

## Members Enjoy Discounts, Information & Awards

In addition to being more connected with their hometown, leaders and other Grangers throughout the nation, Grange members enjoy many other benefits.

Members receive:

- Discounts on electricity, travel, cell phone services, prescription drugs, insurance, financial planning, just to name a few
- Publications that inform members of Grange events, advocacy efforts, legislative and regulatory successes and much more
- Members are eligible for scholarships, may enter contests for cash and other prizes and are invited to participate in social, advocacy-oriented and other events
- Members can attend leadership conferences, family events, retreats and state and national conventions

The Grange helps every member develop to his or her fullest potential. **In the Grange, the opportunities for leadership development, event and project management, and the bolstering of other skill sets are endless.**



*American Values. Hometown Roots.*

### Learn more and join today!

Speak to a member of your local Grange or find the Grange closest to you by visiting the National Grange website.

If there's no Grange near you, contact our Membership Director by email at [membership@nationalgrange.org](mailto:membership@nationalgrange.org) to find out more about starting a Grange in your hometown.



[www.nationalgrange.org](http://www.nationalgrange.org)

# The Grange: You Belong.



## Who We Are

The National Grange, founded in 1867, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, fraternal organization that advocates for rural America and agriculture. With a strong history in grassroots activism, family values and community service, the Grange is part of more than 2,100 hometowns across the United States.

The Grange is the first national organization to give full voice and vote to women, 50 years before Congress adopted the same. Our passionate style of grassroots vigor has ensured that the average citizen is fully represented in public policy dialogue for nearly 150 years.

Family and community are the foundations of the National Grange. Traditional family values are promoted, taught and woven into Grange activities and events. We are proud to have all generations come together to learn from one another and build a stronger America, one community at a time.



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### Grange Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*For other family members, please add on second page.* Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in \_\_\_\_\_ Grange # \_\_\_\_\_

I desire to unite with others in elevating and advancing the interest of the American family and community life, receiving in turn the benefits and advantages of those who belong to the Grange. I promise a faithful compliance with the By-laws of this Grange and the Constitution and By-laws of the State and National Granges. I have not previously applied for membership in this or any other Grange during the past six months.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Application Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

**The Grange** is active in local communities, and Grangers have been responsible for a myriad of service programs, from providing dictionaries to third-graders to raising thousands of dollars and contributing millions of volunteer hours to worthwhile projects.

Each year, the Grange supports students with scholarships, provides summer camps for children at low or no cost, raises awareness about local and national issues and bears with joy the responsibility of being good neighbors and stewards of the American dream.

#### **Grange Members serve their communities and cultivate life-long friendships.**

Members say the lasting friendships, family environment, opportunities for community involvement, continuing personal growth and leadership development, as well as the ability to make a difference are all reasons they, and many of their family members, have joined the Grange.

#### **Grange Members have fun!**

Grange meetings, activities, and events always include a social aspect that has fellowship as a cornerstone. Members make friends in their community, their state, and across the nation that last a lifetime.

**“Through the Grange, I can better myself, my future, my community, my nation and the world.”**

– Chris Szkutak  
Massachusetts Grange Member



**In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity.**

- Grange Motto

#### **Personal Benefits of Grange Membership**

- **Friendship** - A key component of the Grange is the friendship that develops among the members.
- **Fun** - Grange members make every activity or task fun. Taking part in Grange activities are a highlight in the lives of our members.
- **Networking** - Our circle of acquaintances grows and members find that other Grangers can assist them in learning new skills, completing difficult tasks, and even offer career or job assistance.
- **Leadership Skills** - Each member has the opportunity to learn and develop leadership skills that will benefit them in all aspects of life. Effective communication, participating in and leading a meeting, being part of and leading a team are just a few of the skills members acquire in the Grange.
- **Opportunity to Make a Difference** - Each member is empowered to initiate action that will make membership a richer experience and to meet the needs of the community. Grange initiated service and legislative projects better the hometowns of America everyday.
- **You may just live longer!** - Studies have shown that people who socialize with others and do volunteer work live longer and healthier.

#### **Family Benefits of Grange Membership**

- **Togetherness** - The Grange is a place for the entire family. Meetings and activities are open to all ages. The Grange has always met together in a family atmosphere where everyone is equal.

- **Role Models** - Grange members are good citizens with a great moral center. These are the type of people that children can look up to as role models.
- **Interests** - The Grange offers many different ways to involve and interest members and allow families to come together in times of service, community engagement, fellowship, learning and entertainment.

#### **Grassroots Advocacy**

The National Grange is a highly engaged rural and agricultural advocacy organization that is proud to be the voice of Rural America's communities across the United States. Our 145 year legacy of remaining non-partisan allows us to advocate on behalf of our membership by letting our member-driven policy be our guide.

When joining the National Grange, expect to be encouraged to engage with your local, state and national representatives on legislative and regulatory issues affecting your community. Each year we host a National Grange Legislative Fly-In, open to all members who wish to discuss issues of importance to the Grange with their elected Congressmembers. At the National Grange, we have a strong commitment to civil stewardship and celebrate the responsibilities of citizenship.

Recently, The Grange has been highly engaged with efforts in the following areas:

- Expanding affordable rural broadband
- Monitoring Farm Bill progress
- Improving rural healthcare/Medicare access
- And so much more

