

**NEW
HAMPSHIRE
STATE
GRANGE
LECTURER'S
PROGRAM
2024**

LECTURER PROGRAM IDEAS

- 1. Invite a 4-H or FFA group to put on a program.** These groups promote agriculture as well as leadership. Inviting them to come to your meeting will help them to reach their potential.
- 2. Support Military/Veterans and Families Program** highlighting the history, music, and service of each branch of the military. Invite organizations such as the American Legion, VFW, Vietnam Veteran's, DAR, etc. to provide a program.
- 3. Grange Family Traditions** Provide activities where members can share grange traditions with members of neighboring granges and your own community.
- 4. New Hampshire History** Educate your members about our rich history through a slide show, costumed interpreters, debates, trivia games and tours.
- 5. Family Game Night** Invite grange family and friends to come for a night of playing board or card games.
- 6. Contest Night** Have a night at your meeting to work on contest entries for the state lecturer's contests. A card making night, paint night, poetry night, etc.
- 7. Sharing Night** Pick a subject and have everyone bring something to share or talk about it. IE: favorite vacation, favorite president, subject in school.
- 8. Participate within your Community**
Work as a group leading an activity/event or participate in an event led by the town, such as Old Home Day.
- 9. Share some love:** Ask members to bring a family recipe and share where it started and why it's special. They could also make their recipe and have a tasting!!
- 10. Agricultural Education** We were formed as an agricultural organization. Increase the awareness and knowledge of agricultural related fields for your members and your community. Not just dairy farming, how about a bee keeper, or backyard gardener. Make a banner on agriculture promoting the grange. This could be used in your Grange month display or fair exhibit.
Discuss the Farm Bills that are in the legislature. **Contacts for Dairy Education:** Granite State Dairy Promotion: www.nhdairypromo.org
New Hampshire Agriculture in the Classroom: www.agclassroom.org/nh
- 11. Homelessness in my community** What is the homeless situation in your community? Talk with local agencies to find the need or have someone come in and talk with your members. Can you collect items of need and donate?

12. Crisis & Prevention Millions of adults and children suffer from interpersonal violence each year. Do you have a program in your community that provides support, education and outreach? Invite them in or do some research to inform your members and find how you can help as a grange. Everyone deserves to feel safe.

13. Local Public Personnel Invite a person from your community to come and discuss important issues. A police officer could talk about the concerns of drugs, problem intersections, etc. A road agent could talk about road conditions and concerns. The Librarian could tell about programs they are holding. If you have an election coming up, you could have those running come in and tell their views.

14. Earth Day Technically it's in April, but every day should be earth day! What are your members doing to help the earth?

15. POMONA Lecturer's: R.I.M.E. Progressive Program: Give each Grange in your Pomona a "RIME" letter and ask them to prepare something for a program on a certain topic.

16. POMONA Lecturer's: Work on Resolutions for State Convention

17. Have entries in the Photo, Art, Creative Writing, or Create-a-Card contest. All information is provided in this booklet.

18. Participate in State Grange Bowling

Lakeside Lanes, Manchester. March 20, 2022

19. Do a fair exhibit or a Grange month exhibit

20. Attend Grange month event Details to come

21. Have an entry in the Talent Contest or Donate to the Talent Fund

22. Give out a Community Citizen Award (Subordinate) or Award for Public Service (Pomona)

Available from the National Grange

23. Nominate a Granger of the Year Submission form is in this packet.

24. Participate in the National Grange Quilt Block Contest Information will be out in the spring.

Reminder that these blocks get sent directly to the National Lecturer.

25. Crafting at the State Grange Building See the flier in this packet.

26. POMONA Lecturer's: R.I.M.E. Progressive Program: Give each Grange in your Pomona a "RIME" letter and ask them to prepare something for a program on a certain topic.

27. POMONA Lecturer's: Work on Resolutions for State Convention



State Grange Bowling Day

Sunday, March 24, 2024

12 noon

Lakeside Lanes

2171 Candia Road

Manchester, NH 03109

Cost = \$16.00

\$12.00 for Juniors

(3 strings & shoes)

Make checks to: NH State Grange Lecturer

Registrations due to the State Lecturer by March 16th.

