

Meeting Location:

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

# Grange Plans Second Milk Giveaway, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>



The first giveaway on July 29 was an immediate and overwhelming success! The second giveaway on 9/2/2020 will also involve several local churches providing: Grange - gallons of milk + ½ gallons of chocolate milk; St. John (Barner's) Lutheran - peanut butter; Central Baptist - bread + use of parking lot; Red Hill Church of God Women's Ministry & Highland Presbyterian – butter and Millerstown United Methodist Charge – jelly.





# Perry Valley To Visit other Granges in Sept.

# Saturday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>

**Appreciation Picnic @ Eagle Grange** 



Over the past several years Perry Valley has provided several gifts of financial support for the renewal of Eagle Grange #1 in Lycoming County. This Grange was organized in 1871, the very first in Pennsylvania, and is preparing to celebrate 150 continuous years of service in 2021. The membership is very small but determined to survive and grow.

A complete renovation of the first floor of the hall, built in 1888, has been completed - *painting, new flooring, two larger restrooms, interior and external emergency lights, LED conversion of ceiling lights, new kitchen equipment, an ADA-compliant entrance ramp, exterior landscaping and designated handicap parking space.* 

In appreciation for major gifts of money and volunteer labor, an invitation has been sent to several groups (including Perry Valley) to an **Appreciation Picnic on Saturday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>**. The event will be held at the Grange Hall near Montgomery, PA, midway between Lewisburg and Williamsport, at the intersection of Route 15 and East Blind Road. We'll gather at 4 p.m. for musical entertainment by Jeremy Goodling (see next column) and then enjoy a meal at 5 p.m.

We are planning to hold the program and picnic will outdoors on the spacious lawn. Attendees need bring nothing except a lawn chair. In the event of rain, activities will move indoors with appropriate social distancing. Please let Linda Byers (717-315-5888) know if you plan to attend so carpools can be arranged. **Christian singer Jeremy Goodling** has been traveling and singing at churches and events throughout central PA for 29 years sharing the Good News through a ministry of music. He and his family reside in Juniata County and was originally scheduled to sing at one of Perry Valley's "Summer Concerts in the Park" before COVID-19 forced cancellation of the 2020 concerts. Jeremy sings a variety of styles - Southern Gospel, hymns, light contemporary and praise and worship – songs full of hope and encouragement. What an appropriate message as we struggle with the "new normal" facing us now!



Jeremy Goodling

## **Monday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>** Officers Installation @ Valley Grange

For many years Perry Valley and Valley Granges (our good friends from the Farm Show milk shake stand) have met together for a joint installation of officers, Valley is hosting this time at their spacious Grange Hall near Lewisberry. Perry Valley will be traveling there by carpools. A light supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the installation begins at 7 p.m.

# **Celebrating Special Days**

September Birthdays		
3	Wendy Weyant	
13	Carol Rhoades	
17	Sue Ann Byers, Scott Delancey	
21	Dean Cauffman	
24	Carol Eckenrode	
29	Peg Bolton	
October Birthdays		
2	Glen Cauffman	
3	Lloyd Byers	
14	Carol Gantt	
30	Bill Cameron, Bob Yohn	
October Anniversary		
18	Bob & Barbara Sheaffer	

### **UPCOMING SERVICE PROJECTS**

**Apple Dumplings** Our Grange has quite a good reputation for our homemade dumplings and again this year we've agreed to make/donate 150 of them to support the FFA's annual "Farm to Fork" dinner on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30 p.m. on the Perry County Fairgrounds in Newport. Tickets at \$10 each are available from Krista Pontius by calling 717-385-6015. The menu will feature Perry County produced food – beef, pork, chicken corn soup, baked potatoes, corn, slaw, and apple crisp.

We'll meet on Friday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 a.m. in the kitchen of the Community Park Building to make the dumplings. All help will be much appreciated.

**Benefit Dinner** Fellow Grange member Donna Gantt (daughter-in-law of our Recording Secretary) suffered significant injuries from a fall this summer. A benefit dinner has been planned by the community on Saturday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for home accessibility renovations. Our Grange will be providing baked beans and pepper slaw.

The menu includes BBQ Ribs, pepper slaw, baked beans, apple sauce and dessert. Tickets for the take-out only meal are \$10 and are available from Lori Comp, Carol Gantt or Wayne Campbell. Meals may be picked-up between 1-3 p.m. at the Millerstown Moose just across from the Park.

# **Coming Events**

### September 2020 Calendar

#### No meeting at the Park Community Bldg. this month

2	Milk Giveaway – 9 a.m. on parking lot of Central Baptist Church, 29 Pines Drive, Millerstown <b>See Page 1</b>
12	Appreciation Picnic @ Eagle Grange, Montgomery <b>See Page 2</b>
18	Grange makes apple dumplings @ Park Building - 9 a.m.
19	FFA Farm to Fork Dinner at Perry Co. Fairgrounds <b>See Page</b> 3
26	Donna Gantt Benefit Pick-Up Dinner – 1-3 p.m. Millerstown Moose – <b>See Page 3</b>
28	Joint Installation of officers at Valley Grange, Lewisberry– <b>See Page 2</b>
29	Perry Valley hosts Pomona Grange meeting

### October 2020 Calendar

9	Grange Meeting @ Park Bldg.
	Dessert Reception at 6:30 p.m.
	Draping of Charter in Memory of Bob Cameron
	Program – <i>To be announced</i>
16-17	State Grange convention in Erie, PA
26	Executive Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.



