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The two words 'information' and 'communication' are often used interchangeably, but they signify quite different things. Information is giving out; communication is getting through.

Sydney J. Harris

Highlights for Secretaries to Read

In this section, we'll try to help secretaries by providing a very short synopsis of each article. **Try just reading just this highlights section during "communications" and offer the Bulletin to those interested in more information.** "The Bulletin contains the following information..." Then post on the Bulletin Board or make copies so members can read the sections of interest.

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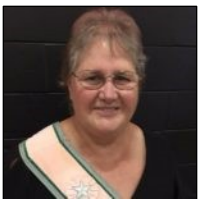
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President's Perspective By Sherry Harriman, MSG President/Master

STATE GRANGE SESSION Here it is July already, which means three months away from State Grange, October 20 & 21, 2022 at the Auburn Masonic Hall, 1021 Turner Rd, Auburn. [See this for a basic schedule and information.](#) I am very pleased to announce our National Representative at State Session will be Ann Bercher, Lecturer of the National Grange and Master/President of the Minnesota State Grange, I know you will give her a

warm welcome.

We are looking for someone to do the **Rose Drill** for us. Contact Sherry if you are interested.

MASTERS and SECRETARIES – A strong reminder – correct information for Master, Lecturer, Secretary and CWA Chairman listing the address, phone, cell phone, and email address for each, are due to the State Grange Secretary as soon as possible after the election has been held. Please type or print clearly. The Master or Master elect of each Grange selects the Committee Chairmen for the Grange and informs the Secretary who those people are. The Secretary gets and/or checks the name, address, phone, email, etc. for each of the people involved, please fill in the entire form provided, or email your list to the state office.

RESOLUTIONS are due in the office on August 15, 2022, either email mainestategrango@myfairpoint.net or standard mail to 146 State St., Augusta 04330. Submit both ways to ensure we receive them. Each resolution is required to have a title when it is submitted to the office, I cannot give them a title--your Grange must come up with one. The resolution must be voted on by the Grange submitting the resolution. After the 15th, we then have to print everything and mail all resolutions back to each Grange. This all takes time.

OFFICER and DEPARTMENT REPORTS are due in the office no later than September 15, 2022 (written or emailed to the office and to my email SHarriman@twc.com). I prefer emailed reports. These dates may seem early but getting everything put together for the session takes time, especially when we have to keep adding on the procrastinators.

The **Delegate Registration, Banquet and Luncheon forms**, etc., will be sent later in August.

“Look for the Stars” Banquet will be roast pork, meatloaf, potatoes, salad, green beans, applesauce, rolls, brownies & ice cream, coffee, tea, lemonade and water for \$14 per person.

The Ag Luncheon will be assorted sandwiches, chop suey, chips, cookies, coffee, tea, lemonade, and water for \$8 per person. The deadline for the meal registration and prepaid is October 5, 2022.

Once again, I will remind you, **anyone may attend the State Grange Session**, as long as you are a Fourth Degree (Subordinate/Community level) Grange member and have the passwords for the gate. (To receive the passwords from your Grange, your dues must be paid.) After the opening on the first day of State Session is completed, we lower to the Fourth Degree and all work is conducted in the Fourth Degree, like your regular Grange meeting you are welcome to sit in at the meeting and listen. Only registered delegate(s), may vote on the issues and elections, but this does not exclude you from attending.



Communications Column

By Walter Boomsma, MSG Communications Director

In a recent issue of Patrons Chain, National Grange Leadership Director Amanda Brozana Rio wrote, [“Consumer research drives sales – and membership.”](#) She made several important points, including the fact that *“85% of shoppers conduct research online before making a purchase decision and an equal amount – 85% – own a smartphone. More than 3 out of 4 people do online research when learning about or comparing products.”*

Let me offer you another interesting statistic. Of all the pages and posts on the Maine State Grange Website, the second most frequently visited page is the online directory of Granges in Maine. **For whatever reasons, people are seeking local Granges.**

Can they find yours? Amanda also announced that National Grange is making an effort to update the “Find a Grange” feature on the National Grange Website “throughout the remainder of 2022.” The good news is that here in Maine, we have a simple version of that available now with our online directory: [Granges in Maine](#). Please consider visiting the directory to make sure the information is correct. Keeping the directory current is a big job that requires the help of everyone!