GRANGE MONTH 2024

What is your Grange planning? Will you have an open house, special program to invite the public in, a game night or movie night for families, put a display in your local library or town officer, or put on a special dinner? There are many choices as to how you can promote your Grange in your community. Whatever you choose, be sure to publicize your event. You can visit the National Grange website (nationalgrange.org) and look for the 2024 Grange Month items to download. There is always a proclamation and posters where you can fill in the information about your event.

NH GRANGE MONTH EVENT

APRIL 27, 2024

Join us at the State Grange Building for a day of fun activities to celebrate our wonderful organization. More information will be out in the spring. Save the date now!

TALENT SHOWCASE 2024

Our talent showcase will be held during our grange month event in April. The Best of Show will be able to represent NH at the Night of Excellence in November 2024 in Bettendorf Iowa. Previous award of Best of Show does not disqualify participants. Granges are encouraged to send a donation to help defray the cost of our best of show.

The Lessons We Learn

In the installation charge we are told “The Order of Patrons of Husbandry is the only association whose teachings accompany its members in their daily pursuits. They form part of our lives. They do not call us from our work to put our mind upon any other subject, but furnish recreation in our daily duties, and, by cheerful instruction, lighten and elevate our labor. These teachings are the loftiest that man can seek.” As we look through the manual there are lessons on every page.

This contest encourages members to choose one of the lessons that have been selected and think deeply about what the lesson means to you and how you apply it to your daily life. This is a two-part contest. The first part consists of an essay of what the lesson means to you and how you apply it to your life. The second part will be a scrapbook page showing how you carry out the lessons and apply them to your life. Entries can be submitted for part one only, part two only or as a combination of both parts. **All entries must be completed between October 1, 2023, and September 30, 2024. Entries due to state lecturer by October 12, 2024**

The contest will be judged in three categories:

- A. Essay only
- B. Scrapbook page only
- C. Both Essay and scrapbook page

The lessons to choose from are:

“Let us remember that no trees bear fruit in Autumn which do not blossom in the early Springtime. That life may be profitable, laden with good fruits, let all endeavor that youth be studious and virtuous, replete with the blossoms of observation and study – the promise of future wisdom and usefulness.”

“Be cheerful, be united. “Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.”

“Bear in mind that moral and mental worth rank before worldly wealth or honors.”

Creative Writing Contest

- I. **Poetry** – Alphabet Poem or Abecedarian (The abecedarian is an ancient poetic form guided by alphabetical order. Each line begins with the first letter of the alphabet and is followed by the next letter, until the end of the alphabet. A topic is chosen to follow.)

example:

CAMPING

Arriving at our
Beautiful
Campground.
Decorate and get ready-
Evening
Fire time!
Gather with friends,
Huddle close,
It's a chilly night.
Jump up and down to
Keep warm.
Loving the
Moonlight and
Night time sky
Overhead.
People
Quietly
Return to their
Sites.
Tucked in
Underneath warm covers.
Very sleepy, now
Whistling snores are heard.
Xtra time for sleep.
Yes, it was a busy day.
ZZZZZZZ

General Rules:

1. Only one division - Subordinate Members. One entry per person.
2. **Author's identification to be placed on the back of the writing(s) or item**, including name, address, Grange name and number. You may use the entry form included in this program.
3. All entries are to be sent to the State Lecturer for judging on or before October 12, 2024.
4. Poems **must be typed**, no designs on the paper, and no backing. **Poems may be typed on a half sheet of paper.**

Awards: Small cash prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Create a Card Contest

This contest gives members the opportunity to create their own all occasion cards. Size of the cards will be **no bigger** than 5 ½ X 8 ½

Categories:

I. Recycled (use only recycled materials, such as old cards, ribbons, buttons, magazines, etc.)

II. Computer Generated (Any card using a computer in any way.)

III. Hand Stamped and/or Decorated (with materials available from craft stores, such as rubber stamps, stickers, decorative paper, etc.)

Classes are as follows:

Class A:	Sympathy
Class B:	Father's Day
Class C:	Birth of a Child

Division:

Subordinate member

Junior member age 5-9

Junior member age 10-14

Non-member sponsored by a Grange, which must appear on the label.

1. One entry per person/per class/per category.
2. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with the maker's Name, Grange Category, and Class.
3. All entries must be completed between October 1, 2022, and September 30, 2023
4. Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 12, 2023.

Entries will be judged on:

1. Creativity
2. Composition
3. Eye Appeal

A small cash prize will be awarded in each category.

