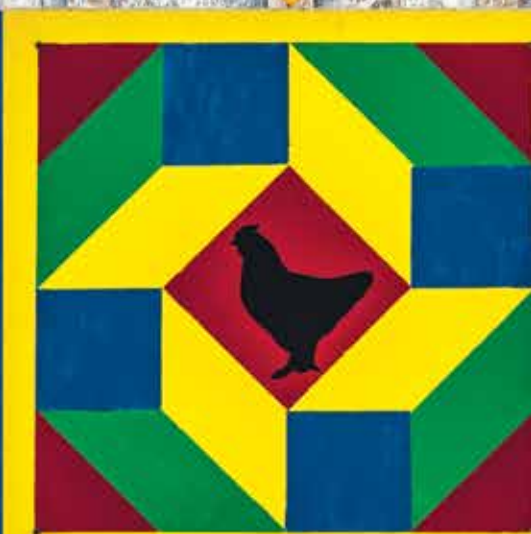


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Spotted Lanternfly

Know what to look for

Spotted lanternfly adults are about 1 inch long and a half inch wide with wings folded.

Nymphs are ¼- to ½-inch long and develop through four stages, all of which are wingless.

Egg masses have a gray, mud-like covering, which can become dry and cracked over time. Older egg masses may lose their covering and appear as columns of 30-50 seed-like eggs. Egg masses can be found on trees, rocks, and other hard surfaces.

- A. Adult, wings closed
- B. Adult, wings open
- C. Nymph, early stage
- D. Nymph, late stage
- E. Egg mass, fresh
- F. Egg mass, older



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Elaine Sestakiewicz

Report a Sighting

1. Check if you're in or out of the quarantine zone by visiting extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly
2. Kill and collect the specimen by freezing it or placing it in rubbing alcohol. If you are able, take a picture of it.
3. Report the sighting online at extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly. If you cannot access the internet, call 888-4-BADFLY (888-422-3359) toll-free. Please only use this hotline for sightings outside of the quarantine zone.

Stop the Spread

1. Destroy all life stages of spotted lanternfly that you find.
2. Check your car and outdoor equipment for spotted lanternfly eggs, nymphs, and adults before moving within or out of the quarantine zone. Don't move firewood.
3. Share your spotted lanternfly knowledge with others!



See it? Report it! extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly

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From the President's Desk

Wayne D. Campbell
PA State Grange President
president@pagrange.org

Dear Grangers

I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, thoughts, cards, and well wishes. On February 9, 2019 I experienced a very bad fall while cleaning out a Grange Hall in preparation for sale. I would like to thank Cliff Bailey for his quick actions that day which very likely saved my life. My injuries included a mild concussion, 6 broken ribs; 3 on each side, bruised lungs, a broken left shoulder, 2 broken teeth, and some minor cuts, scrapes, and bruises.

The Grange family all across America responded with prayers, cards, and emails. To all of you I'll again say thank you and a very special thank you to Cliff. My life nearly ended in a split second. I have asked myself

heard me say one of my favorite songs is "God's Greatest Gifts Are Unanswered Prayers". Many times as days, months, or even years go by we look back and say, "Wow, I'm glad he didn't grant me that". We must talk to God every day and ask for his guidance. Where that leads we may not know or understand at any given moment.

This is a time of year when God is showing us his magnificent splendor all across the land as the new growth springs forth. I would ask each one of you to embrace the new growth and new opportunities God puts before us each day.

The Grange is involved in many issues right now. There is the need for adequate Broadband, the crisis facing our dairy farmers, health care for the elderly and all of us, Sunday hunting in Pennsylvania, the concern over tariffs and their effects on trade with other countries, and immigration.

Every member of the Grange will be affected by one or more of these issues. We must persevere in our work to see that all come to a fair conclusion. Many of these will be ongoing issues for years to come. Some of the solutions may not be as we think they should be. We need to talk with our legislators, talk with each other, and work every day to

improve life for our fellowman.

I point out when I speak at Grange events that we are a very unique organization. We do not tell our local Granges what they must work on in

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over and over why am I still here? I truly believe God has a plan for each of us, but it is not for us to know or even understand that plan at all times. We must put our lives in his hands and know that in time, we will come to understand that plan. Many of you have



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Time to Celebrate and Commemorate

May and June hold so many opportunities to **celebrate life** to the fullest and to **commemorate** special occasions.

The May flowers are such a welcome sight **and** smell after a long, cold, snowy, icy and windy winter. We see God's handiwork in the daffodils and tulips. Their splashes of color **light** up our gardens. We stand in awe as the first signs of buds appear on the lilac bushes. We know that **sweet scent** will soon permeate the air!

God has given us the commandment to **honor our mothers** and Jesus showed his concern for his mother as He hung on the cross. Although we have a specific day to honor our mothers, whether we are fortunate to have them with us in person or whether we have them with us in our treasured memories, we should celebrate and be thankful for them every day!

Then there is Memorial Day when we pay our **respects to those military personnel** who have died in battle defending our country. I remember when it was called Decoration Day. Veteran's organizations put new flags on each military grave and we, as children, would decorate their graves with flowers. That was so special! It certainly is a day to **celebrate their devoted contribution**.

And, speaking of "soldiers," I am reminded of the 19th century hymn

Chaplain's Corner

Judy Pressler

PA State Grange Chaplain

"Onward Christian Soldiers"...we should be such **devoted soldiers to our Lord and Savior**.

When June rolls around or as the song goes, when June "busts out all over," we continue to see the **miracles of resurrection**: those dead seeds, those spindly onion sets, those scrawny tomato and pepper plants seem to come to life right before our eyes! Roses are in full bloom and if we thought those lilacs presented a sweet smell, it is "**heavenly**" to stoop over and **sniff a Peace Rose or admire a Mr. Lincoln!**

We celebrate graduations and weddings as new beginnings; they then become reunions and anniversaries to celebrate again later! Once again to reiterate the other half of God's commandment, we **honor our fathers!** He has given us earthly fathers to attend to our earthly needs and to help provide guidance; so we celebrate and remember in person or in our hearts, our "dads" on their special day and always for their love and support.

In addition to all these "special days" it is imperative to **celebrate each new day** as a gift from **God**, appreciate His bounteous blessings, **dedicate ourselves** to commemorating the death and resurrection of His only Son, Jesus Christ, and abide by His Commandment to **love for one another** to the fullest by our words and our actions.

God Bless You and Keep You in His Presence this Easter Season and Always!

Prayerfully yours,
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Membership News

Lizzie Bailey

PA State Grange Membership & PR
Director

Stories, best thing ever!

I was recently asked by a friend what is something special that we have done for our kids' birthdays. I pondered for a few minutes, thinking about all the special dinners we have made, all the birthday cakes and even all the gifts, but then it hit me. Even now as adults, my girls love to hear about the day they were born. It is their special story that no one else has and of course it is one of many things about their life that makes them unique.

My oldest daughter, Kristen, was born in a rural medical center on a warm September day. Kinsey arrived five years later at the same rural medical center in the month of January in the middle of a huge snowstorm. Another five years later, then there was Rachel. Rachel's arrival was a prescheduled September delivery. Kristen chose her delivery date, as she didn't want to share her birthday with Rachel. They each have their story.

What is your story? We all have special stories. Do you think about all the special moments of your life? What about your Grange stories? I always ask lots of questions, how long have you been a Grange member, were your parents, and grandparents members? I love to hear your stories, and you tell them with such fondness that I treasure them.

When others ask questions about, "What is Grange," think about your stories that can be used to answer their questions. People can relate and visualize a story and when you share a story with enthusiasm you can gain new members!

It is very important to share your Grange's history with your members. It has been my experi-



ence, there are a lot of members that don't know how and who started their Grange. They may not know what your Grange is known for, or other historical details on things you have accomplished in your community. Do your members know the history of the Pennsylvania State Grange and the National Grange? This would be a wonderful lecturer program for an upcoming meeting.

