

# Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter

Meeting Location:

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

#### Fellowship Dinner and Bicentennial Program Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Did you know that Perry County will be celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020? The county was formed in 1820 out of a part of Cumberland County. Mr. Glenn Holliman, president of the Perry County 2020 Bicentennial Committee, will discuss plans for this significant anniversary at our Grange's November 11<sup>th</sup> fellowship dinner and program.

One of the subjects Mr. Holliman is expected to discuss is the building of the "Perry County Heritage Trail" <a href="www.perrycountyheritagetrail.com">www.perrycountyheritagetrail.com</a>. This is a series of markers being placed around the county to mark historical locations; our Grange has committed to funding one of the markers.

The meal/program is open to the public and begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Millerstown Community Park Building. The social committee for the evening will provide an entrée of stuffed shells and also bread, beverages and place settings. Everyone attending is asked to bring a dessert to share.

In addition to the bicentennial program, a report on the recent State Grange convention held in Shippensburg, PA will be given and membership certificates will be presented to **Charles Tressler** and **Linda Byers** in recognition of their 60 and 45 years, respectively, of Grange membership.

Member dues for 2017 may be paid at this meeting. The rates remain:

- Adults \$50.
- Youth \$15
- Family/Household \$100
- Business Sponsor \$60

#### Holiday Outing Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

This year we'll travel to Mifflinburg for the town's Christkindl Market holiday festival. This is a holiday event filling several blocks of the town's streets and featuring all kinds of vendors offering the sights, sounds and smells of the season.

The website describing this 3-day event is fabulous <a href="http://www.oldchristkindl.com/">http://www.oldchristkindl.com/</a> so be sure to check out all the activities available when we visit on Friday evening. All types of food can be purchased so you can eat whatever you like when we arrive.

We'll meet at 5 p.m. at Millerstown Park Community Building to form carpools for the one hour trip to Mifflinburg. Please notify President Linda Byers (589-7889) if you plan to go along to this event so the arrangements can be shared with you when finalized.

#### **Looking Ahead to 2017**

# Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> Dinner/Program Celebrating the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation

Held at St. John (Barner's) Lutheran Church, Liverpool; Watch for details later

#### January 7-14 - PA Farm Show

Volunteers are needed to help our friends at Valley Grange in the milk shake stand for any the three shifts each day of the show: 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; 1.-5:30 p.m. and 5:00-9:15 p.m. Contact Doug Bonsall at 921-1957 by 11/14/2016.

#### 2017-18 Officers Installed in Joint Ceremony with Valley Grange

A wonderful evening of Grange fellowship was shared with our good friends from Valley Grange in Lewisberry, York County, when the officers of both Grangers were installed there on Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>.













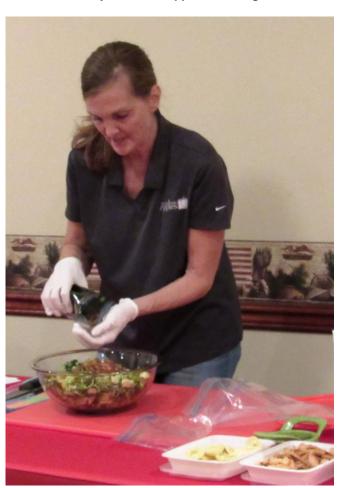
#### **Everything Came Up Apples at Grange's October Meeting**



This colorful display and free apples for everyone present were courtesy of the PA Apple Marketing Board.



Meanwhile, the judges of the evening were busy sampling all of the entries in the Apple Dessert Contest.



Speaker Patty Wertz discussed the apple industry, different apple varieties and even showed how to make a simple healthy salad of apples, kale and Brussel sprouts.



Winners in the youth category were: (left to right) second – Leah Ritzman; first - Sophia Meglio; and third – Katie Sowers.



Winners in the adult category were: (left to right) second

– Carol Rhoades; first – Carol Eckenrode and third –

Natalie Fritz.

#### Turn to the next page to see the first place winning recipes.

#### **Apple Oatmeal Cake**

#### First Place Adult Entry by Carol Eckenrode

#### **Cake**

1 cup quick oatmeal

1-1/2 cups boiling water

½ cup vegetable shortening

1 cup brown sugar

1 cup granulated sugar

2 eggs

1-1/2 cups flour

½ tsp. cinnamon

¼ tsp. salt

1 tsp. baking soda

1 large apple

#### **Topping**

½ cup coconut

1 cup chopped nuts

1/4 cup brown sugar

Pour boiling water over oatmeal and allow to cool. . Cream shortening and sugars in separate bowl. Add eggs and mix. Add cooled oatmeal and mix. Combine flour, cinnamon, salt and soda together and then add to mixture. Peel one large apple and cut into small pieces; add to mixture. Pour cake batter into greased 9" X 13" pan. Mix topping ingredients together and sprinkle on top of cake batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 minutes.