And don’t forget that we can post a link to your local Grange’s website and/or Facebook Page. But remember that any sites and social media pages or groups are only listed if they are kept current.

That leads naturally to the question of what people are going to find when (or maybe if!) they find online information about a specific Grange. The basics should be easy: name, location, contact person... ” With a little help from your Grange, we can provide that!

Many of these people who are researching online are likely making decisions about whether or not the Grange is an organization they wish to associate with in some way. It may be a simple matter of deciding to attend an event. But it also could be more.

That’s why we include the menu for Grange suppers, right? But some of those researchers would like to know what the Grange offers besides food? We can get food at a restaurant. And the menu is usually more extensive. Why should I come to the Grange for it?

I’m considering several projects around these questions and issues. Some may recall when we first created the site, we solicited [testimonials to show the benefits of membership](#). I’ll be asking for some updates and maybe some new “stuff.” For example, for those who aren’t camera-shy, we can create some short “Why I love the Grange” videos–advertisements! In media parlance, these are called “sound bites.” Technology makes it fairly easy to do—all you need is a smartphone! (According to Amanda’s article, 85% of you have one!) I think we could have a lot of fun with this and generate some interest in and enthusiasm for the Grange.

What are your ideas? What do you think?

FACT: The online directory of Granges in Maine was visited 103 times in May.



CWA Report

By Margaret Henderson, MSG CWA Director

Happy Summer!!

My neighbors and I have been busy. We planted cherry tomatoes, green peppers, summer squash, and zucchini. Everything is growing well so far.

I am getting excited for next month. It is a busy time but I feel so fortunate and blessed to see all of the entries and the wonderful work you all do.

I had the privilege to go to The House in the Woods. It was their five-year anniversary. If you get a chance to go I would highly recommend it. They have many activities for our veterans to do. They have just received a motorized wheelchair that goes up and down stairs! That was amazing to watch.

I look forward to seeing you next month.



From the Deacon's Bench

By Clay Collins, MSG Chaplain

"But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, 'who, is my neighbor?' And Jesus, answering said, 'A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise, a Levite passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan came by and when he saw the man, he had compassion for him. He went to him, bound up his wounds, pouring oil and wine, and put him on his own beast, and took him to an inn, and took care of him.'" (Luke 10:29-34)

I just realized that this month's column tends to go right along with last month's. Maybe I should have written this for last month, then had last month's for this month, but I digress!

I am sure that I have asked this question before, but it probably needs to be asked again (and again!); do we really know our neighbors? I mean really know them enough that we can feel comfortable walking up to them, and start talking to them?

Are you able to be the 'Good Samaritan' in Jesus' parable? This Samaritan, who was considered an outcast, a low life, not one to be associated with, saw a man in trouble, hurting, next thing to being dead, and helped him. This Samaritan did not know this injured man and did not know how this man felt about Samaritans himself, but he helped him anyway!

If you read the verses before those at the top (Luke 10:25-37), you will get the entire feel for the parable. Here Jesus explains just what a neighbor is. Your neighbor is not just the people who live next door, but everyone. Throughout the Bible, we are told to be kind, and treat each other as we would want to be treated. This is very hard to do many times.

It seems in this day and age people have developed a "not my problem, don't get involved" attitude. We are afraid that if we do get involved, we will somehow get hurt by helping out. We must learn from the Samaritan.

He was not afraid to get involved. He did NOT give a second thought to any repercussions if he helped the injured man. He just saw a man who was hurt. He took care of him. There is no evidence of the man's health after that, but we are to believe he survived.

Jesus, in His teachings, wanted us to just be kind to one another. To help, support, and love each other. We can do it! I know we can!

Benediction:

Gracious Father of us all, help us to understand the teachings of Jesus. Help us to be kind to our neighbors, whoever they may be. We pray in Thy holy name. Amen."