Speaking of stories... at the direction of the State Grange President, the History Committee has begun brainstorming ways to celebrate the organization's 150th anniversary in 2023. We are aware from the various printed State Grange histories that historical pageants were presented at the annual sessions of 1923, 1948, 1973 and 1998 when the 50th, 75th, 100th and 125th anniversaries (respectively) of the State Grange were celebrated. We have

found programs for several of the pageants listing topics and participants in each of the various acts/scenes but we have not found the more detailed scripts for any of the pageants. Unfortunately, all the persons who chaired the various pageants are deceased so we are unable to contact them to see if any copies of the scripts still exist. If anyone happens to have a copy of scripts from any of these pageants, please consider sharing that information with the State Grange History Committee by contacting Chair Doug Bonsall at 717-921-1957 or douglas.b@verizon.net.



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And to wrap on this issue's column...make sure to mark your calendars for Ag Progress Days! We are looking for volunteers to help at our Grange booth for the event! Call Lizzie at 717-254-9550 or email: publicrelations@pagrange.org

Ag Progress Days
August 13 – 15, 2019
Pennsylvania Furnace, PA
Visit their website: apd.psu.edu

Yours in Grange service,
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Family Activities

Melanie Melius

PA State Grange Family Activities
Director

Hi everyone from cold Pine Grove Mills. You should have gotten your packets by now from State Grange with all the information in them. I sent out Quilt raffle tickets. If you need more please call me at 814-360-7058 or email me at melmelius59@gmail.com. Thank you!

The contests this year are: Quilt Block contest: "Kelley's Colors" color scheme is royal blue print, dark green solid, light pink solid, yellow solid (just think of the Grange colors). Please DON'T SERGE around the

edge and also watch the bias of the material. Baking contest: 9" whole cherry pie, 6-Chocolate chip cookies (anyway you make them), and 6-hay-stack candy. And new this year: Table centerpiece; with candle (class 19), with coffee/soup mug (class 20), Holiday of your choice (class 21). Max size is 8"x8" any shape is acceptable. Mosaic Artwork (class 22) Any medium (glass, beads, small tile, etc.) Max size 12"x12". Shadow box: (NO KITS) Max size 15"long x 12" wide x 2" deep any shape is acceptable. Vacation (class 23), Holiday (class 24), Sport (class 25), Other (class 26).

We have a lot of new contests this year along with the quilting, sewing,

afghans, embroidery, cross stitch, plastic canvas, and cotton thread.

So lets say a little prayer for the start of warmer temperatures... and start working on those contests for this year. Thank you and hope to see all of you at Family Fest in July! Don't forget that our tour this year is to the Pasto Ag Museum (full of antique farm machinery)... you don't want to miss all the hands on stuff!

Yours Truly,
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their local communities. Each local Grange has the flexibility to determine what is a concern in their community and then work to address it.

Even though God's Greatest Gifts Are Unanswered Prayers, they are answered, just many times not how we thought they should be. I will ask each of you to take an active part in your community. Talk with your legislators and voice your opinion and the opinion of your Grange to them. Remember, they cannot represent you if you don't represent yourself to them. Smile and say hello to people you pass on the street. Perhaps the smile you give them they will pass on to others. I will close with a few final thoughts. Tell your family and your spouse you love them every day. Don't hold grudges, and let go of hard feelings. Believe me, in the blink of an eye you may lose the opportunity to ever do so again!

Fraternally,
Wayne D. Campbell,
Pennsylvania State Grange
President



Pennsylvania State Grange Heritage Quilt Trail

We have been working on the expansion of the Pennsylvania State Grange Heritage Quilt Trail on our website. Please make sure to check our website at www.pagrang.org and click on Quilt Trail to confirm that your quilt is listed on the trail. If it isn't please contact me so we can update our records. If your Grange doesn't have a quilt, please consider attending Family Festival to work on creating a wooden Quilt square! We would love to see the trail grow into more communities! If you have questions about making a quilt square, please contact Barbara Gross, Heritage Quilt Trail Coordinator by emailing: berglen@verizon.net or calling 724-290-3783.





Program Director

Jenn Nauss

PA State Grange Program Director

Greetings from South Central PA!

As I write this article, there is still snow on the ground and winter temperatures look like they will be around for a while yet. Let's hope that by the time you are reading this, we are enjoying the warm spring weather!

Thank you to everyone who spent the weekend with us in Gettysburg at the Mid-Atlantic Leaders Conference! Make sure you share what you learned that weekend with other members of your Subordinate and Pomona Granges who were not able to join us.

Family Festival

Family Festival is right around the corner – July 18-21, 2019 at the Centre County Grange Fairgrounds. The theme this year is “The Fifties—The Movers and The Shakers”. Check your March-April Grange News and the State Grange website for the schedule and registration. Registration is due by **June 9, 2019**.

The Lecturer's Committee will be offering two workshops that weekend. The first one will be on Friday from 2:00 to 3:00 and will show participants one way to make your own wreath. Materials will be provided. Please join us for a fun afternoon – and enter your wreath in the contest at State Session! We will also be hosting another workshop on program development, which will be on Saturday from 3:30 to 4:30.

Talent Contest

The annual Talent Contest will be held during Family Festival, on Saturday evening, July 20, 2019, at 7:00. Contestants may enter in **Vocal, Instrumental, or Variety** categories. To adhere to National Evening of Excellence guidelines, entries must be a maximum of 5 minutes in length. Please pre-register by emailing me at lecturer@pagrange.org or by calling me at (717) 512-1261. Prizes are awarded to the top 3 entries in each category. The Best-of-Show winner will also be selected and share their talent at this year's National Session in Minnesota.

Reports and Contests

Subordinate and Pomona reports and scrapbooks, as well as Community Day/Night reports, will be judged prior to State Session, with awards to be given at session. Reports and scrapbooks are due by September 15, 2019. Please see the 2019 Guide to Contests and Programs for more details.

It is also not too early to begin working on your contests for State Session! Please reference the 2019 Guide to Contests and Programs, which can be found on the State Grange website or with your Subordinate Secretaries. Make a wreath, work on your photography skills, create a craft stick art project, and more!

By the time you read this, you should have received, or will be soon receiving, the Lecturer's Mailing with report forms and more details about the contests at State Session.

Program Ideas

MAY:

5/6: National Nurse's Day
5/7: National Teacher's Day – Work with your Community Service chair to collect classroom supplies to donate to local teachers; invite a teacher to talk about public education and accept the donation

5/12: Mother's Day
5/27: Memorial Day

JUNE:

6/14: Flag Day
6/16: Father's Day
6/21: First Day of Summer – Plan an educational program for members and local families about summer safety – sun protection, outdoor safety, swimming safety, etc.

JULY:

7/4: Independence Day – Plan a program honoring local veterans and service members. Work with your Community Service chair to put together care packages for servicemen and women.

7/21: National Ice Cream Day – Plan a program to promote the dairy industry. Invite your local Dairy Royalty to participate or even lead the program.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or ideas!

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Lecturer
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History Committee

Doug Bonsall

PA State Grange History Committee
Director

Your History Committee was especially busy over the past few months adding more information to the State Grange website. Now with just a few clicks of a mouse, readers are able to access all existent Journals of Proceedings, Subordinate Grange charter applications and summaries of major events during terms of our State Masters/Presidents. By the end of this year, our goal is to finish the historical summaries for all terms and post Phase 3 documents currently being micro-filmed and digitized to the website – these include Executive Committee minutes, officers' registers and the published histories of the Pennsylvania State Grange. If you haven't visited the history pages of the website recently, take a moment to explore at <http://www.pagrang.org/history-committee.html>.

This final phase of records preservation has been made possible by generous contributions totaling \$4,045 from the following Granges and individuals who have contributed to the appeal issued last fall (in order of receipt):

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- Honey Brook Township #1688, Chester County
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A very special thanks to Valley Grange #1360, York County, for pledging a second contribution which will underwrite the purchase of a professional grade video camera that will be used to record interviews with prominent Grange leaders. These video interviews are a new initiative to record Grange memories and histories from those persons that were involved and helped to make it all happen over many years. Steve & Karen Mohn have joined the History Committee to coordinate the interviews.

Contributions continue to be received and will be used for projects associated with the 150th anniversary of the Pennsylvania State Grange coming up in 2023. Initial brainstorming about this celebration continues and we are hopeful that the 150th anniversary of Pennsylvania's first Grange – Eagle #1 near Williamsport – in early 2021 will serve as the kick-off for two years of special activities across the state.

