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# **Colorado State Grange 2021 Emergency Relief Grants For Subordinate Granges**

This past year has been difficult for Granges to meet, rent their halls or have fundraisers! The Colorado State Grange recognizes that Granges may be struggling to pay ongoing maintenance of buildings and general operating expenses. The Colorado State Grange executive committee has set aside \$20,000 to help Colorado Granges. This is not intended for capital improvement projects. Your Subordinate Grange can apply for a one time grant with a cap of \$2,000 unless there is a just cause. This is not a loan; this is a grant, which means that the State Grange does not expect you to pay it back. The CSG Executive committee will consider each request individually. Granges that have savings accounts or invested funds will not qualify for these funds. Expenses that have already been paid by the Subordinate Grange do not qualify. We are

not reimbursing you; we are wanting to help you pay your upcoming maintenance bills or operating expenses.

The following information is needed: Name of Grange and number Name of Person applying Contact information (Mailing address, phone number, e-mail)

The requests must be specific.

Copies of bills must be submitted. (Insurance, electric, gas, etc.)

Copies of the last two months bank account statements must be sub-

Copies of Savings account or invested funds if applicable.

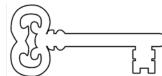
Send the above information to Cindy Greer, Colorado State Grange Master/President at 7629 County Road 100, Hesperus, CO. 81326 or you may E-mail to: hcrdgreer@fron

### **Cultivating Connections** Finding Hidden Opportunities **And Discovering Treasures**

#### **ZOOM Meeting** March 29, 7 p.m.

The following CSG officers and directors will present information and answer questions via ZOOM on March 29 at 7 p.m. Every Grange member is invited to participate.

- Master/President Cindy Greer
- Leadership/Scholarship
- Foundation - PICK
- State session
- Secretaries Renee Caldwell
- Membership Domonic Breton
- Community Service Lisa Mittan
- Youth and Juniors Dan and Jenna Greer
- Family Activities Idella Lewis
- and Karen Baxter
- Lecturer Elizabeth Hiner Publicity/Information —
- Elizabeth Hiner
- **QUESTIONS**





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us02web.zoom.us/u/kesxY3jg4t

## Handbook **Corrections**

Please make the following corrections to the 2020-21 State Grange Handbook - Leadership **Scholarship Foundation.** 

Donations should be mailed to the Treasurer of the Leadership Scholarship Foundation: Jim Miller, P.O. Box 521, Akron, CO 80720. Checks should be written to Colorado State Grange Leadership and Scholarship Foundation. Please make a notation in the memo line on the check in whose memory the donation is sent.

The Leadership Scholarship Foundation will notify the state office of donations received so that members will be added to the Grange Book of Memories.



#### 2021 National Grange Quilt Block Contest

- A. The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone.
- B. All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by October 31, 2021. Send entries to:

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer 16418 N. Birdie Road Nine Mile Falls WA 99026

- C. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 155<sup>th</sup> National Grange convention in Wichita, Kansas.
- D. The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- E. There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- F. All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished guilts and other items to be sold at a later date.
- G. A 2021 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged.

#### **GROUPS**

- Group I Adult (Age 14+)
- Group II Junior (Age 13 and under)
- Group III MEN (Age 14+)

#### **PRIZES**

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each Group.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.



### 2021 National Grange Quilt Block Contest **PINWHEEL**

Fabric: All fabric used should be cotton.

Constructing the Quilt Block:

Fabric A: Cut one (1) 8" square and four (4) 21/2" x 8" rectangles. All plain white (not white-ish). (The plain white is what will tie the blocks together into beautiful finished quilts.)

Fabric B: Cut one (1) 8" square of any color of your choice.

Fabric C: Cut four (4) 6" x 8" rectangles of the same fabric, any color or pattern of your choice.

All seams are 1/4".

Step 1. Cut the Fabric A 8" square in half diagonally, each direction, creating four (4) triangles.



Step 3: Place a Fabric A triangle and a Fabric B



triangle right sides together and sew together to form one large triangle. Keep the white on the left. Repeat to form all four (4) triangles.



Step 5: Lav a ruler across the square from bottom left to top right and cut into two (2) triangles. Set aside the bottom right triangle (not used in this block).



Step 7: Lay out the four (4) squares to make the pinwheel. Sew together the top row, then the bottom row. Press the center seam for each row toward Fabric B. When you flip the second row upside down the seams will nest together for better accuracy in seam matching. Pin well. Press all seams. Clip and remove all threads.

Each finished quilt block should measure 14" x 14".

Step 2: Cut the Fabric B 8" square in half diagonally, each direction, creating four (4) triangles.



Step 4: Place a Fabric A rectangle and a Fabric C rectangle right sides together and sew together to form one large square. Keep the white on the top. Repeat to form all four (4) squares.



Step 6: Sew a Step 3 triangle unit and a Step 5 triangle unit together to make a 71/4" square. Make sure the white rectangle and the white triangle are in contact on the right.





# **Master's Message**

Cindy Greer, State Master 7629 CR 100, Hesperus, CO 81316 970-588-3386 • Email: hcrdgreer@frontier.net



April is Grange Month. We may not be able still to have the activities we would normally have for Grange Month, but that doesn't mean we should not do something. With that said, we need to start thinking about what we can do to promote the Grange organization.

All too often people think of the Grange as a building, but that building referred to as the Grange is nothing without the people who take care of it and manage its use. Therefore, the Grange is not the building, it's the People, it's you and me. More specifically it's the

people who have committed to be members of the organization called the Grange. These people share a basic faith in God, want to nurture Hope, and are willing to give (are charitable) and are faithful or noted for fidelity.

It's the people in the organization who make it what it is and oftentimes they also can be the ones who break it or give it a bad name. Which side are you on? I hope that newcomers are not discouraged when they share ideas that those who have been in the organization don't think will work. Sometimes those ideas work out wonderfully and sometimes they don't, but you won't

The word Fidelity always gives me pause to think, what does it really mean? Synonyms for Fidelity are: Loyalty, reliability, trustworthiness, dependability, devotion, commitment, conformity, constancy, integrity, steadfastness, true-heartedness.....

The Grange building is a reflection of the people who are a part of the organization. If your Grange hall is in disrepair or needs the weeds tended to, that often gives the impression that the people of the organization don't care. Even during these difficult times, when we can't utilize the buildings to their full potential, we need to make sure that the outward appearance is taken care of so that we show we do care and are still tending to business and not just taking it easy. Even if there are not a lot of activities going on we still need to take care of the appearance of the building and the grounds on which it sits. That being said, please take time to look at your building from an outsider's

#### 2021 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS House Agriculture, Livestock, and Water Committee

(Please note this is a name change from last year.)

- Chair, Rep. Jeni Ardnt, D Fort Collins
- Vice Chair, Rep.-Elect Karen McCormick, D Longmont
- Rep. Lisa Cutter, D Jefferson County
- Rep. Susan Lontine, D Denver
- Rep. Barbara McLaughlan, D Durango
- Rep. Dylan Roberts, D Avon
- Rep. Donald Valdez, D La Jara
- Rep. Marc Catlin, R Montrose
- Rep. Rod Pelton, R Cheyenne Wells
- Rep. Perry Will, R New Castle

### **Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources**

- Chair. Sen Kerry Donovan, D Edwards
- Vice chair. Sen Jessie Danielson, D Lakewood
- Senator, Rhonda Fields, D Aurora
- Senator, Jerry Sonnenberg, R Sterling
- Senator, Don Coram, R Montrose

Legislation to keep an eye on! There is a bill being introduced (not numbered at this time) concerning increased options for financing forest health projects, and in connection therewith, financing wildfire mitigation treatments.

