

ILLINOIS GRANGER GRANGESTRONG

In Essentials... Unity
In Non-Essentials... Liberty
In All Things... Charity

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# Lynette's Visions and Wisdoms

The Grangers of St Clair County hosted the 153 rd annual IL State Grange Session at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Collinsville, IL September 13 – 15, 2024. Guests from Hoyleton

Family Services, National Corn Growers, attended Friday night's dinner. The speaker for Friday night was Charlie Meier, IL Representative for District 109. National Grange Communications Director Philip Vonada was the NG representative. The last day was a little interesting when Treasurer Mary Donley, left in an ambulance and had a pacemaker before the end of the day. Gladly she has recovered well. Thanks, Adam Ellwanger, for his assistance before the ambulance arrived. The Grange Resources Information and Training (GRIT), thanks to Turkey Hill members and Prairie Grange members for being host of the meetings. Thanks to the Committee Chair and Directors for all their hard work on setting up the new contest and programs for the upcoming year. Thanks to all the Illinois Grangers for their assistance at the 158th National Session in Bettendorf Iowa, Nov 12 -16, 2024. Congratulations to all the

Grangers who assisted to make the Convention a

GREAT GRANGE EVENT! Thank you all. I am SO

Proud of YOU ALL!!

What a historic weekend (March 27-29, 2025) in National Grange History!! In Illinois State Grange History!! In Boone County Grange History!! Belvidere High School PAC provided a great setting, the crew was very knowledgeable and helpful. The videographers and crew were great to work with, very kind and experienced in their field. The historical preservation of the Seventh Degree of the National Grange is "in the can,". What an exciting and at times boring weekend. Anyone involved with theater, or any productions know that you work - you sit - you work - you sit. The taping of the 7th degree training video was no different. Grangers from across the country converged to participate in this event. This video will be debuted at the 2025National Grange Session on the cruise ship. And later it will be used for training purposes. "Lynette and Karie, you and your Illinois Grangers are rock stars! Please let everyone know how much they are appreciated and what a huge role they played in the success of this project." said President Christine Hamp. And I want to personally thank all those Illinois Grangers who assisted in any way for the weekend. If there was a need IL Grangers were there to assist. Thanks again to all the Grangers their time, talent and commitment to making the Seventh-Degree video project a success! I am so proud that IL was able to assist with this event. I enjoyed the All - Granger picnic in Boone County May 31,2025. IL State Grange Scholarships were awarded to Emma Rutledge, (Turkey Hill) Jennifer Smith (Turkey Hill), Emily Smith (Turkey Hill), Kayla Konieczki (Prairie), and Sammantha Meyers

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(Prairie). Our Youth Directors (Karie and Marisa) planned horse drawn wagon rides, bale tossing contest, great food, and great fellowship. Karie, Lana, Don and I attended Grange Revival 4.0 Youth Director - Karie Blasingame and Marisa great scenery, great food, great Grangers. And we look forward to many of you joining us in Bryson City, NC, at the edge of the Great Smokey Mountains for Grange Revival 5.0 in 2027. I am Chairman of the National Grange Executive Committee, which meets monthly via Zoom. As Vice President of the Grange Foundation Board, I attend every other month meetings and serve on special committees. I am also a delegate to National Grange on the Agriculture Committee, meeting monthly to review and update policy. Additionally, I am part of a monthly Task Force studying the National Grange Building location.

#### Departments

Agriculture committee - Thanks to Brian O'Dell, and his committee Lana Korte and Marilyn Hoffmann for all their hard work. Lyle Lee (The Prairie) will be the 2028 chair, when we are once again in Boone County.

Communications / Publicity / Editor – thanks to Ruth Blasingame for her work in this position. Community Service Director - Heather Ellwanger has worked hard to keep IL Granges active, I am excited to see what everyone brings for Haven Network. Prayers for Heather's health. Family Activities Committee - Thanks to Ann Johnson and her committee Trisha Renken and Marilyn Coe. As of writing this I do not have anyone fill the chair in 2028.

Historian - Bev Smith has kept us all informed of the history of the Illinois State Grange. Thanks, Bev, for your efforts and articles.

Junior Director – Melinda Schiefer worked hard to have the Juniors be active. Thanks for helping with the Leadership meetings. Thanks, Mindy, for your efforts.

Lecturer - Thanks to Ethan for your efforts. Thanks, Ethan, for helping with Leadership meetings.

