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Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter



Harpist Shawn Oran

Entertaining at the 8th annual Valentine's Gala, Saturday, Feb. 12th

he Valentine's Gala, featuring a menu of sirloin and seafood, has become one of our Grange's most successful fund raisers to support many community service projects. Since seating in the dining room is limited, advance reservations are required. See Page 13 for more details and a reservation form; please note the snow date is Saturday, February 19th.

We are asking for donations of door prizes (boxes of candy, bottles of wine, collections of homemade goodies, etc.) plus plenty of volunteer helpers to make this event possible. As always, Grange members and friends who help with the event will receive a free meal and the opportunity to enjoy the evening's music. The Call Committee will be in touch with but you may also contact Doug Bonsall (921-1957) if you can volunteer your help and/or to donate door prize(s).

Celebrating Special Days



January Birthdays

- 4 Bob Sheaffer
- 10 Mark Heisey
- 11 Patricia Woolover
- 16 Jonathan Mansch
- 19 Joan Walker
- 24 Joan Bonsall
- 25 Catherine Morrison
- 30 Jim Hoffman, Jonathan Gantt

February Birthdays

- 3 Gerald Holman
- 5 Marge Earnest
- 7 Orpha Kreamer
- 10 Harry Horting
- 24 Doug Bonsall
- 27 Reba Weimer

January Anniversary

10 Ralph & Edith Lesh

February Anniversary

17 Boyd & Shirley Delancey – HAPPY 50th!

Update from Joint Operating Committee

You may have noticed the addition of another storage building beside the pavilion. This was brought in by the Masonic Lodge/Chapter to store some of their belongings. These groups have now vacated their former meeting place in Newport and are now holding all their activities at the Grange Hall as noted on the calendar.

A separate checking account has been opened to handle all jointly sponsored fund raising and property expenses. The funds will technically belong to the Grange, but it was felt that keeping these receipts and expenses separate from other Grange or Masonic funds would make it easier to monitor the financial standing of the property.

The officers of the Joint Operating Committee are:

- Chair Matt Teter (Lodge)
- Vice Chair Jim Sharer (Lodge)
- Recording Secretary Albert Miller (Lodge)
- Financial Secretary Carol Rhoades (Grange)
- Treasurer Doug Bonsall (Grange)

Welcome New Members

Four new members (below) received their membership obligation during a welcoming ceremony at the November Grange meeting. We welcome into our fellowship:



- Douglas Morrison, Newport
- Samantha Barrick-Poust, Millerstown
- John & Debbie Ramp, Newport



Financial Report

Checking Balance from 10/2010	\$13,238.54
PLUS: Receipts – November 2010	+ 5,862.17
<u>LESS</u> : Expenditures – November 2010	. <u>- 6,750.51</u>
Checking Balance to 12/2010	\$12,350.20
Certificates of Deposit	\$45,587.33

Starting in December, receipts and expenditures will be finalized at the end of the month rather than mid-month at the time of that month's Grange meeting. This change will make the monthly financial reporting of the Grange and the Joint Operating Committee consistent with one another.

Special thanks to Financial Secretary **Carol Rhoades** and Treasurer **Barbara McMillen** for taking care of the Grange's finances. The books were audited this fall by a committee chaired by Peg Bolton and found to be in good order.

PA Dutch Dinner



Rolling the Pot Pie



Cooking the Pot Pie



Filling the Pig Stomachs

This public dinner in November was a sellout......with over 300 guests served and a nice profit realized. Thanks to all who helped with this and other banquets during the past few months.

Holiday Outing

A good turn-out enjoyed an evening of fellowship and tasty food at the Bread of Life restaurant in McAllisterville on December 15th. More than one person was heard to say "It's really nice to sit down and have someone else take care of the cooking, serving and clean-up!"





Christmas in Millerstown

The Grange co-sponsored the cost of the horse & carriage rides for this community celebration on Dec. 10th as well as provided tours and free refreshments for visitors to the historic Cochran-Anspach House.



Baking the Cookies



Serving the Refreshments



Horse & Carriage Ride

Upcoming Service Projects

Blood Drive......Jan. 22nd The Grange and Boy Scouts are so-sponsoring this annual opportunity for you to give blood. No appointments are necessary; just come to the Grange Hall anytime between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. that day. Details available from Renee Hetrick.