The bill that Colorado is considering will craft mandatory fees to private home and land owners for fire mitigation. It would create a government agency to hire or create a special improvement district for forest health. The bill is sponsored by house reps, Arndt and Catlin and Senate reps Cooke and

# **The Colorado Granger Guidelines**

for articles for the May-June 2021 edition of The Colorado Granger. You can send them to the State Grange Office, 2009 CR 31, Florissant, CO 80816 or email costategrange@gmail.com.

We would appreciate your following these guidelines when writing an article.

Name of Grange

Upcoming dates

April 15, 2021, is the deadline Brief summary of what has been happening at your Grange -NOT SEND MINUTES

Community Service Projects In Memoriam (Grangers who have

passed away) Thinking of You

(Grangers who are sick and shut in — include address if they would enjoy cards)

Hats Off (Grangers to be recognized) Contact person (with phone number) You're Invited (activities open to nonmembers and visiting Grangers)

ZIP CODE

### Please notify the State Grange Office of any address change.

Because it is 2nd class mail, the Grange is charged 59¢ per address change the post office sends from the *Granger* mailings.

Email: costategrange@gmail.com Call 719-748-5008 or mail the form below.

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PRESENT ADDRESS	

FOR THE COLORADO GRANGER MAILING LIST

(GIVE ROUTE AND BOX NUMBER) Send to: Colorado State Grange 2009 CR 31, Florissant, CO 80816

# **Notes From** The Secretary

Renee Caldwell, State Secretary 2009 CR 31, Florissant, CO 80816 719-748-5008

Email: costategrange@gmail.com

Here in Florissant, we are still in the midst of winter weather, but I know spring is in the air and if you are like me you are looking forward to it. I love the winter... but spring is full of my favorite things like new beginnings, fresh air, birds, critters and warm sunshine.

The office is running smoothly if not slowly due to COVID. I appreciate your promptness with getting your quarterly reports and newspaper articles to the office. You really help me get this job done. Thank you.



So, since there isn't much to report we will move on to a positive thought to consider.

An optimist is the human personification of spring.

-Susan J. Bissonette And Remember: Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen.

### — In Memoriam

### **Natalie Zerobnick** Mozer

Natalie Zerobnick Mozer was a lifelong Denver resident. She moved to Golden Gate Canyon in the early 2000s and for the next almost 20 years was an integral part of the community. Her twice yearly open house parties were legend. Oldtimers and new residents were invited. New friendships were born out of these gatherings. Natalie was always open to including new faces, new families. Her party organizing skills also included coordinating several reunions for her Class of 1960 from their alma mater, East High School in Denver.

Natalie leant her energy to supporting the two main community organizations in the canyon, the Golden Gate Fire Protection District and the Golden Gate Grange. For several years she organized both a fundraising effort and the food for the annual Fire Department Pig Roast. More recently, Natalie faithfully manned the kitchen at our monthly Grange



Natalie Mozer

Pancake Breakfasts, always supplying extra goodies like fresh fruits and

She is survived by daughters, Sheri Mozer, Jill Mozer and Lora Mozer (Linette Erickson) and grandsons Connor, Hunter and Tyler Powell.

Contributions in Natalie's memory can be made to The Denver Hospice or National Jewish Health.

### Victory Grange Member **Bill Murray Passed**

by David H. McCord

From full page tribute article on Bill by his friend Dave Perry, Editor, Aurora Sentinel Newspaper, Feb. 4, 2021: "PERRY: Aurora loses an ally and a champion of intellectualism with Bill Murray. Bill is gone now, after 93 years, most of it tending to Aurora, he did his last good deed, gave his final harrumph, and departed the world for something different on Jan. 18, 2021.'

He and his family joined Victory Grange following the City of Aurora's Cultural Heritage recognition for Victory eight years ago. We had invited residents from the neighborhoods and businesses in the vicinity of Victory to attend the award ceremony and Bill and June attended and they and their daughter later became members.

I first met Bill in my City of Aurora Planning Department duties years ago, possibly related to his Kirkegaard neighborhood activities or maybe related to the City's planning recognition of Buckley ANG Base aircraft noise considerations as their home is near the Base.

Bill was a champion of neighborhood issues and well represented that interest before the Aurora City decision makers. He recommended that Victory join the Aurora Chamber of Commerce which we did, a valuable means to get ourselves known and acknowledged.

Bill was a WWII Navy veteran, first a history teacher for Aurora Schools, then a journalism supporter and director of the Schools' Library and Media Services. In this role he became friends with our former State Grange Master Jeanne Davies who shared their common library interest. Bill held her in high respect. Bill attended Colorado College in Colorado Springs graduating in 1950 during the same time period so many returning veterans attended college.

For certain, Victory Grange was honored that Bill and family joined the Grange and our members were glad that they are a part of us.

In sadness, but with favored memories of Bill.

### THE GRANGE BUILDS

People — by recognizing leadership abilities and encouraging individual talents.

The Family — by offering a family oriented environment and emphasizing family values.

**The Community** — by working together in a team spirit, providing service and community outreach.

The State — by encouraging "grass-roots action" and leadership in the State Legislature.

**The Nation** — by providing members a voice in the nation's capital.

**Visit the Colorado State Grange** website www.coloradogrange.org



#### by Claudia the Skunk from the National Grange Herd

Something to consider: Become a Host for Harvest Hosts. The Colorado State Grange Youth/Junior Directors suggested that Granges become Harvest Hosts. Harvest Hosts is a community, an enterprising group of winemakers, farmers, museums and attractions who invite Harvest Hosts RV members to visit and park for 24 hours in exchange for supporting your business! Harvest Hosts connects thousands of RVers with local businesses. There is no charge to be a host. This is a unique and free marketing option. Harvest Hosts is a great way to share information about our organization and potentially receiving donations from the RVers who choose to utilize our parking lots/ property for 24 hours.

The Grange will need to provide a contact person who would most likely greet the visitors upon their arrival. Before signing up you may need to check local regulations. I strongly suggest you contact your neighbors when you have guests arriving so that they know the camper in the parking lot is there with your knowledge. Just a common courtesy.



Signing up your Grange is relatively easy. It's helpful to know how many campers you can accommodate and the size of space. You do not need to provide electricity or water, but can if you want to or have the capability. You will need to get five pictures of the property to share with the Harvest Host organization.

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## **Lecturer's Creative And Performing Arts**

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Hello fellow Grangers.

With vaccine for COVID-19 now being available to more of the population and with restrictions moving away from everyone staying home, we are able to get out and do more for ourselves and our communities. I am looking forward to hearing what you are going to be doing now that we can meet again.

If you are looking for ideas, I have a couple. One is having a Christmas card signing party. See the article in the last Granger. I have inserted the details again at the end of this article. This project has gained traction in Granges across the nation. Second is putting in a community garden if you have the space and the water. Or teach/host a class on container gardening. This is a good way to provide fresh produce for your members and the community members who might not get fresh food otherwise. Third is doing fun classes such as making jelly, how to can, or any of the back-tobasics as we learn to be more self-sufficient with the state of the pande-

But as I am also running out of

ideas, I would like to see your ideas and/or the fruits of your labors. My suggestion is that someone from your Grange post what you are doing and any suggestions on the Colorado State Grange Facebook Page. I would like to see us all work together sharing ideas and programs for the future. **Lecturer Program for 2021:** 

**Christmas Card Signing** 

Sign your cards with your first name using the following phrases:

- God Bless You
- God Bless you my friend.
- Thank you for your service. • Thank you for our freedom.
- Please DO NOT use cards with glitter or upraised attachments.

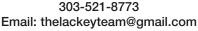
Cards need to be sent unsealed (for insert to be added) to Marlys Halbiesen at 10650 West 45th Avenue, Wheatridge, CO 80033. The cards can be sent anytime during the year before September 1, 2021.

Please send me a total of the cards you have sent as there are prizes for the most cards sent by any Grange.