Pennsylvania was honored with the opportunity to discuss our historical preservation of Grange records by presenting a workshop in March at the Mid-Atlantic Leaders' Conference in Gettysburg. Leaders from many other states were encouraged to undertake similar work to preserve their Grange stories.

IMPORTANT REMINDER - Local and Pomona Granges that have an interest in microfilming and/or digitizing their records will have an opportunity to do so under the contract negotiated by the State Grange History Committee with IMR Digital just as soon as the balance of the state documents are finished. Even though IMR will probably not be able to start individual Grange's work until later this year, it's not too early to start planning. Contact Jennifer Nauss at Jnauss89@gmail.com for details about preparing your records and the estimated cost.

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Family Festival

THE 50'S

"THE MOVERS AND THE SHAKERS"

Schedule of Events

July 18-21, 2019



Thursday, July 18

1:00 - 5:30 Registration- Bldg A
5:30 - 6:30 Dinner - Bldg D
7:00-- Registration - Bldg A
7:00-8:00 Welcome: Betsy Huber & Wayne
Campbell Workshop - Bldg A
8:00-8:30 Rootbeer, Coke, Orange Floats
8:30-9:30 Bring your Favorite Game
Quilt Block Painting-Bldg C
9:30 Vespers - Bldg A
11:00 Quiet Time & Lights Out

9:00-10:30 Youth Activity - TBA - Bldg A
10:00-11:30 Young Patron Interviews - Bldg B
10:30 - 11:45 "Meeting Grease" - Dr. Diamond
Basic Parliamentary Skills
10:30-11:30 Bike/Hike-a-Thon Benefit
11:30-12:00 Gift of Life Presentation-Bldg A
Blessing of Wrapped in Hugs
12:00-1:00 Lunch - Bldg D
(Impromptu Question to Young
Patron Finalists)
1:00 Youth Activity - TBA
1:00-3:30 Quilt Block Painting-Bldg C
Food Safety Workshop
2:00-4:00 Stained Glass Workshop-Bldg B
3:30-4:30 Program Development Workshop-
Bldg A - Lecturer Committee
5:00-6:00 Dinner - Bldg D
Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes,
Corn, Sweet Potatoes, Applesauce &
Tossed Salad
7:00 Talent Contest - Bldg A
Introduction of Royalty
Ice Cream Social
Cake Walk
Vespers
11:00 Quiet Time & Lights Out



Friday, July 19

7:00-7:30 Registration - Bldg A
7:30-8:30 Breakfast - Bldg D
Quilt Block
Painting-Bldg C
10:00-11:00 English Paper Piercing Workshop
10:30-12:00 Registration - Bldg A
11:00-12:00 PR Workshop - Vision Boards
w/ Lizzie-Bldg A
12:00-1:00 Lunch - Bldg D
1:30-4:00 Tour-Pasto Ag Museum @
Penn State Research Center
2:00-4:00 Registration - Bldg A
2:00-3:00 Make your Own Wreath Workshop
Bldg A (State Contest -
Lecturer's Comm.)
3:00-5:00 Junior/Youth Water Games
5:30-6:30 Dinner - Bldg D - Hamburgers,
Hot Dogs, Macaroni Salad,
Baked Beans & Cookies
Hosted by the FA & assisted by
Youth Departments
7:00-9:00 Sock Hop - Dress the Theme Plus
Soda Floats Bldg A
9:00-9:15 Cake Walk
9:15 Vespers-Bldg A
9:30 Knowledge TEST - Bldg C
11:00 Quiet Time & Lights Out

Sunday, July 21

7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast - Bldg D
9:00 - 10:00 Worship Service - Bldg A
10:00 Clean Up and Depart

Assistance cleaning and packing up of Bldg. D is
much appreciated
Thank You!
Wishing you a safe trip Home!

Saturday, July 20

7:00-7:30 Registration - Bldg A
7:30-8:30 Breakfast - Bldg D
(Announce Young Patron Finalists)
8:30 Group Photo - Bldg A
9:00-11:30 Jr. Grange Workshop & Fun -Bldg B



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Family Festival

July 18-21, 2019

Theme: THE 50'S

THE MOVERS AND THE SHAKERS

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_____ Friday Dinner	\$6.00	_____
_____ Saturday Breakfast	\$4.50	_____
_____ Saturday Lunch	\$5.50	_____
_____ Saturday Dinner	\$8.00	_____
_____ Sunday Breakfast	\$4.50	_____

(please check desired meals)

Tent Fee X \$15.00 _____

RV/Camper Fee X \$25.00 _____

RV Dumping Fee(\$25.00) _____

Registration Fee (\$5.00/person-4
and under Free) _____

Pasto Ag Museum @ Penn State
Research Center Tour (\$10.00) _____

English Paper Piecing Workshop (\$3.00) _____

Quilt Block Workshop (\$40.00) _____

Stained Glass Workshop
(\$5.00 - Small \$10.00 - Large) _____

Make your own Wreath (\$10.00)
Workshop _____

Food Safety (\$5.00) _____

T-Shirt (\$10.00) _____

Child S M L XL

Adult S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL

(Please Circle Size)

Total Cost _____

Make checks payable to: PA State Grange
Send Registration & Payment to:

PA State Grange
Attn: Family Festival
20 Erford Rd, Suite 216
Lemoyne PA 17043
R.S.V.P. by June 9, 2019





Youth News

Youth Committee
Ellen Wadsworth
PA State Grange Youth Director



Greetings from the Youth and Young Adults Department!

Summer is coming! And that means Youth Camp is just around the corner. This year's theme is European Tour and we have a great fun-filled weekend planned. The registration form is located in this issue of the PGN as well as online at www.pagrange.org and on the Pennsylvania Youth and Young Adults Facebook page. In addition to games and workshops, we will also be selecting the 2019-20 Pennsylvania State Grange Youth Ambassadors. The youth selected will be representing the youth of the Pennsylvania State Grange at various activities and events during the next year. If you are between the ages of 15 to 21, consider running for State Youth Ambassador to represent your organization, plus it also looks great on college applications and resumes. Sign up now so you won't miss this awesome weekend.

Our 2018-19 Pennsylvania State Grange Youth Ambassadors have been busy participating in activities such as PA Farm Show and most recently the Berks County Pomona meeting. Here are some thoughts from the current Ambassadors as they come to the end of their term.

Hi! I am Isaac Mengel, the 2018-2019 Male Youth Ambassa-

sador this year. When I was first crowned the Pennsylvania State Grange Youth Ambassador I was extremely excited for the upcoming events I would be able to experience throughout the year. With Ellen and the rest of the committee I traveled to State Session in Pittsburgh. In January I traveled to the Farm Show to attend the royalty banquet and the opening ceremony where I was able to meet the Governor and many state and federal



Congressman. I look forward to the rest of the year and will remember this experience for the rest of my life and I am so thankful for this opportunity.
Isaac Mengel

Hi, my name is Mikayla Davis and I am the 2018-19 Pennsylvania Grange Youth Ambassador. This past year I had the opportunity to do a lot of Grange related things. I went to State Grange Session which was held in western Pennsylvania. The Grange youth opened for session and I held the office of Lady Assistant Steward and was part of writing the opening drill. In January, I was able to attend the PA Farm Show. I was invited to the PA Preferred Banquet on Friday night and then the opening ceremonies Saturday morning. I got to work in the Grange booth where I got to talk to people about the Grange and why they should join the Grange. I also had the opportunity to attend the Mid Atlantic Grange Leadership Conference in Gettysburg. Later on during my reign I will tour the Capital and have a tour of the Governor's Mansion. After that, we have a fun day at Hershey Park planned. Overall, this year as the Youth Ambassador I have met many dignitaries and had a blast meeting and spending time with new and old friends. I encourage every youth member to run for Youth Ambassador as it is a great experience and you will learn a lot within that one year.
Mikayla Davis

Ellen Wadsworth
Youth Director
cell: 417-967-6474
e-mail: youth@pagrange.org





PA State Grange Youth Camp is coming!!!

