2021 at 8:30 pm via ZOOM and October 16, 2021 at 10:00 am at the State Grange to vote on the budget and to audit the Secretary's and Treasurer's book. The meeting will be followed by State Officers rehearsal.

The meeting closed at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

New Hampshire State Grange  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Thursday, September 23, 2021

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 8:30 pm. By Chairman, Tricia J. Taylor. This meeting was held virtually via ZOOM.

The purpose of this meeting was to review the new lease between the New Hampshire State Grange and the Liberty Bible Baptist Church.

The lease was emailed the committee prior to the meeting for review. The committee discussed various sections of the lease and made several changes mostly to wording for clarification.

A motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Robert Haefner to approve the amended lease. The Vote was favorable.

State Secretary gave an update for the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual State grange Session

- Meeting space will be set as it was in 2020 with tables for the delegates to keep with social distancing.
- Pre-registration was well received last year and will be continued. Forms have already been set to the Granges.
- Hospitality Room Bob Trombi was contacted by the State Membership Committee offering to be the Host!
- There is currently only one resolution not related to the By-laws but several other Granges indicated that they will be bring some to session. They have been instructed to provide 75 copies.

Some discussion was had as to mask wearing at the session. Whereas regulations can change at any time it was felt we should have a set expectation. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Mark Collins that all attendees must abide by the hotels requirements as well as wearing a mask during the meeting. The vote was favorable.

Halloween Grange Hall: Wilber Heath reported that an offer of \$70,000 has been accepted for the Grange building and property. More information to follow.

Granite State Grange Hall: A purchase and sales agreement has been submitted. A motion was made by Chris Heath and seconded by Robert Trombi to move forward with this. The vote was favorable. It was decided that State Secretary, Gerald Leclerc be the authorized signer for the New Hampshire State Grange.

Phone at the state Grange building is not working. Jerry will contact Comcast and have this looked at.

A Motion was made by Wilber Heath and seconded by Mark Collins to adjourn. The vote was favorable.

Next meeting will be October 16, 2021 at 9:00 at the State Grange Building to discuss the 2021-2022 Budget and to audit the Secretaries and Treasurers books.

Meeting closed at 10:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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

Exhibit C  
 NH State Grange  
**Expenses 2019-2020**

Date	Paid To	Account Charged	Check #	Amount
10/10/2019	9 Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		208.21
				1,250.00
10/9/2019	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3015	0
10/15/2019	9 Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3016	44.38
10/15/2019	9 Monroe Classics	Historian	3017	146.00
10/15/2019	9 Arlene Fall	Deputy Milage	3018	34.80
10/15/2019	9 Hooksett Water Treatment	State Grange Building	3019	63.00
10/15/2019	9 Lavallee Oil Co	State Grange Building	3020	119.00
10/15/2019	9 Daniel Bascom	Postage	3021	51.30
10/18/2019	9 Monroe Classics	Historian	3022	146.00
10/18/2019	9 Andrew Savage	Deputy Milage	3023	210.90
10/18/2019	9 Ida Hutchins	Deputy Milage	3024	62.40
10/18/2019	9 Arlene Fall	Deputy Milage	3025	58.70
10/18/2019	9 Arthur Merrill	Deputy Milage	3026	686.80
10/18/2019	9 Kim Bascom	State Session - flowers	3027	107.50
10/18/2019	9 John Porter	State Session - speaker	3028	100.00
10/19/2019	9 Elizabeth Almtrom	State Session - musician	3029	239.70
10/19/2019	9 Adam Terrell	Youth travel	3030	500.00
10/30/2019	9 Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
11/8/2019	Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		171.06
11/1/2019	Business Card	Print/postage/supplies/session	3031	921.49

11/5/2019	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	3032	55.00
11/5/2019	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	3033	23.10
11/5/2019	John Plank - state session	Rep travel	3034	691.92
11/12/2019	9 Mary West	State Session - feast	3035	39.90
11/22/2019	9 Consolidated Communications	State Grange Building	3036	87.97
11/26/2019	9 Fireside Inn	State Session	3037	2,811.3 9
11/29/2019	9 US Treasury	Jeremiah Smith - nonprofit	3038	600.00
11/29/2019	9 US Treasury Bank Charge	Wingold - nonprofit Misc	3039	600.00 3.00 3,458.0
12/6/2019	National Grange void	Dues	3040 3041	0 0.00
12/6/2019	Business Card	d school, postage, supplies, print	3042	781.07
12/7/2019	Norman Brandt	Agriculture Dept	3043	100.00
12/7/2019	Kathy Yardley	Family & Community Dept	3044	375.00
12/7/2019	Richard Patten	Grange Services	3045	75.00
12/7/2019	Jane Trombi	Lecturers Dept	3046	300.00
12/7/2019	Robert Haefner	Legislative Dept	3047	175.00
12/7/2019	James Tetreault	Membership Dept	3048	750.00
12/7/2019	NH State Grange	Trust Dept	3049	50.00
12/7/2019	Rachel Scanzani	Youth Dept	3050	100.00
12/7/2019	Joann Brandt	Junior Dept	3051	200.00 1,250.0
12/7/2019	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3052	0
12/7/2019	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	3053	375.00
12/7/2019	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	3054	150.00
12/7/2019	Matthew Collins	Web Master	3055	150.00
12/10/2019	9 Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		210.42
12/31/2019	0 Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
1/5/2020	Concord Monitor	GSG	3056	242.07
1/5/2020	Hannah West	GSG	3057	159.49
1/5/2020	Eversource Consolidated	Other Grange Halls	3058	22.12
1/5/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3059	81.75
1/8/2020	Eversource - direct payment void	State Grange Building	3060	174.67 0.00