**Publicity Contest:** Remember to work on your brochure for the state contest. The sky is the limit.

# **Real Estate** Management

Mike Lackey, State Director 303-521-8773



Here are the suggested procedures by the Colorado Department of Health for the use of your Grange during this time of COVID-19 pandemic

#### IF THERE IS A CONFIRMED **CASE OF COVID-19** AMONG RENTERS OR **GRANGE MEMBERS**

The Grange must notify and cooperate with their local public health agency on next steps.

Provide hand sanitizer and/or soap and water that is easily accessible to renters upon arrival and during their rental time.

Provide cleaning and/or disinfecting products for renters to use, along with instructions.

In alignment with the CDC Guidelines, wait 24 hours before entering the property for cleaning. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible.

Remove shared soft objects that are difficult to regularly clean if possible. Post signage for renters on good hygiene and other sanitation prac-

Granges are responsible for ensuring that the property is properly cleaned and sanitized between guests. Consider the following:

Create a thorough cleaning checklist for each property to help ensure completion and keep records.

If renters clean the property themselves, implement additional disinfection afterward.

Follow, or if contracting with a cleaning service ensure that they are following, CDC Disinfecting Guidelines.

Wear/provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for people who are cleaning.

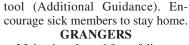
Prevent cross-contamination by using specific equipment in specific areas (bathroom, kitchen).

Ventilate the property during and after cleaning.

All shared linens, blankets, cloth napkins, and other fabric items must be washed between renters.

When possible, perform temperature checks and monitor symptoms in members, logging all results.

Refer symptomatic members to the Colorado COVID Symptom Support



Maintain at least 6 feet of distance, and wear a face covering during any interactions with renters, members, local community (i.e. check in/out).

Consider minimizing these interactions by implementing no-contact check-in procedures.

Avoid scheduling back-to-back uses (schedule at least 24 hours between Renters) to ensure time for proper cleaning and disinfecting.

Provide generous and flexible cancellation policies so that if renters start experiencing symptoms they can

Ensure renters are not present at the time of any maintenance or cleaning.

Routinely check data and guidance in the counties and communities where your Grange is located. Defer to any local guidelines restricting or prohibiting travel for out-of-community renters, and promptly adjust reservations accordingly.

Clearly communicate with renters regarding your cleaning and disinfect-

Notify renters that it is standard in Colorado to wear cloth masks in pubconsider providing clean masks for renters.

Collect all renters' contact information and be prepared to support local public health contact tracing efforts if exposures occur.

### RENTERS

Renters are encouraged to take their shoes off when entering the property.

Renters should wash their hands frequently with soap and water and/or use hand sanitizer.

Renters are required to wear face coverings in public throughout Colorado. (Mandatory Statewide Mask Order)

Renters should maintain physical distancing of at least 6 feet from people not in their group/household while in Colorado. Renters must cancel their use of the facility if they are sick or have been in close contact with someone who is sick with COVID-19 symptoms in the 14 days before their use of the Grange.

quilt block.

The new quilt block pattern has

been received from Christine Hamp,

National Grange Lecturer. The Quilt

Blocks should be sent directly to

Christine Hamp by October 31, 2021.

Refer to the following rules and in-

structions for the pinwheel pattern

bar cookie which you may want to try

and maybe enter in the bar cookie

Karen Baxter sent in a recipe for a

It's Spring. The birds are chirping,

the grass is greening up (or in our

yard the weeds are getting greener)

lol. And it's time to start really think-

ing about what we want to do this

plans and they all have gotten squish-

ed. So, we have decided that this year

because of the pandemic, we are not

going to be going to San Diego with

the Colorado Youth and JG. But hey,

let's not get too disappointed, because

while we might have postponed it,

we are not giving up. We are now

shooting for 2022 to have an awe-

some three-day adventure in Califor-

nia with the Grange. So let's plan

something else, maybe a little closer

We made the command decision

to have a camping weekend for the

Youth and Jr. Grange here in Colora-

do. By the next Granger, we will have

the dates and location set. If you want

Let's go camping.

to home.

We have had some pretty awesome

# **Family Activities**

Idella Lewis and Karen Baxter, State Activities Co-Directors Idella Lewis, 303-274-9390 Email: idellamlewis@gmail.com Karen Baxter, 14857 CR 240, Bayfield, CO 81122

970-259-1595 class in the State Grange Baking Contest. You will agree that this recipe is

baking pan; 1 C. butter 1-3/4 C. flour

1/4 t. salt

**Junior Grange And Youth** 

Dan and Jenna Greer, State Directors

970-749-9449 • 970-588-3844 • Email: djbngreer@live.com

really yummy!

touch with us ASAP! Our email is

djbngreer@live.com or you can text

Are your Juniors doing some crafts

and taking lots of pictures to exhibit

at the State Session this year? We sure

hope so. We love seeing what their

We would love to have our great

What are you doing in your Grange

Have you ever tried a casino night?

Or game night where you invite the

community and have a great time.

Make sure that you think about the

younger generation, because if we

state represented this year and for

or call Dan @ 970-749-9449!

Enough about that though.

amazing minds come up with.

everything taken care of.

to invite the youth into it?

years to come.

On to Youth.

#### **Yummy Bars**

Mix and press into a greased 9x13"

1/2 C. sugar

Bake @ 350 degrees for 10-12 min-

Sprinkle over the top; 2 C. chocolate chips 1 C. nuts

Pour 1 can of sweetened condensed milk over mixture.

Return to oven and bake 30 minutes @ 350 degrees.

Cut into bars and enjoy!



That's all for now. We hope that everyone has a bless-

#### National Session is supposed to be in Kansas this year. If you have any-P.I.C.K. one interested in being on the officer team or being our state ambassador, **People Improving** please let us know NOW so can get

**Communities And Kids** Secretary/Treasurer **Cindy Greer** hcrdgreer@frontier.net

It's not too early to be thinking about filing your 990N postcard with the IRS. This is an annual filing that each subordinate Grange is required to do. The IRS tolerates not filing to some extent, but it's better to just file the form every year. Most subordinate/local Granges take in less than \$50,000 a year so there's no need to file the longer form, just the postcard, which has to be done online and by May 15. Now there are some Granges who have different deadlines and that is usually after the end of August. I still don't know why some are different than others, but it's a fact.

Completing the e-Postcard requires the eight items listed below:

- 1. Employer identification number (EIN), also known as a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
- 2. Tax year.
- 3. Legal name and mailing address.
- 4. Any other names the organization 5. Name and address of a principal
- officer. 6. Web site address if the organization
- 7. Confirmation that the organization's annual gross receipts are \$50,000 or less.
- 8. If applicable, a statement that the organization has terminated or is terminating (going out of business).

to have input on where we go and don't start getting them more involved when we do it, you need to get in we may not be around in the future. Chaplain's Corner

Loeda Westphal, State Chaplain 719-632-5965

Email: loeda.w341@centurylink.com

At the time of this writing, a large area of our nation is experiencing extreme low temperatures and snow with record breaking lows. Late last fall we were warned that the winter would be long and difficult because of the virus during the usual complications of winter. For the most part many have been more dormant than usual during the last few months.

By the time of this reading, it will be the middle of March and looking forward to those first signs of spring and also encouragement of the vaccine. Most of the dreariness of winter will have been completed.

With the promise of spring, it is

time to merge from dormancy and reflect on our lives and abilities. In Psalms 86:11 "Teach me, Lord, what you want me to do and I will obey you faithfully; teach me to serve you with complete devotion." We can look forward to increased activity as we are comfortable to do so.

Reviewing the Program Handbooks, there are many activities we can be doing to prepare for more Grange activity. Now is the time to prepare for the contests of 2021. Remember the Christmas card signing project for our military. With the hope for newness, let us join together in the renewal of energy and involvement.

