



# MAINE STATE GRANGE

*American Values.  
Hometown Roots.*

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## Privacy Statement

The Maine State Grange is committed to privacy. Every attempt is made to protect and maintain your privacy.

### Information Automatically Collected

Your IP address and server information are automatically recorded as part of our website statistics. This information will not be used to contact you in anyway. Because of the site's design as a blog the use of cookies will be minimal.

### Use of Contact Form

Use of the site's contact form may require users to supply some information (name, email address). This information is only used to reply to requests for information or acknowledge information submitted. Information supplied using a contact form will not be kept, shared, or sold.

### Subscription Feature

Use of the subscription feature is an "opt in" service provided by a third party. If you have any difficulty with the service or "opting out" please contact the Maine State Grange webmaster for assistance.

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If you have questions about this privacy statement, the practices of this site or your experiences with it, you may contact the Master of the Maine State Grange or the Webmaster either by emailing from the site or at above address/phone number.

## Posting Policy

The Maine State Grange website serves two primary purposes. First, it will serve as a communication mechanism that will facilitate sharing information among members. Second, as a “public face” that allows non-members an introduction to the Grange and the ability to find information regarding programs. These two purposes are complimentary but require a balance in terms of the types of information posted. The two primary guidelines we will use in posting are:

1. Does the information submitted have general interest statewide?
2. Does the information portray the Grange in a positive light and reflect basic Grange values?

We will not, therefore, post Fraternal Concerns regarding sickness and death. Exceptions may be made when concern involves a current or past state officer or other person well-known throughout the state. This policy also avoids potential privacy issues.

We will attempt to keep information regarding State Grange activities and policies current, but it must be noted that directors and officers are responsible for providing current information.

We reserve the right to refuse to post information submitted.

We will use extreme caution when posting photos that include children and expect the submitter to be absolutely certain that parental/guardian permission is secured before submitting photos for posting. Please bear in mind that many Grange Meetings and events do not qualify as “public events” and attendees would likely have a reasonable right to an expectation of privacy.

We will also follow the “Grange Website and Electronic Social Media Code of Conduct” adopted February 25, 2011 by the National Grange Executive Committee. (Attached to this policy.)

## **Grange Website and Electronic Social Media Code of Conduct**

All websites, Facebook groups or pages, and all other internet based social media platforms representing the Grange must be under the jurisdiction of a Subordinate/Community, Pomona, or State Grange.

Each website must be clearly identified as being a Grange website and must have contact information on or within one easily identifiable click from the home or index page.

Each Facebook or other social media platform must be clearly identified as being a Grange sponsored page or group and have a Grange contact person easily identified on the page.

No partisan or sectarian comments, opinions, statements, or endorsements may be posted on the website or page.

No negative or inflammatory (designed to insult or belittle) comments, opinions, or statements toward any Grange or level of the Grange or toward any member of any Grange may be posted on the website or page.

No inflammatory (designed to insult or belittle) statements, comments, or opinions toward any the public, including public officials, may be posted on the website or page.

All policies of the Grange posted on the website or page must be clearly labeled as to which Grange or level of the Grange has adopted the policies.

All content, including advertisements, must be within the guidelines of the Digest, By-Laws of the State Grange with jurisdiction, and By-Laws of the Grange operating the website or page.

Adopted February 25, 2011 by the National Grange Executive Committee