Thought for the month:

If God sends you down a stony path, may He give you strong shoes.--An Irish Blessing



Junior Report

By Marilyn Stinson and Terry LaCombe Stevens,
MSG Co-directors

Maine Junior Grangers met at State Grange Headquarters for their annual campout which became a 'Camp-in' on Friday, June 24 – 26. For a re-cycle craft, they decorated foam boxes that diabetic meds came in to make lunch boxes for a picnic on Saturday when they were going to Old Fort Western, one of the few forts along the Kennebec left from our colonial days.

Saturday was bright and sunny and they took turns sawing wood for the winter, making salads using the lettuce and herbs from the fort's garden, learning that many herbs were used for medicine, making salad dressing with no oil, and grinding the ginger to make 'switchel' from molasses. They preferred today's foods to what they would have had back then. After getting the straw mattresses out of the closet and making the beds that had to be put together each night and then stored in the closet the next morning, we moved across the hall to the loom room.

Threads for fabrics in those days came from animals or plants. Wool from sheep, cotton which grew in the south, and reeds that were soaked and stripped to make threads, for example. After carding the basic material into threads and yarn, they took turns on the loom to make fabric. After their picnic, they walked next door to a city playground until the sun and heat sent them back to Headquarters.



Some comments overheard: “This was the servants’ place? Wow, I was never in a mansion before.” “We figured out the breakfast menu... there is always pancakes one morning and French toast the other morning.” “We like meeting at Enterprise.” “These craft sticks aren’t sticking with Mod Podge.” “It’s frustrating to try to make the stars.” “Whisper, whisper, whisper all night on Friday night.”

Because the glue didn’t stick for their Big E Craft and the winning crafts have to be sent to MA before the end of the month, we will meet at Enterprise in Richmond on July 16, 2022 to make the stars using glue guns. Winning stars will be sent and the rest will be shared in the Fair Exhibits in Pittston, Windsor, and Litchfield.

On August 20, 2022, we will meet at Danville Junction and be able to take in the Great Falls Balloon Festival.



Membership Moments

By Rick Grotton, MSG Membership Director

I hope all are having a great summer. The weather has been good and people are getting out and enjoying the fresh air. Stores seem to be busy and traffic seems to be heavier than normal. After two years of COVID and people being afraid to go out of their homes, it seems great to see people milling about. Lawn sales (or whatever you call them) are everywhere, outdoor fundraising activities are abundant and Granges are joining in as well with their own fundraising activities. It is great to look on the Maine State Grange website and to see what is happening at various Granges. Their advertising is enthusiastic, their stories are refreshing and their events are successful due to hard work and teamwork. One of the most fulfilling things about Grange (for me) is to see organized and hard-working members happily serving the needs of the community. The Grange Hall provides a fun place to have a meal, socialize, smile, help others, and feel good about yourself and others. It is also a place where legislative resolutions are presented, business is conducted and event planning is done. When explaining to others about Grange and what it does, enthusiastically tell them about all of the above. Many persons would love to be a Grange member; all you have to do is ask. Speak often, advertise often, keep busy and continue to be fulfilled. Others can sometimes "read" our facial expressions and feel our likes and dislikes about any topic. So when you want to attract new members speak with passion, be enthusiastic, be positive, and provide proficient information to the inquirers. Keep your doors open for new membership.



Exploring Traditions--Meandering Around the Grange Way of Life

By Walter Boomsma, Guest Columnist

As many know, I never cease to marvel at the similarities between the Amish and the Grange. (And the differences! In spite of their interest in farming and nature, the Amish were not permitted to join the Grange—even during the Grange’s early years.)

Historically, the Grange has been viewed as a farmer’s organization. In many circles it is still. I recall one “old” Granger who would try to emphasize the fraternal aspect of the Grange by suggesting that “We’re like the Masons but we keep cows.” Finding an accurate but short description of the Grange as an organization is challenging—in part because the Grange isn’t simple and it is a very diverse organization, at least in terms of what local Granges do and are known for doing.

