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SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

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Last issue we learned what to do if we find the Spotted Lanternfly. This issue discusses Quarantine Regulations.

Lycorma delicatula, commonly known as the Spotted Lanternfly (SLF), is a new invasive insect that has spread throughout southeastern Pennsylvania since its discovery in Berks County in 2014. SLF presents a significant threat to Pennsylvania agriculture, including the grape, tree-fruit, hardwood and nursery industries, which collectively are worth nearly \$18 billion to the state's economy.

Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences and Penn State Extension are at the forefront of education and research aimed at stopping the spread of this exotic species. Following are resources to help growers, property owners and others understand how to identify the insect, what to do if they

find it and how to comply with agency regulations.

How You Can Comply with the Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Regulations

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA) has established a quarantine order in municipalities where SLF is known to exist. Quarantined counties as of November 2017: Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia, Schuylkill

The area of the quarantine will continue to change as new discoveries are made. As you move into and out of the quarantined area, you must



make sure that you are not transporting any living life stages of the SLF to new areas which are not yet included in the quarantine. If you believe you have discovered SLF in any area outside of the current quarantined area, report your discovery to the PDA by sending a picture to badbug@pa.gov or calling 1-866-253-7189. The most recent quarantine map for Spotted Lanternfly can always be found on the PDA website: http://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Plants_Land_Water/PlantIndustry/Entomology/spotted_lanternfly/quarantine/Pages/default.aspx

- **You should avoid parking or storing things under trees in infested areas.** The female SLF often lays eggs on objects that

(Spotted Lanternfly Management Calendar)

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Destroy egg masses	X	X	X	X	X					X	X	X
Destroy most <i>Ailanthus altissima</i> trees (1)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Treat most <i>Ailanthus</i> trees with herbicide (2,3)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Use sticky bands to destroy nymphs					X	X	X	X				
Treat <i>Ailanthus</i> trap trees with systemic insecticides (3)						X	X	X				
Registered contact insecticides may be effective (3)					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Avoid moving gravid (fertilized) females (4)								X	X	X	X	X
Avoid moving viable egg masses (4)	X	X	X	X	X					X	X	X
Predominant Life Stage Present-(one generation per year in Pennsylvania in 2015 and 2016)												
Eggs	X	X	X	X	X					X	X	X
Nymphs					X	X	X	X	X			
Adults							X	X	X	X	X	X

• X Time to use management practices.

• (1) Destroying all *Ailanthus* trees (Tree of Heaven) may result in spotted lanternfly moving to surrounding plants and increase the pest pressure on them. It is recommended about 10% of *Ailanthus* trees are left alive to serve as trap trees to attract the spotted lanternflies. Leave only male trees if possible.

• (2) *Ailanthus* trees will re-sprout vigorously from cut stumps and roots, unless they are treated with a systemic herbicide. Repeat applications of herbicide may be necessary.

• (3) Always read herbicide and insecticide labels

and follow the directions.

- (4) Before you move outdoor items from the quarantine area, check for spotted lanternfly egg masses, adults, and nymphs and destroy them. Use the checklist at the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Checklist for Residents Living in Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Areas.

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From the President's Desk

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Dear Fellow Grangers,

Summer is rapidly coming to an end. I hope of all of you had a chance to spend time with family and friends. Perhaps you got to enjoy a long deserved vacation to someplace special.

Like summer, life is rapidly passing us by. As we come into this time of gathering the harvest, let's think about what all we as Grangers can gather. We can gather those stories I talked about previously that you heard at your local fair. We can gather friends, neighbors, and relatives and introduce them to the Grange.

We can gather the bountiful harvest that God provides us in many ways. This bountiful harvest is not always in the form of food. Think about it, what all does God give us to harvest? We each have time and talents. Yes, they are a part of this bountiful harvest. What we do with them is up to us. I often have heard people say, "oh I could never do that". My question is, have you tried?

When I was in grade school up through middle school I was one of those people who might be in a room full of people, but I was all alone. I was scared to get in front of people. I was just a farmer's kid, no one wanted to associate with a farmer's kid. Then as I entered into high school I met two teachers. An

outstanding FFA Advisor and a public speaking teacher. They saw things in me I didn't. They devoted their time and talents to making me develop mine.

Today, I still get nervous when I have to get before a group of people and speak. I say a little prayer, I take a deep breath, and I push forward. However, Debbie will sometimes give me the sign to wrap it up if I'm over the limit for time. We are all the same, we all have talents and we all have fears. A talent not used is like money buried in the back yard. It will never grow or develop into something that can be harvested.

State Session is just around the corner. What talent do you have to offer? Could you write a new resolution on that issue that you think about all the time but never knew how to address? Could you run for a State office and bring a new point of view to the table? Could you volunteer to serve on a committee, or help put on a degree?

As we enter into this season of harvesting, let's not forget all the things that we can harvest. The Grange is family, it's friends, it's legislative issues, it's making a difference in communities, in our State, and our Nation. Let's gather this bountiful harvest and share it with others.

IT'S THE GRANGE WAY!!

Fraternally,
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Chaplain's Corner

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PA State Grange Chaplain

focus on the direction **He** has set before me.

I give it a toss (or cast it) upon the waters by sending it to Heather (at PGN). Once it is gone, I can just wait and wonder how far it goes. It may land in a rack in a doctor's office or lay on an empty chair in a barber shop, but it will definitely wind up in a fellow Granger's mailbox.

Recently, I had the exciting experience of seeing the ripple slap against my phone line. A long-lost Granger called to chat after having received her latest Grange News! I thank **God** for such a sudden return on **His** investment!

This very same response can happen when you send out good vibes about your Grange. It may not happen tomorrow, but an enthusiastic story about a program or benefits available to Grange members just might find its way around a break room at work or in the bleachers at a Little League game. Give it a little time, use your gifts of gab and watch for the ripple to return.

*"Do a deed of simple kindness
Though its end you may not see
It may reach, like widening ripples
Down a long eternity."*

-Unknown author

God Bless You and Yours!

Prayerfully yours,
Judy Pressler



Have you ever thrown a pebble into a lake and watched the ripples spread out towards the shore? Now, I didn't live near a lake, but I have visited one or two in my lifetime! The same phenomenon happens on a much smaller scale in a mud puddle, which I do have near my home. Given all the appropriate conditions, the ripples will bounce off the shore or edge of the puddle and start right back towards the originator.

It reminds me of a command in Ecclesiastes (11:1-2) *"Cast your bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth"* In verse 1, I see the correlation to the ripples coming back to where they started, sometimes right away and sometimes a little slower. Then in verse 2, I sense the charge to give of yourself (your time, talents, and/or money) unmindful of what is going on around you.

With these thoughts in mind, I sat down to write my article for the Grange News. I shall give of my time and talents ... not sure how money can be incorporated into my efforts! But first I must select just the right stone to throw into the water...just like David had to choose the exact right stones when he faced Goliath. I will pray for the exact right message **God** wants me to relay to the readers. Then I will study **His** word, do some extra readings and keep my





Membership News

Lizzie Bailey

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I was reading Dr. Seuss' book, "One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish," to Liam, my Grandson. Maybe you too remember reading this book to your child, or grandchild; it goes one fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish, black fish, blue fish, old fish new fish. This one has a little star, this one has a little car, say what a lot of fish there are. Some are red and some are blue. some are old and some are new.

It really is a quirky little book as it talks about Ned too big for his bed, and another with a bird in his ear. All silly little things that kids love to hear. As I thought a little bit though, it makes me think about our Granges and our diversity.

The Grange offers many different things to be involved in, whether it be agriculture, community service, rural life, legislation, family activities and socializing. We are located all across the state coming together from many different communities with different cultures and needs. Yet, we can come together as a group and support each other in our endeavors.

As we from state office have been traveling across Pennsylvania hosting new member recruitment

meetings, it has been impressive to see the diversity in our new members. Just like Dr. Seuss's fish, we all come in different shapes, sizes, ages, and talents. We have a common thread that we have a love for Grange, family values, our history, and passion for things we can accomplish together! We have new members of all ages stepping up to join the Grange, this is such an exciting time!

We have many Grangers asking us, "how are we getting these new members"... just like Dr. Seuss's book telling the story about fish, we are telling the story of Grange! Our history makes me personally burst with pride and nothing excites me more than ed-

it has done, is currently doing, and the things it will do. Resources such as social media, press releases to news media, and email blasts have assisted in sharing Grange, and the result is new members are joining our organization.

If you are interested in hosting a membership recruitment meeting, please call or email me.

I look forward in hearing from you!

Yours in Grange service,

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educating potential members about our past, present and future. I hope that you too will share the stories of your local Grange; what



Youth News

Youth Committee
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PA State Grange Youth Director



Happy September! I hope everyone is preparing for the cooler temperatures. In June we had our annual State Youth Camp that was held from the 29th



taught us how to plan the basics of a fundraiser, and make it into a carnival, making it cheap, cheesy, and fun. We all practiced our parliamentary procedure with Cassidy Cheddar in the morning. All of us participated in a tournament of Spoons. Hannah Leiben-
sperger won for the second year in a row. Lunch was followed by

the impromptus for the court. Going with our theme, we tried spin art! Coronation followed and we crowned our new Youth Ambassadors! Mikayla Davis & Isaac Mengel, who are both from Berks County, are our newly crowned royalty. After cor-



of June till July 1st. Our theme this year was Fun For All Grangers! Friday night our youth got to know one another with get acquainted games led by Grace and Jake. Also that night we took our youth camp test, to know who would be eligible for Youth Ambassador and to find our highest test score! Gail Switzer won our young adults high test score and Grace Wadsworth won our youth category.

