



Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter

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

YOU'RE INVITED TO A BIG CELEBRATION Friday, October 17, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Perry Valley Grange will be celebrating its 95th anniversary this evening with a catered banquet, historical program and musical entertainment. Our Grange celebrates every five years since the 50th anniversary was observed in 1969.

One of the highlights of every anniversary is reviewing the pictures of our history, showing many of us involved in Grange activities during our younger days! The technology of sharing these pictures has advanced from slides in an old-fashioned reel to computer generated PowerPoint but the fond memories of good times spent in the Grange remain the same.

Some of our long-time members will be receiving certificates recognizing their years of continuous membership service: **Harriet Walker** - 55 years; **Harry Schreiber** – 50 years; **Douglas Bonsall** and **Sue Ann Byers** – 45 years; **Glenn & Robert Cauffman** and **Boyd & Shirley Delancey** – 40 years; **Carol Gantt** and **Virginia Shotzberger** – 30 years and **Dorothy Yohn** – 25 years.



The program will also feature musical entertainment by the Reeder Sisters – *Eddie of Ephrata, Marty of Duncannon and Kathy of Dauphin* – whose parents were both from western Perry County. Their versatile show consists of music from all eras with a unique harmony that only sisters can create. Their audiences particularly enjoy their renditions of music from the Andrew Sisters, the McGuire Sisters, country favorites, a couch of Broadway and patriotic medleys.

The menu for dinner is: *baked ham/roast turkey & filling, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, green beans, applesauce or cranberry sauce, rolls & butter, cake and beverages*. One-half of the cost of the banquet will be paid by the Grange, so the charge for each reservation is only \$7.50. Advance reservations are required since we must provide the caterer with a guaranteed count. Carol Rhoades (567-6844) and Barbara McMillen (567-6348) are co-chairs of the celebration. You'll find the menu and the form to purchase your ticket on page 2.

95th Anniversary Celebration

Perry Valley Grange Hall
October 17, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.

Reservations Deadline 10/10/2014

Name _____

of tickets @ \$7.50 each _____

Make checks payable to: *Perry Valley Grange*

Mail to: *Carol Rhoades, 1436 Turkey Bird
Road, Newport, PA 17074*

Candid Photos from Recent Grange Dinners



Linda, it won't hurt to smile....really!



A charming picture of togetherness! Can you identify these hard working Grangers?

Grange Property Sale To Be Final in December

As reported in detail in a special newsletter sent last month, a sales agreement has been signed with a buyer and a deposit has been made. During the past month some members have been very busy conducting an inventory of small items in the hall. Many of the tables, chairs and kitchen equipment/utensils will be going along with us to our new home in the Community Building at the Millerstown Park. Our records will be preserved for posterity through the PA Archives which stores the records of many other Granges.

Items that were contributed by individuals – *picnic tables in the pavilion, several oil paintings, the piano* – are being returned to the giver. Some other items will be given to the Newport Lodge and to Valley Grange (York County) in recognition of those groups' long-time friendship and support of our Grange.

A 25-year lease has been negotiated with the Park and approved by the State Grange Executive Committee. A lump sum payment of \$75,000 will be paid for this lease from the proceeds of the Grange Hall sale and, in accordance with Grange law, the balance of the sale monies will be held in trust for Perry Valley by the State Grange.

Banquets & Public Dinners

The previously announced public PA Dutch Dinner on Nov. 8th has been cancelled. This was supposed to be the Grange's last event at the present Grange Hall, but unfortunately, this action became necessary due to an insufficient number of volunteers willing to commit to prepare/serve/clean-up for 300+ persons that annually attend this popular meal. When the Grange moves its activities to the Community Building at the Millerstown Park, space there will not permit the serving of large public dinners.

After the move the Grange intends to continue serving a few small banquets there for private groups, some of which have patronized the Grange for many years. The first Grange banquet at the Park will be served to the Miller Family on Saturday, Dec. 13th.

Some other banquets will be served off-site – Perry County Township Officials in February and possibly the Greenwood FFA in May at the Greenwood Elementary School and Fort Hunter events at the Fort Hunter Park next summer.

Treasure Your Memories

Reflecting on Past Achievements



This educational exhibit was Perry Valley's display at the Perry County Fair in August (receiving 3rd place) and the Juniata County Fair in September (receiving 1st place). It celebrated the work of the Grange and its impact on the community. Thanks to everyone who worked on this project to keep the name of the Grange before the public.

Treasuring Memories.....is especially appropriate as our Grange faces a major change. A printed historical pamphlet coverage 95 years of history and service will be distributed to everyone attending the Oct. 17th anniversary banquet.

But even more important is what's going to happen in the future. Plans are being made to engage outside leadership to help us envision what new directions Perry Valley Grange can take. Don't sit back and wait for someone else to help with this opportunity.....get involved in the process.



Financial Report

Checking Balance 7/31/2014.....	\$13,965.02
PLUS: Receipts – Aug-Sept 2014	+ 5,896.42
LESS: Expenditures – Aug-Sept 2014	- 4,450.78
Checking Balance 9/30/2014.....	\$15,410.66
Certificates of Deposit.....	\$65,892.90

Grange Officers Installed at September Meeting



Installation Team

What a beautiful evening we had around the fellowship of a shared meal and an outstanding exemplification of beautiful Grange ritual! Sister Anna May Nauss of Valley Grange in York County has committed the entire installation ceremony to memory and gave impressive charges to each officer about their duties. The attendance at this meeting was limited and we regret that so many missed this important event.



