

Greetings Fellow Grangers:

As many of you are aware, Ms Colson resigned as Youth Committee Chair last Spring, stating that her role as a full time student ,was very demanding and time-consuming ! It is with 4th Generation Grange pride, I agreed to once again serve as Youth Director!

Jared Griener, a past scholarship recipient and I attend the 2017 Northeastern Youth Conference(NEYC) in July at UMASS! We both had a great time and won 2nd place ribbons in the Improv Speaking Contest! Marilyn Stinson, despite her busy schedule has helped me so much with planning this summer! Thank you, Marilyn, it is because of members like you that make our Grange is such a warm and inviting organization!

We have an exciting year planned and will need help from all members. Maine is hosting the 2018 NEYC, we have looked at several venues and will share details at a later date! Please note and act on the following request.....!

- 1) We are asking that each Pomona Master send a representative to help. The ideal candidate is between the ages of 14 and 35 (but we will work with any age) and passionate about the Grange. We need this person to be a liaison between Maine State Youth Grange and keep Pomona and Subordinate members informed!
- 2) We need a list of members between the ages of 14 and 35 with email, text and phone. We also need a list of all members, all ages who are willing to volunteer at the conference. We need someone willing to type forms/schedules (I can print), a list of attendees ages 5-99.
- 3) Judges and contest participants! The Youth Program Book is available on both National and Maine State Grange Youth sites. Please contact me if you need something sent through the Postal Service.
- 4) Items for welcome packets. We expect 70 to 80 campers! We also need 70-80 backpacks, (ideally all the same) cloth or plastic totes! If you should come across any inexpensive trinkets that young adults might enjoy please send them our way!
- 5) Camp activity ideas with instructions and prizes.
- 6) Paper, pencils, sharpeners, pens, markers, crayons, poster paper for workshops!
- 7) Food /Volunteers willing to take care of evening Hospitality Room!
- 8) We are trying to keep the cost down for the campers. Of course, if you would rather donate money ,we would be just as grateful! Send all financial donations to Youth at Maine State Grange!

As most of you are aware this is just a quick list of items needed! Please contact me directly or your Pomona Youth member with your items, ways you will help and send any money directly to our Treasurer at Maine State Grange and be sure and write Grange Youth on the check!

You will soon be able to like us on Facebook!

PLEASE REMEMBER...."Many hands make light work " so please help in any way you can! I look forward to working with each and every one of you!

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