



# Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc.

# Newsletter

Meeting Location:

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

## Juniata Valley Winery Outing Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>



A lovely evening was spent listening to live music, catching up on the latest news, enjoying a glass of wine and sampling lots of tasty snacks on the lawn of the Juniata Valley Winery near Mifflin, PA.



A small group of our Grange members attended this purely social event. Joining us was State Grange President Elizabeth "Beth" Downey (above center).

## Coming Up Soon

## Child Protection Program Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

Many changes in the laws related to child protection clearances have recently been enacted by the state legislature to provide additional safeguards for children and youth. Perry Valley Grange has arranged a public meeting on Friday, September 11, 2015 in which State Representative Mark Keller will discuss those changes and answer questions. This informational program will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Black Memorial Pavilion of the Millerstown Community Park, 110 West Juniata Parkway, Millerstown.

The Grange will host an opening dessert reception and then Rep. Keller will review the new requirements to obtain and maintain the required clearances for persons who provide volunteer work with children and youth in our community. This program is provided as an educational service to the community and the public is urged to attend.

In the event of stormy weather, this outdoor meeting will be moved to the Millerstown Senior Center, 99 Greenwood Street.

## State Grange Meets in Warren, PA

The annual convention of the PA State Grange will be held in Warren, October 16-19, 2015. Perry Valley is entitled to two delegates for this convention to vote on matters that affect us both in the Grange and in our community life. Please let Bill Cameron know if you are interested in serving as a delegate from our Grange.

## Apple Snitzing Project Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

What started some years ago as a one-time experiment has become an annual tradition. In lieu of a formal meeting in October, Grange members and friends will assist with the snitzing (cutting) of bushels and bushels and bushels of apples at St. John (Barner's) Lutheran Church. For more than 60 years, this small country church where some of our Grange members are very active, has sponsored this fund raising and social activity every fall. Most of the proceeds are given to worthy charitable causes so the Grange is assisting in another community service.

For the first time this year, some apples will be ready to begin snitzing at 1 p.m. Plenty of apples will still need our attention that evening starting at 6 p.m. but volunteers will be welcome either or both times. Refreshments for all helpers are promised!

## Poetry Program Looking Ahead to Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>

Melanie Simms is an award winning poet with over 200 publications of poetry in numerous magazines, newspapers and literary journals. She will share some of her own poetry as well as discuss the importance of the literary arts at the Grange's November 13, 2015, meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Millerstown Community Park Building.



Melanie served with distinction as a former Poet Laureate of Perry County and her recent poem "Sunbury" penned for the city of Sunbury, PA" is being readied for air time with Garrison Keillor's national radio show *A Prairie Home Companion*.

*Companion.*

Some details of this meeting are yet to be worked out but it is expected to include a short business meeting and draping of the charter in loving memory of the late Sister Elizabeth Wright.

# Fair Time



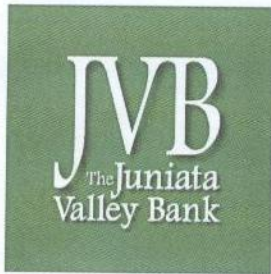
## Harvesting the Fun

2015 is the 62<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year that educational exhibits have been entered by our Grange in one or more local fairs. We are thrilled that our newest youth members (**above left to right: Bethany Comp, Carl Landis and Morgan Landis**) under the leadership of Krista Pontius have taken the lead on this public relations effort to tell the community about the Grange.

The statewide fair theme **Harvest the Fun** was also the exhibit theme. At the Perry County Perry Valley's exhibit (below) placed second and is now being displayed at the Juniata County Fair through Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all helpers for their hours of time and energy spent to plan, set-up, and take-down the display at both fairs.



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## Pomona Grange Concession at Perry County Fair

The Perry County Pomona Grange operates a concession stand near the race track/animal barns during the Perry County Fair as its only fund raiser each year. Local Granges take turns staffing the stand and Perry Valley helped on Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all who gave their time and energy to this project.