1/8/2020	Ida Hutchins	State Session - membership room	3061	239.70
1/9/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3062	22.31
1/9/2020	Business Card	Supplies, printing,	3063	533.52
1/9/2020	Concord Monitor	GSG	3064	void
1/9/2020	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	3065	400.00
1/9/2020	Mark Collins	Web Site	3066	161.10
1/9/2020	NH Farm & Forest Expo	booth deposit	3067	605.00
1/22/2020	Hooksett Water Treatment Consolidated	State Grange Building	3068	54.00
1/22/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3069	81.67
1/29/2020	Hooksett Village Water Precinct	State Grange Building	3070	66.00
1/29/2020	Chris Heath	National Session Travel	3071	882.60
				2,862.0
1/29/2020	National Grange	Bonding	3072	0
				1,932.5
1/29/2020	Crown Chimney	State Grange Building	3073	0
1/31/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
2/7/2020	Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		175.48
2/10/2020	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	3074	200.00
2/10/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3075	22.09
				1,951.0
2/10/2020	MSA Group	State Grange Building	3076	0
2/10/2020	Business Card	postage	3077	405.45
2/7/2020	Antrim Grange - cleaning	State Grange Building	3078	152.54
				1,820.0
2/7/2020	Hennessey & Vallee	Tax Prep CPA	3079	0
2/11/2020	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	3080	28.88
2/20/2020	Anne Boisvert - flag	State Grange Building	3081	33.95
				1,932.5
2/20/2020	Crown Chimney Consolidated	State Grange Building	3082	0
2/20/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3083	81.42
				2,464.2
4/16/2020	Morgan Stanley	Operating Fund	3084	4
				3,447.5
2/20/2020	National Grange	Dues	3085	0
2/28/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
3/11/2020	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	3086	300.00
3/11/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3087	21.87
3/12/2020	Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		119.95
	void		3088	
3/11/2020	Business Card	postage/supplies	3089	104.78
3/31/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
4/2/2020	Hannah West	GSG	3090	160.13

4/2/2020	Eastern Propane & Oil Consolidated	State Grange Building	3091	100.00
4/2/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3092	81.42
4/2/2020	Concord Monitor	GSG	3093	289.84
4/8/2020	Eversource - direct payment void	State Grange Building	3094	76.55
				1,250.0
4/2/2020	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3095	0
4/2/2020	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	3096	150.00
4/2/2020	Matthew Collins	Web Master	3097	150.00
4/3/2020	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	3098	375.00
4/3/2020	Chris Heath	Security Box	3099	59.50
4/3/2020	Business Card	postage/supplies	3100	142.22
4/3/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3101	21.85
4/16/2020	Hooksett Water Treatment	State Grange Building	3102	59.00
4/16/2020	Paul Lachance	State Grange Building	3103	100.00
4/16/2020	Daniel Bascom Consolidated	postage	3104	113.77
4/23/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3105	81.38
4/24/2020	New Checks			26.35
4/30/2020	Bank Charge void	Misc see 6/2	3106	28.00
		state session, postage, supplies		1,093.6
5/4/2020	Business Card Hooksett Village Water Precinct		3107	2
5/4/2020		State Grange Building	3108	66.00
5/4/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3109	22.06
5/4/2020	Town of Milford Consolidated	Other Grange Halls	3110	28.88
5/21/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3111	81.28
5/27/2020	NH Farm & Forest Expo	deposit	3112	500.00
5/31/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
6/2/2020	Antrim Grange-reissued	check # 3078 lost \$152.54	3106	0.00
6/2/2020	Hannah West	GSG	3113	159.49
6/2/2020	Business Card	Postage/Printing/Supplies	3114	193.47
6/9/2020	Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		57.80
6/11/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3115	22.06
6/11/2020	Concord Monitor	GSG	3116	239.81
6/11/2020	Lavallee Oil Co	State Grange Building	3117	69.80
				1,250.0
6/14/2020	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3118	0
6/14/2020	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	3119	150.00
6/14/2020	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	3120	375.00
6/14/2020	Matthew Collins	Web Master	3121	150.00