Legislative Director - Thanks to Marion Thornberry Lady Margaret Richardson were our National for his efforts while he was director.

Membership Director - Thanks to Robin Kindberg for all of her efforts to for the membership of IL State Grange

in Torrey Utah. It was a great event, great camping, O'Dell, thank you for all your efforts, many events were planned.

> Webmaster - Thanks to DJ Joseph for her efforts to keep the IllinoisStateGrange.org website current and appealing. If you want information on the website please contact DJ.

Good of the Order Please check the National Grange website for information on Reaching Rural Surgical Seniors, Project Sustenance, Rural Life Initiative, Communications Programs, Lecturer Programs, Youth Programs, Junior Programs and more. ILLINOISSTATEGRANGE.org is updated often as well – when looking for information please check there. Please check the Grange Today. Project Sustenance is a sharing program, Granges sharing food, food ideas, with community, other Granges and National Grange. National Grange is in partnership with Rural Minds [ruralminds.org]. There is also vaccination program that National Grange is supporting. The National Grange will be changing to a new membership platform for individual Grange information and activities, Grange Engage. There is so much this can do for each Grange, we will discuss more about it at GRIT Conference. If your Grange has a hall in need of upgrades, you can find the application for the State Grange Hall Improvement Fund at illinoisstategrange.org. Contact me, or anyone on the IL Ex Committee if you have any questions. It is important when applying for a Hall Improvement Fund please provide ALL information requested.

#### In Conclusion

I usually like to end my reports with something from a journal that is either a past session in the same location as now or something from a special year. Well, in 1996 we were in Rockford, Al Henninger was the State Master, there were 77 delegates and there were 34 resolutions. Winnebago and Ogle Pomona Granges were the hosts. Worthy Master Kermit Richardson and first

Grange Representatives. It was the celebration of the 125 th annual session of the IL State Grange. Many delegates and visitors dressed in period costumes. It was a glorious event. I have recently found many pictures of that event. IL State Representative Ron Wait was a speaker at the Agriculture Luncheon. Norma Jean Davis was the first female Agriculture Committee Chairman. Juniors from Leaf River, Flora, Prairie and Big Thunder opened the meeting on Saturday morning. Al wrote in conclusion of his Master's Address "Participation has always been a challenge for all service organizations. Does your Grange meet the needs of society and your community? Does it take the lead in making good, sound legislative decisions? To make the Grange meaningful, you have to change and be in step with today's interests and needs. Will our Grange be looked upon as an organization that should be respected for our activities and accomplishments? Most importantly, can we ask prospective members to become a member of the Grange and they in turn, be proud of their membership. We, as Grange leaders, must take the lead and work toward goals, be positive about the Grange and its programs, and as a Grange leader, we must be responsible for the welfare of the Grange."

To stay relevant, the Grange must adapt to current interests, so members feel proud of their involvement. Leaders should set goals, support Grange programs, and take responsibility for the organization's welfare. I could not have said that better. We as GRANGERS need to be proud of our organization, always and only speak respectfully, positively and accurately about the Grange, Grangers and our activities. To stay relevant, the Grange must adapt to current interests, so members feel proud of their involvement. Leaders should set goals, support Grange programs, and take responsibility for the organization's welfare. Be Proud of your Grange. Have your Grange be an inspiration to your community. Let us honor the legacy of those who have come before us by continuing to foster a spirit of fellowship and service in our communities. By working together, embracing new ideas, and remaining

dedicated to our shared mission, we ensure the Grange remains a vibrant and respected organization for generations to come. I wish all Grangers be Inspired and be inspiring in all we do down life's pathway in our communities.

## **ISG Secretary Report**

It was great to see many of you at the joint session of the Illinois and Wisconsin State Granges. Thank you to all who came and participated. And a special thank you to all those who made it happen. Your efforts and, in many cases, long hours were critical to its success! The third quarter ended on September 30, which means it's time for Quarterly Dues and Reports again! These are due by October 15. Also, coming up soon on October 11 is the annual Grange Resources and Information Training, better known as GRIT. This is a valuable opportunity to learn about the various programs and contests for the upcoming year. Look for details elsewhere in this newsletter. As always, if you have any questions or if I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to reach out. Fraternally, Brian Keller, IL State Grange Secretary brianjkeller@gmail.com 618-410-9020