It takes many volunteers doing many different jobs throughout the day in the concession. Cooking at the grill, making sandwiches, washing dishes and serving as cashier are all very important and needed tasks.

# Get Involved in These Coming Events

| September 2015 |   |
|----------------|---|
| 4              | Set up exhibit at Juniata County Fair   |
| <b>11</b>      | <b>Grange Meeting/Program</b><br><i>(see details on Page 1)</i><br>6:30 p.m. in the Black Pavilion @<br>Millerstown Community Park<br>(rain location – Millerstown Senior Center)<br><br><b>Social Chair</b> – Olga Brookhart<br><i>Everyone bring a snack item to share</i><br><br><b>Speaker</b> – State Rep. Mark Keller on recently<br>enacted child protection legislation |
| 13             | Remove exhibit at Juniata County Fair   |
| 19             | Luncheon – Foose Family reunion   |
| 21             | Executive Committee Meeting   |
| 29             | Perry Valley hosts Pomona Grange meeting at<br>Millerstown Park Building  |

| October 2015 |                                       |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2            | Apple Schnitzing At Barner's Church   |
| 17-19        | State Grange convention in Warren, PA |
| 19           | Executive Committee Meeting           |

## Celebrating Special Days

| September Birthdays     |                                  |    |                 |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----|-----------------|
| 5                       | Ron Makibbin                     | 21 | Dean Cauffman   |
| 13                      | Carol Rhoades                    | 24 | Carol Eckenrode |
| 17                      | Sue Ann Byers,<br>Scott Delancey | 29 | Peg Bolton      |
| September Anniversaries |                                  |    |                 |
| 1                       | Bruce & Paula Fleming            |    |                 |

| October Birthdays     |                        |    |                           |
|-----------------------|------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 2                     | Glen Cauffman          | 14 | Carol Gantt               |
| 3                     | Lloyd Byers            | 27 | Bruce Fleming             |
| 9                     | Paula Fleming          | 30 | Bill Cameron,<br>Bob Yohn |
| October Anniversaries |                        |    |                           |
| 7                     | Tim & Lisa Albright    |    |                           |
| 18                    | Bob & Barbara Sheaffer |    |                           |

### Summer Reading Program



This summer Perry Valley Grange provided \$300 in funding to buy books and several adult volunteer readers for the children's reading program at the Newport Public Library. Through the Grange donation, each participating child receives a book of their very own to encourage the development of lifelong good reading habits.



## Financial Report

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| Checking Balance 6/1/2015.....            | \$24,374.47              |
| <b>PLUS: Receipts – June-Aug 2015...+</b> | <b>4,270.21</b>          |
| <b>LESS: Expenses – June-Aug 2015..-</b>  | <b>3,164.48</b>          |
| Transfer to Savings.....                  | <u><b>-20,000.00</b></u> |
| Checking Balance 8/31/2014.....           | \$5,480.20               |
| Certificates of Deposit .....             | \$86,287.39              |

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### 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.*

### 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.*

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September-October  
2015 Newsletter

## New Service Opportunity

A speaker at one of our Grange meetings last winter sparked some interest in the School Backpack Program. Food items packed into a child's backpack are provided on Friday as school is ending to provide much needed nutrition over the weekend when school breakfast and lunch programs are not available.

Efforts are underway to bring this program, currently operating in schools in central and western parts of the county, to the Newport and Greenwood School Districts. While the Grange has not been able to find a volunteer to head up these programs, we now have an opportunity to help. Megan Gantt, daughter of our Grange secretary and a staff member at Newport Elementary School, has agreed to chair the program in that district.

Beginning October 9<sup>th</sup>, a school service club will prepare the backpacks of food from supplies stored at the Office of the Aging. At least two volunteers will be needed at the school each Friday afternoon to help with the distribution of the backpacks to children enrolled in this program. This will not be too labor intensive and should only take an hour or so each week. If you'd like to help, please contact Megan at 567-2535 (work) or 717-319-9430 (cell).