Photography Contest

Note: We are asking that photographs have a foam board or other rigid backing. They may be matted but not framed. No Glass.

Categories:

- A. **Fair Season** (What is your favorite part of a fair or festival)
- B. **My Favorite Things** (Things you like to do)
- C. **Let's Hit the Road** (Pictures taken from the road on your trips)

Rules:

1. Only prints are accepted for judging. No slides in any category.
2. Photographer must select the category and class for his/her entry.
3. Participants may enter all categories, using different photographs.
4. Participants may submit only one entry per category.
5. Entries must have been taken between October 1, 2023, and September 30, 2024.
6. Print may be made by a commercial process, but photo must have been taken by the entrant personally.
7. Rigid backing (foam board preferred) is requested for all photographs. No frames, please.
8. Entry must not be larger than 16 x 20.
9. Print should be on photo paper.
10. There are three divisions within each category:
 - Division I - Subordinate Members Division II - Junior Members age 5-9
 - Division III - Junior Members age 10-14
11. Small cash prizes will be given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each category and division.
12. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with the photographer's:
Name, Grange, Category and Division. You can use the label provided in this program.
13. Judging: Entries due to the State Lecturer by October 12, 2024.

Criteria for judging photographs:

- A. Composition and arrangement
- B. Interest
- C. Presentation
- D. Technique

Art Contest

Categories:

- A. Coloring Page. *Adult coloring books are all the rage and are a great relaxation and concentration tool. You can find them almost anywhere. You may enter one coloring page, using any type of medium to color: pencils, crayons, markers, gel pens.*
- B. Painting: *This includes any type of medium to paint*
- C. Collage: *Any materials may be used.*

Rules:

1. All entries must be the original work of the member
2. All entries must be completed between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024
4. Pastels, Charcoal and pencil entries must be treated for permanency to stop smudging.
5. Nude entries will not be accepted or displayed.
6. Size must not exceed 24 x 36 including the frame.
7. All paintings must be framed (NO GLASS) or have a firm backing so they can be properly displayed. Coloring pages and Collages can be put in a plastic sheet protector or laminated.
8. Non-breakable covering is acceptable. Glass-covered entries will not be judged. Do NOT send any glass with entries.
9. Only one entry per category per person.
10. There are three divisions within each category:
 - Division I - Subordinate Grange members
 - Division II - Junior Grange members age 5-9
 - Division II - Junior Grange members age 10-14
12. Awards: Small cash prizes will be given for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category.
13. Labeling: Each entry should be properly labeled with Name, Grange, Division and Category. You can use the labels included in this program.
14. Judging: Entries are due to the State Lecturer by **October 12, 2024**

Community Citizen Award and Award for Public Service

The Community Citizen Award is to be presented by a Subordinate/Community Grange to a nonmember, individual or small group in your community for their outstanding achievements in your community.

The Award for Public Service is to be presented by a Pomona Grange to either a member or nonmember, individual or group, for his/her/their outstanding achievements within your community.

These awards are available from National Grange Headquarters, 1616 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006-4999 or <http://www.grangestore.org/>. The current cost is \$8.00 each. Go to the awards tab to find the certificates.

If you prefer, you can make up your own certificates of recognition.

These are the ones you get from national:

Pomona



Subordinate



NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE
GRANGER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

*Please send to the State Lecturer by September 1, 2024 as the award will be given
at State Grange Banquet*

Nominee: _____

Grange: _____ Number: _____

Why are you nominating this person for Granger of the Year?

How long has the nominee been a Grange member? _____

List of Grange and Community activities the nominee has participated in over the past year?

Please list any offices or committees the nominee has held. _____

Nominated by: _____ Phone# _____

Grange: _____ Number: _____

NH State Grange

Art Contest 2024

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

- A. Coloring Page
- B. Painting
- C. Collage

Division:

- I. Subordinate
- II. Junior (Age 5-9)
- III. Junior (Age 10-14)

NH State Grange

Create A Card Contest 2024

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

- I. Recycled
- II. Computer Generated
- III. Hand Stamped and/or Decorated

Class:

- A. Sympathy
- B. Father's Day
- C. Birth of a Child

Division:

- Subordinate
- Junior (Age 5-9)
- Junior (Age 10-14)
- Non-member

NH State Grange

Photography Contest 2024

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

- A. Fair Season
- B. My Favorite Things
- C. Let's Hit The Road

Division:

- I. Subordinate
- II. Junior (Age 5-9)
- III. Junior (Age 10-14)

NH State Grange

Creative Writing Contest 2024

Name _____

Grange _____

Category:

- I. Poetry

Division:

- Subordinate

BOWLING REGISTRATION FORM – Due March 16, 2024

Send form to:

Matthew Clark
11 Green Acres Road
Keene, NH 03431

Price per person is \$16.00 (3 strings & shoes). \$12.00 for Juniors.