### Financial Report

#### **Another Community Service**

**Fighting Hunger....**The Grange recently contributed \$300 to the Perry County Backpack Program which provides a weekend supply of food for local elementary school students..

#### **Apple Sheet Cake**

First Place Youth Entry by Sophia Meglio (age 8)

#### Cake

2 medium baking apples

1/3 cup butter, melted

1-2/3 cups packed dark brown sugar

1 cup apple butter

2 eggs

2 tsp. vanilla

1-2/3 cups flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. baking powder

1/4 tsp. salt

1 cup finely chopped dried apples

#### Maple Icing

½ cup powdered sugar

1 Tbsp. melted butter

1 Tbsp. maple syrup

2 Tbsp. Milk

1/4 tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Peel, core and coarsely shred one apple with a box grater. Thinly slide the second apple. Cover apples and set aside. In a large bowl whisk together the butter, brown sugar, apple butter, eggs and vanilla until smooth. Add flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt, whisk to combine. Fold in dried and shredded apple. Spread batter into greased 9" X 13" pan. Arrange slices apples over the batter. Bake 40 minutes or until golden and a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Remove to wire rack. Combine icing ingredients and pour over hot cake, spreading evenly. Cool completely. Dust with cinnamon, if desired.

# **Celebrating Special Days**

#### **November Anniversaries**

8 Dennis & Lori Comp

December Birthdays	
5	Shirley Delancey
10	Boyd Delancey
29	Barbara McMillen

#### **December Anniversaries**

7 Ken & Peg Bolton

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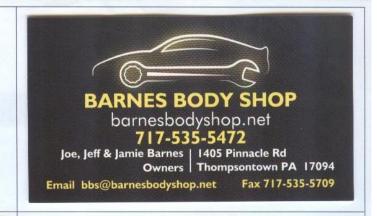
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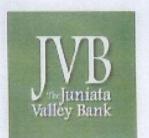
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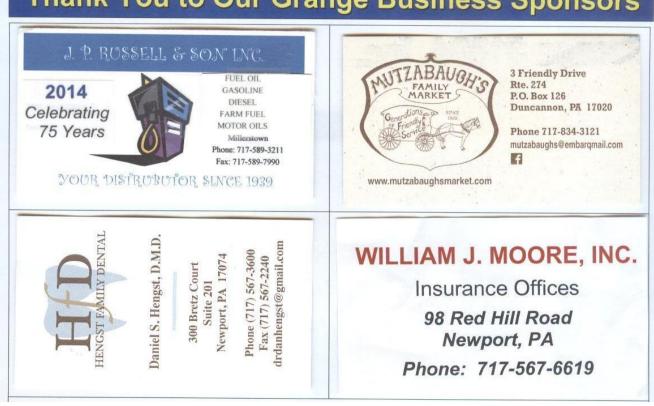
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# Get Involved in These Coming Events

November 2016		
11	Fellowship Dinner/Program (see details on Page 1)	
	6:30 p.m. in the Millerstown Community Park Building	
	Social Chairs - Peg Bolton, Lori Comp	
	Main dish, beverages, bread and place settings will be provided; everyone attending is invited to bring a dessert to share.	
	<b>Speaker</b> – Glenn Holliman, President of Perry County 2020 Bicentennial Committee	
	Presentation of Membership Awards	
15- 19	150 <sup>th</sup> National Grange Session Herndon, VA	
21	Executive Committee Meeting	
29	Pomona Grange Fellowship Dinner & Planning Meeting at Madison Grange, Loysville	

December 2016		
9	Holiday Outing to Mifflinburg Christkindl Market	
	(see details on Page 1)	
10	Grange serves Miller Family Christmas dinner	
19	Executive Committee Meeting	

Linda Byers and Doug Bonsall were Perry Valley's voting delegates to the October convention of the PA State Grange in Shippensburg. Doug serves as chair of the State Grange History Committee.

PA is one of the host states for the 150<sup>th</sup> session of the National Grange in Herndon, VA, just outside Washington, DC where the Grange was founded in 1867. Doug Bonsall will be pianist for the conferral of the Sixth Degree on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>.



2017-2018 Perry Valley Grange Officers

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