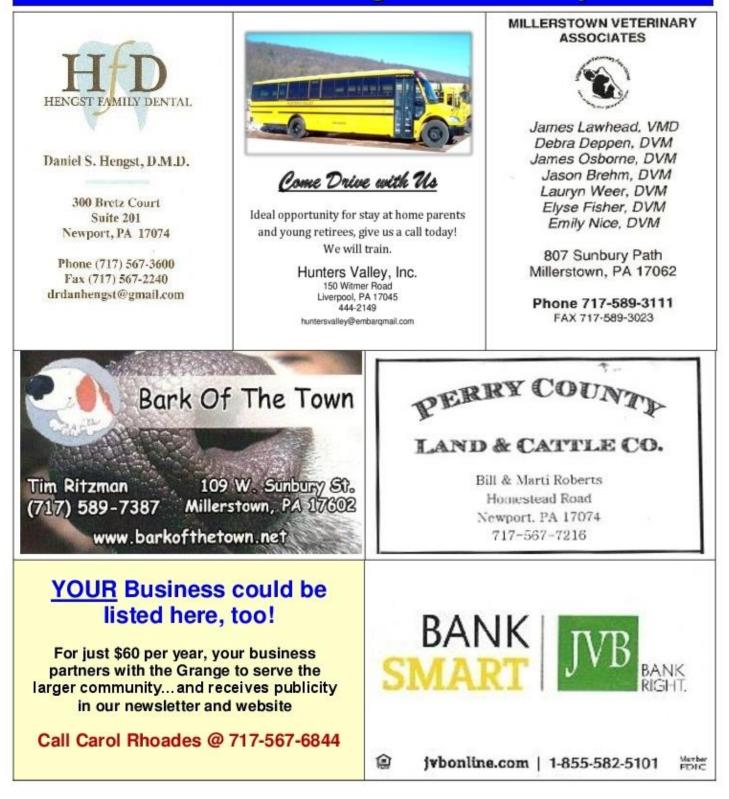
# Financial Report

Checking Balance 7/1/2020 \$33,947.90
PLUS: Receipts – July-Aug 2020 + 15.34
LESS: Expenses – July-Aug 2020 <u>1,248,51</u>
Checking Balance 8/27/2020 \$32,714.51

The checking balance includes funds withdrawn from the trust fund and designated for community service projects that will be dispersed throughout the year.

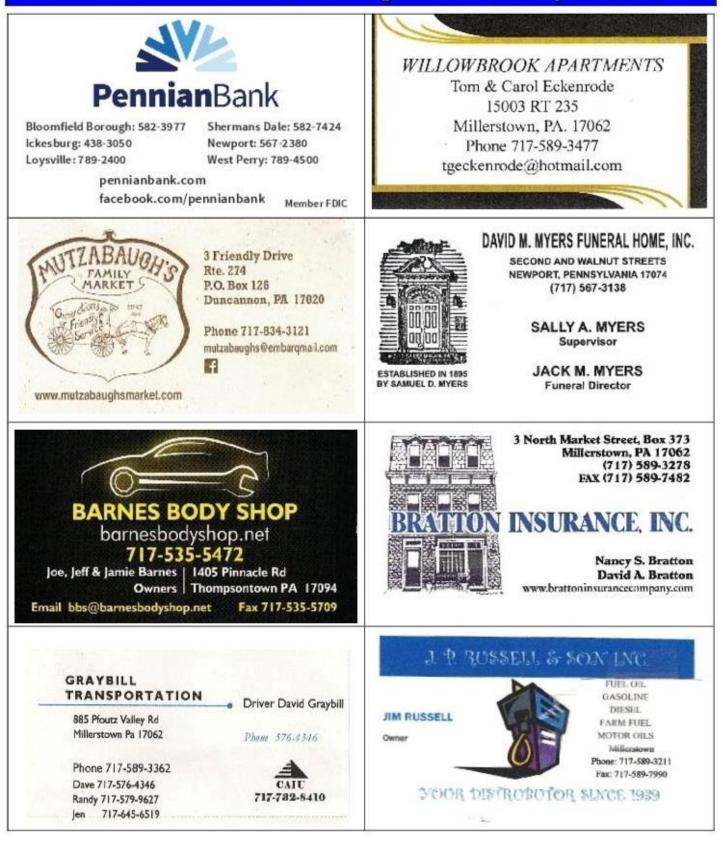
Certificates of Deposit ...... \$102,267.65

## Thank You to Our Grange Business Sponsors



The PA State Grange's 148<sup>th</sup> annual session will be held October 16-17, 2020 in Erie. Due to COVID concerns, this will be an abbreviated, business-only session beginning Friday morning and ending by noon on Saturday. Doug Bonsall, chair of the State Grange History Committee, will be attending as one of Perry Valley's voting delegates. A second delegate position is available.

## **Please Patronize Our Grange Business Sponsors**



**DID YOU KNOW?** With the COVID cancellation of exhibits at the Perry County and Juniata County Fairs this year, this will be the first time Perry Valley has not entered a fair display since this annual practice began in 1954.

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September-October 2020 Newsletter

## Summer Outings Held Safely Despite COVID



Making succulent gardens at Butcher's Farm in July





Enjoying animals and a picnic lunch at Tobias Wildlife Park on a rainy August day