AND LEARN HOW TO HELP OTHERS DO THE SAME **EVERY THIRD TUESDAY** AT 8:30 EASTERN ON THE GRANGE **MEMBERSHIP** TELECONFERENCES Go to tiny.cc/1867zoom or call 669-900-6833. Use meeting ID 525-965-930 to log in.

**Deadline For The May-June 2021** Issue Of The Colorado Granger Is April 15, 2021.



# **Agriculture** Report

David H. McCord, State Director David • 303-388-1259 Email: dmccord60@earthlink.net

Water

Whether through Demand Management or another strategy, any program must protect the entire state - not only in terms of its legal interests, but also its values.

- Director Rebecca Mitchell's message regarding the state's strategy for protecting Colorado water from drought and speculation. Originally published in The Denver Post. Rebecca Mitchell is Director of the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

Colorado does not have enough of it and demands for urban use water will increase as our population grows. The following discussion is the first of several water discussions on established regulations, boards, plans, ownership, water use, available amount, and challenges.

#### The Colorado Doctrine, 1860s:

1) All surface and groundwater in Colorado is a public resource for beneficial use by public agencies and private persons; 2) A water right is a right to use a portion of the public's water resources; ... 4) Water rights owners may use streams and aquifers for the transportation and storage of

Under riparian law, those with land next to the stream have a water right for that stream. However, in Colorado, just because you own land next to the stream, does not necessarily mean you have the right to use its water. Federal law also made public land and water available for private use.

#### Colorado River Water Compact, 1922

This is an interstate agreement allocating 15 million acre feet (maf) of the river's volume among the upper basin states, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah,

New Mexico, and the lower basin states, Arizona, California, Utah 7.5 maf with 4.4 maf to California plus half of any lower basin surplus. Arizona and California had been in dispute and Congress stepped in with the Hoover Dam and other storage reservoirs in 1928.

Arizona remained in opposition but 6 of the 7 states ratified the compact. Mexico was later allocated 1.5 maf in conjunction with agreements on waters of the Rio Grande and Tijuana rivers. Of critical importance, the 15 maf of the compact was from a wet period and the river flows now have been much less and the several reservoirs on the Colorado and upper basin tributaries are at well below capacity: Glen Canyon Dam's Lake Powell at 40%, Hoover Dam's Lake Mead at

# **Health Awareness**

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Email: Louettaphelps@aol.com Okay ya'll..... we need to talk. Have you heard of Shingles or had Shingles? If you have had them, you already know it is NO fun! Please read on and do your own research! Know the symptoms because an antiviral medication is important to take within the first 72 hours to help pre-

**Shingles** is a viral infection that causes a painful rash. Although shingles can occur anywhere on your body, it most often appears as a single stripe of blisters that wraps around either the left or the right side of your torso. Shingles is caused by the varicella-zoster virus — the same virus that causes chickenpox. That being said, shingles can also occur internally, in the eye, mouth or ear.

vent long-term damage.

They say if you had chickenpox as a child, you have a chance of developing Shingles sometime in your adult life. The older you get the more painful it is. And everyone is different so finding relief from the pain may be difficult because what works for one may not work for someone else.

A new vaccine, Shingrix was approved in 2017, and the CDC recom-

mends the vaccine for adults 50 and older to prevent this painful, blistering illness. It is being used in place of the previous vaccine, Zostavax.

In studies, Shingrix was more than 97% effective at preventing shingles in people 50 and older. It works just as well in older adults, who are at greater risk for a painful shingles complication called postherpetic neuralgia (PHN). "When 70- and 80-yearolds get shingles, it can be extremely debilitating," Chen says.

By contrast, Zostavax cuts the risk of shingles by only 51% and PHN by 67%. It's only about 38% effective in people over age 70.

If you develop PHN the pain is horrific..... greater than child birth, sur-

You may also note that if you did not have chickenpox as a child, you can develop chickenpox from someone with shingles. If you do not know whether or not you have had chickenpox there is a blood test you can get. I suggest you do some research, be in the know and talk to your primary physician and decide whether or not you should get the vaccine.

40% — last time it was full was 1983, and is now approaching shortage, and Blue Mesa on the tributary Gunnison River is at half of its capacity.

The drought of the recent years has further complicated the water challenge plus longer dry periods, and higher temperatures that many associate with global warming. Tree ring data shows that decades long droughts are common looking at the available tree research record going back 1000 years, the longest being 65

If Lake Mead's level continues to drop, cutbacks to users will occur impacting lower basin states. At extremes, a dead pool condition cold be created with no water leaving the reservoir, no electricity generated, and no water flows to the lower states. A Compact call on the upper basin may then be initiated to send water downstream — something that has never happened before. A conservation step in 2017 to keep more water in the river took place with purchase of 40,000acre feet from the Gila Indian Communities via funding by state, federal, municipal, and private sources.

This water is to be left in Lake Mead in perpetuity.

Similar kinds of conservation steps are in motion through demand management where water holders are reimbursed for their water and they do not use that water for the demand period. More later on how that works and on other steps of water manage-

As I write this in mid-February, Colorado continues in drought conditions and unless major snow falls occur, the ability of snow melt runoff to fill state reservoirs will be limited.

My future Agriculture Reports will further detail how our state's water plan works, basin transfers, state authority and more.

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# **Community Service**

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Hello Grangers! Green shoots are starting to poke up from the soil, and many of us are starting a variety of plants indoors from seed and planning our vegetable gardens for this coming growing season. As of this writing, 11% of Coloradans have gotten the COVID-19 vaccine, so I expect that by the time you're reading it, we'll be noticeably back on the path toward getting the economy flowing again. Hopefully by summer, we'll all be back up to speed with our normal events and programs with our Granges.

There will be plenty of extra opportunities to be of service in our communities for quite some time though. It will take awhile to get the movement of a healthy economy back to where it's firing on all cylinders again. I'm looking forward to reading in your reports about the creative ways so many of you will find to help people in your communities. Remember the animals too! I invite you to visit Colo radoPetPantry.org.

By the time you're reading this,

someone at your Grange should have received the Combined Reporting Form for this year. As I wrote in the most recent Granger, I sent them to the email address I used last year (unless I have received a correction) or I have mailed them to you already printed. PLEASE REACH OUT TO ME if you are having trouble with using the form or have questions - whether you're using the digital or printed format. Please call me at 720-413-4106, and be sure to leave a voice mail if I do not answer immediately. I truly do want to help you. In the last edition of the Granger, I also invited you to let me know if I need to either email or mail the materials to someone different than I sent them to last year. I have not heard from any of you, so I have assumed the right person got them last year.

I hope you are having a delightful Spring, and that you and yours are healthy and strong, in body, mind, and spirit. Please remember to take care of yourselves, so you will have the energy and ability to help others.

# **Mandy Project**

Cindy Greer, Coordinator 970-588-3386 • Email: hcrdgreer@frontier.net

Several years ago the Colorado Legislature passed a bill that required Colorado Insurance companies to cover hearing devices for children. This was fantastic, but people who lived in Colorado and their employer was located outside of Colorado were not required to comply.

Recently Sunflower Grange shared information from the PNC Daily New Digest which had an article that covered a story that caught my attention. A 9-year old girl who was born in Broomfield wrote a letter to her congressman in 2019. She and her family did not expect to get a response but her letter inspired a congressman to introduce a bill that would require insurance companies to cover hearing devices for Children all over the country. The bill was called "Ally's Act" and was first introduced in the 117th

Ally Tumblin was born without her right ear. They later learned that Ally has both Microtia and Atresia, the absence of her right ear and ear canal, and needed a bone-anchored hearing aid (BAHA) which was not covered by insurance at the time. BAHA devices range in price from \$5,000 to \$12,000 each and need to be upgraded or replaced every five years. One misses a lot when hearing out of only

Ally wrote to the congressman about her bone conduction hearing aid and how her device had been denied coverage all her life. He was motivated by Ally to take a closer look at the situation and ultimately try to fix it by introducing the legislation to require private insurance companies to cover Osseo integrated hearing devices.