Saturday was filled with workshops. Philip Vonada's workshop



onation we all got tickets to play many different carnival/fair themed games; duckpond, horse racing, milk can throw, face painting, penny toss, balloon dart throw and football throw. Sunday we wrapped up with worship service led by Andy Kieffer and a community service project led by Grace. We decorated bags, wrote cards, and coloring packets for the homeless kit bags. We had a great turn out this year at our camp. Thank you to everyone who made it possible. See you all next year!

- Lindsay Schroeder
Photos from Lindsay Schroeder and Grace Wadsworth

"Hi, my name is Mikayla Da-

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Program Director Denise Clare PA State Grange Program Director

Hello Summer and the heat, today as I write this it is 96 degrees and humid! We are in the midst of a heat wave here in eastern PA. Family Festival will have happened by the time you receive this. A recap will be in the next issue.

Tickets for the American Handicraft Raffle are still available. The funds raised will benefit the Grange Foundation. President Wayne Campbell has tickets for the state or you can contact myself if interested, they are \$5 each. The drawing will be November 16 at National Session in VT.

Now is the time to go out and take pictures for the photography contests! Summer is a great time to be out capturing life on film! This year the categories are: Flowers, Sunrise/Sunset, Baby Animals, Trains and Churches.



As with all of the contests, please refer to the Guide to Contests and Programs 2017-2018 for the rules and information. If you have questions, please contact a committee person, or you can con-

tact me. The report forms and the Guide to Contests and Programs is also available on the Pennsylvania State Grange website: www.pagrang.org.

For all Pomona and Subordinate Lecturers: remember your notebooks/reports are due to me by SEPTEMBER 15. These will be judged prior to State Session. Please return reports even if there is nothing to report. Make sure reports are filled out completely.

PROGRAM IDEAS:

October:

- 1st - National Homemade Cookie Day (have a cookie swap)
- 10th - National Handbag Day
- 16th - National Dictionary Day (words for thirds dictionary handout)
- 26th - National Pumpkin Day (have pumpkin desserts for refreshments)

November:

- 3rd - National Sandwich Day
- 11th - National Sundae Day (Yummy, refreshments-have a sundae party)
- 18th - Mickey Mouse Day
- 28th - National French Toast Day

December:

- 2nd - National Fritters Day
- 4th - National Sock Day (have a contest for the wackiest socks)
- 12th - Poinsettia Day
- 30th - Bacon Day

Until next time,

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vis and I am the new Pennsylvania Youth Ambassador. I am the 17 year old daughter of Mike and Angie Davis. This fall I will be a senior at Schuylkill Valley High School and I belong to the Ontelaunee Grange in Berks County. Besides Grange I play softball and basketball and I am in the Northern Berks 4-H Dairy Club. I am looking forward to representing Pennsylvania and can not wait to tell people how much fun the Grange is and all the memories and friends you make."

- Mikayla Davis



"Hello my name is Isaac Mengel and I am the 2018-2019 PA Youth Ambassador. I belong to Fleetwood Grange in Berks County. I am 17 years old and will be a senior in the Kutztown School District. Outside of Grange I am on the soccer and volleyball team, I also enjoy hunting and fishing. I am looking forward to all the different places we will travel and representing the Grange."

- Isaac Mengel

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Deaf Activities & Community Services Department

Gail Switzer

PA State Grange Deaf Activities & Community Service Director

Thank you to all those that donated to the different organizations we collected items or money for during Family Festival. Please see my department report at state session for updates about the total amount of items donated for the Birthday Boxes and Children's books.

Speaking of state session, please ensure that you send your community service reports to me by September 15. It is crucial for you to do this no matter how many projects you've completed in order for our state to receive funds from national. The report form was distributed in the recent mailing and can be found on the Deaf Activities/Community Service page on the state website: <http://www.pagrang.org/deaf--community-services.html>

In addition, the Western School for the Deaf has updated the list of needed items for their school this year. They have provided specific items that they would like for the upcoming school year. All supplies will be appreciated; but see updated list of supplies below that they have requested. Main items requested: Ball point pens, sharpie markers, index cards, manila file folders, rubber bands, page protectors, sticky notes, 2-pocket folders, eraser caps, erasers, #2 pencils, and staples. Please look below for specific information that relate to items requested.

For state session we will again be doing the book sale. Please

bring any books to donate and come by our table to purchase/donate for a new to you book. In addition, we will be collecting items for Gleaners Food Bank. Below are items that can be collected. If any more information becomes available, I will be sure to update you in the next Grange News and will post updates of the Pennsylvania Grange Community Service Facebook page.

Gleaners Food Bank

- Non-perishable food
- Paper Products
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Monetary Donations (donations payable to "Gleaners Food Bank")



Western PA School for the Deaf

- Zebra Z-Grip Retractable Pens, Clear Barrel, Black Ink
- BIC Cristal Ballpoint Pens
- Paper Mate Flex Grip Elite Retractable ballpoint pens
- Dixon #2 pencils, box of 144
- Office Depot Brand Pink Bevel Erasers, Box of 36
- Office Depot Brand Eraser Caps, Box of 144
- Expo Low-Odor Dry Erase Pen Style Markers, Black, Pack of 12
- Expo Dry Erase Soft Pile Eraser
- Sharpie Permanent Fine-Point Markers, black, pack of 12

- Sharpie Permanent Ultra-Fine Point Markers, black, pack of 12
- Alliance Rubber Sterling Rubber Bands, 1 lb box of 250
- Office Depot 2-Pocket Folders without fasteners, Light Blue, pack of 25
- Office Depot 2-Pocket Folders without fasteners, Green, pack of 25
- Office Depot 2-Pocket Folders without fasteners, White, pack of 25
- Office Depot 2-Pocket Folders without fasteners, Yellow, pack of 25
- Office Depot 2 Pocket Folders with Fasteners, Assorted
- Sharpie Accent Highlighters, Assorted Colors, Pack of 12
- Office Depot Self-Stick Notes, 3"x3", Assorted Pastel Colors, 100 sheets per pad, pack of 18
- Office Depot Self-Stick Notes 1 1/2" x 2" Yellow, 100 sheets per pad, pack of 12
- Office Depot ruled index cards, 3"x5", white, pack of 500
- Office Depot ruled index cards, 4"x6", pack of 500
- Elmer's Office Strength Glue Sticks, All Purposes, Clear, Pack of 12
- Office Depot Packaging Tape, 1.89"x109.4 Yd, Clear, Pack of 6 rolls
- Office Depot Invisible Boxed Tape, 3/4"x 36 Yd., pack of 12
- Scotch stationary masking tape, 3/4"x2160", Pack of 3
- Avery Big Tab Plastic Dividers, Double Pocket, Multicolor, 5 tab
- Paper Mate Liquid Paper Correction Fluid (White out) - Pack of 3
- Office Depot Composition Book 7 1/2"x 9 3/4", Wide Ruled, 100 sheets, pack of 3
- Office Depot Single Hole Punch, Chrome
- Office Depot Brand Standard Staples, 1/4", pack of 5 boxes
- Office Depot Binder Clips, Large, 2", Black, box of 12
- Just Basics Economy Round-Ring View Binder, 1 1/2" Rings, 350-sheet capacity - Pack of 2

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History Committee

Doug Bonsall

PA State Grange History Committee
Director

The second phase of preserving State Grange documents continued over the summer. During a year-long process, a professional records management firm has completed microfilming/digitizing/indexing of such historical documents as Journals of Proceedings, newsletters, and Grange charter applications. Then the History Committee still has a very big job remaining to make this information readily accessible. Quite a number of steps are involved with breaking down the large digitized files into PDF format files of a size that can be loaded on the State Grange website so they can be viewed and/or printed by visitors to the site. As more files become ready, the historical resources on the website will continue to expand.

A third and final planned phase of document preservation will be the microfilming/digitizing/indexing of Executive Committee minutes, officers' registers and the State Grange history books published for the 75th, 100th and 125th anniversaries. However, funding is needed before this third phase can be started so permission has been requested from the State Executive Committee to issue another appeal this fall seeking contributions from Granges and Grange members.

Also nearing completion are the summaries of significant events during the terms of each State Grange Master (President). Researching this historical information, along with the preservation work noted above, are one-time projects that once completed will not have to be done again.

A new feature of this column as space permits in each issue will be the sharing of interesting historical facts and tidbits from the amazing 150 year history of the Grange. Here's a sample:

- The Pennsylvania State Grange celebrates its 145th anniversary this year, having been organized in Reading on September 18, 1873.
- One of the largest attendances at a Pennsylvania State Grange session was recorded in 1966 when the convention met in New Castle. That year 904 persons received the Sixth Degree and 1,235 attended the banquet. State Master John Scott reported running out of registration cards as more than 2,200 delegates and guests registered.
- In the Journal of Proceedings of the 100th National Session of the National Grange held in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1966, it was noted that Grange Youth Committees had been created as early as 1934, but the Youth Department was not established at the National Grange headquarters in Washington, DC until 1949. The first appeal for the Youth Leadership Fund was authorized in 1951.
- Pennsylvania had its first Youth Camp in 1953 with 52 campers and selected its first Camp King and Queen the following year. National Grange began selecting a Youth Prince and Princess in 1961 and a Young Couple in 1962.
- National Grange sessions in the 1960's and 1970's, including the 1979 session hosted in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, were nine days long – more than twice as long as current sessions.