June 28-30, 2019
JOIN US for "European Tour"
at Camp Sylvan Hills
Howard, PA 16841
(814) 355-5652



Name _____ M _____ F _____

Address _____ Age _____ DOB _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Grange/County: _____

E-Mail: _____ 1st Year Youth Camper: Yes _____ No _____

Shirt Size: ___S___ ___M___ ___L___ ___XL___ ___XXL___ ___XXXL___

*** ALLERGIES *** _____

Emergency Contact & Telephone Number(s): _____

Camp Fee for the Weekend: \$75.00 per person
(\$15.00 will be paid by the Jonathan Sattazahn Memorial Fund Account)
Each person will pay \$60.00
*****SPECIAL – 1ST TIME CAMPERS ONLY \$30.00*****

This fee includes lodging, 5 meals, activities, workshops, snacks and fellowship.

Participants need to bring their own bedding, towels, washcloths and personal toiletries.
Additional information and directions will be posted online or emailed or sent to you
after your application is received.

Look for details/registration online:

PA State Grange Webpage and the Pennsylvania State Grange Youth and Young Adults Facebook page!
Or mail in paper copy to: PA Grange Youth, c/o Ellen Wadsworth, 362 University Road,
Lincoln University, PA 19352

QUESTIONS?? Email: Youth@pagrange.org / Cell: 417-967-6474
Registration and Camp Fee Deadline: June 1st, 2019





Junior News

HELLO Junior Grangers!

FINALLY - we are done with the cold, snow and gray days and we are ready for Summer and those warm sunny days. Along with our excitement for Summer comes planning for the PA Junior Grange Camp in July. This year we are going to have an amazing week full of Disney themed workshops, activities and events. "Grange Camp - the happiest place on earth" is what our theme title is but we all know it is a Disney theme. (We don't want to get in trouble for calling it a Disney camp). I hope you are planning on returning to camp as a camper or if you have never been to camp, this is a GREAT time to come and check us out! We will have some special guests joining us this year as well. We will be introducing a couple of new things about the PA Jr Grange. We will be having so much fun all week! I hope to see your application in the mail soon. The deadline to submit it is June 8th. You can find a copy

Junior Committee

Lurae Benzio

PA State Grange Junior Committee
Director

of the application in this edition of the PA Grange News or online at pagrange.org or go to our Facebook page and under files you can find a copy to print off. I can also email you a copy if that is needed.

I want to give a shout out to a few of the County Jr. Grange Camps happening in May and June. The Berks County Camp will be held the weekend of May 17-19 and their camp theme is Family Game Night. The Beaver County Camp is held the from June 18-22 and they will be having fun in the Wild Wild West. This is a great time to share with the Juniors in attendance about coming to State Junior Grange Camp!

Enjoy the Sunshine!

See you all soon!
Lurae Benzio
Junior Grange Director
Benz4@comcast.net
724-643-5750

COOKIES NEEDED

The Junior Grange Camp would like cookies for the evening snacks and are asking our wonderful Grange bakers to help us out.

We will need 5 dozen a night and are not picky about what we receive.

If you would like to help us out, please contact Lurae Benzio at benz4@comcast.net



Pennsylvania State Grange Cookbooks

\$30

www.pagrange.org
(click on cookbook tab)

Limited quantities available...

(717)737-8855





**2019 Pennsylvania Junior Grange
Camper Application**

June 30-July 6, 2019

Camp Sylvan Hills, Howard, PA

For Junior Grange age: 7 -14

“Grange Camp – The Happiest Place on Earth”

Name: _____ M ____ F ____

Street: _____ Phone: _____/Cell: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parent Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age as of Jan 1, 2019 _____

Grange Name and Number: _____

Is this your first year at State Camp? _____

Please
Attach school
photo here

Camper fee - \$155.00 (This reflects a \$15.00 credit from the
Jonathan Sattazahn Memorial Fund)

THERE IS ALSO A SIBLING DISCOUNT: 1st child = full price of \$155 and then a \$15 reduction
for every child after. (2nd child = \$140, 3rd child = \$140 4th child = \$140 and so on)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PENNSYLVANIA JUNIOR GRANGE

Mail Application with attached photo to:

Director Lurae Benzio, 103 Highland Dr. , Industry, PA 15052

REGISTRATION and CAMP FEE DEADLINE: JUNE 8, 2019

Any application postmarked after June 8, 2019 will be charged an additional \$20.00 and
will not be guaranteed a camp T-shirt.

A full Camp packet will be mailed with more information to all who submits this application!

**** Once again we are making it OPTIONAL to bring a food donation. PLEASE put an “X” on the line below if you are
willing to bring a food donation. Your food donation item will be listed in your camp packet that is mailed to you a few
weeks prior to camp.

_____ YES, I am willing to bring a food donation to camp.

T-shirt Size: (circle one below)

Child Med. / Child Lrg. / Adult Sm. / Adult Med. / Adult Lrg.

Adult XL / Adult 2XL

***All Counselors/Helpers must contact Director Lurae Benzio for consideration and an application**



Spotted Lanternfly a New Grape Threat

Swarms of feeding spotted lanternfly can kill a vineyard. Will the Pennsylvania quarantine be able to keep them from spreading?

By: Kate Prengaman

Making itself at home in Eastern Pennsylvania, the invasive spotted lanternfly has proven itself to be an enormous nuisance and serious threat to vineyards and to the economy of the region — both thanks to the resulting damage and to quarantine restrictions.

The striking leafhopper — distinguished by bright red underwings that give the gray spotted wings a rosy tint when crawling up a tree — has a wide host preference, sucking sap from woody plants that include fruit trees and landscape trees, but grapevines appear to be a favorite, along with the invasive and pervasive tree-of-heaven. Native to Southeast Asia, the spotted lanternfly, SLF, was first found in Berks County, Pennsylvania, in 2014.

Like brown marmorated stink bug before it, SLF is a nuisance for residents and difficult to control because it is found throughout the landscape, but due to its penchant for feeding swarms, it can kill a vineyard in one season.

“It’s pretty shocking damage, actually,” said Heather Leach, extension entomologist for Penn State University. “With high feedings, we end up with vines that aren’t producing flowers and fruit or are completely dead,” she said. “I know one vineyard had 2.5 acres of Pinot Noir that was attacked in the fall of 2017 and in the spring, everything was dead. So, the damage is scary and happens quickly.”

Between 30 and 40 wine grape growers in the quarantined zone of Eastern Pennsylvania had spotted lanternfly damage in their vineyards last year, Leach said. The state is the fifth-largest producer of wine grapes and the third-largest producer of juice grapes in the country, although SLF has not yet been found in the juice grape growing region along Lake Erie.

For now, the infestation remains largely restricted to 13 quarantined counties in Eastern Pennsylvania, along with three neighboring counties in New Jersey and one in Delaware. But there’s also a population growing around Winchester, Virginia, and SLF have been found in more than a dozen other counties in Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut and Maryland.

SLF lays its gray, hard-to-spot egg masses indiscriminately, so moving trucks, Christmas trees,

Its ability to hitchhike with human movement poses the greatest concern

patio furniture or apple bins could all relocate the pest, said entomologist Sven-Erik Spichiger, who recently joined the Washington State Department of Agriculture from Pennsylvania. The Virginia population is believed to have been transported on landscaping material.

“Here’s the real issue: These things love to lay eggs on rusty

Photo courtesy of Erica Smyers, Penn State University



The sap-sucking spotted lanternfly poses a serious threat to vineyards in Eastern Pennsylvania, where a quarantine is in place to prevent the invasive species from hitchhiking to other regions.

metal, like a railcar, so it has high risk of transport,” Spichiger warned Washington grape growers at an industry meeting in November. “Make no mistake about it; it is coming here and probably quicker than you think.”

(MAP graphic: Source: New York State Integrated Pest Management Program)

Management

The good news is that SLF is relatively easy to kill. Familiar pyrethroid and neonicotinoid insecticides, such as Scorpion (dinotefuran), Actara (thiamethoxam), Brigade (bifenthrin) and Mustang Maxx (zeta-cypermethrin), along with Sevin (carbaryl), all work well, but since SLF have a wide host range across the landscape, new bugs can invade a recently treated area.

So, the challenge becomes bal-

ancing a long-lasting residual for the repeat invasion with the need for a low preharvest interval, as feeding swarms seem to peak in September, just as growers need to harvest, Leach said.

“I have heard growers using some of the longer residual products after harvest with good success,” she said. “It’s nice to spray some bifenthrin and have a break

from worrying about it.”