Ally's mother is also the founder of the Ear Community Organization, a non-profit that has helped thousands of children and adults around the world born with Microtia and Atresia.

It looks like the bill has yet to pass, but was still under consideration as of September 2020. I found more information by googling Ally's Act. More information about the Ear Community Organization can be found at https:// earcommunity.org.

### **Colorado State Grange Website**

Larry Corman takes care of the web page for the State Grange. He is requesting that Officers and Directors contact him with updates for their departments. He would like to link the web page of each Grange to the State Grange site. Please contact him to have this done so Grange members and others can easily access your page for information.

Larry Corman: larry\_corman@hot mail.com or 970-884-4762.

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Redlands Mesa Grange "Take and Bake" Lasagna Dinner fundraiser was a big success thanks to the hard work of the kitchen volunteers and crew.

#### **Redlands Mesa**

Contact Gini McNair, 970-589-3331, ginimcnair@gmail.com, for further information.

We are happy to report that our February "Take and Bake" Lasagna Dinner fundraiser was a resounding success! We sold 84 dinners and had enough leftovers to send home meals with our kitchen volunteers. We provided safe, curbside pickup and everyone was pleased that they didn't even have to get out of their cars. The menu was lasagna, with or without meat, green salad with homemade vinaigrette, garlic bread and a brownie.

We'll definitely plan another dinner in the spring.

Due to COVID we have not been having our regular monthly meetings, but hope to be able to set up some Zoom meetings starting in March. We remind everyone who hasn't already paid their yearly membership dues to please send them to Secretary Chris Cazer.

We are looking forward to a time when we can once again gather in person in our Grange hall and eat, dance and be merry. Until then, stay safe and healthy, wear your masks and get vaccinated if you can.

Gini McNair



Redlands Mesa Grangers provided safe, curbside pickup for their "Take and Bake" Lasagna Dinner fundraiser.

# Pikes Peak El Paso and Teller Counties

### **Florissant**

Contact Renee Caldwell, 719-748-5004, florissantgrange@gmail.com, for further information.

Be Sure To Join Us For These Upcoming Events:

March 13, 9 a.m. to Noon: Pine Needle Basket/Glass Painting class. April 3, 12-1 p.m.: Drive through Easter Event.

During January and February continued to hold our craft classes successfully. We limit our attendees, but it keeps the Grange active.

Saturday, Feb. 13, we planned to have a Drive Through Valentine Brunch, but we had to cancel the week before for various reasons.

We have not had normal meetings because of COVID, but we have had numerous gatherings of Grangers for breakfast or dinner and have been able to hold small meetings to make plans for events, etc.

At one gathering, one of our Grangers suggested we look into becoming a host for Harvest Host, a membership organization for RV'rs. We investigated the organization and the ordinances for our County and decided to do it. Shortly after we became hosts, we received notice of new hosts and saw that Marvel Grange had also joined as a host. Master Cindy put information in this Granger about the Organization. We have our first camper coming May 7. We are excited to show off our Historic Building and School House Museum and promote our community that is rich in the History of our area.

We are still holding our weekly potluck/music night with limited admission due to COVID, but it has been great to be able to continue some events. Our County has opened up to 50 percent occupancy, so we may try a concert soon.

Spring is around the corner.... So, we are hoping for nice weather so we can start up our OUTDOOR craft shows and flea markets.

Renee Caldwell

The Grange is America's great family fraternity active in your community, state and nation promoting activities and legislation for the betterment and enrichment of our society and families.



### WHAT IS GRANGE REVIVAL?

Grange Revival is a family event open for all Grange members and friends to create and strengthen fraternal bonds. From outdoor activities to ag awareness lessons, craft workshops and lots of time to kick back and relax with other Grangers, there is something for everyone.

Take part in planned activities or excursions or strike out on your own to find some fun during the day. Then head back to the campground at night to enjoy a communal meal and maybe even some campfire songs.

Bring your RV, load your car and pack a tent, fly to your destination and stay in a cabin or enjoy the experience with some added creature comforts at a nearby hotel. All the fun of Grange Revival is waiting for you! And don't forget: bring your friends! You need not be a Grange member to attend (but you sure will want to be after it's over!).

# GRANGE Revival

Days End Campground Sturgis, South Dakota July 20-25, 2021

Mark your calendars and pack your bags!
Grange Revival 2021 is scheduled for July 20-25, 2021!
at Days End Campground in Sturgis, South Dakota.
More than 70 Grangers joined us in 2019 for the inaugural event held in Ozark, Arkansas. Now it's your turn!



#### **NEARBY ATTRACTIONS**

Mount Rushmore is about 45 minutes from Days End Campground and Devil's Tower is about an hour and a half. Deadwood is 18 miles from the campground.



#### TAKE THE LEAD OR SPONSOR THE FUN

Want to help plan part of the event or lead a workshop? Help plan an excursion? Take charge of an evening activity? Have a talent you'd like to share? Or would your Grange like to sponsor an activity, meal or excursion? Contact us by email at grangerevival@gmail.com or by calling Chris at 509-953-3533 or Amanda at 301-943-1090.

#### **EVENT REGISTRATION**

The registration fee, made payable to Grange Revival, covers five dinners (Tuesday through Saturday; leftovers may be available for other meals), an event food tray, t-shirt and admission for most workshops (some excursions or workshops may have a small fee for admission, materials or transportation and will be announced in advance). Registration fee is 50% refundable if canceled at least one week in advance of start of event; fee is non-refundable if canceled less than one-week prior to the start of the event.



Grange Members	Rate by May 1, 2021
Subordinate Members (36+) and E-members	\$75
Grange Youth and Young Adults (14-35)	\$60
Golden Sheaf Members (50+ continuous years in Grang	ge) \$60
Junior Grangers (5-13), including 1+ Juniors	\$40
Pre-Juniors (0-4 years old)	\$20



Friend of the Grange	Rate by May 1, 2021
Adults (36+)	\$90
Youth and Young Adults (14-35)	\$75
Children (5-13)	\$50
Infants & Pre-Schoolers (0-4)	\$35

For all registrants: \$5 late fee added per person for registrations paid after May 1, 2021

#### BE THE FIRST TO KNOW BY PRE-REGISTERING

To be added to our mailing list and receive updates about the event, first opportunities to sign up for activities, and more, please pre-register today by completing the enclosed registration form or going online to grangerevival.org and select Registration. You can also call Chris at 509-953-3533 or email grangerevival@gmail.com.

#### **GETTING TO GRANGE REVIVAL**

You can drive, fly or take a bus to Grange Revival. The closest airport and bus terminals are both located in Rapid City, about a half hour drive from the campground. We will have a transportation coordinator who can assist with getting you to and from Rapid City with advanced notice. Please contact event organizers to make transportation arrangements.

If you are renting a car for the event, we encourage you to explore savings through your Grange member benefit discount with Hertz and other car rental places. You may also find discounts on flights and other lodging you can use on your way to Grange Revival and on the newest partnership with Harvest Hosts for Grange members who own RVs. Log into your nationalgrange.org account (or sign up) and learn more.



More Information and Registration Form on Page 8

# Ute Mountain Dolores and Montezuma Counties

### **Mount Lookout**

Contact Katheryn Fulton, kes tralfarm@gmail.com, for further information

information.

Every other fourth Wednesday
MLG Board meets via Zoom.

**Every Monday Mancos Foodshare distribution.** 

Due to the ongoing pandemic, MLG has not yet resumed programming, rentals, or fundraising events. Many in our community were sad that we were not able to hold our annual MLK pancake breakfast to honor Dr. King and pay tribute to social justice. We have maintained communication with our membership, and we look forward to getting back to normal.