#### **Illinois State Youth**

Lego Cat2- Vehicles

1 st place- Scarlette Ellwanger Prairie Grange

2 nd place-Don Schaeffer Shiloh Valley

3 rd place- Marisa O'Dell Beaver Valley

Honorable Mention-Will Schlie Beaver Valley

Cat3- Flowers

1 st - Marisa O'Dell Beaver Valley

2 nd - Ella Fidder Flora

Cat4- Animals

1 st - Ella Fidder Flora

Cat6- Miscellaneous

1 st - Morgan Schile Beaver Valley

Diamond Art

Holidays-

1 st - Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

2 nd - Robin Kindberg The Prairie

**Animated** 

1 st - Mary Innis The Prairie

2 nd - Dawn Mundy The Prairie

3 rd - Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

Honorable Mention – Robin Kindberg The Prairie

Nature

1 st - Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

2 nd - Marisa O'Dell BVG

3 rd - Karrie Kindberg The Prairie

Honorable Mention- Mary Innis The Prairie

Western-

1 st - Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

2 nd - Carson Dearing The Prairie

3 rd - Mary Innis The Prairie

Honorable Mention-Robin Kindberg The Prairie

Miscellaneous

1 st Marisa O'Dell BVG

2 nd Karrie Kindberg The Prairie

3 rd Nan Barnes The Prairie

Honorable Mention-Robin Kindberg The Prairie

Fabric and Food

Shirts-

1 st Brandon O'Dell BVG

2 nd Ella Fidder Flora

3 rd Nan Barnes The Prairie

Honorable Mention- Ana Mueller County Line

**Painted Pumpkins** 

1 st Carsen Dearing County Line

2 nd Ella Fidder Flora

3 rd Julio Garcia The Prairie

Honorable Mention- Scarlette Ellwanger

Something Stuffed

1 st Ruth Blasingame The Prairie

Ceramics

**Functional** 

1 st Hattie Schile BVG

Display

1 st Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

2 nd Beth Olson BVG

3 rd Marisa O'Dell BVG

Honorable Mention- Karrie Kindberg The Prairie

Cookies

1 st Robin Kindberg The Prairie

2 nd Karrie Kindberg The Prairie

3 rd Kelly Kindberg The Prairie

Honorable Mention- Ella Fidder Flora

Pomona - Scarlette Ellwanger The Prairie for

Vehicle Legos

Ceres- Beth Olsen BVG for Ceramics

Flora- Marisa O'Dell BVG for Flower Legos





Come hear about the programs and contests for the upcoming Grange year in ILLINOIS.

Grange Resources and Information

Grange Resources and Information Training (GRIT)

# October 11, 2025

St Mark Lutheran Church, 200 S Main St Washington, IL, potluck at 11:00 am Presentations at noon

Agriculture Chairman, Community Service Director, Communications/Editor, Family Activities Chairman, Historian, Junior Director, Lecturer,

Legislative Director, Membership, President, Secretary, Website, Youth Director

## **Boone County Pomona Grange**

Our meeting started on Wednesday September 3, 2025, with installation of our officers by Beaver Valley Grange Installation team. Committee reports were given Ag; Jack Ratcliffe reported farmers are getting ready for harvest. HEW: Ned Loy reminded us to get our flu shots. FAC: Patti Lee reminded everyone to get their projects completed since state session is upon us. Junior Grangers entertained us with a song entitled "Seasons of the year." Community Service: Everyone was reminded to look on amazon for the Haven Network's Wish List and to bring the items to State Session. Gordy Butt reported that the Boone County Fair 2025 had another successful year with over 200,000 people in attendance. Grange reports were given Beaver Valley - helping out at the Tamale Festival. County Line- worked at the Mopar Car show and it went well. They also served the luncheon following the funeral of Noah Mullins. Flora - Ken Fidder report that Flora Grange is having a roast beef dinner on March 29 th . Prairie - Getting ready for the 4momz 2momz Consignment sale this weekend. Karrie Kindberg reminded everyone to save the date of December 6 th for the annual Ice Hogs Teddy Bear Toss game more information to follow in the future.

We received a Thank You for the floral arrangement sent to Noah Mullins family. Also thank you for sponsoring 4-H Awards at fair. Finally, a Thank You from the family of Jean Thornberry for the gifts and donation. Everyone was reminded to order their holiday pies for a fundraiser for Boone County Pomona Grange.

