

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Mailing Address _____ E-mail address _____

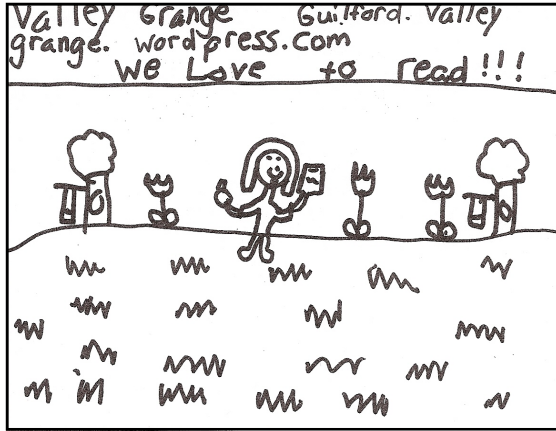
Town/State/Zip _____ Occupation _____

Date of Birth _____

I hereby apply for membership in VALLEY GRANGE #144. I desire to unite with others in elevating and advancing the interest of 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 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 _____

Recommended by _____ Application Fee _____



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Visit us on the web:

<http://valleygrange.wordpress.com>

or contact:

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Valley Grange #144 Guilford Maine

Steeped in tradition
and relevant for
today!



“When Grangers put their hearts and minds to a project, it will succeed.”

Grange offers

- Friendship with people of good character
- Family environment
- Fun and enjoyment
- Leadership development
- Community service
- Grassroots legislative action
- Opportunity to make a difference

Valley Grange in Guilford meets the third Friday of every month for a potluck supper at 6 PM and meeting at 7 PM.

Between meetings Grangers are active in their communities so there's always something going on! In addition special projects throughout the year provide opportunities to be involved and make a difference. If you are not a member, contact any officer or just come to a meeting!



Friends

For many Grange members the Grange is about friendship, and the opportunity to meet and spend time with a variety of interesting people. Grange members make friends in their community, their state and across the nation. In the Grange it is easy to make friendships that last a lifetime.

Grange meetings, activities and events always include a social aspect that has friendship as a cornerstone. Members look forward to the next event because it is with friends.

Family

The family and the community are the foundations of the Grange. Traditional family values are promoted, taught and woven into Grange activities and events. From individuals to mom and dad and the kids, single parent households, and grandparents raising their grandchildren, the Grange serves as a safe family-friendly place to spend time.

A policy of courtesy and respect towards all members is practiced and encouraged by the Grange in a nondiscriminating environment. The Grange is a place for children, teenagers, and young adults to grow.

Fun

Having fun is always an important part of any activity or task. The Grange is an organization that understands the meaning of fun offering a variety of creative and recreational activities for you and your family.

Our meetings are designed to be enjoyable! In the spirit of friendship, Grangers accomplish great things while having a great time.

The Grange is...

The Grange is the nation's oldest national agricultural organization, with grassroots units established in 3,600 local communities in 37 states. Its 300,000 members provide service to agricultural and rural areas on a wide variety of issues including economic development, education, family endeavors, and legislative action designed to assure a strong and viable rural America. The Grange was formed in the years following the American Civil War to unite private citizens in improving the economic and social position of the nation's farm population. Over the past 137 years, it has evolved to include non-farm rural families and communities.

The Grange is also a fraternal order known as the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, hence the "P of H" on the organization's logo. Founding members determined that a fraternal organization would best be able to combine loyalty and democratic ideas to provide service to others. The National Grange was one of the first formal groups to admit women to membership on the basis of equality with men.