Make checks to: NH State Grange Lecturer Teams are made up of **FOUR** bowlers.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRANGE</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>TEAM Y or N</u>

LADIES' AVERAGE

MEN'S AVERAGE

- CLASS A 75 AND OVER
- CLASS B 66 TO 74
- CLASS C 65 AND UNDER

- CLASS A 82 AND OVER
- CLASS B 72 TO 81
- CLASS C 71 AND UNDER

If you are a bowler, we hope to see you there. If you aren't a bowler, come anyway and have a good time. It's fine to bring your own snacks, but please clean up when finished. If you have questions, call Matthew Clark @ 1-603-209-1995 or e-mail cfiremedic99@aol.com

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

**SUBORDINATE LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 12,
2024**(Report on happenings between Oct. 1, 2023, and Sept. 30, 2024)

Grange _____ Number _____

Lecturer _____

Address _____ Tel. (_____) _____

Helpful Information

14. Number of members in your Grange _____ affiliates _____

15. Number of meetings held per month _____

16. Number of meetings held during the past year _____

17. How long have you been Lecturer? _____

1. How far in advance do you plan your programs?

_____ meeting by meeting _____ the full year _____ other (explain)

2. Would you have any suggestions for a Lecturer's workshop day? _____

3. What did your Grange do to promote the Grange during Grange Month?

4. Did your Grange present a Community Citizen Award? _____ yes _____ no

Briefly describe your program and your recipient's accomplishments.

5. Did you use any of the State Lecturer's topics this year? _____ yes _____ no

5. Which one(s)? _____ Invite 4-H or FFA _____ Support Military Veteran's/Families

_____ Grange Family Traditions _____ NH History _____ Family Game night.

_____ Contest Night _____ Sharing Night _____ Participate within your community

_____ Share some love _____ Homelessness _____ Crisis & Prevention

_____ Agricultural Education _____ Local Public Personnel _____ Earth Day

6. Briefly describe what you did:

6. How many entries did you have from your Grange in the following Contests?

Talent_____ Photography_____ Art_____ Create-a-Card_____ Creative Writing_____
Lessons We Learn_____

7. Did your Grange participate in the following: Bowling_____

Exhibit in a fair or put up a Grange month exhibit _____ Nominate a Granger of the Year _____

Attend the Grange Month Event_____ National Grange Quilt Block Contest _____

8. Do you have any suggestions for next year's state lecturer's program? _____yes _____no

please explain:

9. In your opinion, describe your best program this year:

10. In your opinion, what is the major strength of your Grange?

11. As Lecturer, what goal do you have to improve your Grange next year?

Lecturer's Signature

Master's Signature

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE

POMONA LECTURER'S END OF YEAR REPORT Postmarked by OCTOBER 12, 2024

(Report on happenings between Oct. 1 2023 and Sept. 30 2024)

Grange _____ Number _____

Lecturer _____

Address _____ Tel. (_____) _____

Helpful Information

13. Number of members in your Grange _____ affiliates _____

14. Number of meetings held during the past year _____

15. How long have you been Lecturer? _____

1. How far in advance do you plan your programs? _____ meeting by meeting _____ the full year

2. What did your Grange do to promote the Grange during Grange Month?

3. Did your Grange present an Award for Public Service? _____ yes _____ no

Briefly describe your program and your recipient's accomplishments.

4. How did you support the Subordinate Lecturer's within your Pomona?

5. Did you use the suggestion of a R.I.M.E. Progressive Program? _____

6. Do you have any suggestions for next year's state lecturer's program?

7. In your opinion, describe your best program this year:

8. Did your Pomona submit any Resolutions to the NH State Grange Convention? _____

Master's Signature

Lecturer's Signature