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- Zebra Z-Grip Medium Point Retractable Ballpoint Pens, 24 Blue Ink Pens
- Alliance Rubber Advantage Rubber Band Ball
- Sparco Multisurface Painter's Tape – 2" width x 60ft length -2 pack – blue
- Office depot Ruled Filler Paper – 3 hole punched, 16-Lb, Wide Ruled Margin, 10 ½"x8", ream of 500 sheets
- Office Depot Heavyweight Sheet Protectors – 8 ½" x 11" Clear, Pack of 100
- Office Depot Side-Application Correction Tape, 1 line x 394", pack of 12
- Avery Easy Peel White Laser Address Labels, 1"x2 5/8", box of 3,000
- Blue Sky Fashion Academic Weekly/Monthly Planner 8 ½" x 11", Mahalo July 2018-2019
- Blue Sky Academic Desk Pad Calendar, 22"x17", Mahalo July 2018-2019
- Paper Mate FlexGrip Elite, Retractable Ballpoint Pens, Medium Point, Black Barrel, Black ink, Pack of 12
- EXPO Low-Odor Dry-Erase Markers – Chisel Tip, Black, Pack of 12
- EXPO Low-Odor Dry-Erase Markers, Chisel Point, Red, Pack of 12
- EXPO Low-Odor Dry-Erase Markers, Chisel Point, Blue, Pack of 12
- EXPO Low-Odor Dry-Erase Pen Style Markers, black ink, Pack of 12
- Office Depot, file folders, 1/3 cut, letter size, Manila, Pack of 100
- Office Depot Rubber Bands #33, 3 ½" x 1/8", 1/4lb. bag
- Office Depot Rubber Bands #54, Assorted sizes, 1/4lb. bag

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Junior News

Junior Committee

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PA State Grange Junior Committee
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Happy Fall Y'all!

As I write this article it is FAR from Fall weather. I am sitting in my makeshift office at the Pennsylvania State Junior Grange Camp on a warm July Friday night and the Coronation for our Royalty Contest just ended. I am honored to announce our new Jr. Grange Prince and Princess!!! Prince Zack Perseghetti is from Log Cabin Grange in Mercer County. Princess Casandra Kehs is from Russellville Grange in Chester County. These 2 are at different corners of our great Commonwealth but will do a great job representing the Junior Grange Program throughout the year. Please ask how they can come and visit your Grange or event and share their journey with your members. The other Juniors who were on Court are Isabella Boone (Centre Co.), Jordan Downey (Lycoming Co.), Jessica Hudack (Beaver Co.), Abby Kehs (Chester Co.), Elisabeth Reich (York Co.), Kay Reyburn (Chester Co.). I am very proud of all of the Juniors!

We had an AWESOME week at the Jr. Grange Camp. The theme was "All Star Sports" Camp! We had 56 campers (11 of them new), 21 Counselor/Helpers, 3 Kitchen helpers, 5 staff (Athletic Supports), and the best Jr. Grange

highlight of the week was attending a State College Spikes Ball Game. I think I can speak for all the Juniors and report that they had a GREAT time!



Pictured above: Junior Grange Prince Zack Perseghetti and Princess Casandra Kehs



Pictured above: Camp members who were "pied" by cabin 5



Now our attention moves to State Session and Junior Jam! I hope you signed up your Junior to attend Session in Cran-



Pictured above: Junior Grange Prince & Princess with the Junior Court

Committee a Director could ever ask for! It was very hot and muggy and we said the words, "Time to Hydrate" a million times! The



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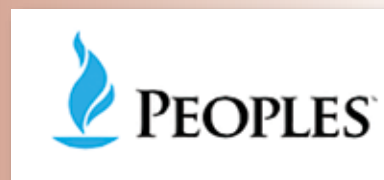


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Master Grazier & Apprentice Learn from Each Other in Formal Apprenticeship

This article features a Q&A between a master grazier and apprentice pair: Gay Rodgers and Jess Matthews from Hameau Farm in Belleville, PA; who are participating in PA-SA's Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship (DGA).

Master Grazier: **Gay Rodgers, Hameau Farm**

Why did you choose to become a master grazier?

I like sharing what I do, and if there are young people interested in this work, I want to share it with them. At first, I wasn't sure I was a "master," but once I realized that this was going to be a learning situation for everyone involved, I relaxed with it.

I feel like we graziers need to talk about what we do. It's almost like our way of dairy farming has been a secret for some time, but it's important to share it, especially now.

How has the program supported your personal goals and/or your farm?

My philosophy has always been to share your passion and what you do so that others can catch that spirit and learn from it. From the summer camp we've run on this farm for many years, now to Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship, Hameau has always been a place where mentorship is an important practice.

What have you found challenging?

The biggest challenge has



Pictured above: Master grazier Gay Rodgers (left) and apprentice Jess Matthews (right) at Hameau Farm.

probably been finding the time to teach and explain as much as I would like. The learning curve for a beginner is long. That isn't necessarily a negative—it's to be expected, and working with beginners also comes with some positives—but finding adequate time is always a challenge.

What have you especially enjoyed?

I've enjoyed the interactions with Jess, especially when she gets an idea and runs with it. She has a beginner's mind, and often sees possibilities in things I've overlooked. For instance, I've had bags of wool from our sheep sitting around for ages. Jess asked if she could play with some of them, and wound up making all sorts of

crafts, from felted animals to dryer balls, that she's actually been able to sell. There's a creativity there that has been a lot of fun to learn from and interact with.

What has surprised you about the experience?

That there are young people out there that are interested in learning this way of farming, and farming, generally. It's easy to get bogged down and depressed, thinking that no one wants to continue to do this, but there are people out there who are interested. The way they want to farm, though, might look different than the last generation. I think a lot of the next generation is especially interested in farming closer to nature, with cows out on grass.

What advice would you give to someone considering becoming a master grazier?

Just do it, but be prepared to learn something yourself. The education here isn't a one way street, and it's important to have an open mind.

Apprentice: **Jess Matthews, Hameau Farm**

Why did you choose to become



an apprentice?

I have always been interested in farming and food sovereignty, and came across this opportunity on the PASA website. I love animals and working outside, so this seemed like it would be something I would really love. Gay was fantastic in letting me have an opportunity to try this out.

How is the program supporting your personal goals?

I get to do what I absolutely love, and the program gives me a much needed structure, pay, and timeline.

What have you found challenging?

I knew there would be physical challenges; I didn't realize there would be emotional ones. I absolutely love these cows and the other animals on the farm. When they are sick or hurt, I am sad and scared for them. I know so much about them—it's hard to detach emotionally.

What have you especially enjoyed?

I don't know that I can narrow it down. Getting to know the cows; [getting to know] Gay; seeing the campers learn and grow; working with wool and milk to make cheese and butter; watching the seasons change; the amazing scenery; that one peaceful moment once all the cows are in the barn and we're about to start milking; watching calves grow; assisting with births; collecting eggs; petting calves; even scraping the barn. The whole experience is just so satisfying.

What has surprised you about the experience?

I am stronger than I thought I was! I will struggle with something (be it hiking up a huge hill, haul-

ing heavy buckets of water, chasing small heifers that got out), and day by day I will get better at it! I am surprised by just how much I love the cows, sheep, and chickens. My friends who luckily love me dearly now have to hear stories about Hava, Hope, barn kittens, and bottle feeding calves. They know the cows' names too and ask how they're doing.

How do you plan to utilize your experience after you complete the program?



I'm just not sure yet. I am a homesteader at heart and like the idea of having animals on a homestead, but I don't know. I love Hameau Farm and Gay and the cows. I don't see myself anywhere else.

What advice would you give to someone considering becoming an apprentice?

Try it! It has been a fulfilling experience for me in every way. Buy good footwear. Wear layers.

This article was originally published in PCO Organic's summer 2018 edition of Organic Matters. PCO Organic works to ensure the integrity of organic products and provide education, inspection, and

certifying services that meet the needs of their members.

PASA is a Pennsylvania-based sustainable agriculture association working to build a more economically-just, environmentally-regenerative, and community-focused food system through education and research that directly supports farmers. Learn more at pasafarming.org or call (814) 349-9856.

Modeled after apprenticeships in the skilled trades, DGA balances paid, on-the-job training with related coursework and technical instruction. DGA is a first-of-its-kind, formally accredited apprenticeship program founded by dairy farmers in Wisconsin. It's now operating in several states across the country. PASA administers the program in Pennsylvania and surrounding areas.

If you're interested in joining the Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship program by applying to become either a master grazer or apprentice, please contact Aaron de Long, PASA's Delaware Valley Hub Manager, by email at aaron@pasafarming.org or phone at (484) 680-3778.





Pictured above: Ian Seaton



Pictured above: Hannah Leibensperger



Pictured above: Mitchell Grove

PENNSYLVANIA STATE GRANGE 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Pennsylvania State Grange is pleased to announce the awarding of 4 scholarships and 5 interest free loans to Pennsylvania State Grange Youth.

The Pennsylvania State Grange Foundation Scholarship was established in 1996 by delegate action. This scholarship is available to any Grange member, in good standing, entering their Junior or Senior year in college. The following people have been awarded scholarships from the Foundation:

1. Hannah Leibensperger is the daughter of Robert and Cindy Leibensperger of Topton, Pennsylvania. Hannah is attending Elizabethtown College where she is studying Psychology and Occupational Therapy.
2. Ian Seaton is the son of Mark and Sarah Seaton of Emlenton, Pennsylvania. Ian is attending Wheeling Jesuit University where he is studying Communications and Business.
3. Mitchell Grove is the son of William and Michele Grove of Felton, Pennsylvania. Mitchell is attending Iowa State University where he is studying Agricultural Engineering.