One unique event occurred last month. Our building has experienced a rich history. It had originally been constructed about 6 miles from the current location, in Thompson Park, as Zion Lutheran Church. The building was moved west over the pass to Mancos, to its current location on Grand Avenue in 1946, where it served as a Grange. There is more to the story of MLG after that, however, I am reporting about a recent event.

I was contacted by a woman from

California, whose grandfather had been the Lutheran pastor in 1914 and 1915 in the original church building. She asked to visit our Grange, and she brought her mother and some other relatives. She gave us a copy of a letter that was written by her mother about some of her father's experiences during his time in this area. He had been a "circuit" pastor, serving Mancos, Thompson Park, and Durango. Those were challenging conditions for mountain travel in those days. The visiting family was very excited to learn about the building's history and to learn about the National Grange organization, and local Granges, Patrons of Husbandry. They shared a photo album with a picture of our building when it had been a church in Thompson Park. It was a pleasant exchange for all.

Mancos Foodshare continues to utilize the building for the storage and weekly distribution of food for anyone in our community who needs it

Our board intends to have a "retreat" type of meeting this month to focus in on moving forward post-pandemic. We have been offered blessings over the past several years and we intend to continue to contribute to our community in meaningful ways.

Best of health to all. Katheryn Fulton



Photos of the Mount Lookout Grange building when it was Zion Lutheran Church and the parsonage.







Spencer Peck and his volunteer crew building new compost bins at Crescent Grange for his Eagle Scout project.

# Boulder County Boulder County

#### **Left Hand**

Contact Bruce Johnson, 720-301-6367 or johnson.blj71@gmail.com for further information.

Business Meetings (Virtual) at 5:30 p.m. — March 10, April 14, May 12.

Left Hand Grange Building — Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our building is essentially closed to meetings and events. Some small groups could be accommodated but our dilemma is how to keep the Grange clean after usage. We will revisit our rental policy later in the Spring. We held Virtual Board meetings on January 13, and February 10. Without building rental income, we continue to reduce

expenses where possible, and are relying on savings to meet monthly expenses. To help out with monthly expenses we have had generous contributions from the Boy Scout Troop 161, the Niwot Business Association, and the Niwot Community Association.

Music from the Grange (Virtual) — Our virtual monthly "Music from the Grange" continues to be a success using ZOOM. We will continue through April before taking a break until starting up in October 2021, hopefully in person. Our future dates are March 14 and April 11 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. These events are hosted by Bruce and Marcia Johnson. If you would like to listen in please contact Bruce Johnson at johnson.blj71@gmail.com so we can send out a ZOOM link before the meeting. Our February 14th event (Valentine's Day) was attended

by about 40 people, including performers. We were treated to a wide variety of music, including folk, country, light rock, classical guitar, and cowboy music/poetry. Kathy Koehler, Grange member and Executive Committee member, prepared a photo collage of the January 10 performers, left to right, Top: Bruce & Marcia Johnson, Tom Schaeffer, Dick Larson; Middle: Susan Rose, Tom Morris, Peter Levine, Mark Flett; Bottom: Rob Chirico (Zoom co-host), George Russell, Lise Blumenthal, Bruce & Marcia Johnson, hosts.

Bruce Johnson

### Crescent

Contact Butter Petty, butterpow eredbike@gmail.com, for further information.

In honor of Earth Day, Crescent

#### will be holding a Native Species and Noxious Weeds class at Crescent on April 24.

Broomfield Crescent Grange has been making improvements to our website. We're very excited that membership dues and donations can now be made digitally. Come see our changes at https://www.crescentgrange.org. You can also follow us on our social media platforms, Crescent Grange Broomfield on Facebook, @broomfieldgrange on Instagram, and @crescentgrange on Twitter.

Over the last year, Crescent has formed a valuable alliance with the nonprofit, Sustainable Broomfield (http://sustainablebroomfield.com). In May 2020, Sustainable Broomfield began nurturing our compost with the aid of their newly formed community Compost Club (http://sustainable

broomfield.com/compost-club/). This effort attracted substantial local interest and by October there were over 65 participants dumping buckets of scraps into our compost bins. We actually had to stop accepting new members due to the lack of space in our bin system.

Then, we had a welcome surprise in November, when a young man named Spencer Peck contacted us asking if we might be interested in having more compost bins built for his Eagle Scout project. We jumped at the opportunity and quickly met and got Spencer set up with all the information he would need for such a project. Having more compost bins built would allow us to accept more members into our Compost Club and would produce more compost to use in our community garden!

To complete this project Spencer first had to measure our bins and produce a scale drawing of what he was going to build. Then he itemized the materials which were needed, calculated the overall cost of the project and submitted this proposal to his Scout leaders for approval. Once the project was approved, Spencer had to do some fundraising to pay for everything and also recruited a number of volunteers to come out (in January) and help on the day of the compost bin construction. Spencer even mentioned that he had extra volunteers and asked if we had anything else they could help with while they were at the Grange. What a blessing this young man was.

And boy did he deliver. Those boys built us three new sturdy compost bins, dug up an old tree stump, deconstructed a large crate, raked out a pathway to our garden, and picked up litter, all in one afternoon. Luckily there was no snow that day, just some cold air and sunshine. We are so grateful for all the work they did and our property is starting to really look great. We have recently cut down some old dead trees and even have another Scout writing up a proposal to lay a brick pathway around our community garden. Things are really going to look beautiful this summer at the Broomfield Crescent Grange!

Butter Petty









10 January 2021 Niwot, CO

















### **Sunflower Grange**

**Contact Cherry Ellis, sunflower** grange162@yahoo.com for further information.

Several Sunflower Grangers in the 70+ group have either had their vaccinations or will be having them soon, which gives us hope for socializing and potlucks in the not-too-distant future. In January, we met outside again at FarmBox in Sedalia for a presentation by Trevor Garofolo about their semi-trailer growing space. The first trailer grows Lion's Mane, King and Blue Oyster mushrooms, and the second will grow greens hydroponically. An amazing amount of food can be grown in a small, well-designed space. Some of their trailers have been purchased by restaurants and one by a hospital. We are looking forward to FarmBox's participation in our Spring Heirloom and Plant Sale. They have introduced new ways of "farming" to Sedalia.

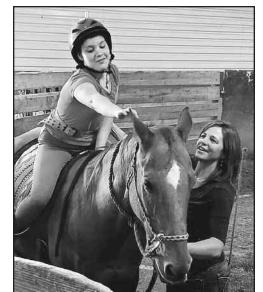
Lea Marshall and the book club (Judy Smith, Margaret Ellis, Marianne Edward, Ghislaine Griswold, Diana Richards, Joyce Satachell, Cherry Ellis) continue reading Sedalia Museum's Remarkable Ladies of Sedalia about local women, like Essie Alexander (1904-90) who belonged to the Sunflower Grange. Her children wrote they "learned to dance on the large wooden floor standing on our daddy's boots and later held close by our dear uncle when our heads reached only as far as his underarm whew, a great dancer but that wasn't the Saturday he took his bath. We had wonderful potluck dinners we looked forward to every month even though Aunt Susie put her finger in each and every dish just to "taste" them. The Grange Hall was where we voted for our President and [was] used by the community whenever a large hall was needed. Our beloved Grange Hall was swept away along with the Presbyterian Church and many fond memories in the Plum Creek flood of 1965."

Vera Johnson (1922-86) "made sure her kids participated in town activities — the 4-H club...square dancing (at the old Grange Hall, down the hill from the post office)."

(Vol 1, p. 3, 25) When Sunflower washed away in the flood of '65, it took a lot of Sedalia's social life with it. Dedicated members rebuilt a Grange hall a few years later using an Army barracks on a foundation. As membership declined, the Grange hall was sold, and in 2014 Sunflower Grange closed. Now that we have reorganized, we look forward to one day having a home again.