Leach said she tells growers to spray when there are five to 10 SLF per vine, but that’s based more on anecdotal evidence, since they just don’t have enough data yet.

More research is underway at the university, state and federal level to learn how best to control SLF — including applied studies in vineyards to understand how much feeding vines can tolerate and to establish management thresholds, develop pheromone lures and traps, and hunt for effective biocontrols.

“Our top priority right now is making sure vineyards have better management options,” she said. “To be honest, there is just still a lot we don’t know.”

It is well-established that growers and homeowners alike should remove tree-of-heaven or treat the trees with a systemic insecticide. The state of Pennsylvania and U.S. Department of Agriculture are working together on a program to treat the trees to kill SLF as well.

Wrapping trunks of infested trees with sticky tape can also kill the flightless nymphs, which are black with white spots in the ear-

ly stages of development and then turn red with black and white spots as they mature.

On the lookout

Swarms of SLF have been found feeding on peach and apple trees as well, but it’s much shorter-lived and growers haven’t yet seen economic damage to tree health, Leach said.

Harvesting clean fruit in the midst of a pest swarm poses a challenge for commercial operations that need to ensure bins are pest-free before shipping out of the quarantine region — and debilitating for pick-your-own and other agritourism businesses.

“It’s literally swarming orchards during picking and packing,” Spichiger said.

Ed Weaver, who owns a farm market and pick-your-own farm in Morgantown, Pennsylvania, said SLF prefers tree-of-heaven, maple and birch on his property more than apple trees, at least so far. He first spotted the bugs in 2017 and saw a significant population last year.



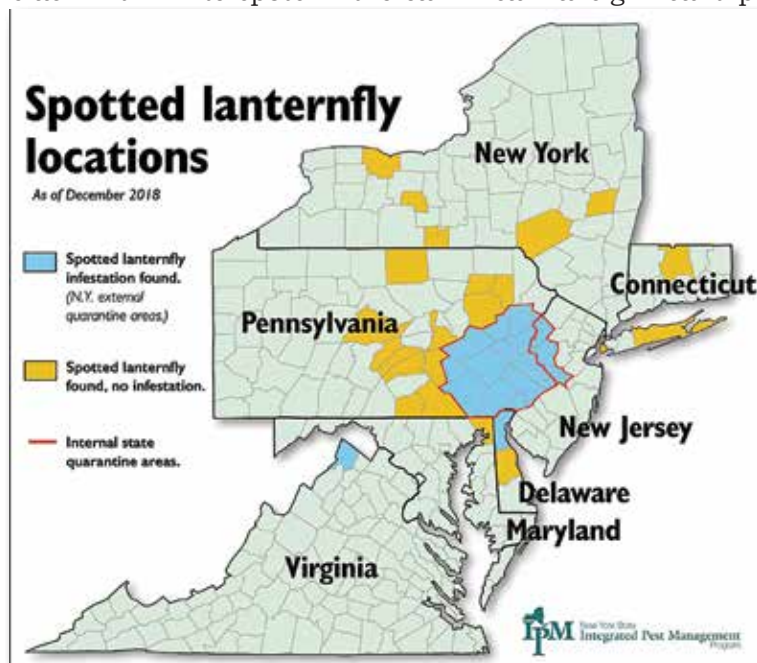
Spotted lanternfly that feed on grapevines take a serious toll on vine health, reducing flowering the following season or even killing the vines. Courtesy Erica Smyers, Penn State University

Grape growers in adjacent regions are also a bit freaked out. In New York, the focus is on education and outreach, so that farmers and citizens are prepared to identify and report the pest before it has time to establish, said Tim Weigle, statewide grape IPM extension educator at Cornell University.

The IPM program has combined forces with state and federal regulators to establish a command center to respond to SLF sightings, he said — the first time such a coordinated response has been launched for an invasive insect. “We’re hoping we can keep it to a dull roar,” Weigle said. “I don’t think we can completely prevent it, but hopefully we can keep it down until we have the biological controls.”

Leach said the controversial quarantine, which adds expenses to any business moving product out of the regulated region, appears to be working to slow the spread of the pest, but ultimately is unlikely to contain it completely. “Because it hitchhikes so well, they can go cross-country very easily,” Weigle said. “If I was a grape grower anywhere in the U.S., I’d make sure I know what this pest looks like.”

“The negative impact has just been more the customer experience,” he said. “For people who come from out west of our farm and had not experienced them yet, they were freaked out.”



March 7th, 2019



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.

SUNDAY HUNTING BECOMES A LEGISLATIVE ISSUE (AGAIN)

With the introduction of Senate Bill 147 by Senator Dan Laughlin (R-Erie) and its consideration by the Senate Game & Fisheries Committee, the issue of permitting Sunday hunting is back.

In 2005, delegates to the Pennsylvania State Grange Fall Session adopted a policy position which states: "The Grange opposes Sunday hunting on any land. We support the antlered and antlerless deer season be extended by one week, allowing more hunting time and more harvest of deer, without Sunday hunting. (2005)"

Based on this position, the Pennsylvania State Grange has been active on this issue this spring.

President Wayne Campbell has had full-length opinion articles appear in numbers of Pennsylvania's newspapers including but not limited to the Patriot-News in Harrisburg, Tribune-Review (Trib-Web) in Westmoreland/Allegheny Counties, Morning Call in Allentown, Johnstown Democrat, and others.

In addition, President Campbell was the featured program guest on a television program produced and aired by PA Cable Network (PCN).

On February 27, the House

Game & Fisheries Committee held a hearing to review the PA Game Commission's annual report to the General Assembly. PA State Grange submitted a statement from Grange President Wayne Campbell.

The gist of Wayne Campbell's statement to the committee was that the PA Game Commission and other advocates for Sunday hunting are taking a short-term approach to a broader problem. Declining num-



Image from "Business Insider"

bers of hunting licenses has taken place over several years from many causes. Allowing Sunday hunting is not a silver bullet.

FROM THE FORESTS... ...TO THE FIELDS

Pennsylvania State Grange advocates that the PA House or Senate direct the PA Legislative & Budget Committee to do an in-depth study on hunting in Pennsylvania and analyze some of the possible causes of licensing decline. Some of these might be: demise of hunting safety education offered through the schools; changing of society's attitudes and feelings towards hunting; other recreational pastimes that compete with hunting, etc. In addition, perhaps the Legislative Budget & Finance Committee could look at other states' experiences to see if those states permitting Sunday hunting saw a dramatic increase in hunting license sales after Sunday hunting was allowed.

The Pennsylvania State Grange hopes that this in-depth study would better document the status of hunting in PA. This would give the legislature additional information before moving any sort of Sunday hunting legislation.

GRANGE WEIGHS IN ON AG CAREER BILLS

The Pennsylvania State Grange weighed in on two bills designed to promote career-building workforce development.

First was support of House Bill 393 sponsored by Rep. Pat Harkins (D-Erie). It would set up an online inter-agency group career resource center at the state level to try to coordinate workforce development. The PA Department of Agriculture is part of the group. Pennsylvania State Grange said that Rep. Harkins' bill correctly identifies Agriculture's importance to PA's economy since the PA Department of Agriculture is formally part of this career resource.

The second bill received qualified support from the Pennsylvania State Grange. House Bill 394 sponsored by Rep. Gerald Mullery (D-Luzerne) directs the Department of Education to inventory workforce development programs offered at secondary and post-secondary institutions.

While supporting the concept, Pennsylvania State Grange believes that the legislation is incomplete because the PA Department of Agriculture is not explicitly included. Although the Departments of Labor & Industry and Education both play vital roles, Agriculture is where these workforce development resources also need to be identified. The job and career resources that the Department of Agriculture can contribute would be invaluable.

In 2018, Pennsylvania State Grange submitted testimony on earlier versions of the two pieces of legislation to the House Democratic Policy Committee.

Both bills are part of an eight bill omnibus workforce development package being pushed by both Republican and Democratic Chairs of the House Education Committee, Rep. Curt Sonney (R-Erie) and Rep. Jim Roebuck (D-Phila.).

