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COSG Master's Newsletter

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APRIL is Grange Month in Colorado. The above theme is a great one to work with as we celebrate the Grange as I feel that this theme is what the Grange is all about. Our community programs, service projects, workshops and other services are cultivating connections.

What will your Grange DO to cultivate connections in your community?

If you'd like to use this logo and want it via e-mail please let me know and I'll happily send it to you.



Grange In Action

The Grange In Action program is designed to encourage all Granges to be active in their communities and complete events or projects, no matter how small. Any Grange that does not complete the application for Distinguished Grange can participate in this program. Granges who wish to be recognized at the 2019 National Convention as a "Grange In Action" should complete the following requirements:

- Submit a 1-page letter size with pictures and caption of at least 3 various events/activities that the Grange either sponsored or assisted with from Sept 1, 2019 to Sept 1, 2020 - anything over 1 page will be disqualified
- The Grange Name, number and State must be on the front of the page
- On a separate page please include the Name, address, phone and/or cell number and email address of whom submitted the Grange in Action
- Granges that qualify for the 2020 Distinguished Grange award are not eligible for this recognition.
- Deadline to submit the 1 page to National Grange is September 25, 2020 postmark or electronic by midnight on September 25, 2020
- Mail to National Grange, Attn. Loretta Washington – 1616H Street, NW, 11th Fl. Washington, DC 20006
- Email to Loretta Washington @ lwashington@nationalgrange.org please put in the subject line for the email: Grange in Action report

Firefighter/EMT, Law Enforcement Officer and Teacher of the Year Nominations - National Grange

The National Grange recognizes the contributions of Fire Fighters/EMT's, Law Enforcement officers, and Teachers to our communities. They choose one from each category to recognize each year at the National convention. The National Grange would like to receive one nomination for each from each state. So far Colorado has not done this. If your Grange would like to do this we'd be delighted to include it in our recognition program at the State Convention, but we can only do that if the local

Great Plains Regional Leadership Conference

Colorado State Grange Will be hosting the Great Plains Regional Leadership conference in Denver June 12 -14, 2020 at the Clarion Hotel, 200 West 48th Avenue. Room Rates are \$103.00 per night plus tax. The cost of the conference is \$70.00 for Adults and Youth, and \$60.00 for Juniors (5-14).

Registration forms are Due May 12, 2020. We will be joined by Grangers from Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas. The National Junior and Youth Directors will be in attendance and present workshops and conduct contests in public speaking, sign a song, Grange baseball, etc. We are working on securing a motivational speaker that will be good for all Grange officers and members.

The Group will be going to Water World on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. If you'd like to come and don't want to participate in Water World the **registration fee will be \$10.00.** The conference will begin on Friday with registration and Pizza, followed by the group signing Christmas Cards for the Military with the guidance of Marlys Halbeison from Maple Grove Grange. Friday will also feature the Youth Department's Grange Baseball and the Table Games for anyone who wants to stay up. Schedule and Registration form are enclosed.

Subordinate/Community Granges submit nominations. The form for submitting a nomination is enclosed. The deadline for the state nominations will be September 1, 2020 and this can be sent to the Community Service Director or the State Grange office.

National Membership Zoom Meetings

Each month National Grange Membership Director Joe Stefenoni hosts a zoom conference to discuss various membership & leadership related topics and has an open discussion period.

Zoom meetings are held on the third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 pm Mountain time and last approximately one hour. All are invited to participate.

Go to tiny.cc/1867zoom or call (669) 900-6833.

Use meeting ID 525 965 930 to log in.

Be proactive about your health with two great member benefits

Grange members can make sure they are proactive about their health with two great member benefits – Life Line Screening and American Hearing Benefits.

With Life Line Screening, members and their loved ones can get accurate, convenient and inexpensive health screenings that can provide them and their doctors information crucial to taking the next steps to a longer, better, healthier life. American Hearing Benefits allows Grange members to get free hearing consultations to learn how to best protect their hearing and if they need hearing aids.

Grange members can take advantage of a four-package Life Line Screening that consists of Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm screenings, for the special price of only \$135.

They can also see significant discounts on hearing aids through American Hearing Benefits nationwide network of hearing professionals.

For more information or to schedule a screening, call Life Line Screening at 866-204-9860 or American Hearing Benefits at 888-461-3209 to sign up and be sure to mention you are a National Grange member.

You can also log onto <http://americanhearingbenefits.com/partners/grange> for American Hearing Benefits information and appointments.

Happy Valentine's Day!

