



Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter

West Juniata Parkway & Owl Hollow Road, Millerstown, PA 17062

An old Pennsylvania Dutch custom says that eating pork & sauerkraut on New Year's Day will insure good luck throughout the coming year. If that's the case, then almost 250 people who ate at the Grange on January 1st should have a great 2011.

A Busy Start to 2011



Grange Meetings This Winter Offered Nourishment



Fellowship...to Nourish our Souls



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Music...to Nourish our Spirits

Education...to Nourish our Minds



(January) Representatives from the Perry Co. Chamber of Commerce describe efforts to enhance business in the area.



(February) Sexual Abuse services and prevention education in Perry County is discussed by the Harrisburg YWCA.

Grange Service Projects...Always Helping Others



A large number of our Grangers, including Bob Sheaffer (above), volunteered to help our friends at Valley Grange #1360 in Lewisberry make milk shakes at the Farm Show in January.

Valentine Gift Bags were packed and delivered by Grange volunteers in February to about 15 local elderly, shut-ins and needy. The bags included non-perishable food items donated by Grange members along with toiletries & personal care items received from the outreach ministry of the Newport Assembly of God Church. Thanks to all who contributed to this project, packed the bags and/or delivered them to recipients.



Blood Drive The Grange provided facilities and co-hosted a Blood Collection Drive on January 29th along with the American Red Cross and local Boy Scouts. (Below) Grange volunteer Georgia Markle gives her donation.



Elementary Poster/Essay Contests By the time this newsletter is issued, fourth and fifth grade students in the Newport and Greenwood Elementary Schools will be finishing their entries for the Grange's *Essay* and *Poster Contests*. The theme for both contests is **"If I Become Deaf Today, What Would My Tomorrow Be Like?"**. Student participants are encouraged to use their imagination to describe in their essay or show in a poster how their life would be changed if they became deaf and how they would adjust to/cope with their loss of hearing.

To conclude the project, the Grange will sponsor assembly programs in both elementary schools on Friday, March 25th. At each assembly, an educational program featuring video & puppets will be given, certificates presented to all participants who entered the contests and award winners announced. Show your support of the students by attending one of the assemblies: 10 AM at Greenwood & 1 PM at Newport.

Thank You, 2011 Business Sponsors



Perry Valley Grange is very appreciative of the support given by each one its 43 new and renewed **Business Sponsors** for 2011. A good number of those sponsors (left) attended our January fellowship dinner and received certificates to display in their place of business to show they are supporting the work of the Grange. All sponsors receive advertising in this newsletter, through the Grange website and on the bulletin board in the lobby of the hall.

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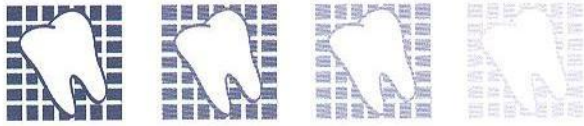
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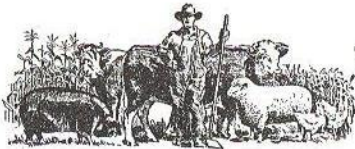
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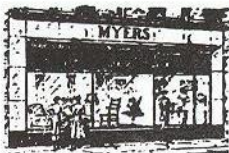
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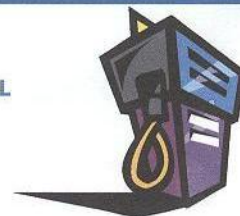
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Busy Springtime Calendar at the Grange Hall

March 2011

4	Banquet – N.O. Bonsall Sons
8	Lodge meeting
9	Luncheon – PA No-Till Alliance
10	Lodge meeting
12	Grange Outing – 2:45-7:30 p.m. IMAX Movie & Summerdale Diner <i>Advance reservations required; see details on Page 11</i>
16	Chapter rehearsal
17	Chapter meeting
18	Daffodil pick-up at Grange Hall
25	Assembly programs at Greenwood and Newport Elementary Schools
26	Brunch – Perry Co. Republican Women
29	Pomona meeting at Community Grange

Please notify Peg Bolton (589-3897) whenever you know of a Grange member who is ill or mourning the loss of a loved one so a suitable card can be sent just to let our brother/sister know we are thinking of them.

Financially Speaking....



Since mid-January, funds are being handled in two accounts. The Joint (Grange-Masons) Operating Account receives fund raising & rental receipts and pays for all fund raising supplies, utilities, insurance and property maintenance costs. The Grange account handles all other income and expenses.