A WALK THROUGH THE PA FARM BILL

This spring, in addition to the many pieces of legislation affecting farming and the rural economy, one generating considerable discussion is the PA Farm Bill proposed by Governor Tom Wolf. Readers of Pennsylvania Grange News should at least know something about it since elements will likely see legislative action by the end of June since they involve State Budget issues.

The Pennsylvania Farm Bill invests more than \$24 million in Pennsylvania's agriculture industry to grow opportunities and resources, remove barriers to entry, and cultivate future generations of leaders within agriculture. The plan is somewhat unusual in that it is a comprehensive proposal covering many areas of PA Agriculture. There are of course other pieces of the Governor's State Budget proposal such as more money for workforce development that are also part of the State Budget negotiations between the Governor and the General Assembly. A separate proposal from the Governor would tax Marcellus Shale natural gas extraction to repay a proposed \$4.5 billion bond issue for Broadband expansion, flood and storm water management, and monies addressing blight in many of PA's smaller communities.

What Is In The PA Farm Bill? Agricultural Business Development and Succession Planning

Pennsylvania Agricultural Business Development Center, funded at \$2 million, would serve as a resource to help every farmer create a business plan, transition plan, or succession plan to ensure their best chance for future success. There would also be a Realty Transfer Tax Exemption for any transfer of preserved farmland to



President Wayne Campbell addressing PA House & Senate Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee at their meeting being held at Ag Progress Days in 2018

a qualified beginning farmer.

Creating more processing capabilities to accommodate a growing animal agriculture sector

Pennsylvania Dairy Investment Program, funded at \$5 million, would fund research and development, organic transition assistance, value-added processing, and marketing grants in support of Pennsylvania's Dairy industry. \$1 million would go to the Center for Animal Agriculture Excellence to support the animal agriculture industry by expanding processing capacity, technical assistance, providing resources for food safety compliance, and assisting with the establishment of hemp as an approved animal feed. In addition, there would be \$500,000 to encourage access to new and expanded markets for small or new producers by reimbursing federal meat inspection costs and subsidizing the first-time purchase of equipment needed for federal compliance.

Removing regulatory burdens and strengthening the state's business climate

Conservation Excellence Grant Program, funded at \$2.5 million, would provide financial and technical assistance to farmers to install and implement best management practices.

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Grange News

LIBERTY GRANGE #1780

Dear Fellow Grange members and Friends of Liberty Grange #1780... Liberty Grange turns 100 years old in 2019! To celebrate, a 100th Birthday Celebration has been scheduled for:

Friday, May 10, 2019 at 7 pm
at Liberty Grange
3067 Harlansburg Road
New Castle, PA 16101

PA State Grange Master/President Wayne Campbell will be the featured speaker. There will also be entertainment and refreshments! Liberty Grange has been a presence in our community for 100 years, for which we are very proud. Our organization still supports farming and other rural interests but is becoming more active in community service. We also continue to support the Lawrence County Junior Grange, 4-H and FFA programs. We also offer our building for rentals at a reasonable rate and participate in county events such as the Lawrence County Fair where we hope to educate the public on various topics. Please mark your calendar for May 10, 2019 at 7 pm to hear about our past and listen about the future of the Grange. Please join us as we celebrate! For more information, please call or text Bonnie Casselberry at 724-674-2621.

PERRY VALLEY GRANGE #1804

Thanks to the initiative of two Millerstown (PA) organizations - Greenwood High School FFA and Perry Valley Grange #1804 - partnering to pool their resources, a food packing project has resulted in 48,500 breakfast meal kits to fight hunger in Perry and Juniata Counties. Some 263 volunteers of all ages descended on the Greenwood Elementary School cafeteria Friday evening, March 1, 2019, to work for two hour shifts on teams that packaged the oatmeal and



(Perry Valley Grange) Volunteers packed 48,500 breakfast kits to fight hunger in Perry and Juniata Counties at a meal packing event held March 1st in the Greenwood Elementary School, Millerstown. The meal packing was a joint project sponsored by the Greenwood High School FFA and Perry Valley Grange #1804.

dried fruit meal.

It was a festive atmosphere as volunteers arrived and were divided into teams after receiving instructions during a project overview. Each time 5,000 meal kits were finished, a gong sounded to announce the latest achievement and this solicited spontaneous celebration from the assembled workers. A light supper was provided to all volunteers.

According to Krista Pontius, FFA Adviser and Grange program director, the overwhelming financial support for this program received from organizations, church-



(Perry Valley Grange) - Long-time Perry Valley Grange member Bill Cameron of Millerstown invited participants at the meal packing event to take part in a \$10,000 volunteer challenge as part of the group's 100th anniversary. The first 100 persons to give 100 hours of volunteer service to local organizations over the next 12 months will be recognized as a Grange Centennial Community Volunteer and an organization of their choice will receive a \$100 grant.



(Perry Valley Grange) State Grange President Wayne Campbell was among the several hundred volunteers who helped pack 48,500 meal kits at a "feed the hungry" March 2019 service project jointly sponsored by Perry Valley Grange #1804, Perry County, and the Greenwood High School FFA

es and individuals amounted to more \$14,500. Since the original goal to cover the cost of food supplies purchased through "Meals of Hope" was exceeded, it is expected that several thousand dollars will also be given as cash donations to local food banks which are distributing the packaged meals.

Perry Valley Grange is celebrating 100 years of continuous service throughout 2019 and kicked off a special centennial challenge during the meal packing event. Any individual who gives 100 hours of volunteer, non-paid service between 3/1/2019-2/29/2020 to non-profit civic, school (educational), religious, fraternal or veteran organizations in the Millerstown-Liverpool-Newport communities will be recognized as a Grange Centennial Volunteer and one organization of the volunteer's choice will receive a \$100 grant from the Grange.

Volunteers at the March 1st event were able to record their first two hours of service toward the community volunteer challenge. This program will recognize the first 100 persons to reach

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HOT OFF THE PRESS... FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE GRANGE OFFICE

Media Statement on Trump 2020 Budget

Pennsylvania State Grange feels that the Federal Budget for 2020 proposed by President Donald Trump shows that there is a continued lack of communication within the Federal Government. It is unrealistic in that it does not support what was outlined in the 2018 Farm Bill.

On one hand, President Trump has repeatedly spoken to applaud America's farmers. In praising American Agriculture, he pledged continued support for Crop Insurance. The Agriculture Community looks for him to keep his word as there is an obvious disconnect between him and the Office of Management & Budget on the 2020 Federal Budget..

The Budget actually proposed to Congress shows a 15 percent decrease in USDA funding from \$20.8 billion to \$17.2 billion. One of the fundamentals of the bipartisan 2018 Farm Bill was the continued need for a reliable safety net for farmers afflicted with severe weather, pests and other threats to production. The 2020 proposal cuts Crop Insurance premium support from 62% to 48%, limits the numbers of agricultural producers that are eligible, and "tightens" commodity payment limits.

Source: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/budget-fy2020.pdf>

Compare the reality of this Federal Budget proposal with what the President said on January 14, 2019.

The Farm Bill delivers for our farmers on a wide range of key priorities. On critical farm programs, such as crop insurance, you will have the support you need to plan for the future. It increases the amount farmers can borrow so you can expand and improve your businesses. Now you have a government that is loyal to you.

Source: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/remarks-president-trump-american-farm-bureau-federations-100th-annual-convention-new-orleans-louisiana/>

Pennsylvania State Grange Disappointed by Sunday Hunting Vote

The PA State Grange registered deep disappointment on the February 5 vote by the Pennsylvania Senate Game and Fisheries Committee on legislation to allow Sunday deer hunting and issued the following statement by Pennsylvania State Grange President Wayne Campbell. Prompting the statement was Senate Bill 147 sponsored by Senator Dan Laughlin (R-Erie). It would remove the decades-old prohibition on Sunday rifle hunting of deer in Pennsylvania.

The Pennsylvania State Grange takes the position that Sunday hunting means uncertainty to other users of wooded areas about

possibly being harmed by a mistaken gunshot or ricochet. While the risk may be statistically small, there is a real perception that a person might unknowingly come to harm, inhibiting their full enjoyment of the outdoors.

While understanding the Pennsylvania Game Commission's desire to see more hunting, the Pennsylvania State Grange believes that other users should have a day free from this threat of possible harm. Hunters, hikers, and equine activities all have a recreation interest in the outdoors. That means sharing of the time and space so that no one group is discouraged from participating in outdoors activity.