Carrie Dunn-Thompson — one of Sedalia's current Remarkable Ladies - was chosen the 2020 National Grange EMS. Carrie said she was surprised and felt very humbled by the honor. Carrie grew up in Sedalia and during her school years raised livestock as her 4-H project. When she graduated from Douglas County High, she started working with Sedalia's Volunteer Fire Department and became a paramedic. For years Carrie was Paramedic Coordinator for a Health Outreach Program providing mobile medical services for Denver's homeless population Her long-standing second job has been at Bud's Bar, a Sedalia institution. Carrie's mother Cathy Stone, and her EMT mentor Cherie Stephens (who nominated her for EMS 2020) work alongside Carrie at Bud's. Word is, if you get sick in Sedalia, the best place to go is Bud's Bar for the EMTs. The burgers (No french fries!) are great, too. Carrie continues helping others and recently found a way to combine her medical training and horsemanship (Douglas County Rodeo Queen 1995) doing equine therapy, using horses to help anyone who has neurological or mental health problems. Learn more about this unique form of therapy at horsebackmiracles.org.

At our next meeting, Sunflower's Lecturer Nena Robbins starts the annual plant cycle — swapping locally-



adapted seeds, collecting a communi-

ty of growers, distributing the plant-

ing materials to community volun-

teers who will grow more than 1,000

plants, and all culminating in the

Memorial Day weekend 9th Heirloom

We like to think the project has cre-

ated many Sedalia gardeners over the

years, though our area isn't known

for growing food crops. We have cul-

tivated some successful varieties and

find that customers who once asked

for the big box store hybrid tomato

varieties, now ask for "Brandywine"

or a local favorite "BS" developed

Nena has provided soil and pots to

as many as 20 community growers in

the past and hopes for as many volun-

teers this year. Contact Nena at Sun

flowergrange162@yahoo.com to vol-

unteer. Growing begins in earnest in

March. Experienced growers educate

and commiserate; Grangers and com-

munity volunteers provide the labor

and benefit from growing as a group.

Sedalia Elementary Sustainability

by Bob Snyder in Louviers.

Tomato and Plant Sale.

Carrie Dunn-Thompson and friend at horsemiracles.org. teacher Katie Wilson and Meghan

In September, there will be a Tomato Tasting to see how well our plants produced. We are grateful to our friends and Sunflower Grange mem-

Watts' 4-H group will be at the sale this year selling plants (many sunflowers, we hope).

bers at BMan's BBQ — Roxann and

Brian Martinez and William Johnson - for hosting the sale again this year. Margaret Ellis (Colorado Outstanding Granger 2020), our Publicity Chair,

> Christmas Card project this year. Judy Smith and quilters (National 3rd place youth winner Arianna Watts) will make quilt blocks again,

has asked us to participate in the Grange

of quilters.

In March, we look forward to O'Brien's Café's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner and nominating our 2021 Teacher, EMS and Community Hero.

Cherry Ellis



Trevor Garofolo explains FarmBox semi-trailer growing space to Sunflower Grangers at January meeting.



Socially distanced Grange meeting on January 16, 2021. Photo by Linda Straw

### Darden Jefferson County

Contact Idella Lewis, idellam lewis@gmail.com, 303-233-3393, for further information.

Granges in Darden Pomona were not able to host the annual Christmas dinner and party held at Enterprise Grange this year. Instead of the Christmas festivities, Granges in Darden Pomona donated \$50 per Grange to The Carin' Clinic in Arvada. This group provides medical care for those who cannot afford it. They usually are guests at our Christmas party. We hope to be able to host the Christmas party next year!

Idella Lewis

### **Enterprise**

**Contact Carol Lackey, thelackey** team@gmail.com, 303-521-4477. for further information.

March 10, 2021, Wednesday — St. Patrick's Day Irish Potluck at **6:30 p.m.** Dorothy Dannels and Pam Campbell have been our go-to for main dishes and it is time to give them a reprieve. Lisa Mittan has offered to bring the main dish of corned beef and cabbage. We're sure she will do an excellent job. Everyone else will bring something green or something Irish! Irish music will be provided. Determining our plans for a Community Service Award program and our Community Garden follows potluck.

April 14, 2021, Wednesday — Easter-themed Potluck will begin at 6:30 p.m. Ham with scalloped potatoes will be provided by Ashley and Carol Lackey. This is our usual Community Service night and any plans will be discussed at our March meet-

May 12, 2021, Wednesday — Cinco de Mayo-themed Potluck. Main dish provider TBD. Everyone else will bring a Mexican side, salad or dessert. A business meeting will follow potluck where we will discuss the possibility of a summer picnic. We will also vote on 2021-2022 officers and choose delegates for the 2021 State Grange Convention.

In January we started out the meeting with our potluck at 6:30 p.m. We

voted to postpone the High Tea until February 2022. We also decided not to attempt a drive-by Tea because of the short timeline for adequate advertising. Pam Campbell brought a cake and we celebrated Leonard Dannels birthday. Dorothy was out of town so he enjoyed the attention. Many of the Grangers were not available to attend so we cut the meeting short and tabled other discussions until February.

Our Valentine Party and Potluck started at 6:30 p.m. Everyone brought Valentine cards and candy for each other. The Enterprise Grange has been working with the city of Arvada on the 72nd Avenue extension that plans to make 72nd and Simms a major intersection, at the corner where our building is located. An update of what the plans are at this time was given by Mike Lackey. So far, it appears that the city is taking our needs into account and we may end up with even more parking, maybe as much as 16 to 18 spaces. Access to the parking lot will be from the east and when leaving we will need to go west. We have been working on a compromise for over a year and are happy with the outcome. When this process started, the city had an initial plan of only 4 parking spaces so things have worked out much better since. We also discussed having a community garden again this year. Ashley Lackey will be spearheading that project.

Carol Lackey purchased Christmas cards for the new military Christmas card project. We handed out several boxes to each member to write and return in March. We also had planned to have a game night but plans changed. Most of the members showed up to the meeting. We hadn't seen each other for awhile so catch-up conversations took us until closing time. Maybe game night in March.

Carol Lackey

### Maple Grove

Contact Idella Lewis, idellam lewis@gmail.com, 303-233-3393, for further information.

Maple Grove Grange is looking forward to the day when we can meet again. Soon it will be a year since we have had a meeting, although Marlys Halbeisen has been keeping us informed by sending out newsletters.

A big THANK YOU to Jim Day who sent in a generous donation to the State Grange Scholarship fund in memory of his parents, Maurie and Dottie Day, who were members for many years. Maurie served as Master of Maple Grove Grange. Jim continues a membership although he lives in Hawaii. Thank you, Jim, for your gen-

In addition to the Christmas cards sent to service persons overseas, headed up by Marlys Halbeisen, a new card project is being undertaken at Maple Grove Grange. Greeting card fronts of any kind are being taken to the Methodist Church in Colorado Springs and the used cards are remade into new cards and sold. Each year a different group is the recipient of the funds generated by the sale of the cards. Maple Grove member, Mary Ann Forman, is heading this project. Reduce, reuse, recycle!

Maple Grove Grange received a check for \$40 from the National Grange for the Christmas card project.

The square dance group of Bear Miller, and the Round Dance group have been having socially distanced dances and their groups and the Colorado Carvers groups have supported our Grange by contributing funds during the virus lockdown.

A Girl Scout Group has been selling cookies from our parking lot.

We hope to be able to meet again

Idella Lewis

#### Wheat Ridge

Contact Vivian Vos, vlvos@ya hoo.com, 720-217-1340, for further

**UPCOMING EVENTS** Every Tuesday, 10 a.m., the Lovely Ladies Hula class is offered. Every Saturday, 10 a.m., the Ukulele classes are offered.