The Rhone Grant is given in honor of Leonard Rhone who was the third Master of the Pennsylvania State Grange. This scholarship is given in his name to honor the great things he did for the Grange. This scholarship is only available to those pursuing a degree in Agriculture or Human Development & Family Services at Penn State Uni-

versity. The Grant is being awarded this year to:

1. Sara Benzio is the daughter of Mark and Lurae Benzio of Industry, Pennsylvania. Sara is attending Penn State University where she is studying Animal Science, Ag Business and Conservation.

The Pennsylvania State Grange also offers an interest free loan established by Ellis M. Santee who was an active Grange member and country doctor who knew the importance of a good education. This loan fund was established by the late doctor to help young members get that education. This year that assistance will be given to the following:

1. Mitchell Grove is the son of William A. and Michele L. Grove of Felton, Pennsylvania. Mitchell is attending Iowa State University and is



Pictured above: Grace Wadsworth



Pictured above: Sara Benzio

majoring in Agricultural Engineering.

2. Grace Wadsworth is the daughter of David and Ellen Wadsworth of Lincoln University, Pennsylvania. Grace is attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania and is studying Child Development.
3. Hannah Leibensperger is the daughter of Robert and Cindy Leibensperger of Tipton, Pennsylvania. Hannah is attending Elizabethtown College where she is studying Psychology and Occupational Therapy
4. Ian Seaton is the son of Mark and Sarah Seaton of Emmenton, Pennsylvania. Ian is attending Wheeling Jesuit University and is majoring in Communications and Business.
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Pennsylvania Granges Show Their Support

The Pleasant Valley Grange #1074, of Wayne County, recently awarded their annual scholarships, in the amount of \$750 each, to two local students. The scholarship is awarded each year to a student or students planning on majoring in an agricultural related field. This year's winners; Emma Oliver and Grace Glosenger, were both graduates of Honesdale High School.

Emma will be attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania to major in Biology and Pre-Veterinary Medicine. Grace will be studying Diagnostic Medical Sonography at Lackawanna College. Both ladies are active members of a local 4-H Program.

It is the goal of the Pleasant Valley Grange to make this scholarship available each year to the youth in our community to help them further their education.



Pictured above, left to right: Louis Rowe, Emma Oliver, Grace Glosenger and Sandy Dunn

Plumsteadville Grange #1738 awarded two Ellen Elaine Crooke Scholarships of \$500 each to Aaron Worthington and Melissa Rossen at its June meeting.

Aaron Worthington will be a sophomore at Delaware Valley University this fall studying Dairy Science. After graduation he plans to join the family's dairy operation where he will be the 7th generation to farm on the farm the family has owned since the Civil War.

Melissa Rossen will begin attending Delaware Valley University this fall studying Animal and Equine Science. She has been a 4H member for five years in the Spurs & Burrs club and has been on the Bucks County 4H Horse Bowl and Hippology teams competing at the State and National levels.



Pictured above, left to right: Meg Lomax, Scholarship Chair, Annette Crooke, Aaron Worthington, Melissa Rossen, Daniel Crooke. Daniel and Annette Crooke are the parents of the late Ellen Elaine Crooke for whom the scholarship has been named.





Government Matters

Vince Phillips

PA State Grange Lobbyist

IMPORTANT TO YOU!

Please contact the Pennsylvania State Grange on issues that are important to you. After all, our legislative goals come from members. Please let us know: legislative@pagrange.org or 717-737-8855 or 717-346-1063. If you

want help in drafting a resolution to be considered by your local Grange which then gets voted on at State Session in October, please utilize the Pennsylvania State Grange as a resource. If you want to see the positions taken by the Pennsylvania State Grange on legislative and regulatory issues, please refer to our web site, www.pagrange.org.

When you were a kid in school, summer homework was far from your mind. And when you had some, the reaction was "Why me?" But, as you remember from school, approaching the fall means back to school with homework.

Sorry, but here it is – your fall homework assignment:

This time the class is Civics and the grades will be given out after the next session of the General Assembly convenes in January 2019. The grade will depend on your efforts to help the Pennsylvania State Grange be effective legislatively in advancing **YOUR** priorities. Having a lobbyist is important to the Grange but as a member, you are the critical piece of our success.

It is all about building and renewing relationships with legislators and their staff. Doing this is not hard but the reward is immense. You know you have succeeded when the legislator reaches out to you to get your opinion on legislation. If you are being asked for advice now, keep doing what you are doing.

The Election is a Great Time to Develop (or Strengthen) Relationships

November 6 is the date of the general election. Every member of the PA House of Representatives is up for election as are 25 of the 50 state senators. Consider volunteering for a candidate you support. Depending on your level of activism, you could help out by canvassing,

staffing telephone banks, helping register voters, help to get out the vote, etc. If none of these appeals to you, use your checkbook to make a difference. *(Note: The best way to contribute is to attend a campaign event and deliver your check personally. If you are trying to build or advance a relationship, personal contact is always best so that the candidate or incumbent knows that you support him or her.)*

If you don't know where to begin, ask. Usually, everyone knows someone who is involved politically. Failing that, there is always the local party headquarters or visiting a political booth at a community event like a fair or neighborhood gathering. The Internet is also a tool. Before volunteering, do your homework to see if the candidate shares your interests. If you already know the candidate, great.

If not, where does the candidate stand on issues that are important to you? Does he or she have a rural background or is a Grange member? Do they farm? Actually, that is a shortcut because, if they actively farm like one PA congressional candidate in north central PA who is a dairy farmer himself, that means that they probably understand your concerns.

Here is another shortcut. If they have owned a business, they will understand that there is a limit

FALL MEANS HOMEWORK!

to spending because fiscal discipline is all about the revenue. Is there enough money to pay those state spending demands? If not, how do we cut spending? Do we increase revenues?

What do they think about Broadband access across rural Pennsylvania? **DO THEY EVEN KNOW THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM?** That is the Pennsylvania State Grange's Number One priority!

You and Other Grangers Have an Important Opportunity to Help Shape the Legislature

This election is particularly important because of the large numbers of legislators who are not seeking re-election or who were defeated in the primary. That means a whole host of new faces in Harrisburg in 2019.

Five Senators will not be back next year. A sixth seat is uncertain because the particular PA Senator is running for Congress in southwestern PA. If he wins, he goes to Washington. You should know that five of the five soon to be vacancies are Majority (Republican) Chairs of these Senate committees: Local Government; Veterans Affairs & Emergency Preparedness; Liquor



Control; Education; and Justice. Five new committee chairs really re-shuffles the legislative deck for next year.

On the House side, the same applies with 30-plus Representatives who are not returning. These include nine Majority (Republican) Chairs of committees and three Minority (Democratic) Chairs of committees. Again, here are the committees: Children and Youth; Transportation; Health; Professional Licensure; Committee on Committees; Rules; Appropriations; Finance (tax legislation), and Judiciary. *(Note: The House Transportation Committee is losing both Majority and Minority Committee Chairs.)*

That means at least 35 or more new legislators will take their seats in the General Assembly next year.

You can know them and will have his or her ear during the campaign and after the election. If they understand agriculture, maybe you should suggest that he or she ask for a seat on the House or Senate Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committees.

Back to Homework

The key to getting a good grade at school is understanding the assignment. In our case, it is also knowing that success with this homework means even greater effectiveness of the Pennsylvania State Grange in meeting your objectives with the PA General Assembly. Please look at this checklist and keep score. The grade will be given next year in terms of legislation we (and you) have influenced.

Checklist

- Am I registered to vote?
- Is my family registered to vote or will obtain an absentee ballot if they are away at school?
- Have I talked with a legislator I already know recently?
- Have I looked into candidates' background – are they a farmer? Businessperson? School director? Local official?
- Have I made sure I met a candi-

date personally?

- Have I volunteered or attended a campaign event?
- Have I asked to serve on an advisory committee for the candidate or incumbent focusing on agriculture or rural issues?
- Have I invited a candidate or incumbent legislator to a Grange meeting?
- Have I asked them to join?
- Have I shared this information with the Pennsylvania State Grange? (legislative@pagrange.org; 717-737-8855 or 717-346-1063)

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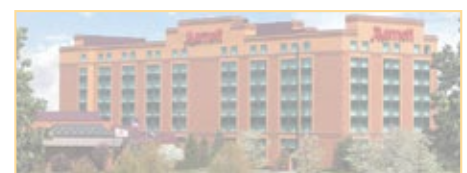
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Grange News

HAYFIELD GRANGE #800

The annual Open House Program of Hayfield Grange was held in April in observance of Grange Month.

The program was presented by Janet Beanland of Cambridge Springs who told "Her Story" of how she became involved in writ-



(Hayfield) Photo above: Left to right – Kim A. Hodge, Margaret L. Tau Award of Excellence recipient; Janet Beanland, 2018 Community Citizen Award recipient; Walter Clark, 50 Year Member, and Chester Tau, Lecturer.

ing a column in the Tribune "Heard & Seen". She is also a member of the Cambridge Springs Heritage Society, which conducts a monthly "History Night" which she coordinates and serves as Mistress of Ceremonies. Lecturer Chester Tau presented the Community Citizen Award to Ms. Beanland. Fran Page provided special music.

The recipient of the 2018 Margaret Tau Award of Excellence was Kim A. Hodge. She is a Learning Support teacher of fifth and sixth grade students at Maplewood Elementary School. She also taught at Saegertown Elementary for five years. She is a core member of the School Wide Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports Team and has received training and implemented the school wide program that is in the fourth year of sustainability. The program was recognized by the state of PA and featured at the state PBIS Conference in Hershey, PA. She has made a sensory room accessible for teaching students de-escala-

tion strategies to prevent undesired behaviors and improve time on task in the classroom. She is also involved with TREC (Therapeutic Equestrian Riding and Special Olympics).