Valentine Remembrances

Again this year the Grange will be packing remembrance bags for community shut-ins prior to Valentine's Day. The bags will include personal care items provided by a local church group and non-perishable food items.

Each year we begin with a brand new list of shutins/needy who should receive a gift kit and a visit. There will be no carry-over of names from previous years. If you place a name on the list, it will be expected that you will deliver the remembrance to this person/family on behalf of the Grange.

We are asking all Grangers to bring individually packaged food items for this project to the Grange meeting on Feb. 4th. After the program at this meeting, we will pack the remembrance bags so they you can take them with you that evening for delivery at your convenience prior to Valentine's Day. Please contact Peg Bolton (589-3897) to:

- Add shut-ins names to the remembrance list
- Donate non-perishable food items
- Help with assembly and delivery

Essay and Poster Contests

Every winter the fourth and fifth grade students in the Newport and Greenwood Elementary Schools are encouraged to participate in this project sponsored by our Grange. Safety, health and the understanding of disabilities are frequent topics.

The contest period will be January 15-March 15, 2011. Again this year the awards and \$400 in cash prizes will be given to students during educational assembly programs in each school in the spring. Doug Bonsall is handling the arrangements.

Welcome New Grange Business Sponsors for 2011



The annual recruitment of **Business Sponsor Supporters** began in November and is now in full swing. As of 12/27/2010, we have received 36 Business Sponsorships for 2011 including the six brand new Business Sponsors shown above. The annual Business Sponsor Fellowship Dinner will be held on Friday, January 14, 2011, during our regular monthly Grange meeting to recognize all sponsors. Representatives of the Perry County Chamber of Commerce will speak about the opportunities for businesses provided by this new group.

Please see the advertisements from all the businesses supporting the work of our Grange on **pages 5-9** of this newsletter. We ask that readers patronize these businesses. Membership Chair Bill Cameron is continuing to follow-up with other local businesses asking them to renew or become a new Business Sponsor. The annual contribution for each Business Sponsor is \$60 and free advertising is provided on the Grange bulletin board, in this newsletter and on the website.

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Winter Events Coming Up at Perry Valley Grange

During these winter months we are sometimes faced with inclement weather conditions. If you have a question about any Grange activity, you may call Doug Bonsall (921-1957) for the latest news when the weather is bad.

January 2011			
1	New Year's Pork & Homemade		
-	Sauerkraut Public Dinner		
	(poster on Page 12)		
	Help needed at 8:00 AM; serving 11 AM-??		
7-	PA Farm Show, Harrisburg – Perry Valley		
15	helps in milk shake booth		
	(more information on Page 11)		
8	Banquet – Greenwood Raceway Assoc.		
	(snow date is Jan. 15 th)		
11	Lodge Meeting		
13	Lodge Meeting		
14	Business Sponsor Night		
	Fellowship Dinner – 7 PM		
	(snow date is Jan. 21 st)		
	Everyone bring a casserole, salad or		
	dessert to share; meat, beverage, rolls,		
	table cover and place settings provided		
	Social Committee - Bill Cameron (chair),		
	Bonnie Cameron, Bradley & Alyssa		
	Foreman, Olga Brookhart, Linda Byers		
	Musical Entertainment - Joslyn &		
	Janessa Arnold of Lebanon		
	Business Sponsor Recognition -		
	Presentation by Perry County Chamber of		
	Commerce		
15	Essay/Poster Contest sponsored by		
	Grange begins in local elementary schools		
19	Housecleaning		
	Chapter rehearsal following		
20	Chapter meeting		
22	Community Blood Drive		
24	Joint Operating Committee		

Doug Bonsall (921-1957) will be handling hall and banquet reservations during January, February & March while Carol Rhoades is wintering in Florida.

If you know of a Grange member who is ill, in the hospital or grieving the loss of a loved one, please call Peg Bolton @ 589-3897 so a card can be sent from the Grange.

