

January-February 2022

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Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter

Meeting Location:

Millerstown Community Park Building
110 Juniata Parkway West, Millerstown, PA 17062

Grange Partners with School to Make Fleece Blankets during Holidays



See more pictures inside about this & other service projects.

Winter Events Announced

January 2022 Calendar	
7-15	PA Farm Show, Harrisburg Volunteers needed to help in State Grange and milk shake booths
14	Grange meeting @ Community Park Building – 7 p.m. (see details below)
24	Executive Committee meeting – 6:30 p.m. Home of Peg Bolton
25	Pomona Grange meeting at Madison – 7 p.m. Continuation of brainstorming for 2022

January 14th

Program – Ecosystems of the World

Bryce Danko, the 2019-2021 National Grange Junior Ambassador and grandson of Wayne & Debbie Campbell, will discuss the different types of ecosystems in the world, the different parts of an ecosystem, play a short video, and then make some edible ecosystems for everyone to enjoy. Bryce is a student at Greenwood High School and an active FFA member,

Please note we've decided to begin our regular meetings at 7 p.m. except those months when a dinner is scheduled. Refreshments will be enjoyed after the program and we hope everyone will enjoy this time of fellowship together.

February 2022 Calendar	
11	Grange meeting @ Community Park Building – 7 p.m. (see details below)
28	Executive Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m. Home of Peg Bolton

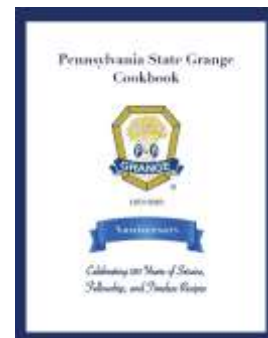
February 11th

Program – Christian Hymns

Join us for an evening as we bring life to our favorite **Christian hymns**. We will learn the stories behind the music and sing along as we understand the true meaning of each of the beautiful songs.

The new State Grange 150th anniversary cookbook is selling quickly!

This is a limited edition so get yours while they are still available. The price is \$25 each plus an additional \$5/book if shipped. Books are available locally from Peg Bolton (717-599-6382) or Doug Bonsall (717-921-1957).



Financial Report

Checking Balance 11/1/2021\$ 19,450.38
PLUS: Receipts – Nov.-Dec. + 3,977.66
LESS: Expenses – Nov.-Dec..... - 6,736.20
 Checking Balance 12/31/2021\$ 16,691.84
 Certificates of Deposit.....\$113,888.83

Celebrating Special Days

January Birthdays

- 4 Bob Sheaffer
- 25 Cathy Morrison, Dennis Comp
- 30 Jonathan Gantt

February Birthdays

- 3 Gerald Holman
- 5 Marge Earnest
- 24 Doug Bonsall

February Anniversary

- 17 Boyd & Shirley Delancey

November Wine Tasting Program; Recognition for Continuous Membership



Krista Pontius (above), Grange program director, led a discussion and demonstration about the growing importance of the wine industry in Pennsylvania's agricultural economy.

This program took place at a dinner meeting held at the Ranch House Restaurant, Duncannon. The Grange treated its members to a complimentary meal for the occasion.



A variety of locally produced wines were sampled; participants had fun sipping and trying to identify the wines, each with its unique combination of flavors..

Continuous Membership Awards presented to Linda Byers (left) – 50 years and Bonnie Cameron (right) – 40 years.



A congratulatory letter from the president of the PA State Grange is now provided at 5-year intervals to honor continuous membership. So the November recognition was a catch-up for those who had reached (and in many cases surpassed) 5, 10, 15 or 20 years of membership.

Among those recognized, present were (below left to right): seated – Cathy Morrison, Linda Byers, Bonnie Cameron; standing – Alice Kirchner, Ezra Grubb, Natalie Fritz, Lori Comp, Carol Wierzbicki and Renee Hetrick.



Blankets Bring Warmth to Those in Need



Grange volunteers (above) Doug Bonsall, Peg Bolton (back to camera), Craig Staller and (below, standing) Natalie Fritz cut the materials in preparation for Greenwood students tying the blankets as part of the Wildcat Winter service day just before Christmas.



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Please help our Financial Secretary and save postage for the Grange by paying dues in person at the next meeting. Dues remain at: adults - \$50, youth - \$15, family/household - \$100, Business Sponsor - \$60. Dues provide member families with the bimonthly *PA Grange News* and helps maintain a legislative presence in Harrisburg and Washington. Dues may also be mailed to: **Carol Rhoades, 1436 Turkey Bird Rd., Newport, PA 17074** (phone 717-567-6844).



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January 1st Free Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner

The Grange's traditional start to the New Year, last held in 2014, was revived as a service project. Take-out meals were provided at no charge to about 150 guests with most giving donations. About \$900 was netted from the project and the proceeds set aside as a special fund for emergency needs in the community.



Thanks! The turn-out of volunteers to help was exceptional!

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Perry Valley Grange members and friends enjoyed a holiday potluck dinner and evening of fellowship together in December.