Lecturer Tau presented a 50-year pin and Golden Sheaf Certificate to Walter Clark. Unable to attend to receive continuous membership recognition were Herman Hunter for 75 years and Agnes Folmar for 20 years.

BUCKS COUNTY POMONA GRANGE #22

Bucks County Pomona Grange #22 presented donations totaling \$1,750.00 to numerous local service organizations at a luncheon held June 16th hosted by Middletown Grange #684. Many of these organizations receive no public funding. In addition, a campership was awarded to a Bucks County 4H member who could not otherwise have been able to attend 4H camp. Recipients were: Bucks County SPCA, Meals on Wheels (Upper Bucks, Central Bucks and Woodside), Chandler Hall Hospice, A Woman's Place, and the PA State Grange Deaf/Community Service Department.



(BCPG) Photo above: President James E. Diamond and Patty Bevelock, Senior Director of Chandler Hall Hospice.

HALFMOON GRANGE #290

Halfmoon Grange #290 opened their Grange Hall to Brownie Troop

41123 for their monthly meetings during the 2017-18 school year. The young ladies enjoyed a warm place in the winter to work on their badges and program requirements and a spacious yard for outdoor activities and fun times weather permitting. Under the leadership



(Halfmoon) Photo above: girls from left to right - Maya Stewart, Ellie Lego, Jennie Varrassa, Robyn Sankey, Aerin Gamble and Allison Warner

of Michelle Varassa, the Brownies decided to thank the Halfmoon Grange for providing this rent-free meeting place by beautifying the "old stump" in the front yard!

This stump is of special importance because it is the base of one of Halfmoon Township's oldest trees that had to be taken down a few years ago because it posed a



(Halfmoon): Not on stump from left to right (row 1) Olivia Canich, Caitlin Moeller and Maya Stewart. On stump from left to Caitlin Scofield, Ashlynn Sanner, Robyn Sankey, Aerin Gamble, Jennie Varrassa, Ellie Lego, Abby Smith, Maya Stewart

hazard to motorists. The Grange secured a loan from the Pennsylvania State Grange to pay the expense of cutting and disposing of the wood and then was able to repay the loan in half the time!



The Brownies' artistic work is on display along Rt 550 for all passers-by to enjoy on their way to work or just out for a Sunday drive! Needless to say, Halfmoon Grange will once again extend this courtesy to these thoughtful scouts this next year!

DONEGAL GRANGE #1495

On Monday June 4, 2018 Donegal Grange in Butler Co. hosted



a traveling program open to the public. The subject was on bats; are they good or are they bad for us. A lot of the information we know about bats is wrong. Debbie Sale was the presenter from our local Conservation District. She had a great presentation. There were about 18 members present. Thanks to Donegal Grange for a great program.

BUTLER COUNTY POMONA #17

On May 21st, 2018 Butler County Pomona Grange hosted a Town Hall Meeting with our Worthy State Grange President, Wayne Campbell as speaker. He spoke on issues affecting not only Dairy Farming and Agriculture but also issues effecting all of Rural America. There were 35 in attendance not only Grange members from Butler, Beaver, and Venango Counties but farmers and the general public. We also had a County Commission present. One person took an application for membership. Being our first Town Hall



meeting we feel it was a success.

Every year, during the 9 days of the Big Butler Fair, the Pomona



Grange has each Grange make a display for a theme. This year the theme was Strength in our Diversity. These (pictured next column) are some of the items displayed. Along with that the big Pomona fundraiser is operating a kitchen for those 9 days, having the



(BCP) Photo above, left to right: Kayley Baker, Fair Princess, Amelia Brown, Fair Queen, and Jillian Ranko our Butler County Fair Ambassador. The backdrop is the quilt for our raffle.

normal fair food and topped with warm apple dumplings with ice cream.

HAMBURG GRANGE #2103

On May 12, 2018, Hamburg Grange #2103 presented a \$2800



(Hamburg) Photo above, left to right: Bonnie Henry and Michael Adams

check to Bonnie Henry of Shoemakersville, PA. Bonnie is the daughter of Lester and Faye Henry. She is 1997 Hamburg Area High School graduate where she played on the softball team. She has served in the Army for 22 years including a tour in Iraq in 2009 and is currently serving in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. She was diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia in April 2016, a blood cancer that keeps her from producing red blood cells that has no cure. She is undergoing chemotherapy and has received over 400 units of blood and platelets. In addition, she has Keinbach's disease, which causes her bones to die due to her bones not getting enough blood, and is Vitamin D deficient, which causes osteoporosis. Eventually, she will be diagnosed with leukemia. For more info on Bonnie or the Hamburg Grange, please contact Michael Adams @ 610-562-5933 or mjadams141@gmail.com.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE GRANGE

Pennsylvania State Grange Royalty with State Junior Grange Committee person, Derek Schroeder, State Youth Director, Ellen Wadsworth and President Wayne Campbell at the Governor's Mansion in Harrisburg for Capital Hill Legislative Day!



(PA SG) Pictured above, Front row (l-r) Autumn Tworowski, Grace Wadsworth, Denae Freed Zvarick, Wayne Campbell. Second row (l-r) Tanner Davis, Jacob Mengel. Third row (l-r): Derek Schroeder, Ellen Wadsworth, Andrew Kieffer





Government Matters

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PA State Grange Lobbyist

CIVICS LESSON 101

HOW CAN I SHAPE GRANGE POLICY?

At the time of this writing, Pennsylvania State Grange reviewed an email from a Granger of things about which the Pennsylvania State Grange should lobby. She listed 10 or so different things the Pennsylvania State Grange should do.

Some of her ideas, such as pushing for whole milk in school meal programs and trying to gain limited liability for property owners who allow their property to be used for recreational purposes, are already matters on which your Association is lobbying. Others, like fish gender in the Susquehanna River, are not.

While the Pennsylvania State Grange always welcomes input from members on legislative or policy issues, we also have a system in place that helps everyone understand why the issue is important.

The Resolution Process

First, an individual should take his or her issue to their local Grange and talk about it. Hopefully, other Grangers will see why the issue should be part of the Pennsylvania State Grange's lobbying list and the local Grange will take a vote to endorse the idea or proposal.

Second, there is a format that works really well. This is called making a Resolution. A Resolution has two parts, the why and the what. The why ("Whereas") lists reasons why the issue is important. It spells out the need and makes the

case to have it be Grange policy. The what is what you want the Grange to do (Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Pennsylvania State Grange...). Another example is where the 'why' is well understood such as 'Dairy Farmers are hurting'. The 'what' might be what the Pennsylvania State Grange should be advocating, for example to increase fluid milk consumption. Hopefully, you get the idea. If you need help with drafting a Resolution, please feel free to contact the State Grange Office or email legislative@pagrange.org.

That sounds kind of mechanical but there is a reason. Often, the Pennsylvania State Grange will receive something that is too vague. 'I want school reform' is a phrase that everyone will interpret differently. Sounds good, but on what specifically should the Grange be working? A Resolution in this format allows anyone to figure out why the matter needs to be part of Grange policy. It also specifies what should be done. Sometimes, a Resolution cannot be that specific. For example, a Resolution could make the case for world peace (very general why) and simply state in the 'what' that it is the policy of the Pennsylvania State Grange to urge policymakers to promote world peace. That example is not necessarily a lobbying directive but it gives the Executive Committee the flexibility to react to an issue that pops up.

The Next Steps

In late September, the Pennsylvania State Grange convenes a meeting to discuss all the resolu-

tions that have been received. The meeting takes up much of a day and every draft Resolution is reviewed by a particular committee whose area is closest to the proposed Resolution.

(HINT: Want to be part of this process? Contact the State Office.)

This meeting would have several kinds of results:

- If the draft Resolution is already Grange policy, it will not be forwarded.
- If the draft Resolution is too vague or not understandable, it will not be forwarded.
- If the draft Resolution appears incomplete or needs reworking, it may be amended.
- If the draft Resolution is clear with the 'why' and the 'what' it will be discussed and voted on by the committee and by the entire group. That means it will be forwarded to the State Session in October.

Resolutions will be discussed, approved/not approved/amended etc. at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Grange. Obsolete existing positions will be archived. An example would be a position taken before legislation was passed. Once passed, there is no more need to have it on the list of issues on which the Grange is working.

The last step takes place when the newly adopted Resolutions are made part of Grange policy. This gives guidance for our lobbying efforts. The Grange is a grassroots-up organization. That means that individual members are where our positions on issues come from.

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Community Service Project at Boal Mansion

Members of the Centre County Pomona Grange gathered to work at the Boal Mansion and Museum in Boalsburg, PA on a damp and rainy morning on Saturday, May 12, 2018. Even though the number of members was small they were able to accomplish much.



Pictured: Dale Vonada of Spring Mills Grange #158 and Bob Davidson of Bald Eagle Grange #3151 work together to clear out all dead flowers and weeds

Boal Mansion curator Bob Cameron was happy to see everyone arrive at approximately 9:00 am. There was much to do to ensure that the grounds were beautiful for the wedding that was to be held at approximately 4:00 pm that afternoon. Members arrived with rakes, shovels and all types of gardening tools in hand. Our project was getting the main flower gardens weeded, deadheaded and new mulch in place by noon. Grange members from ages 8 to 65 worked side by side to complete the job. This is just one of many community service projects that the Centre County Pomona Grange participates in each year. For the past five years, members have been doing volunteer work at various local locations. This was the second year at the Boal Mansion.