"Grange members includes many avid hunters and we support their activities while recognizing the need by other users to have a space where they do not have to look over their proverbial shoulder at possible harm to themselves and their families seeking to utilize these natural resources.

We appreciate that 'no' votes were cast by Senators Elder Vogel from Beaver County, Senator Bob Mensch whose district includes parts of Berks, Bucks, and Montgomery Counties and Senator Andy Dinniman from Chester County.

Frankly, the Pennsylvania State Grange believes that the Senate Game and Fisheries Committee

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acted too swiftly in ramming this bill through with only one days notice given for a major committee vote. A better approach in our view would have been for the committee to listen to all stakeholders via public hearing before voting on legislation to end the prohibition on Sunday hunting."

Statement from Pennsylvania State Grange President Wayne Campbell on USDA's Announcement on the Regulation of "Cell-Cultured Protein"

The core question to the Pennsylvania State Grange regarding "cell-cultured" protein, also known as lab-manufactured protein, is one of labeling. Whatever you call it, this is not meat and those who would someday want to market it must not label it as such. Truth in labeling is critical for consumers. They need to know what they are eating. If someone wants to consume lab-manufactured protein, that is fine. BUT, they must know that this is not meat. True meat comes from an animal, not from a laboratory.

The Pennsylvania State Grange welcomes the announcement from the U.S. Department of Agriculture that they and the Food and Drug Administration will jointly regulate lab-manufactured protein. We also are glad that USDA appears to have the primary responsibility in labeling of this new product.

NOTE: Following this statement is the USDA announcement

USDA and FDA Announce a Formal Agreement to Regulate Cell-Cultured Food Products from Cell Lines of Livestock and Poultry
USDA Media and Consumer Inquiries:

WASHINGTON, March 7, 2019 — The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Food and Drug Administration (FDA) today announced a formal agreement to

jointly oversee the production of human food products derived from the cells of livestock and poultry. FSIS and FDA released a formal agreement to address the regulatory oversight of human food produced using this new technology. The formal agreement describes the oversight roles and responsibilities for both agencies and how the agencies will collaborate to regulate the development and entry of these products into commerce. This shared regulatory approach will ensure that cell-cultured products derived from the cell lines of livestock and poultry are produced safely and are accurately labeled.

"Consumers trust the USDA mark of inspection to ensure safe, wholesome and accurately labeled products," said USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Food Safety Mindy Brashears. "We look forward to continued collaboration with FDA and our stakeholders to safely regulate these new products and ensure parity in labeling."

"We recognize that our stakeholders want clarity on how we will move forward with a regulatory regime to ensure the safety and proper labeling of these cell-cultured human food products while continuing to encourage innovation," said Frank Yiannas, FDA Deputy Commissioner for Food Policy and Response. "Collaboration between USDA and FDA will allow us to draw upon the unique expertise of each agency in addressing the many important technical and regulatory considerations that can arise with the development of animal cell-cultured food products for human consumption."

Under the formal agreement, the agencies agree upon a joint regulatory framework wherein FDA oversees cell collection, cell banks, and cell growth and differentiation. A transition from FDA to FSIS oversight will occur during the cell harvest stage. FSIS

will oversee the production and labeling of human food products derived from the cells of livestock and poultry.

On Oct. 23-24, 2018, FSIS and FDA held a joint public meeting to discuss the use of cell culture technology to develop products derived from livestock and poultry. The public meeting focused on the potential hazards, oversight considerations, and labeling of cell cultured food products derived from livestock and poultry.

To view the recorded webinar from the public meeting on the FSIS website at www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/newsroom/meetings/past-meetings.

To view the Formal Agreement, visit the FSIS website at www.fsis.usda.gov/formalagreement or the FDA website at www.fda.gov/Food/InternationalInteragencyCoordination/DomesticInteragencyAgreements/UCM632752.htm.

Pennsylvania State Grange Testifies on Milk Marketing Orders

The Pennsylvania State Grange called on the PA Milk Marketing Board (PMMB) to set the over-order premium payment at \$1.00 at its hearing March 8. Testifying on behalf of the Pennsylvania State Grange, Lancaster County dairy farmer Matt Espenshade said that 2018 will be a year that will be talked about for generations to come. Record-setting rainfall affected nearly all of agriculture in Pennsylvania. He said that the almost continuous rain could not have come at a worse time for struggling dairy farmers in the Commonwealth because combined with the lower price for milk it attributed to higher feed costs as well.

In addition to urging adoption of the \$1.00 over-order premium, Espenshade asked policymakers to take a longer view of solving the problems facing the dairy farmer.

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Let's SHARE The Outdoors!

By: Wayne Campbell, President,
Pennsylvania State Grange

In Harrisburg, there is a renewed push by some that Sunday hunting should be permitted. The PA State Grange respectfully disagrees.

Even while disagreeing, we certainly understand the rationale. The PA Game Commission believes it will make more money from the sale of hunting licenses. Firearms manufacturers and those selling guns feel that Sunday hunting will help their economic bottom line. Others are worried about the decline of hunting by younger people because Saturdays are already crowded with non-hunting activities like soccer, swimming, etc. Personally, I come from the hunting culture of Pennsylvania. I am an avid hunter. I love to hunt. I love being outdoors. I cherish the opportunity to teach my grandchildren about hunting safety and the joys of a day in the woods..

I also believe that it is important for hunting to share the outdoors with others who also love being outside and who engage in recreational activities.

Independent of arguments about observing Sunday as a day of church, family, and rest, there are strong economic arguments that warrant keeping hunting Sunday free. Hunting's economic contribution pales when compared to non-hunting recreational activities.

Hunting is only a part of outdoor recreation. The U.S. Government's Bureau of Economic Analysis was directed to prepare an assessment and analysis of the outdoor recreation economy in the United States by the Outdoor Recreation Jobs and Economic Impact Act of 2016. (<https://www.bea.gov/data/special-topics/outdoor-recreation>) Its summary report issued September 20, 2018, credited

outdoor recreation for generating 2.2 percent of the Gross Domestic Product in 2016. The top six outdoor recreation activities were: Boating/Fishing \$36.9 billion; Game Areas such as golfing and tennis \$34.7 billion; RVing

\$36.9 billion

- Climbing/Hiking/Tent Camping \$7.5 billion

Government statistics are important but are they validated by other research? The U.S. Outdoor Industry Association provided more statistics which suggests an even greater contribution to U.S. economic activity.

This 2017 document shows hunting as a part, but not the dominant part, of the economic contribution to the United States from outdoor recreation. (https://outdoorindustry.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/OIA_Re-Economy_FINAL_Single.pdf)

Note that the figures (below) for hunting and fishing provided to the Outdoor Industry Association for this study came through agreements with the American Sportfishing Association and the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

\$30 billion; Guided Tours/Outfitted Travel \$25.7 billion; Motorcycling/ATVing \$20.3 billion. Well down the list came Hunting (the category includes archery as well as non-archery hunting) which had \$13.9 billion in economic impact in the U.S.

What these statistics do is to document that hunting plays a significant role but is by no means the dominant part of outdoor recreation's contribution to the economy.

Breaking it down further, following U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis figures compare hunting with other forest and woodland recreational activities in terms of economic impact.

- Hunting (including archery) \$13.9 billion
- Equestrian \$10.6 billion
- Boating/Fishing

	Retail Spending	Jobs	State & Local Taxes
Camping	\$166.9 billion	1.4 million	\$11.3 billion
Fishing	\$35.6 billion	287,554	\$2.4 billion
Hunting	\$27.4 billion	194,973	\$1.7 billion
Trail Sports	\$201.5 billion	1,762,665	\$13.5 billion
Wildlife Watching	\$30.2 billion	235,825	\$1.9 billion

What Does All This Have to do With Sunday Hunting? Other outdoor recreational activities provide as much if not more economic activity than hunting.

Hunters get six days a week. Other users of the outdoors should get one day where the fear of hunting accidents (ricochets, etc.) does not put a damper on their enjoyment of the outdoors.



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ment practices. \$500,000 would re-establish the Agriculture Linked Investment Program (low-interest loan program for implementation of best management practices). There would be \$3 million allocated for Resource Enhancement and Protection Tax Credits (REAP), to increase the lifetime cap and increase availability of the REAP program.

