

**Maine State Grange~~ Junior Program 2016—17**  
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**\*\*\*Junior Grange Events\*\*\***

- March 4, 2017** Junior Committee Meeting Location & Time: TBA:  
**April 8, 2017** Time: 9-11 Junior Meeting Location: TBA  
**April 8, 2017** Time: 11-Noon (JUNIOR’S ONLY)  
Sign-the-Alphabet and Public Speaking Judging  
**April 8, 2017** Time 1-4pm (ALL GRANGE MEMBERS)  
Judging of Assistant & Lady Assistant Steward Challenge  
**June 17-18, 2017** Junior Camp (Fri. evening, June 16 optional)  
**July 14-16, 2017** Family Camp Out

**\*\*\*Membership\*\*\***

Junior Grangers are ages 5-14. Children learn the importance of principles and values through our organization. We have all been given a challenge in our Granges: increasing membership by working together.

**\*\*\*Junior’s Craft Contests\*\*\***

These contests will be judged on Saturday at Family Camp Out in July, (unless otherwise noted). General Rules: Must be a Junior Grange member (except for Assistant and Lady Assistant Contest and Decorated Squash)  
Age Groups: 5-7; 8-11; and 12-14

**Entry Forms:** On the back of each item attach a piece of paper or index card with the contestant’s name, age and birth date, address, and Junior Grange name and number. **Judging:** Judging will be based on creativity, originality, use of materials, and use of theme (if there is one) and/or other criteria as determined by the judges.

**Bread Dough Ornament:** For bread dough use two slices of bread, remove crust, tear the bread into small pieces and put them in a bowl. Add a tablespoon of white glue, and mix together with spoon. Work the dough into a ball with your hands until smooth and elastic. Press dough out on waxed paper, draw and cut out your ornament, make a hole (for hanging) with a tooth pick and let dry. Once dry, detail it any way you would like to. Make sure you thread a piece of yarn through the hole for hanging and place your label on it.

### **Sign-the-Alphabet:**

A junior member learns to sign the alphabet, hopefully with the help of Grange members and/or family members. The Judging will be April 8, 2017  
Time: 11-Noon. Location: TBA.

### **Stick Frame/with picture:**

Using Popsicle sticks, glue sticks together to form a frame, let dry. Take a picture with your camera. Decorate the frame, then glue the picture to the frame. Attach a piece off yarn to the back for hanging. Include your label.

Size: No bigger than 11" x 14" and no smaller than 4" x 6".

You may make as many as you wish, but will receive only one prize from Jr. Grange Level. Entries will go on to Lecturer's Photography Contest. (Categories: Grange, people, buildings and other structures, nature & scenery, animals and other creatures.) Attach an entry form.

### **Smore's Bars:**

Use these ingredients: Gram Crackers, Large marsh mellow, and 2 regular size chocolate candy bars. Break gram cracker and candy bar in half, **over a camp fire and ONLY with adult supervision,** toast a marsh mellow on a stick, when marsh mellow turns brown place it on one half of a gram cracker with a ½ piece of chocolate candy bar. Make 3 for Judges, and enjoy the rest. (This will be judged at Junior Camp on Saturday).

### **Birdseed Mobile:**

Must use plastic lids. Cut out 2 or 3 shapes from plastic lids. Using a paper punch, punch a hole at the top and bottom of each shape. Tie the pieces together with a ribbon, leaving ribbon at the top for hanging.

Spread one side of each shape with peanut butter. Then press the peanut butter side in birdseed. Turn your shapes over and repeat the process. You may freeze until judging. Attach an entry form.

### **Photography:**

Photography must be no larger than 11"x 14" and no smaller than 4" x 6". You may enter as many as you wish, but will receive only one prize at the Jr. Grange level. Entries will go on to the Lecturer's Photography Contests (categories: Grange, people, animals and other creatures, nature, scenery, buildings & other structures, other). Attach an entry form.

## **Fall Place Mat:**

Using real fall colored leaves, glue leaves to a piece of construction paper, let dry. Using clear self-adhesive contact paper, place your construction paper with dried leaves (leaf side down) on the sticky side of the contact paper, do the same for the other side of construction paper.

You can add other items for a boarder. (Like construction paper, ribbon, rope, etc.) Remember to attach an entry form. To be judged at State Session in October.

## **Decorated Squash:**

To be judged at State Grange Session in October—entries due by 10:00am on Thursday. Squash may be any type and decorated in any way. **Do Not Carve or Cut!** Squash does not have to be grown by the person entering the contest. Open to all Grange members. (Attach an entry form.)

**\*\*\*Big E Contest\*\*\***

**TBA**

**\*\*\*National Junior Contests\*\*\***

Check the 2017 National Program Booklet for 2017 theme and specific details.

Public Speaking: Ages 8-10; 11-12; and 13-14.

Sign-A-Song: Manually Sign the Alphabet (5-7Yrs.)

Sign-A-Song: Individual (8-14) Group: 7-14

Creative Art:

Creative Writing:

Craft Contests:

National Junior Contests will be judged at the Family Camp Out weekend. Judging for Sign-A-Song and public speaking contests will be April 8 Time: 11-Noon Location: TBA. Notify the Junior Director by March 25<sup>th</sup>, if you are planning to enter.

**Other Junior Contests:** Check the **CWA** and the **Lecturer's Contest**- Contest Booklets.

**\*\*\*National Grange Merit Badges\*\*\***

Level 1 (recommended for members ages 5-9)

The Grange Adventure: Taking Part \* About Subordinate

\*Membership Growth \* Kelly-Farm Support\* Manual Alphabet\*

Attendance\*Postal Museum\* Grange Programs\* Helper\* Public Display\*

**😊😊 ALL GRANGERS😊😊**

**Save this date and Participate!**

April 8, 2017 1-4pm Location: TBA

**“Dare to accept the Challenge:”**

Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Stewards Contest  
Maine’s juniors are challenging all Grange Members to accept  
this Challenge. Rules and Regulations to follow, simply  
download and print it out for your members to participate in our  
contest. **Let’s Have Some Fun!!**

Respectfully submitted by:

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