We were fortunate to tour the first floor of the mansion while we were there. We were shown not only all the furniture that is housed there but also learned about the portraits of the family members and how they related to the Boal Family. The mansion also contained photographs of Presidents such as John F. Kennedy and Franklin D. Roosevelt, a signed photograph of the first moon landing, various china patterns, numerous pianos, organs and harpsichords. In addition, we

learned some of the history that took place at the Mansion (which is reportedly haunted and has been researched as such). The barn houses the Boalsburg Playhouse, which is the home to many different plays each season.

The Boal Mansion and Museum has recently opened another section of displays and continues to work diligently to be able to showcase all the history of the Boal family and their ties to Christopher Columbus. It houses the Christopher Columbus Chapel with all the antiques that have been found to be part of its history. They recently opened an environmentally controlled room where all the papers and records from the sailings of the three ships that Columbus sailed



Pictured: Caleb Davidson, Grandson of Pomona Secretary Suzanne Davidson working along side all the adults

are now housed. They have been microfilmed and they hope to get them digitized so everyone can enjoy them and learn more about the true facts in history. They have replicas of actual maps of the time that show that the new world was round. The new exhibit contains a small replica of the Santa Maria, which was one of Columbus's ships and Columbus's personal chest.

The Board of Directors of the Mansion and Museum hold many events such as weddings, large plant sales, farmer's markets and much more. We, the Grange, have been invited to participate if possible in one such event, which is their Garlic Festival in September. We have been invited to have a booth and possibly sell food and talk about the Grange to those attending. This is very exciting to those of us who were in attendance at the

Community Service Day because it gives us another opportunity to talk about the organization we all love and represent.

This event is one of the several physical events we participate in. We also chance off a quilt at the Centre County Grange Encampment and Fair in August and enter a display for our YP of H Committee. With all the funds from the Quilt auction we help the local surrounding communities through donations of five senior scholarships to the county high schools; Christmas donations to the Veterans Home in Hollidaysburg, PA and Centre Crest Nursing Home for their Christmas shop; donating the funds for ten FFA jackets; supporting the Centre County Grange Fair Queen; donating to local food bank; ringing the bells for the Salvation Army during the Holiday Season; and giving to others whoever they may be asking for donations or appeals.

The Centre County Pomona Grange #13 takes pride in being able to help its local communities each year and asks that if possible please try to help all the Centre County Granges be able to continue to do so by participating in their fundraisers and events.



Pictured Left to Right: One of the grounds keeper volunteers talks to Ruth Vonada of Penns Valley Grange #158 and Pomona Master Ashley Furman

If you would like to learn more about the Centre County Pomona Grange, you can email the Pomona Grange Master/President Ashley Furman at ABird6280@yahoo.com or 814-360-2265 or Patty Bird, Community Service Director at GracieGrandma55@yahoo.com or 814-359-2851.



GRANGE HOLDS “DAY ON THE HILL”

On June 12, the Pennsylvania State Grange held a Legislative Day at the State Capitol. Pennsylvanian National Grange President Betsy Huber accompanied the group in their lobbying efforts. Joining them were Grange Youth Leaders, “The Royalty”, who learned about how the Grange advocates for rural Pennsylvanians. The Royalty were also introduced to the PA State Senate by Agriculture & Rural Affairs Chairman Elder Vogel (R-Beaver). Following are comments from two of the Grangers who came to Harrisburg.

Pennsylvania Grange Capitol Hill Legislative Day

Pennsylvania Grange Capitol Hill Legislative Day was held at the Capital in Harrisburg on June 12, 2018. The Grange was well represented on this unique day to showcase and explain the Pennsylvania Grange positions on many of our important issues directly to our State Senators and Representatives and their staffs. Grass roots input made face-to-face is very powerful and an especially meaningful method of informing our elected officials. We were graciously received.

Issues presented included: broadband service development, preservation of land line service for telephone and internet, Sunday hunting, current state of our dairy industry, agri-tourism, spotted lantern fly, restoration / increase of budget line items critical to the rural and agriculture communities, etc.

Pictured below: Vince Phillips, Lynn Dietrich, Doris Koenig, Phyllis Breininger



As this is an election year, you will certainly receive communication from your local legislators about many of the successes. But, remember that these successes are a result of your hard work, too, in developing and presenting our Grange perspective as grass roots input. It is often easy to lose perspective in Harrisburg on issues important to local and rural communities. Please keep up the good work.

Capital Hill Day provides the opportunity for us to advocate for our positions. Be sure to participate actively in the development of these positions and then in the advocacy for them to our Senators and Representatives. YOU can and do make a difference.

-Lynn Dietrich
Cumberland Valley Grange #2104

Our Day On The Hill

This was a great event for us, as we were able to hear about issues from other Grangers from all around the

state. It was an eye-opening experience as we spent a great deal of time discussing a wide variety of issues in depth.

We got to know more about our Lobbyist, Vince Phillips and the work he does for the Grange. He is very knowledgeable and we feel very well respected. Legislators would often stop him in the hallway to talk, as we were doing our fast pace to the next Senator or Representative’s office. Some of the various subjects discussed this day; HB1539: the Grandparent Bill (Grandparents’ Temporary Authority”, the broadband situation in rural Pennsylvania (a matter VERY important to Pennsylvania State Grange), as well as the current milk crisis. Milk production and fair pricing/labeling practices should be a real concern of everyone. Milk comes from cows and goats, whereas almond “milk”, soy “milk”, etc, comes from nuts/beans. As these nut/bean products are not true milk products (produced by cows or goats), they are not milk and should not be allowed to use the word “milk”. It was also discussed that schools should be allowed to sell whole milk in school to children. There were many more topics discussed as we met with many different representatives.

Thank you, Vince, we had a great day.

-Phyllis Breininger & Doris Koenig
Central Grange #1650, Lehigh County

Pictured below: Rep. Clint Owlett, Gerald Pratt, Ms. Brackman, National President Betsy Huber, Lynn Dietrich





Pictured: The Friendship Circle formed at the closing of the program by those in attendance

Trexkertown Grange Celebrates 100 Years!

On June 22nd, 2018, Trexkertown Grange #1755 celebrated their 100th Anniversary. The evening began with a time for guests to view the various memorabilia items displayed on several tables, including the original list of 64 Charter Members and financial records from the first meetings. A light lunch was served before the evening program, which was held upstairs. Welcome remarks were given by Master/President, Leonard Heim followed by an Opening prayer by the Rev. Al Bastin, Pastor at St. Paul's UCC, Trexkertown. Joanne Heim read a list of "What Things Cost in 1918" compared to what the cost is today.

State officers and visiting Grangers were called upon to extend greetings and congratulatory wishes, etc. Citations from our House of Representatives, Rep. Ryan Mackenzie and Senator's office, Senator Patrick Browne were presented and received by our Master. The entertainment for the evening, Conlan Kerschner, banjo entertainer, was introduced and provided us with a hand-clapping, toe-tapping performance of bluegrass music. The audience also had a chance to join in singing along with a few selections.

Next on the program was the introduction of our guest speaker, Pennsylvania State Grange President, Wayne Campbell. Wayne gave an informative presentation of current issues the State Grange is engaged in promoting/advocating for, i.e. Broadband cell phone and inter-

net access; Dairy issues - increasing demand for fluid milk to help dairy farmers and Health for Rural PA - Telemedicine---just to name a few of the topics he spoke about.

History Highlights... "I Remember When".... several Trexkertown Grange members told us their memories of Grange activities from many



Pictured: Joanne Heim, Howard Sechler and Pennsylvania State Grange President, Wayne Campbell, shown cutting the cake

years ago. The younger members learned some things about Trexkertown Grange that we had not known about before!

Before the closing, membership awards were presented to 10 members. The longest membership award was presented to Ruth Hunsicker for 75 years of membership. A special "Thank You" letter from the Pennsylvania State Grange acknowledging the \$250 donation by Trexkertown Grange to the Grange Foundation in memory of our departed Brother, James Bausman, was presented to his wife. Jim was a 50-year member and staunch supporter of the Grange who passed away last April before we were able to present

a 50 year Golden Sheaf membership award to him.

Trexkertown Grange was formally adopted by the newly formed Tri-County Grange #215 in the state of Florida of which Trexkertown Grange member, Howard W. Sechler is a charter member of and is currently serving as the Master/President. We received their framed declaration from Mr. Sechler.

Pennsylvania State Grange President, Wayne Campbell, made the last presentation of the evening to Trexkertown Grange's Master; Leonard Heim. This presentation was the official plaque from the National Grange...."Citation of Commendation", which recognizes Granges across the nation for 100 years of service to their community. This is indeed a very special, meaningful award to us as there were numerous situations we had to overcome in the past to achieve 100 years of Trexkertown Grange.

The program ended with the formation of the friendship circle and singing "God Be With You". Following the program closing, guests headed back downstairs for birthday cake and more fellowship. It was a great night of celebration!



Pictured: Pennsylvania State Grange President, Wayne Campbell presenting the National Grange "Citation of Commendation" to Trexkertown Grange Master, Leonard Heim



Back to the Land:

An Apple A Day

Autumn is the time of year many of us look forward to; brilliant fall colors, crisp air, and all the delectable harvest apples...ohhhh, and the baking deliciousness!