Contact ntyosh@gmail.com for

Contact pkawika56@yahoo.com for ukulele.

March 11, Thursday — Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.

March 13, Saturday — Second Saturday Sale at the Grange — vendor event, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

March 25, Thursday — Chili **Cookoff Benefiting Feed the Future** back pack program.

April 8, Thursday — Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.

April 10, Saturday - Second Saturday Sale at the Grange — vendor event, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

April 22, Thursday — Community Night — Award 2020 and 2021 Community Hero Award.

The Wheat Ridge Grange is gearing up to be the host of the Wheat Ridge Garden Tour July 2021. We ask any who would be interested in volunteering to make this Grange hosted event a success. Any one who is interested in gardening and helping to put on a community event in Wheat Ridge please contact Vivian, 720-217-

All are invited to participate in March's Chili Cookoff with a chili submitted for prize or just come to taste the chilis being presented in the evening on March 25.

Also join us as we honor exceptional heroes from the 2020 pandemic as we honor their service. We will also award a hero for 2021.

Vivian Vos

### Pleasant Park

Contact Yvonne Ludwig, Master, 303-838-4805, for information.

March 13 — Regular Meeting 10

April 10 — Regular Meeting 10

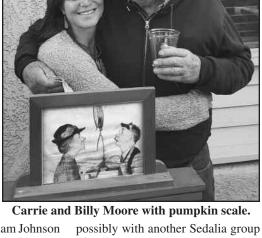
May 8 — Regular Meeting 10

Meetings have been canceled to keep members safe. The Executive Committee has stepped up to make necessary decisions until we can meet again.

We are very thankful that none of our members have contracted the Virus. Several members have been able to get the COVID vaccination. Some have health issues not related to COVID and are kept in our prayers.

There are no scheduled events to be on the safe side and abide by all the

The bicycle rest stop will open in the spring when weather permits. The porta potty is still available as a com-(Continued on Page 8)



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#### La Plata Archuleta and La Plata Counties, CO and San Juan County, NM

#### Marvel

Contact Cindy Greer, 970-588-3386 or hcrdgreer@frontier.net, for further information.

March 12 — Honey Bee program, Irish Stew and Soda Bread at 6:30 p.m. Bee Program at 7:15 p.m. April 2 — Business meeting 7:30

April 16 — To Be Decided Monday's Line Dancing 9-10 a.m.

Wednesday's Clogging 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Marvel Grange did not meet in December or January for a regular business meeting. We did have a few meet to sign Christmas cards for the military on January 22. We had chili and turkey soup prior to signing the cards. We have some members working on cards at home. At this point in time we have over 800 cards signed.

After out February meeting we decided to make our annual luau a takeout dinner fundraiser. We planned to serve pulled pork, rice, oriental cabbage salad, fresh fruit, and pineapple upside down cupcakes. We took orders and requested \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids (12 and under).

We have a consistent group of sixline dancing on Monday mornings. Marvel Grange has signed to be a host for "Harvest Hosts." Harvest Hosts is a group that allows people who are traveling with campers or motorhomes to park on their property at no cost. Those staying on the property usually purchase something that their host has for sale. But since the Grange doesn't really have anything to sell, we hope that anyone who stays will leave a donation in the locked drop box we now have attached outside our building.

Lyn Sanchez presented the literary program which was very informative and educational about flies and the diseases that they spread. So wash your food and your hands. Thank you

We hope to live stream the Bee program on Facebook for those who might not be able to make it to the Grange Hall.

Cindy Greer

#### Marvel JG

Contact Cindy Greer, 970-588-3386, for further information.

We meet on the Third Mondays at 3 p.m. at the Marvel Grange Hall.

In January we made Hero crafts and Valentine's Day cards for the elderly. In February we made seed pictures. We continue to work on various passports that the National Grange has. We have 15 Junior Grangers. In December we put together plates of cookies for neighbors which each junior Granger delivered.

Cindy Greer



Marvel Junior Grangers making Valentine Cards for the elderly.

#### Pleasant Park

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The new well and pump are up and working. Next step is to pipe water to the bicycle rest stop area. No words can express the gratitude to Ken Spoor and Laura Anderson for their hard work and dedication on this project.

We look forward to when we can get back to the new normal and pray that all Grange members stay well.

Yvonne Ludwig

#### Golden Gate

Contact Terri Costeldia, President, 303-277-0351, terricosteldi@ hotmail.com, for further informa-

Line Dancing — Every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month, 7-9 p.m.

We have been holding Golden Gate Grange meetings via the internet since

If you would like to join the virtual meetings, please notify Jayne Ruesch (jayruesch@aol.com) and we

will add you to the roster.

Our new system for the marquee has been installed and lights added. Thanks to Rich Phillips and Dave Primmer for their work on this project. Terri Costeldia, Rich Phillips and DeeDee Ramstetter have been busy cleaning, organizing and updating the Grange interior. They will be painting and refreshing the main entryway and the restrooms. We hope to be able to replace the damaged and stained ceiling in the main room when finances

At the last Grange meeting several ideas for the warmer month were discussed. Included in the discussions were an outdoor garden sale, a food truck, and a summer outdoor concert. We are all anxious to be able to gather as a community and will monitor the health conditions in the county when deciding on where and how to accomplish that end.

We lost a valued member of our Grange in January with the passing of Natalie Mozer.

Jayne Ruesch



# GRANGE Revival

### Days End Campground Sturgis, South Dakota July 20-25, 2021

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Make your reservation today directly with Days End Campground to ensure your preferred accommodations. Call KK at (918) 327-9529 and tell her you're coming to Grange Revival.

All rates are based on 2 people per cabin/site. Additional people staying in each site are \$2/ night for anyone 5 or older (pre-Juniors are free) for RV and tent sites. Pre-Juniors are free in cabins, Junior Grangers are \$4/night and Grange Youth or older are \$8/night.



There is a 9% hospitality tax, as noted for each night.

If you wish to extend your stay, rates will apply for up to four days before (July 16) and two days after (July 27) our event. Check-in and check-out time is noon.



The campgrounds has a ramp to offload ATVs and motorcycles if you wish to bring them.

Pets, friendly and on a leash with well-behaved owners who will clean up after them, are welcome.





stay in a hotel, there are three within a short distance of the campground (Days Inn, Super 8 and Baymont Inn & Suites).

No room blocks have been established and there is no group/

event discounted rate. These hotels will not takes reservation until sometime in 2020. Contact the hotel directly.



#### **CABINS**

Set to sleep 2 adults; AC, mini-fridge, microwave and coffeepot

With Bathroom \$70/night + 9% tax (9 available)

Without Bathroom (bathhouse nearby) \$55/night + 9% tax (30 available)



#### **GLAMPING TENTS**

2 twin beds; minifridge, microwave and coffeepot; no bathrroom or AC

\$40/night + 9% tax (7 available)

Only cabins and glamping tents require a deposit of one night. Deposit is 92% refundable if canceled at least 48 hours in advance of your stay.



#### **RV/HOOK UP SITES**

#### 180 available

Full hook-ups (FHU) include water, electric, sewer and cable.

FHU - Pull-through \$30/night + 9% tax

FHU - Back-in (up to 80') \$25/night + 9% tax



#### **DRY CAMPSITES**

Bring your own tent/RV \$10/night + 9% tax (many available)

Water & Electric hookup only (available for tent campers and RVs) \$20/night + 9% tax

### **GRANGE REVIVAL 2021 REGISTRATION FORM**

COMPLETE AND RETURN ASAP TO: Christine Hamp, 16418 N Birdie Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026. Call or text (509) 953-3533 to reserve cabins or full hook-up campsites in advance.

Signature (of attendee, or if attendee is under 18 parent/guardian should also initial)