

Maine State Junior Grange #17 Annual Report 2016—2017

Membership:

We took in 4 new members, all of whom have received their Obligation. Four members moved up to subordinate level, leaving us with a total membership of 17. I have spoken to several Granges about starting a Junior Grange in their area. Upon request I have also mailed out information on how to start a Junior Grange. This information will also be available at State session this year.

Meetings:

The Junior meeting was held on April 8th at State Grange Headquarters. Our Honored Guests were: Sister Betsy Huber—National Grange Master, Brother Chris Heath—New Hampshire State Master, Brother Rick Grotton—Maine State Master and Sister Sherry Harriman—Overseer of the Maine State Grange. They were also our Judges for the Assistant and Lady Assistant Contest. With help from those present we obligated two of our new members.

Assistant and Lady Assistant Contest winners were:

Jim Meserve and Laurie McBurnie took first place followed by Sharon and Henry Mortin, Mike Griffin and Marilyn Stinson. Many thanks for your participation.

Camp:

Seven juniors attended camp this year at Scribner's Mill in Harrison. We learned about the history of Scribner's Mill Preservation. Our tour consisted of the mill, dry barrel making, cutting cedar shingles, and life in the early 1900s, which included touring the homestead, making corn muffins on the wood stove and churning butter. We enjoyed a scavenger hunt in the barn along with learning how to remove corn from the cob and making candles. We were very fortunate to be able to spend the night in the homestead and the weekend at the property. Our guests were: Worthy State Master Rick Grotton, and Worthy State Overseer Sherry Harriman.

The only contest judged at camp was S'more Bars; Winners: (Ages 8-11) 1st Carter Pike, 2nd William Stinson-Barone, 3rd Hailey Pike Participant Elijah Benn. (Ages 12-14) 1st Jillian Frechette, 2nd Isaac Benn, 3rd Rowan O'Hanlon

The juniors worked on many crafts, played Frisbee, had pillow fights, walked on stilts and truly enjoyed themselves. Our Service Project was preparing a meal for the Norway Grange Members.

At Family Camp-out:

Judging for some of the Junior contests was held. Winners are as follows:

Make-A-Boat:

Ages:

5-7 1st Reagan Crockett
8-11 1st Carter Pike
2nd William Stinson-Barone
3rd Camron Rae

Participant: Hailey Pike

Stick Frame with Picture:

Ages:

8-11 1st Rowen O'Hanlon
2nd Hailey Pike
3rd Carter Pike
12-14 1st Isaac Benn

Participant: Elijah Benn

Birdseed Mobile:

Ages:

8-11 1st William Stinson-Barone
2nd Elijah Benn
3rd Rowen O'Hanlon
12-14 1st Jillian Frechette
2nd Isaac Benn

Participants: Hailey Pike, Carter Pike

Creative Writing:

Ages:

8-11 1st Hailey Pike
2nd Rowen O'Hanlon
3rd Carter Pike
12-14 1st Jillian Frechette

A Chinese Auction was held raising \$ 71.00. Thank you for all your donations and participation.

Finances: (as of 9/30/17)

Receipts: \$2007.56

Expenses: \$1510.76

Net Gain: \$496.80

The Big E:

The contest this year was [make a Boat that floats]. Maine Junior's made and sent five boats, along with a poster board of photos showing our Juniors in action. Hailey Pike has won 3rd place at the New England Level.

With Great Honor!

Many thanks to our Junior Committee Members, Grange Volunteers and Marilyn Hatch who donated their time and talents. A big Thank You to the many Granges that have donated to the Junior Program this year, because of you "it was a fun year".

Respectfully submitted by: Christine Hebert,
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