We made a monetary donation to the B1 Food
Pantry for Thanksgiving Baskets. Meeting
was closed in full form.
Fraternally Submitted
Karrie Kindberg
Boone County Pomona Publicity Chairman

#### **Prairie Grange Report**

The Meeting was opened on September 17, 2025 The following committee reports were given Ag - Be aware of farm equipment out on the roadways since harvest time is fast approaching. Keep an eye on freshly baled hay since there have been multiple barns and shed fires recently. HEW - Be sure to get your flu shot. FAC - raffle tickets are available and looking forward to seeing all the projects at state session. 4momz 2momz - Sara gave a recap on the Consignment sale. There were 15 consigners who brought in 14,000 items. The top consigner took home over \$1000. Prairie's profit for this sale is \$1850. Next sale will be May 2026. Youth - Need help with the drill at state session, we are also having a western themed mystery dinner, so come join us. Grange Activities - Karrie reminded everyone to save the date of December 6 th for the Ice Hogs Teddy Bear Toss she will have information at the next meeting.

We made a monetary donation to the B1 Food Pantry for Thanksgiving and Christmas food Baskets. We also collected nonperishable food items at the 4momz 2momz sale as an admission fee. These were turned over to the B1 Food Pantry. We as a grange also donated money and food to the hospitality room at State Session.

We also decided to sponsor awards at the 4-H Recognition event as we have done in the past. Meeting ended at 7:40PM. Fraternally Submitted Robin Kindberg Prairie Grange Publicity Chairman

## **Guildford Hope**

Guilford Hope Grange met September 23 @ the Meyer Farmstead for a noon potluck and meeting. Meeting was opened in the 4th degree with the pledge to the flag. Secretary and treasurers' reports were read and approved. Communications were received from Shelter Care Ministries, Rock River Pantry, Rock House Kids, Rockford Rescue Mission and a thank you from the Salvation Army in Belvidere. Wayne Lyford gave a report on the State Grange Session. We had several people who attended and were on various committees. We also had several members who entered the contests held at the State Session. Wayne & amp; Nancy Lyford won 1 st & D on Red yellow tomatoes, 1 st on acorn squash. Beverly Smith got 1 st on her spoon collection and Nathalie Lyford got 3, 1 st, a 3 rd, and an Honorable mention in the FAC contests. Guilford Hope had purchased tickets for the raffle and won a basket. A drawing was held among the members present and Bob Lyford won the birthday party Basket. Martha Byrnes found a small school that would love dictionaries for their 3 rd graders. It was moved and seconded for her to purchase 11 books from Amazon to be delivered to All Saints Catholic School in Rockford. Meeting was adjourned.

Nathalie Lyford, secretary



## **Enterprise Grange**

Enterprise Grange #1929 spent the week before the State Session cooking apple butter. They've been doing this annual fundraiser since 1967. The process began on Wednesday, September 10, with the washing of jars. Apples were cored and cooked down on Friday. On Saturday, the process was finished with the final cooking with spices and sugar, followed by canning. The apple butter is made in traditional copper kettles over open fires at the farm of Kenneth and Mary Ann Joseph. This year, 290 pints were produced. Proceeds from apple butter sales support Enterprise's community service projects, including distributing dictionaries to third graders in O'Fallon area schools. The apple butter cooking attracts both Grangers and non-Grangers alike who come together to continue this long-standing tradition in St. Clair County.







Floral sweepstakes winner at Monroe County Fair. Trophy and \$50 gift certificate prizes. Point system for entries and ribbons.

#### Congratulations Marilyn Hoffmann!



## **Beaver Valley Grange**

Hello & Happy Fall!

Our combined August & September meeting was held on August 29th and we had a potluck. Thanks to our members for the delicious food. We held an informal meeting and reviewed State Session information & amp; resolutions. Also, discussed the Boone County Fair and ideas for next year! Great job to our members for volunteering their time over the week of the Fair. Lots of hard work and effort was put into the fair this year and it showed. We are looking forward to State Session, Steve & Dayle Paulson will be our delegates. Hope to see many of you there! Please visit us at the hospitality table Friday and Saturday. We will have beverages, snacks, and sweets! Friday will be open around 2:15 and open two times on Saturday, morning and afternoon. Beaver Valley members swore in the new Pomona officers on September 3rd at the Pomona meeting, as well as served refreshments. Our juniors, Morgan Schlie, Hattie Schlie, and Brandon O'Dell participated in a song performed for the Pomona members. Great job to our juniors! Reminder to continue to bring items for The Haven, Pomona community service project. Our next meeting will be held October 10th. Fraternally submitted,