And that means we sometimes miss one of the most powerful aspects of the Grange and the Grange Way of Life. “*Since God placed man on earth, agriculture has existed,*” is the installing officer’s reminder as he or she opens the installation of officers. I think it should be noted that it’s not, “*Since God placed man on earth, farmers and farming have existed.*”

When you drive through Amish Country, it’s easy to become impressed with Amish farms and gardens. During this year’s vacation, I was researching and photographing for a future book. We paid close attention to gardens, including many that were not part of an Amish farm. (Many Amish in Central Pennsylvania are not farming for a number of different reasons. But they are no less Amish.) Their gardens are bountiful. The rows are straight. There are many flowers and no weeds. The Amish wife typically has primary responsibility, but it’s important to understand that we are looking at a family-based society. We often saw entire families in the garden, weeding, planting, pruning... older children supervising younger ones.

Given the humble nature of the Amish, this can quickly seem contradictory until we try to understand we are not seeing “Amish Pride.” We are seeing Amish Connection. “*Since God placed man on earth, agriculture has existed.*” Amish or not, we are all connected to the earth, to nature, to agriculture (and in the Amish mind “to God).

When we look at the rituals and lessons of the Grange, it’s not difficult to see that they go beyond farming to nature and agriculture. In that same opening, “We encourage the planting of trees, fruits and flowers by which to enhance the value and increase the attractions of our home; adorning them with those beauties so lavishly given us by the God of Nature.”

Returning to the Amish for a moment, working the earth and growing crops is seen as a means of drawing closer to God. In a large part, this enables a different view of work that takes it out of the category of drudgery. Work is an opportunity, not a problem. It’s a chance to build character. With its many benefits, work is to be enjoyed.

It doesn’t take too much “out of the box” thinking to see how connecting with the earth, with nature and with agriculture brings many advantages. Perhaps we might stop thinking of the Grange as a farmers’ organization and start thinking of it as an organization

that enjoys and reaps the benefits of being connected to the earth and nature.

Lester Gibbs is a Granger who lives in New Hampshire. We are “social media friends” on Facebook. I’ve forgotten how it started, but he has been regularly posting photos and reports of an onion he has growing indoors. Most of his reports are only a sentence or two—like the day it grew five inches. I look forward to and enjoy them. I mention him as an example of being “connected to the earth and nature.” He’s also demonstrating opportunity. The onion is part of his window garden, but even if it were his only plant, caring for it and observing it is not work. It’s no surprise that he’s a Granger. He is connected to the earth.

We may not be “Masons with cows,” but we are people who are connected to the earth and nature. *“We ask none to join us who cannot see good in their fellow beings; but to all interested in Agriculture, who have generous hearts and open hands to help the needy, raise the fallen and in making the labors of this life cheerful, we say, ‘Welcome to the Grange.’”*

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View from the Farm

By Heather Retberg, Guest Columnist

I fell in love all over today.

Yes, another green grass day with my bride by my side and my children out in front of me. However, it was really a 65-year-old Indian man who made it all clear.

There are communications and COMMUNICATIONS. This man, and his perspective, fall into the latter. It reminded me of the first time I had a peach custard pie.

We Quill's Endians, at the arrival of such a comestible, had taken our respective seats to enjoy our unearned bounty. This was an unearthly pie, the kind whose recipe should be held in secret, lest we all fall into sloth. My dearest all began to speak its praises, unceasingly.

I asked, ever so politely, for silence.

That pie demanded silence.

The simplest things aren't often described in the simplest manner: pie, love, peace, the structure and composition of soil. This lovely man, this Sadhguru comes close to at least one...enjoy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akrtCsRkV60>.

Save soil.

yours,

Phil for all the Quill's Endians

(And, shhh. I'm thinking about that peach pie.)

Editor's note: Phil continues to write “View from the Farm” while Heather recovers from her recent surgery. Send her a card/note at Quill's End Farm, 192 Front Ridge Road, North Penobscot ME 04476

Heather and Phil Retberg together with their three children run Quill's End Farm, a 105-acre property in Penobscot that they bought in 2004. They use rotational grazing on their fifteen open acres and are renovating thirty more acres from woods to pasture to increase grazing for their pigs, grass-fed cattle, lambs, laying hens, and goats. Heather writes a newsletter for their farm's buying clubs for farmers in her area and has generously given us permission to share some of her columns with Grangers throughout the state.

Communication Shorts

A few short items of information and interest!

Maine in New York?