February 2011				
4	Grange Meeting - 7 PM			
	Dessert Reception & Business Meeting			
	Social Committee - Peg Bolton (chair),			
	Carol Gantt, Carol Eckenrode, Edie Lesh			
	Program - Preventing Sexual Abuse			
Speaker - Lori Strawser, Harrisburg YW				
	Packing of Valentine Bags			
	Bring non-perishable food items for this			
	Valentine Remembrance project			
7	(see Page 4 for details)			
7	Grange Executive Committee meeting			
	Deadline for Valentine's Gala reservations			
8	Lodge Meeting			
10	Lodge Meeting			
11	Work Night for Valentine's Gala			
12	Public Valentine's Gala			
	"Sirloin & Seafood" Buffet			
	(snow date is Feb. 19 th)			
	Help needed from 10 AM			
	Doors open to guests at 4:30 p.m.			
	Serving 5:00 p.m.by advance reservation			
	(see Pages 1 & 13 for details)			
	Entertainment – Harpist Shawn Drain			
	-			
16	Chapter rehearsal			
17	Chapter rehearsal Chapter meeting			
17	Chapter rehearsal Chapter meeting Pomona Grange Birthday Dinner at P.V.			
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2011 Grange Dues Now Payable

- \$40 for adult individual members
- \$12 for youth individual members

A portion of dues paid by members support the work of the State and National Granges. Please remit individual dues to: Carol Gantt, 1692 Keystone Way, Newport, PA 17074.

FFA Receives Raffle Profits



Proceeds of almost \$800 from the Grange's annual charity raffle were shared by two high school FFA chapters to support their on-going work with local youth. Renee Hetrick (right) presented the checks at a recent meeting to Amber Gabel (Newport) and Emily Griswold (Greenwood).

Milk Shakes at the Farm Show

Perry Valley will again provide volunteers to help our friends from Valley Grange in Lewisberry with their annual milk shake fund raiser at the PA Farm Show in early January. Help is needed every day, Jan. 7-15, on shifts from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 1-5 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. At press time, most days there was a particular need for help on the evening shift.

This project is always great fun. Please volunteer by calling Doug Bonsall at 921-1957. The work schedule is being coordinated that will enable carpooling to Harrisburg since we will have a limited number of parking passes in the exhibitors' lot at the Farm Show building.

A Night Out.......The Grange has been invited by the Harrisburg Zonta Club to attend a performance of the musical "Crazy for You" at the Whitaker Center on Friday, Feb. 18th. If you are interested in more information, please contact Twyla Courtot at 589-3691 or courtot@embarqmail.com.

Long-Time Members Recognized

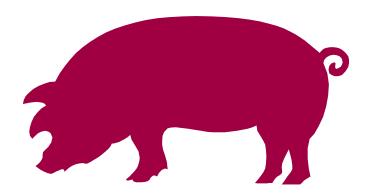


Certificates and letters of congratulations from the State Grange recognizing years of continuous Grange membership were presented in December to: (left to right) Seated – Carol Rhoades (45), Bill Cameron and Reba Weimer (60), Bob Cameron (50), Olga Brookhart (45); Standing - John & Virginia Shotzberger (25), Edith Lesh (30), Kathryn Smith (40), Millie Cubbison (30) and Peg Bolton (35). Other honorees not present include: Avonel Waller (55), Louise Cameron (50), Marge Gochenaur (45); Tim Albright, Ken Bolton and Barbara Sheaffer (35) and Dean Cauffman & Jim Hoffman (25).

New Year's Day Public Dinner

Roast Pork Loin & Homemade Sauerkraut

Saturday, Jan. 1, 2011



Menu

Roast pork loin
Homemade sauerkraut
Real mashed potatoes
Green peas
Applesauce; Homemade relishes
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Beverages & assorted desserts

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Sirloin & Seafood

Valentine's Gala Buffet & Entertainment

Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011 – 5 p.m.

(Snow Date - Saturday, February 19, 2011)

Perry Valley Grange Hall

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Musical Entertainment by Harpist Shawn Drain Door prizes awarded at or about 7:15 PM

Advance reservations required; no tickets available at door on day of event. Reservations Deadline – Feb. 7th or capacity, whichever comes first

Call 589-3897 for more information.

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Perry Valley Grange Vision

Foster an atmosphere where individuals can grow spiritually, intellectually and socially and, through that growth, improve themselves, their families, communities and the nation.

Perry Valley Grange Ideals

A good Grange member:

- * Places faith in God.
- * Looks forward to the future,
- * Helps those in need, and
- * Is loyal to family, community and nation.

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