JOINT OPERATING ACCOUNT

Checking Balance (*start-up deposits*) \$ 5,000.00
PLUS: Receipts – January 2011 + 5,831.77
LESS: Expenditures – January 2011 - 4,785.67
Checking Balance 1/31/2011 \$ 6,046.10

GRANGE ACCOUNT

Checking Balance from 12/2010 \$14,895.11
PLUS: Receipts – January 2010 + 4,147.04
LESS: Expenditures – January 2010 - 1,128.15
Checking Balance 1/31/2011 \$17,914.00
Certificates of Deposit \$45,673.17

April 2011

2-3	State Grange Youth & Junior Sleep-Over at Perry Valley
7	Work night for public dinner
9	Public Baked Ham & Dandelion Dinner – <i>(see Page 15)</i> Help & dessert donations needed
12	Lodge meeting
14	Lodge meeting
15	Grange Meeting – 7 PM Open House Fellowship Dinner Social Committee – Barbara McMillen & Carol Rhoades (co-chairs), Kitty Smith, Clarice Kerstetter, SueAnn Byers, Bob & Barbara Sheaffer Meat, beverages, rolls, table cover and place settings provided; everyone please bring a casserole, salad or dessert to share PROGRAM – Colon Cancer Awareness <i>(see Page 12 for more details)</i> and Community Citizen Award Presentation <i>(see Page 13 for nomination form)</i>
16	Banquet – Perry Co. Democratic Party
19	Banquet – Perry Co. Safety Council
20	Chapter rehearsal
21	Chapter meeting
25	Joint Grange-Masons Operating Committee
26	Pomona meeting at Madison Grange Public Servant Award presentation
27	Banquet – Newport Lodge Stag Night



Good Samaritans to the Rescue Fix a Flat Tire



Enjoy a Movie & Dinner Saturday, March 12, 2011

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THE ITINERARY:

- 2:45 p.m. Meet at Grange Hall for carpooling
- 3:30 p.m. Arrive at Whitaker Center; time available to visit gift shop & restrooms
- 4:00 p.m. Movie
- 5:30 p.m. Dutch-Treat dinner at Summerdale Diner (order from the menu upon arrival)
- 7:30 p.m. Estimated time of return arrival at Grange Hall

THE COST: Based on minimum group size of 10 persons

Advance reservations required by March 5, 2011: \$7.25 – Seniors & children; \$8.75 – Adults
Make payment payable to: Perry Valley Grange

Name _____ Phone _____

Number of tickets: Seniors/children @ \$7.25 _____ Adults @ \$8.75 _____

Willing to drive: YES _____ (Indicate # of passengers you can take besides self _____)
NO _____ (Arrangements will be made for your transportation)

Send to: George Courtot, 130 Reward Rd., Millerstown, PA 17062. Questions? Call 589-3691

Open House Community Night

Friday, April 15th – 7 p.m.

The purpose of our annual Open House Community Night is to introduce the Grange to your family, friends and neighbors. Extend an invitation to them to come with you to the Grange for an evening of good food, fellowship and an outstanding program.

We'll begin with a fellowship dinner. The Grange will provide meat, beverage, table cover and place settings; you are invited to bring a favorite casserole, salad or dessert to share.

In case you never thought that talking about your colon could be fun, that's exactly what we've been promised in an educational presentation at Open House. In observance of *Colon Cancer Awareness Month*, Brandon Miller from the American Cancer Society and Betsy Aumiller of the PA Cancer Education Network will show a short video and give healthy living tips.

Another feature at Open House will be the 34th annual presentation of the Grange's coveted **Community Citizen Award**. All Grange members are entitled to submit nominations for this recognition of outstanding service to our community by a non-member individual, couple, family or organization. 2011 nominations must be received by March 15th; please see Page 13 for the nomination form. Past recipients of this award are shown in the next column.

Ask your family, friends, and neighbors to join in this evening of fellowship. It's a great way to introduce visitors to the work of the Grange and encourage them to get involved, too.

Getting New Grange Members is Everyone's Job....You Have to **ASK**

Our attractive local brochure is a great way to share information and a membership application with potential members. Copies of **Everything You Wanted to Know about the Grange.....But Were Too Shy to Ask** are available in the literature rack in the lobby of the Grange Hall. If you need additional membership materials or have any questions, call Bill Cameron (589-3782) or Doug Bonsall (921-1957).

Community Citizen Awards

Given since 1978 by Perry Valley Grange

The "Community Citizen Award" is a nationwide Grange project designed to recognize and honor outstanding volunteer service. Thank you, Community Citizens, for all you have done to make our community great!

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1979	Richard Pennay, Liverpool
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1983	H. Benjamin Campbell, Millerstown
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1985	Thelma Patton, Millerstown
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1987	Mary M. Landis, Newport
1988	Curtis Black, Millerstown
1989	David M. Myers, Newport
1990	John I. Losch, Millerstown
1991	Richard Fegley, Millerstown
1992	Henry & Evelyn Newlin, Liverpool
1993	David & Bonnie Oren, Newport
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1995	Rebecca E. Kurtz, Millerstown James A. McGowan, Newport
1996	Gary Shipp family, Millerstown Eric J. Lindstrom, Newport
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1998	Suzanne B. Beamer, Newport
1999	Robert Ackard, Millerstown
2000	Fred & June Knight, Liverpool
2001	Barner & Wilma Swartz, Millerstown
2002	Billy M. Roush, Millerstown
2003	John Allen Hall, Millerstown
2004	Larry & Donna Ferguson, Liverpool
2005	Mary Kay Miller, Newport Millerstown Moose Family Center
2006	Bill Ritzman, Millerstown
2007	Greenwood & Newport FFA Chapters
2008	Wayne & Ruth Shuler, Liverpool
2009	Charles Beaver, Millerstown
2010	Millerstown Community Success, Inc.