				3,363.5
6/18/2020	National Grange	Dues	3122	0
6/30/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		28.00
7/6/2020	Hannah West Consolidated	GSG	3123	401.05
7/6/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3124	205.20
7/9/2020	Eversource - direct payment void	State Grange Building		50.38
			3125	
7/9/2020	Business Card	postage/printing	3126	306.59
7/9/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3127	21.85
7/21/2020	Hooksett Water Treatment Consolidated	State Grange Building	3128	59.00
7/21/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3129	80.07
7/31/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
				1,889.1
8/1/2020	Lavallee Oil Co	State Grange Building	3130	0
8/3/2020	Business Card Hooksett Village Water	printing	3131	143.58
8/4/2020	Precinct	State Grange Building	3132	66.00
8/4/2020	Corp,Div, NH Dept of State	Misc	3133	25.00
8/11/2020	Eversource - direct payment	State Grange Building		242.05
8/8/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3134	22.40
8/8/2020	Town of Milford	Other Grange Halls	3135	28.88
8/8/2020	City of Concord	Other Grange Halls	3125	0.92
8/20/2020	Mark Collins Consolidated	Zoom Membership - misc	3136	149.00
8/20/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3137	80.78
8/20/2020	NH Grange Foundation - h clean void	State Grange Building	3138	150.00
			3139	
				2,000.0
8/28/2020	NH State Grange	Operating Fund - Misc	3140	0
8/28/2020	NH State Grange	Defunct Account	3141	428.30
8/31/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00
9/9/2020	Eversource	State Grange Building		254.65
9/8/2020	City of Concord	Other Grange Halls	3142	0.93
9/8/2020	Business Card	printing/postage/supplies	3143	624.05
9/8/2020	Eversource	Other Grange Halls	3144	21.83
				3,321.5
9/8/2020	National Grange Consolidated	Dues	3145	0
9/26/2020	Communications	State Grange Building	3146	80.78
9/26/2020	Hannah West	GSG	3147	156.00
9/30/2020	Business Card	supplies	3148	132.73
				1,250.0
9/30/2020	Chris Heath	Masters Expenses	3149	0
9/30/2020	Gerald Leclerc	Secretary Expenses	3150	375.00

9/30/2020	Daniel Bascom	Treasurers Expenses	3151	140.00
9/30/2020	Matthew Collins	Web Master	3152	140.00
9/30/2020	Bank Charge	Misc		3.00

**2021-2022 Income Budget**

<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<b>2020-2021</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>	<b>2021-2022</b>
		<b>2</b>

Invested Funds

Income				
5%		12,722.48	12,722.48	13,388.20
Withdrawals from Principal			5,000.00	
Special Invested Funds				
Defunct Grange Accounts	5%	1,841.00	1,841.00	1,900.32
Investment Management		1,200.00		1,200.00
Other Budget Income				
Bonding Fees Subordinate/Pomona		2,370.00	2,002.00	2,286.00
Dues & Fees		30,000.00	27,594.50	28,000.00
Family Weekend		200.00		200.00
Granite State Granger Donations		550.00	3,205.00	550.00
Miscellaneous			38,951.00	
National Grange Session 2023				
Operations - Fund Raising		2,000.00		1,000.00
Sixth Degree Fees		50.00		50.00
Spring Fling		350.00		350.00
State Grange Building Fund Donations		100.00	55.00	100.00
State Grange Building Use		5,000.00	5,650.00	5,500.00
State Session		5,000.00	584.00	5,000.00
Supply			21.70	
Total		61,883.48	97,626.68	59,524.52
returned checks			325.00	
			97,951.68	

### 2021-2022 Expense Budget

Proposed 2020-2021	Actual 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022
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Accounting Services	1,850.00	1,820.00	1,850.00
Bonding Fee Sub & Pom	2,370.00	2,386.00	2,286.00
Bonding Fee State Grange	376.00	376.00	376.00
Defunct Grange Account			
Department Expenses			
Agriculture	100.00	200.00	100.00
Family & Community Services	750.00	1,125.00	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	1,500.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	100.00	100.00	100.00
Youth	200.00	200.00	200.00
Junior	400.00	400.00	400.00
Deputies Expenses	1,700.00	546.00	1,000.00
Dues-National Grange	13,000.00	12,687.50	12,110.00
<i>Family Weekend</i>	200.00		200.00
Farm & Forest Expo	500.00		500.00
General Deputy Expenses	100.00	85.80	100.00
<i>Granite State Granger</i>	2,500.00	2,293.73	2,500.00
Leader's School- December	525.00		525.00
Legal Fees	1,000.00	301.53	1,000.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	100.00	43,641.67	100.00
National Session Assessment	1,253.00	1,162.00	993.00
National Session 2023	900.00		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	4,000.00	2,556.35	3,000.00
Sesquicentennial	500.00		500.00
Sixth Degree Fees- National	25.00		25.00
Spring Fling	350.00		350.00
State Grange Insurance	2,000.00	1,876.00	2,000.00
State Grange Building	12,000.00	16,130.37	12,000.00
Other Grange Hall Expenses	400.00	386.35	400.00
State Session	6,000.00	1,961.44	5,000.00
State Session Deposit	1,000.00		1,000.00
State Session Sound System	200.00		200.00
Supply			
Website	600.00	590.00	600.00
Totals	65,424.00	100,515.74	61,490.00