I have a funny story to share. I've always been a very good cook. Cooking is about the only "domestic" thing I'm good at...and I'm sure my husband and I would be MUCH thinner if I excelled at cleaning house, vs cooking. In all my years of cooking, though, I never mastered cooking with fruit. Last autumn I spent some time in an apple orchard, helping with the harvesting, grading/sorting and cleaning of apples. Yes...I ate a few, and bought QUITE a few more! So what to do with all these delicious apples? Heck...I can figure this out, I thought. So I learned to can and cook with apples. I found a really yummy-sounding recipe in a cookbook, written by my Dad's mom (*I remember her making the BEST apple desserts before she passed away*). I made the dessert and took it to a family picnic. My father-in-law bit into my dessert, I'm sure expectant of my usual quality of cooking, only to find himself chewing, and chewing, and chewing on what should have been a melt in your mouth delicacy. Turns out...I was supposed to peel those darned apples. The recipe didn't say the apples should be peeled (*my Dad, husband, and father-in-law STILL tease me about that*), so I didn't peel them. I thought the peels added a very nice color. Yeah...my "whoops". So in celebrating my oh-so-valuable lesson on cooking with apples...I decided to celebrate the harvest season with some delicious **Grange Cookbook** recipes... (*don't forget to peel those apples...LOL!*) - Heather

CREAMY APPLE CRISP

(Betty Hall of Halfmoon Grange)

3 oz cream cheese, softened
3/4 c sour cream
1 c sugar
1/4 c + 2 T flour
1 egg

1/2 tsp vanilla extract
3 c sliced, peeled tart apples
1/4 c quick-oats
1/4 c packed brown sugar
1 tsp cinnamon
1/4 c butter, softened
- Beat cream cheese, sour cream, 3/4 c sugar, 2 T flour, egg & vanilla in mixer until light. Stir in apples. Spoon into 2-quart casserole. Combine oats, 1/4 c flour, brown sugar, 1/4 c sugar & cinnamon in bowl; mix well. Cut in butter until mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle over apple mixture, Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 minutes, or until golden brown. Yield: 6 servings

APPLE FRITTERS

(Pauline Sitler of Briar Creek Grange)

1 c flour
1-1/2 tsp salt
2 T sugar
1 egg, beaten
1/2 c milk
3 peeled, thinly sliced apples
Oil for frying
1/2 c confectioners' sugar
- Combine flour, salt & sugar in bowl; mix well. Stir in egg & milk until smooth. Add apples; mix well. Drop by the spoonfuls into 1/2" of hot oil in a skillet. Fry until light brown, turning carefully with spatula once. Drain on paper towels. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar. Serve hot. Yield: 15 servings.



SWEET POTATO & APPLE CASSE-ROLE

(Lillian Mengel of Virginville Grange)

5-6 sweet potatoes
3 c thinly sliced apples
1/4 c packed brown sugar
6 T butter
1/3 c apple cider
2 T lemon juice
1 tsp cinnamon
- Cook sweet potatoes in water (just covering potatoes) for 30 minutes or until tender; drain. Peel & slice thin. Mix with apples in buttered 2-quart casserole. Combine brown sugar, butter, apple cider, lemon juice & cinnamon in a small saucepan; mix well. Bring to a boil; reduce heat. Simmer for 10 minutes. Pour over sweet potato mixture. Bake, covered, at 325 degrees for 30 minutes or until apples are tender, basting occasionally with sauce. Yield: 6-8 servings.



LINK SAUSAGE W/ APPLES

(Margaret E. Estabrook of Chippewa Grange)

1 lb link sausage
6 sweet potatoes, peeled, sliced
6 medium onions, sliced
Salt, pepper & paprika to taste
6 apples, peeled, cored & cut in half
- Place sausage in saucepan with enough water to cover. Bring to boil. Remove from heat; drain. Place in a large baking dish. Layer with sweet potatoes & onions; sprinkle with spic-



es. Bake, covered, at 400 degrees for 1 hour. Add apples. Bake, covered, until apples are tender. Yield: 6 servings.

APPLE PIE PUDDING

(Bess Yoder, Odin Grange)

1 c sugar
 ½ c butter, softened
 1 egg, slightly beaten
 1 c flour
 1 tsp baking soda
 ¼ tsp cinnamon
 ¼ tsp nutmeg
 2 c chopped apples
 ¼ c chopped pecans
 2 T cornstarch
 1 c sugar
 2 T butter
 1 c boiling water
 1 tsp vanilla extract

- Cream 1 c sugar and ½ c softened butter in mixer bowl until light and fluffy. Beat in egg. Sift flour, baking soda, cinnamon & nutmeg together. Stir in apples & nuts. Fold into creamed mixture. Spoon into a large pie plate. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Combine cornstarch, 1 c sugar, 2 T butter, boiling water & vanilla extract in saucepan. Cook until thickened and clear. Pour over pie. Serve warm. Yield: 6 servings.

APPLE CANDY

(Inez Wise of Progress Grange)
 8 apples, peeled, cut in quarters
 ½ c water
 4 envelopes unflavored gelatin
 4 c sugar
 1 c chopped nuts
 1 tsp vanilla extract
 ¼ tsp orange extract
 Confectioners' sugar

- Combine apples with water in 2-quart saucepan. Simmer until apples are consistency of applesauce. Cool to room temperature. Soften gelatin in 1 cup of applesauce in small bowl. Add sugar to remaining applesauce in saucepan. Bring to a boil. Stir in gelatin mixture until dissolved. Boil for 20 minutes, stirring frequently; remove from heat. Stir in nuts and flavorings. Spoon onto shallow buttered dish. Let stand overnight. Cut into pieces; roll in confectioners' sugar. Yield: 60 servings.

SPICY APPLE BUTTER

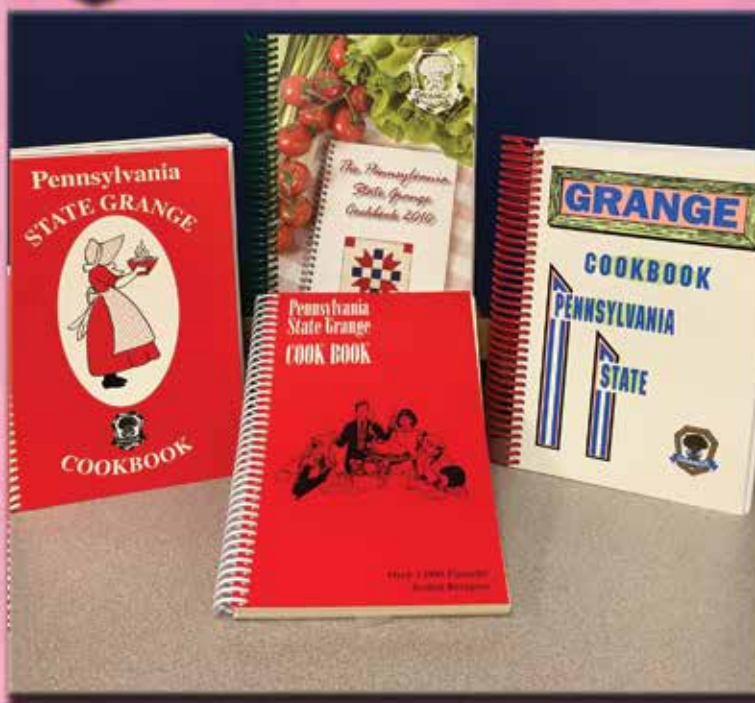
(Colleen R. Shields of Avis Grange)

6 qts applesauce
 6 lbs sugar
 1 c vinegar
 ¼ c cinnamon
 1-1/2 T allspice

- Combine all ingredients in large baking pan; mix well. Bake at 300 degrees for 5 hours, stirring frequently. Spoon into hot sterilized jars, leaving ½" headspace; seal with 2-piece lids. Yield: 7 quarts. (Note...always practice good canning techniques when preserving fruits and vegetables)



Pennsylvania State Grange Cookbooks



1972 Edition (reprinted in 2012)
\$24.00 each (includes S&H)

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\$22.00 each (includes S&H)

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are under the trees she is feeding on. You should try to change your habits about where you park. Park vehicles in open fields, away from tree lines, or in a closed garage if possible. You should not store things that you might need to move to outside of the quarantined area under infested trees. These things include firewood, tools, construction supplies, equipment, or any other solid object.

- **Inspect all items that you need to move from within the quarantined area to areas outside the quarantined area.** You should remove and destroy any SLF that you find before you move the item. Also check all vehicles, trailers, campers and equipment including around windshield wipers, grills, wheel wells, and truck beds. Inspect plant material, woody debris, lawn furniture, construction supplies, tools, and all solid objects. Remove SLF manually or use a pressure washer. You can destroy mobile stages of SLF mechanically by crushing them. Destroy eggs by smashing them or scraping them into a container of rubbing alcohol.
- **All businesses should consider entering into a compliance agreement with the PDA.** A compliance agreement states that you know how to follow the rules of the quarantine order and agree to do all you can to ensure that the items you transport are not carrying SLF. The PDA is maintaining a list of companies who have set up compliance agreements with PDA and people check this list to find companies who are in compliance. You will also receive documentation to share with your customers to show that you have a compliance agreement with the PDA. Contact your regional PDA office for more information.
- **Use the checklist for residents if you need to move items...**



that are not included in a compliance agreement through a business. This checklist is a legal document to show that you have inspected the item, removed and destroyed any living life stages of SLF and you are in compliance. You can print the checklist, fill it out, sign it and take it with you when you move the item(s). The checklist is available from PA Department of Agriculture.