With thanks to Frank Barrie, we would note that the Maine State Grange has a link from a review of an exhibit of photos of Grange Halls in New York. Check out this post on the website [Knowwhereyourfoodcomesfrom.com](http://knowwhereyourfoodcomesfrom.com)!

Got Paint?

Maine's Paint Stewardship Law requires that the paint manufacturing industry to develop program to recycle leftover paints, stains, and varnish. PaintCare is the program set up in Maine and accepts all brands of paint, stains, and varnish – even if they are 20 years old! Be a good steward and make environmentally appropriate decisions regarding those old cans in the basement or garage. For more information and for drop-off locations near your zip code: <https://www.paintcare.org/drop-off-sites/>

Maine Agricultural Fair Information

Information regarding fairs in Maine including the schedule is available here: <http://www.maineairs.org/>!

Ideas for Granges

Before the weather turns, how about keeping things simple and hosting an "old-fashioned Grange Picnic?" Keep it simple by providing the location and opportunity--make it a BYOP (bring your own picnic) event that's all about fun. Can you offer some games for the kids?

Thought for You...

"The time to worry is three months before a flight. Decide then whether or not the goal is worth the risks involved. If it is, stop worrying. To worry is to add another hazard."

Amelia Earhart

Online Directories Available 24-7

Remember, we have two directories that are interactive--meaning you can sort and search! The first is the ODD Directory, which features all state officers, directors, and deputies with contact information. The second is the Directory of Granges, which features all Granges in the state.

But wait, there's more!

A sampling of articles posted on the website...

- Highland Lake Grange Presents—Tragedy in the Sky
- Merriconeag Grange Seeks Members
- 2022 Parkman Grange Scholarship Awardees Announced
- Grange Songs in Newfield
- Junior Grange "Camps in"
- It's July! It's Junior Grange Month!
- New from Ocean View Grange
- Grange Heirloom
- Happy Fourth of July!
- News from Victor Grange
- Remember Standish Grange?
- Ocean View Grange Looks Great!

Conferences and Dates

Please note that events scheduled in advance are always subject to change. State and Regional events are listed as well as Degree Days and Officer Installations. Sorry, but space does not permit us to include regular local meetings.

August 2022

Note that most contest entry forms, and information can be found in the Program Book for that department or committee.

- **August 1, 2022, Grange Agricultural Enterprise Award Applications** are due. For more information see the Agriculture Handbook on the Program Books and Information Page.
- **August 12, 2022, Parkman Grange Daddy/Daughter Dance**, 6 pm – 8 pm, \$5 per person at the Parkman Grange.
- **August 13, 2022, St George Grange Public Supper**, 5 pm at St George Grange, Wiley's Corner. Call 372-8904 or 372-6768 for more information.
- **August 14, 2022, MSG Bulletin Deadline** — columns and posts are due.
- **August 15, 2022, CWA sewing, needlework, and craft contest entries** are due at MSG headquarters. Contact CWA Director for more information.
- **August 20, 2022, CWA Conference at MSG Headquarters**. Contact CWA Director for more information.
- **August 20, 2022, CWA Baking and Dress-a-doll contest entries** are due at MSG headquarters. Contact CWA Director for more information.
- **August 20, 2022, CWA Pomona and Subordinate Reports** and donations are due to the MSG CWA Director.

September 2022

Note that most contest entry forms, and information can be found in the Program Book for that department or committee.

- **September 1, 2022, Lecturer's skit and poetry writing contest entries** are due. Contact MSG Lecturer for more information.
- **September 1, 2022, Community Service Reports and Notebooks are due**. Contact MSG Community Service Director for more information.
- **September 1, 2022, Granger of the Year Contest entries are due** to the MSG Community Service Director.
- **September 1, 2022, Nominations for Police-Firefighter/EMT-Educator** of the year are due to the MSG Community Service Director.
- **September 1, 2022, Family Health and Hearing activity sheets are due** to the MSG Community Service Director
- **September 1, 2022, Pomona and Subordinate Lecturer's Reports are due**. Contact MSG Lecturer for more information.
- **September 1, 2022, New Member Contest Deadline**. Contact MSG Membership Director for more information.
- **September 10, 2022, St George Grange Public Supper**, 5 pm at St George Grange, Wiley's Corner. Call 372-8904 or 372-6768 for more information.
- **September 14, 2022, MSG Bulletin Deadline** — *columns and posts are due*.