Micah Schlie Publicity





#### Flora Grange Report

Flora Grange met on September 9 th at their Flora Grange Hall at 7 pm with thirty-eight members in attendance. Roll call was taken with all officers in attendance, minutes of the August 19 th meeting were approved. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES were given by chairpersons. COMMUNITY SERVICE, Lindakay Ebel reported that we are still collecting items for The Haven Network in Rockford which is an independent Christian ministry offering lifeaffirming service, providing emotional, spiritual and practical support for families who have experienced the death of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, ectopic pregnancy, SIDS, and early infant death, and families who are a terminal diagnosis of their pre-born or newborn baby. Motion made to donate \$100.00. Emalee Colver stated the quilting group will be making blankets this weekend and donating them. AGRICULTURE: Roger Miller stated crops are turning fast, looking good, prices of fertilizer going up. FAIRBOARD: Todd Hegge reported working on 2026 fair already, looking at entertainment, there will be a new Home Ec building for next year. FARMLAND PROTECTION, Jack Ratcliffe stated they will have a meeting on Thursday evening, and all are invited to attend.

MEMBERSHIP: Lindakay Ebel, every group states their membership is down, we all need to get out and recruit new members. In Ruth's Granger, she stated, Grange members can donate a ream of computer paper, envelopers or forever stamps. If your Grange has not done this, you may

want to do this, I know how expensive these items are.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Deb Silvers had a list of items for family activities and the Ag for Illinois State Convention to enter and she also had raffle tickets available. See Deb after the meeting.

QUILTING: Emalee Colver reported they will be quilting for The Haven

Network on Friday and the other quilting group on Saturday and Sunday.

TREASURERS REPORT: Lindakay Ebel had a written monthly report for all income and expenses, plus balances on each account. Motion to approve.

OTHER BUSINESS: Motion to send check for donation to hospitality room for Illinois State Convention in Belvidere to Beaver Valley Grange.

Motion to start working on lower level (in dining area and kitchen) of Flora

update. Also replace present curtains.

\$27.00 was collected in 'G' bills. Birthdays this month included Dona

Hegge, Wayne Lyford and Myrna Hodgson.

Happy Anniversary 52 years,

Roger & amp; Sharon Miller.

Meeting was adjourned in full form and members enjoyed a huge selection of sandwiches and delicious and beautiful desserts with great fellowship.

Until Next Month, Lindakay Ebel



# **Emerald Mound Grange**

Emerald Mound Grange has taken a break from

our monthly breakfasts. But we still have an active presence in our community of Lebanon IL. Back in July, we were a sponsor for the Lebanon Firemen's Picnic. We donated some money to help our volunteer fire department with things for their annual fundraiser like live entertainment and a stage. We were just one of many sponsors, but we got our name on a banner. Emerald Mound Grange was also the subject of the last Lebanon Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit spotlight article. The article explained what Grange is and told about our local Grange, what we do, and what we have to offer. We also included a beautiful picture of our Big Breakfast Crew. The community loves our breakfasts. We are taking a break from our normal activities this month, since several of our members Grange Hall and doing some work on the walls to attended the State Session. Our delegates were Marc Henrichs, our president, and Steve Alltop, our vice president. Marc has also just been named the State Legislative Director. We will have a meeting with a potluck on Wednesday Oct 22 with the potluck at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30 pm. Then we will have a Chili/Soup & Sandwich Dinner fundraiser on Sunday, Oct 26 from 4 - 7 pm. Another activity happening in October this year is the 8 th Annual Alzheimer's Association Fundraiser by the Hohrein Family. Norbert Hohrein, his daughter Nicole Hohrein, and his daughter Ellen Reinacher are longtime members of Emerald Mound Grange. Their family and friends have this annual fundraiser in memory of Sally Hohrein (Norbert's wife). It will take place on Saturday Oct 25 from 10 am - 1 pm in the grassy area by Lebanon Ace Hardware. They will sell hamburgers, BBQ pulled pork, drinks and baked goods. They will also have an Antique Tractor Display. Our Grange has donated baked goods in the past and we always support them and get the word out.