A plaque bearing all these names hangs in the Grange Hall. A personalized plaque is also presented each year to the recipient and a program with family, friends and associates participating is held in the recipients' honor.

Nomination for 2011 Perry Valley Grange

COMMUNITY CITIZEN AWARD

Here's your chance to help the Grange recognize outstanding volunteer service that makes our community a better place.

The Grange Community Citizen Award is a nationwide project to recognize the outstanding community service of non-Grange individuals, couples and organizations. Perry Valley has given this award annually since 1978. The 2011 award will be given at our annual Open House-Community Night on Friday, April 15th. The award recipient(s), their family and friends will be the guests of our Grange for the 7 PM fellowship dinner and program.

All Grange members are invited to submit nominations for this year's award. You may submit any number of nominations, but all must be submitted in writing. A committee will evaluate all nominations and select the most deserving to receive the award. Since the review committee may never have met the person(s) you are nominating and may know nothing of their community involvement, please be very specific as you describe why your nominee is deserving of this award.

Name of Nominee _____

Address of Nominee _____

City _____

State _____ **ZIP Code** _____ **Telephone** _____

List the nominee's community involvement(s)

(attach additional sheets as necessary to give details)

State why you believe this nominee should receive the Grange Community Citizen Award

References - List individuals who can be contacted for more information about the nominee

Name _____ **Telephone** _____

Name _____ **Telephone** _____

Nomination made by (name of Grange member) _____

**All nominations must be returned by March 15, 2011 to:
Renee Hetrick, 513 Mountain Road, Millerstown, PA 17062**

Daffodils: Signs of Hope



Perry Valley Grange volunteers have supported the work of the local American Cancer Society by helping with the annual DAFFODIL DAY SALES in the Millerstown and Liverpool areas for about 30 years. This year will be no exception.

Barbara McMillen is coordinating the Grange's participation again this year. Letters were sent to churches in the Liverpool & Millerstown areas encouraging group orders and the observance of Daffodil Sunday on March 20th. All orders must be picked up:

Friday, March 18, 2011 from 4-6 p.m.

- *Perry Valley Grange Hall*

Please note there will be no sales at local banks as in past years.



Come on, Peg – Smile for the Camera! A small group of Grange and Lodge volunteers spent a cold January evening housecleaning all parts of the hall. Thanks to all who helped with this very necessary task.

Happy Birthday

March Birthdays

- 2 Marge Gochenaur, Renee Hetrick
- 4 Debbie Ramp
- 7 Edgar Byers
- 10 Ann Wilson
- 11 Edith Lesh
- 24 Mildred Cubbison
- 31 Bruce Woolever

April Birthdays

- 5 Susan Tressler
- 16 Kathryn Smith
- 19 Arthur "Ray" Fisher
- 20 Richard Pennay
- 22 Alice Kirchner, Linda Byers
- 24 Rodney Rhoades
- 29 John Shotzberger
- 30 Clarice Kerstetter

Happy Anniversary

March Anniversary

- 28 Dave & Audrey Wyble

If your special day(s) do not appear on this list or there is an error in the date, please call Doug Bonsall (921-1957) with the information.

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Gift of Hope

Let cancer patients know that someone cares about them, wants to brighten their day, and is committed to the fight against cancer. The Gift of Hope program allows bunches of daffodils to be delivered anonymously to cancer patients in hospitals, treatment centers, and other facilities in our local community. Multiple donation levels are available to help further the American Cancer Society's life-saving mission. Program and service information accompanies each bunch.

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Baked Ham & Dandelion Dinner



Baked Ham, Oven Browned Potatoes, Fresh Dandelion with Hot Bacon Dressing, Green Beans, Corn, Applesauce, Rolls, Beverages, Cake & Ice Cream

Sat., April 9, 2011

Serving from 4 PM while supply lasts

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Adults - \$10; Children ages 6-12 - \$5; age 5 & under – FREE

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Perry Valley Grange Hall

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A good Grange member:

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

Don't Miss Them

Coming Special Events

IMAX Movie & Dinner Outing *Saturday, March 12th*

See page 11 for all the details about our trip to the Whitaker Center in Harrisburg and dinner at the Summerdale Diner afterwards.

Open House Community Night *Friday, April 15th*

See page 12 about this spring highlight. Invite a friend, neighbor or relative to come along and learn about the Grange. Make a nomination for the 34th annual presentation of the Community Citizen Award on Page 13.

The Vision of Perry Valley Grange

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

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