- **If you sell plants, you should have them inspected by the PDA and receive a phytosanitary certificate.** Pennsylvania law requires horticultural businesses that produce and/or sell plants to have either a Nursery/Greenhouse License or a Nursery Dealer's License. When you have a license plant inspectors will check your plants and if they are found to be free of pests, you will receive a phytosanitary certificate as proof of this inspection.
- **If you sell and/or produce mulch you must use specific practices to ensure it does not harbor SLF.** The specific practices are outlined in the mulch checklist at: <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly-tips-for-handling-yard-waste-in-quarantined-areas>

You should note that the SLF regulations do not apply to grass clippings or autumn leaf collection. We believe that the SLF does not lay eggs on these light-weight objects. Clippings and leaves may be moved from the quarantine area if necessary, as long as the truck and/or trailer you are hauling them with has been checked.

The regulations of the spotted lanternfly quarantine order are in place to prevent the SLF from being spread by people. This pest is not just a concern to agricultural and horticultural professionals, but it is also a community concern. To protect the agriculture industry, we need everyone to be aware of the best practices to avoid spreading SLF and use these practices in their daily activities.

You can see the official quarantine order, a summary in plain language and find more information on the



PA Department of Agriculture website: http://www.agriculture.pa.gov/plants_land_water/plantindustry/entomology/spotted_lanternfly/pages/default.aspx

Additional information can be found on: <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly>

Tips for Handling Yard Waste in Quarantined Areas

Learn your responsibilities and the best practices for handling yard waste infected with SLF.

1. Learn about spotted lanternfly and its host plants. Report any capture, photos or sightings of this insect in areas outside of the current quarantine to badbug@pa.gov or 1-866-253-7189.
2. Know which municipalities are included in the quarantine order. Additional municipalities will be added if new discoveries occur.
3. Avoid moving this insect on woody plant debris, such as fallen trees or branches and tree trimmings, and also any living plants, equipment, building materials, or other objects. Businesses may avoid possible fines by entering into a compliance agreement through the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA). Plant nurseries, nursery stock dealers, and mulch producers should contact their plant inspector for compliance information. For information contact your regional PDA office.
4. Non-commercial residents can use the compliance checklist when moving items.
5. Movement of fallen leaves is not regulated under the spotted lanternfly quarantine.
6. If possible, chip all woody debris on-site to no larger than 1-inch pieces in each of two dimen-

sions. Even within the quarantined area, it is a better practice to move chips rather than move larger woody debris.

7. If you can, leave all chips or woody debris on-site. The next best option is to take chips or debris to an organic materials recycler within the quarantine area.
8. To kill viable insects or eggs in chipped material, the following composting procedure must be followed before moving it out of the quarantine area.
 - Compost piles must be a minimum of 200 cubic yards.
 - Internal temperature at a depth of 18 inches must reach 140°F (60°C) for four (4) continuous days.
 - After the interior of the pile is successfully treated, the exterior of the pile needs to be rotated to the center. Using a front-end loader or a bulldozer, remove the outer layer of the compost pile to a depth of three (3) feet.
 - Start a second compost pile using the recently-removed cover material as a core.
 - Cover this second compost pile

by moving the core material from the first compost pile as a cover at least three (3) feet deep.

- Allow the second compost pile to remain undisturbed until the temperature reaches 140° F (60°C) for at least four (4) continuous days.
- After the chips have been successfully composted according to these directions, the resulting composted material meets compliance requirements.
- Mulch being offered for sale and moving out of the quarantine area is required to be certified by PDA. Please contact your regional plant inspector for information.

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<https://extension.psu.edu/pests-and-diseases/pest-disease-and-weed-identification/see-all-pest-disease-and-weed-identification/shopby/spotted-lanternfly>

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<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/resources/pests-diseases/hungry-pests/the-threat/spotted-lanternfly/spotted-lanternfly>

Capturing Spotted lanternflies...the sticky way

Spotted lanternflies are often found moving up and down on tree trunks. These moving SLF can be captured on the sticky surfaces of bands placed around trees. This method can effectively destroy many SLF without using insecticides. Sticky bands are usually placed about 4 feet from the bottom of a tree and secured to the tree with a push pin. The stickiness of the type of band you are using will determine how effectively you can catch different life stages of SLF. Less sticky types of bands can capture the younger nymphs, but might not capture the oldest nymphs or adults very well.

Older stages of SLF are sometimes strong enough to walk across the less sticky bands without getting stuck, and they may actually avoid the bands entirely. Be careful when discarding used sticky bands--some of the SLF that have been captured may still be alive. To eliminate the possibility of spreading any living SLF, either double-bag the bands before discarding them, or burn the bands if allowed by your municipality. One drawback of using sticky bands is that they can capture other creatures. Other insects are often caught, and some of them may be beneficial insects. Occasionally a bird (such as a woodpecker), small mammal (such as a squirrel), or other animals have been captured. Think about this possibility and have a plan for how you would react to this situation before using sticky bands.

How to obtain sticky bands

There are several types and sources of sticky bands: bands supplied to residents who volunteer in a program offered by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA), commercially available bands, and home-made bands.



Sticky bands placed on trees can destroy many spotted lanternflies. Photo: Emelie Swackhamer, Penn State



"Junior News" continued from page 11

berry Township (just north of Pittsburgh). We have some fun events planned as always. The Beaver County Junior Officer Team will be conducting the Junior meeting on Sunday morning and I hope to see all of you at the meeting. Don't forget to enter some of the Junior Department Contests.

Thank you for entrusting your kiddos to my care. My heart is full of love for all of them.

See you all soon!
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Pictured below: 2018 Junior Grange Camp



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Oriental #165

James Foreman

Buckhorn #1119

Joe Wright

South Auburn #1188

Sherre Boyanski

Scott Tyler

Jaclyn McGlynn

Valley #1360

Vince Phillips

Ginger Hill #1549

Ashley Schuetz

Mike Schuetz

Matthew Bucchianeri

Kim Bucchianeri

Jennifer Leach

Michael Leach

Joyce Richards

Gene Seighman

Shirley Martin

Angela Gallagher

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Deb Poleski
Aaron Walters
Amy Walters
Carrie Olson
Heather Hope
Dennis Mowery

Plumsteadville Grange #1738

Bob & Kaitlyn Gilbert
William & Leslie Penecale
George Shaver

Perry Valley #1804

Daniel Barkley

Fairview #1351

Joseph Campbell

Sarah Dalzotto

Alex D'Itri

Cumberland Valley #1973

Dakota Gutshall

Kelly Gutshall

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Walker #27

Linwood Houseknecht

Minnequa #754

Elwin Roberts

Milford #773

Eba Sigler

California #941

Dorothy Ulrich

Kimberton #1304

Earl Hartman

Valley #1360

Betty Yinger

Donald Conley

Ginger Hill #1549

Ronald Flowers

Mahoning Valley #1649

Wayne McAnlis

Lois McCanlis

Plumsteadville Grange #1738

Jerry Krone

Perry Valley #1804

Margaret Cameron

Virginville #1832

Esther Stitzel

Bernville #1887

Lillian Mengel

*[Correction to an error in the last issue:
Our apologies to the Keith family and
Lincoln Grange #914. It should have
read:*

Lincoln Grange #914

Sarah Carberry

Joan Keith]

SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

California Grange #941

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Bernville Grange #1887

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Please don't forget to include your phone number, so we can contact you if we have questions.

2018 CALENDAR

January	February	March	April
May	June	July	August
September	October	November	December
	19-21st: State Grange Session (Butler)	13-17: 152nd National Grange Session (Vermont)	

Jan 01	New Year's Day
Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day
Feb 12	Lincoln's Birthday
Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday
Feb 16	Chinese New Year
Feb 19	President's Day
Mar 11	Daylight Saving (begin)
Mar 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar 20	Vernal equinox
Mar 31	Passover
Apr 01	April Fool's Day
Apr 01	Easter
Apr 25	Admin Assistants Day
May 13	Mother's Day
May 16	Ramadan begins
May 20	Pentecost
May 28	Memorial Day
Jun 14	Flag Day
Jun 17	Father's Day
Jun 21	June Solstice
Jul 04	Independence Day
Sep 03	Labor Day
Sep 10	Rosh Hashanah
Sep 23	Autumnal equinox
Oct 08	Columbus Day
Oct 31	Halloween
Nov 04	Daylight Saving (end)
Nov 11	Veterans Day
Nov 22	Thanksgiving
Dec 02	Hanukkah begins
Dec 21	December Solstice
Dec 25	Christmas Day
Dec 26	Kwanzaa begins
Dec 31	New Year's Eve

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National Grange Benefits

- Choice Hotels International: Members save 20%
- Constellation Energy: Switch to CE and receive a \$50 Visa Prepaid Card
- CVS Caremark: Savings up to 50% with CVS RxSavings Plus Card
- National Grange Travel Center
- Safeguard Complete: Members receive 50% off first year
- TSYS Merchant Solutions

Pennsylvania State Grange Benefits

- American Income Life: All members receive a \$3000 Accidental Death Benefit
- Avis Rental Car: Discounted Member rates
- BJ's Wholesale Club: Save \$15 on Base, or \$30 on Rewards Membership, plus 1 free month
- Comfort Keepers In-Home Care
- Fastenal: Member discounts up to 40% off specific products
- Vision Insurance
- AgraCo: Member discount of 5% on fly traps/mosquito patches
- Country Home Products: Member discount of 5% on all phone orders
- Florian Tools: Member discount of 10% on all tools
- Rohrer Seeds: Member discount of 5% on all seeds

The PA State Grange also offers scholarships and interest free loans



Contact the Pennsylvania State Grange office with questions about becoming a member...and start enjoying the many benefits of being a Grange Member... immediately!

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