- **September 15, 2022, Officer and Department Reports** are due in the office.
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- **September 14, 2022, MSG Bulletin Deadline** — columns and posts are due.
- **September 17, 2022, Maine Lecturers' Conference.** Contact MSG Lecturer for more information.

October 2022

- Photo, coloring, and art lecturer's contest entries are due at State Session. Contact MSG Lecturer for more information.
- **October 5, 2022 Deadline for State Session Banquet and Luncheon Reservations**
- **October 20-21, 2022, Maine State Grange Annual Convention** at the Auburn Masonic Hall.
 - October 20, 2022, Look for the Stars Banquet at 6 pm
 - October 21, 2022, Ag Luncheon at 12 noon

Officers and directors, please remember that meeting and conference information should be submitted at least two months ahead to be featured in the Bulletin. (For example, the Bulletin published in January will include events taking place in March.) Please also remember to send us copies of new program books, contest rules, and applications, etc. as they are developed or revised.

PLEASE POST A COPY OF THE BULLETIN TO YOUR GRANGE'S BULLETIN BOARD!

Do You Have FOMO?



"FOMO" is, of course, a Fear Of Missing Out. One strongly recommended treatment is to [subscribe to the Maine State Grange Website](#). We'll send you a daily summary whenever news and columns are posted, and we won't share your email address with anyone!

Maine State Grange
149th Annual State Convention

October 20-21, 2022
Auburn Masonic Hall - Auburn, Maine

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In essentials, unity. In non-essentials, liberty. In all things, charity.

**149TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OCTOBER 20 & 21, 2022
AUBURN MASONIC HALL
1021 TURNER RD., AUBURN**

Thursday, October 20

8:00 A.M. Set up for the Session

10:00 A.M. Registration Opens

1:00 P.M. Opening in the Sixth Degree

Lowering to the Fourth Degree

Roll Call of Officers

Introduction Ann Bercher, Lecturer
National Grange

Report of Credentials Committee (Partial)

Introduction of Deputies

Distribution of the Order of Business

Acceptance of the Order of Business

Report of Auditor / Treasurer

Report of Secretary

Presentation of the 2022-2023 Budget

2:00 P.M. State Master's Annual Address

2:30 P.M. Break

2:45 P.M. Memorial Service by State Chaplain
Clayton Collins

3:45 P.M. Resolutions - by Committee Reports

5:00 P.M. Close in the Fourth Degree

6:00 P.M. *Banquet "Look for the Stars"*

Pine Cone Eastern Star Chapter #26

1021 Turner Rd., Auburn (*downstairs*)

Tickets \$14.00 to be Purchased in Advance

Junior Program / Presentation,

Recognition of Former Officers of MSG,

Awards & Presentations: Community Service,

Family Health & Hearing, Outstanding Granger,

Membership, Educational Aid and Howes Nurses Schol-

arships, Tree Farmer of the Year,

Farm Family Enterprise Award, Home for Little Wander-

ers with donated gifts and

House in the Woods plus pennies.

Friday, October 21

9:00 A.M. Opening in the Fourth Degree

Roll Call of Officers

Reading and Adopting the Minutes of
Thursday's Session

Acceptance of Master's Address

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report

Acceptance of Secretary's Report

Report of Credentials Committee (Partial)

9:30 A.M.

Acceptance of 2022-2023 Budget

Election of Officers & Installation

*Resolutions by Committee Reports
(worked in during elections)*

*Acceptance of Written Reports of Officers
and Committees (worked in during elections)*

10:30 A.M. Break

10:45 A.M. Session Called Back to Order
Speaker National Representative
Ann Bercher, Lecturer

12:00 Ag Luncheon (*downstairs*)

Tickets \$8.00 to be Purchased in Advance

1:30 P.M. Session Called Back to Order

Report of Credentials Committee (Final)

Close in the Fourth Degree

**2:30 P.M. Open in the 6th Degree
Conferral of the Sixth Degree**

Closing 149th Annual Session in the 4th Degree
Tear Down we could use help

Schedule may be adjusted as needed!