#### Membership

Attention ALL SECRETARIES,

Please get your ROSTER to me ASAP. If you have not elected officers yet, send me your old list and after elections, send me the new updated list. Please send me a complete updated list of your Grange Membership ASAP. I need all of Machesney Park. I have a beautiful 18 year old this information by OCTOBER 1, because I need to have this for the GRIT CONFERENCE.

GRIT Conference is Saturday October 11 th St. Mark's Lutheran Church 200 South Main St

Washington, IL 61571

Also don't forget to send me a copy of All new Granger Applications when you take in new members.

Fraternally Submitted Robin Kindberg ISG Membership and Recognition Chairman

## County Line News

We held our regular Grange meeting September 10 th . It was our election of officers of our Grange. Congratulations to everyone elected. Big thanks to Ed and Al Cosman for putting the shutters back on the school house, it was definitely appreciated. We are having our committee meeting tonight in the Grange Hall/Museum, the first meeting in there, we had lots of the State

Session attendees come and see the Grange Hall/Museum it was nice to see all of them there. I really enjoyed State Session, a great place to learn new things.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Renee and Heather always thinking of you!

Take care. Cathy Zei



#### Illinois State Youth

Annoucement!

Hi my name is Beth Olson, the new Illinois State Grange Youth Director. I have been a member of Beaver Valley Grange for the last 2 years. I grew up in Rockford Illinois and now live in daughter who is in college studying to be a teacher and bowling. I work in the automotive industry. I am looking forward to helping grow the Youth for Grange by planning fun activities and teaching them new things. I have always loved children and can't wait to see what we can accomplish and grow with the Youth department.

# **Turkey Hill Grange**

Turkey Hill Member Steve Koluch came to the rescue when the can opener could not be found

for lunch.





Wurstmarkt October 26 th, 2025 10:30am - 2:00pm **Turkey Hill Grange** Rt. 15 & amp; Green Mount Road (Next to Eckert's Country Market) Dinner includes:

Three Sausages, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans, Applesauce, Pie, Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade or Water Sunday, October 26, 202510:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.3 Sausages Sauerkraut Green Beans Mashed Potatoes and GravyApple SaucePieCost -- \$18.00 for adults \$9.00 for children 5-12

> Children under age 5 eat free. The winner for our quilt drawing will be drawn after this dinner. As usual, our jams and jellies will be for sale.



## **Chaplains Corner**

By: Charlotte Mehrtens

Happy Fall it is right around the corner. Hard to believe isn't it, seems like we just celebrated the spring holidays and now we prepare for Halloween and Thanksgiving. We always ask where does the time go for some reason days slip by so enjoy each day to the very fullest because we never know what tomorrow brings us.

I found this about being a Christian **Pumpkin Carving** I'm a Jack O Lantern, My light will shine so bright, For I'm a Christian Pumpkin, My symbols tell what's right. My nose is like the cross, on which the Savior died, To set us free from sin, We need no longer hide. My mouth is like a fish, The whole wide world to show, That Christians live in this house, And love their Savior so! The story starts at Christmas, My eyes are like the star, That shone on Baby Jesus, And wise men saw from afar My color it is orange, Just like the big bright sun, That rose on Easter Day, Along with God's own Son. And so on Halloween, Let's set our pumpkins out And tell the trick or treaters, What God's love is all about. HAPPY HALLOWEEN TO EACH OF YOU We send our love and prayers to each of you who have lost loved ones, those who are sick and those who need prayers. We send our love and prayers to those who

rejoice with good news and health. May

love.

each of us walk in God's footsteps. Always in His



#### **Calendar of Grange Events**

10/11 GRIT –
St Mark Lutheran Church
200 S Main St
Washington, IL
Potluck 11 am Presentations Noon
10/25 Hohrein Family Alzheimers Assoc Fundraiser
10 am to 1 pm Next to Lebanon Ace Hardware
10/26 Emerald Mound Chili/Soup & Sandwich
Dinner
4-7 pm
11/8-16 National Grange Cruise
12/6 Rockford Ice Hogs Teddy Bear Toss

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3/29 Flora Grange Roast Beef Dinner 4/11 Prairie Grange Consignment Auction 5/1-2 4 MOMZ2MOMZ Consignment Auction Boone County Fairgrounds 2027

7/18-25 Grange Revival/Smoky Mtns

NOTE: Please send me any important dates, members in nursing homes, rehabs, or senior living, obituaries, donations, births, weddings, any good news from your Grange so I can add them to the newsletter.

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