Grange Presidents Bill Cameron of Perry Valley (second from left) and Brent Yohn of Oliver (second from right) receive the oath of their offices.



2015-2016 Officers of Perry Valley Grange

Coming Events at Perry Valley Grange

October 2014

3	Grange Members/Friends Help with Apple Snitzing at Barner's (St. John) Lutheran Church, Liverpool – 6 p.m.
13	Executive Committee Meeting
14	Banquet – Greenwood Community Band
17	95th Grange Anniversary Celebration See page 1 for details; banquet reservation form on page 2
18-20	State Grange in Reading; Bill Cameron will be attending as Perry Valley's delegate

November 2014

14	Grange Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Program to be announced <i>This will be the last meeting to be held in our present Grange Hall. Meetings and Grange activities will move to the Community Building at the Millerstown Recreation Park starting in December.</i>
25	Pomona Thanksgiving Dinner & Planning Meeting @ Shermanata Grange Hall

Name(s) _____

2015 Dues @ \$50 per adult\$ _____

2015 Dues @ \$12 per youth\$ _____

Additional Contribution\$ _____

Total enclosed\$ _____

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Celebrating Special Days

October Birthdays			
2	Glen Cauffman	14	Carol Gantt
3	Lloyd Byers	27	Bruce Fleming
9	Paula Fleming	30	Bill Cameron, Bob Yohn

October Anniversaries	
7	Tim & Lisa Albright:
18	Bob & Barbara Sheaffer

November Birthday	
28	Twyla Courtot

Please let **Peg Bolton (589-3897)** know when you are aware of a Grange member who should be remembered with cards in times of illness or death in the family.

In Memory.....Sister Kathryn "Kitty" Smith passed away on Oct. 1st. She was a Grange member since 1970, served as an officer and for many years was one of our most faithful workers. *Well done, good and faithful servant.*

2015 Grange Dues Now Payable

Grange member annual dues support the local, state and national levels of our organization and enables the Grange to maintain a presence the local community and in our state/national capitals. A significant portion of Grange work done at the state and national levels is in legislation, representing our interests and concerns.

Dues for 2015 are now payable - \$50 for adults and \$12 for youth. For adult members, \$5 of your dues supports the local Grange. If you pay before January 1st, you will save the Grange mailing an individual notice to you.

From time to time members and friends of the Grange contribute gifts above and beyond annual dues to give a special boost to the Grange or one of its projects. Especially for those members who are unable to help in other ways, making a donation enables you to support the Grange. Please complete and submit the form printed below to pay your 2015 dues and/or make an additional donation.

GRANGE COOKBOOKS

These make excellent gifts....five different editions are available for holiday giving this year. Contact Doug Bonsall (921-1957) to get your copies.

The cost varies for the different editions: (from left to right) 1950 - \$13; 1972 - \$20; 1984 - \$13, 2000 - \$13, 2010 - \$18. We have only a few copies of the popular 1972 book left and the supply of this re-print is gone.



FFA Raffle Results

This year's raffle sponsored by the Grange to benefit the local Newport & Greenwood FFAs resulted in proceeds of \$1,239. The funds will be dispersed to the chapters at our 95th anniversary celebration to support FFA activities.

A very special thanks to everyone who sold tickets and to those who donated the prizes won by the following lucky winners:

- \$150 Benner's Butcher Shop..... Steve Jury, Bloomfield
- \$100 Red Lobster Betty Nace,??
- \$100 GiantMartha Sheaffer, Liverpool
- Quilted Throw.....Harold Kauffman, Newport
- Thirty-one Thermal Set Carol Gantt, Newport
- \$75 Butcher's Farm Market . Brian Campbell, Millerstown
- Thirty-One Cindy Tote Carol Hoffman, Richfield
- \$50 Visa Martha Bailey, Elizabethtown
- \$50 Soutner's Hallmark Janise Kahl, Millerstown
- \$50 Olive Garden..... Joyce Stultz, Newport
- \$25 Tractor Supply.....Horia Tagouma, Mechanicsburg

Grange Business Sponsors Needed!

Perry Valley Grange has cultivated good relations for many years with local businesses so together good service work can be done in the community. The number of **Business Sponsor Members** in 2014 was 29. This membership helps the Grange and we help our business sponsors by advertising their support in our bimonthly newsletter and on our website.

If you know of a business that might be interested in this type of partnership, please talk to them about becoming a **Business Sponsor Member** of Perry Valley Grange. Carol Rhoades can provide you with the application and details about the business sponsor supplying us with their advertising information. A letter inviting local businesses to join the Grange or to renew their membership will be sent in mid-November. The 2015 Business Sponsor fee remains at \$60.

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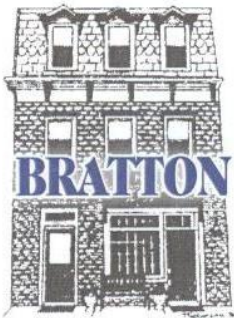
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Perry Valley Grange Vision

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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