A transportation concern would be addressed in the PA Farm Bill. To ensure that farmers are better able to transport agricultural products or supplies, the Farm Bill proposes to expand the allowable width for the use of implements of husbandry on roads, such as farm tractors and combines, from 16 feet to 18 feet. The PA Farm Bill seeks to enhance diversification or transition to other ag operations for preserved farms where the original operation is no longer feasible by amending the Agricultural Area Security Act to allow for subdivision of preserved farms. This proposal would also repeal unnecessary audit provisions from the Cooperative Agricultural Association Law which currently requires agricultural cooperatives to provide certified financial audits to the PA Department of Agriculture, removing an antiquated burden for existing cooperatives and a barrier for new cooperatives.

Workforce, Youth Development and Agriculture Disaster Programs

\$500,000 would re-establish the Agriculture and Rural Youth Organization Grant Program to fund agricultural and rural youth organizations to increase knowledge and awareness of agricultural issues. Nutrition programs would benefit from \$500,000 for the Pennsylvania Farm to School Grant Program, funded to improve childhood nutrition while increasing exposure to agriculture. In Agriculture, everyone's fear is that some biological disaster such as Avian Influenza or Spotted Lanternfly will devastate PA agricultural production.

The PA Farm Bill would establish a \$5 million fund to protect agriculture infrastructure – the Pennsylvania Rapid Response Disaster Readiness Account. The Account could also be used to provide an immediate response to a food borne illness.

Increasing Marketing Opportunities and Making Pennsylvania the Nation's Leading Organic State

The goal of the Wolf Administration is to use \$1.6 million for the PA Preferred Organic Initiative to make Pennsylvania the nation's leading organic state by further enhancing the growth of the organic industry. Pennsylvania is now the Nation's second highest producer of organic products after California.

The PA Farm Bill would provide PA Preferred with an additional \$1 million to support the overall PA Preferred ag product branding program and to bolster enrollment in the Homegrown by Heroes Program; establish a State-level Specialty Crop Block Grant Program, funded at \$500,000, to invest in and encourage farming of high-priority horticultural crops like hemp, hops, and hardwoods; and \$500,000 for Urban Agriculture to improve agriculture infrastructure in urban areas and support of community development efforts.

As always, please contact me with your questions or issues on which you feel the Grange should focus.

Vince Phillips is the lobbyist for the Pennsylvania State Grange. He has lobbied in PA since 1989, coming from the Nation's Capitol where, among other things, he served on President Reagan's Transition Team and held a Reagan Administration appointment at USDA.

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the 100 hour mark, which means the Grange is committing \$10,000 over the next year to support the work of local organizations. The registration form for the volunteer program may be found on the home page of the Grange website <http://www.perryvalleygrange.org/> and are also available by contacting Doug Bonsall at 717-921-1957.

STONY POINT GRANGE #1694

Members of Stony Point Grange #1694 prepared and served meals to more than 140 clients of the Good Shepard Center in Greenville, PA on Presidents' Day, February 18th, as one of their annual community service projects.



(Stony Point Grange) Pictured left to right: Martha Gruber, Jason Gruber, Ralph Boyd, Ruth Gruber, Stan Gruber, Ken Ammann, Ron Amrhein, and Marlene Boyd. Missing from photo – Kathy Ammann.



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"Reducing the financial stress dairy farmers are having involves actions way beyond the authority of the Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board or any individual farmer to resolve. On one side, it is increasing demand for product. Hopefully, legislation sponsored by PA congressman G.T Thompson allowing whole milk to be provided in school meal programs will help. Actions by USDA to have higher fat content in flavored school lunch milk will also help. The main way to turn the market around will be a re-education of the American public that milk is nutritious. "Hopefully, we can get a new generation to appreciate milk's value in promoting their health", he said.

He also urged Pennsylvania state government to work on building up processing facilities, which translates into reduced transportation costs. Espenshade also said that ideally, the Commonwealth could invest in numbers of smaller regionalized processors to promote Pennsylvania's rural development even as it reduces costs for dairy farmers.

Matt Espenshade is a seventh generation dairy farmer with family ownership dating back to 1867. His farm milks 70 cows with a 19,400 pound rolling herd average. His family farms 260 acres and raises forage and replacement heifers. He is the Master (President) of Elizabethtown Area Grange, number 2076, one of more than 200 local Granges statewide. His farm is a member of Mount Joy Farmers Co-op which is affiliated with Dairy Farmers of America.

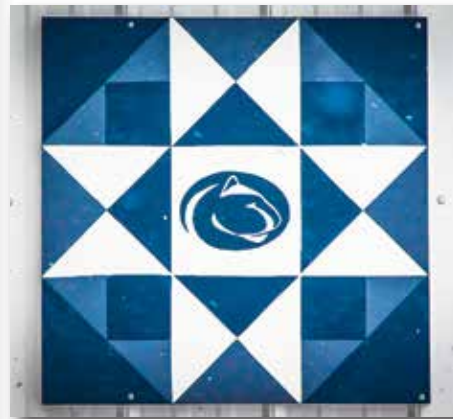
Pennsylvania State Grange was founded in 1873 as an advocate for farmers, families, businesses and communities in rural Pennsylvania.



Quilted Block Colors of Pennsylvania

By Heather Hiller

In previous issues you've not only read some of my editorial regarding the many beautiful quilt blocks decorating the back road barns of Pennsylvania, you've also been given plenty of opportunities, through quilt block "how-to" gatherings at Family Festival. But...if you're like me... sometimes seeing what other people have done is the



exact inspiration you need in order to begin creating a beautiful masterpiece of your own.

The cover of this issue of PGN strives to be such an inspiration for you (and maybe even me) to try your hand and creativity at making a quilt block. Be it for your own chicken coop, barn or garage, or as a group activity for your Grange...a finished quilt block not only beautifies our already stunning state, it also adds a piece



of you to the character of our back roads and country drives. A quilt block gives Sunday drivers, vacationers, and explorers something to enjoy on their adventures through our state. And let's face it...a gorgeous quilt block can give us a bit of pride in just it's accomplishment.

So get out there and start creating! Who knows...maybe you even come up with a new gift idea for family and friends!

Every issue, I'll be including more quilt blocks, as I tour Pennsylvania and photograph the many beautiful landscapes we call "home". If you'd like to have me come out and photograph your Quilt Block...please make arrangements with me at: heather@88dragon.com or 570•772•4441. I can't post them in the magazine if I can't find them!





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NEW MEMBERS!

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John Wells

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Michael Lewis

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Michael Dilanni

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Stan Shauger

Heather Sites

Central #1650

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Louise Earp

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Odin #1254

Levin Crosby

London #1492

Judy Houston

Ontelaunee #1617

Isabel Laudenslayer

Central #1650

Robert Geiger

Seipstown #1657

Harold Gehringer

Earl Horning

Joseph Zeller

Honeybrook #1688

John Seldomridge

Red Lion #1781

Edmund Markey

Dayton #1819

James Snyder

Virginville #1832

Carl Miller

Bradley Rahn

Fleetwood #1839

Harold Hehr

Dolores Mensch

Harold Schuler

Diahoga #1951

Sylvia Teeter

Baileyville #1991

Mary Ellen Kean

Big Knob #2008

Lloyd Brenner

Mary Louise Graham

Lee Miller

SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

Dayton Grange #1819

Ailene Bussard

Sanatoga #25

Adam Wambach

Mt. Nebo #1872

Carol A. Lee

WHOOPS!!!

The Pennsylvania State Grange realized that we forgot to share our cudos with Teddie Wine-land... who received an award for her 60 years of membership in Halfmoon Grange #290. WOOHOO!!! CONGRATS Teddie!!!

2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We don't have many dates, yet, for 2019, but here's what we have so far. If your Grange is holding any yearly festivals or events, please email those dates to: info@88dragon.com

FAMILY FESTIVAL

July 18-21, 2019
Centre County Fairgrounds
Centre Hall, PA

AG PROGRESS DAYS

August 13-15, 2019
Pennsylvania Furnace, PA

STATE SESSION

October 24-27, 2019
Ramada Inn & Convention Center
1450 N. Atherton Street, State College, PA

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