

March-April 2022

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Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc.

Newsletter

Meeting Location: **Millerstown Community Park Building, 110 W. Juniata Pkwy.**

Grange Making Fleece Blankets for Hospice Unit at Carlisle Hospital



YOUR help is needed on Friday, March 11th (7 p.m. at Millerstown Community Park Building) to make blankets for terminally ill patients. The project doesn't require any special sewing skills; anyone who can tie a simple knot will be able to help. Above, (left to right) Craig Staller, Doug Bonsall and Natalie Fritz prepare materials during a previous blanket project.

Bits & Pieces at the Grange

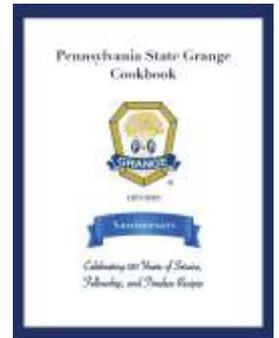
March 2022 Calendar

11	Grange gathering @ Community Park Building – 7 p.m. no formal meeting; blanket making project (see details on Page 1)
22	Pomona planning meeting at Oliver - 7 p.m.
28	Executive Committee meeting – 6:30 p.m. Home of Peg Bolton

April 2022 Calendar

8	Grange meeting @ Community Park Building – 7 p.m. (see details below)
26	Pomona Grange meeting @ Oliver – 7 p.m.

The new State Grange cook-books make great gifts!



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 1/1/2022	\$ 16,691.84
PLUS: Receipts – Jan.-Feb..	+ 2,988.92
LESS: Expenses – Jan.-Feb.....	- 1,139.63
Checking Balance 2/28/2022	\$ 18,541.13
Certificates of Deposit.....	\$113,888.83

Celebrating Special Days

March Birthdays

2	Marge Gochenaur, Renee Hetrick
7	Edgar Byers

April Birthdays

5	Susan Tressler
22	Linda Byers, Alice Kirchner, Lori Comp
24	Rodney Rhoades

No March or April anniversaries reported



Bugs for a Snack, Anyone?

Nathan Moyer, (above) student teacher at Greenwood High School, along with some of his students will lead a program on Entomophagy on April 8th. **Entomophagy**, or insects for food, is practiced worldwide but not embraced in the United States. Nathan will discuss the history of the industry, the current practices and what the future holds for the cultural practices and economic value of entomophagy.

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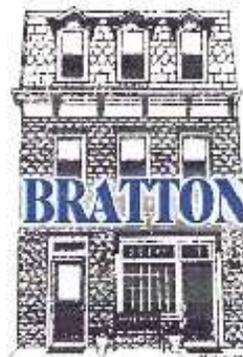
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Please help our Financial Secretary and save postage for the Grange by paying dues in person at the next meeting. Dues remain at: adults - \$50, youth - \$15, family/household - \$100, Business Sponsor - \$60. Dues provide member families with the 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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More Sights Around the Grange

Pomona Grange News

Under the leadership of new president Nancy Walker, the Pomona is reinvigorating itself with increased activities. Four Perry Valley members are now serving as officers of the Pomona Grange, the county level of our organization. Here are some things being planned:

- Regular business meetings will now be held quarterly on the last Tuesday of January, April, July and October.
- The Executive Committee will now consist of the Pomona president, vice president, program director, secretary, treasurer and the presidents of local Granges.
- Community Grange is in the process of selling its property on Middle Ridge Road, Newport, and plans to consolidate its remaining members into Oliver Grange.
- Major service projects for the year will include:
 - ✓ Poster & essay contest for fourth graders
 - ✓ County wide Ag Day field trip involving all elementary schools, tentatively in May
 - ✓ Fund raiser chicken barbeque to benefit Perry County Fair capital improvements

Bryce Danko, a member of the Greenwood FFA and the immediate past National Grange Junior Ambassador, explained “Ecosystems of the World” at our January meeting.



Even when she was mopping the floor after the Grange’s New Year dinner, vice president Linda Byers has a smile on her face. Despite the hard work of a big project, it becomes fun when everyone works together!

In Memory – Word have been received that long-time Grange member **Glen Cauffman** has passed away. In lieu of flowers, the Grange is sending a memorial donation to the Greenwood FFA as per the family’s wishes.

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Grange Provides Valentine Cheer for Greenwood Staff



Grange members (left) packed gift bags at the February meeting as a way to give special thanks to all staff – *administrators, teachers and support personnel* – of Greenwood School District for extraordinary service during the pandemic and delivered them on Valentine’s Day to the school office (right).