

2023 Northeast Youth Conference (July 15th & 16th, Brookfield, VT)

First of all, thank you to everyone for wanting to move forward with a 2023 Northeast Youth Conference! The planning and promotion of this conference will be a team effort of all the youth directors in the northeast!

A very special thank you to Jessica Falker, VT Youth Director for hosting this year's conference in conjunction with the VT Youth Conference the same weekend. We truly appreciate Jessica stepping up to the plate and offering! We also thank the VT State Grange Officials for being supportive and agreeing to having the northeast conference the same time as their state Youth Conference.

Overall Details of the Regional Conference Registration Deadline Date July 1, 2023

Date/ Time: 8 am Saturday, July 15th to 11 am Sunday, July 16th

Location: Vermont State Grange Center, Brookfield, Vermont Link:

<https://www.vtstategrange.org/rentals.html>

Space & Buildings: the above link will provide a basic overview of the property

Dining Hall:

- Can accommodate 100 people
- Has a stage
- 4 bathrooms

Nurse Station:

- On the property

Victorian Mansion:

- Outside back porch that can accommodate gatherings/ presentations
- Rooms inside for gatherings/workshops, etc.

Chapel area:

Great for Sunday morning ecumenical service

Lodging (Cabin):

- Cabins have 96 beds.
- Each one has electricity & running water. VT State Official Standards must comply to hotel standards.
- Cabins are designated by gender and age categories
- Each two cabins relate to one bathroom. Showers are in a separate building.
- Each attendee would need to bring their own bedding & towels.

For traveling to/from the conference, youth directors can coordinate their own plan which may include overnight accommodations for Friday night. Jessica said the closest hotel accommodations to Brookfield VT the next morning would be in Montpelier (VT State Capital) and approximately 20+ minutes north.

Because Jessica will be in charge of the VT Youth activities that week (as previously scheduled), she has agreed to integrate the activities she has planned for her youth program with activities of the conference. The State Youth Directors have planned the details of schedule including workshops, regional contests (public speaking and sign-a-song).

There will be a \$35.00 fee for the conference for overnight accommodations and four meals.

Below is a tentative draft schedule based on previous regional conferences and combining with a State Youth conference/camp...including workshops, regional contests and other activities usually done at Regional Conference.

TENTATIVE YOUTH CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

8 AM - 9 AM : Breakfast & Registration

9 AM - 9:30 AM : Welcome & Review of Agenda

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM : Olympic Games & Community Service Project

10:30 AM - 11:15 AM : Workshop #1 How to Write a Resolution by Deborah Ploof VSG Exec Comm.

11:15 AM - 12 PM : WORKSHOP #2 - SAMNATHA WILKINS?

12 PM - 1 PM : Lunch - Entertainment by Junior Grange Campers

1 PM - 2PM : Move in to cabins & Continue Olympic Games and Community Service Project

2 PM - 5 PM : Contests (order TBD by judge availability)

- Public Speaking
- Sign-A-Song
- Grange Baseball

6 PM - 7 PM : Dinner & Awards

7 PM - 9 PM : EVENING ACTIVITIES?

9 PM : Campfire

10 PM : Reflection on Hope

11 PM : Lights Out

SUNDAY, JULY 16TH

8 AM - 9 AM : Breakfast, Start to Pack & Clean

9:30 AM - 10 AM : Faith Service by Jenny Nelson VSG Chaplain

10 AM - 11:00 AM : Drill Competition

11 AM - 12 PM : Final pack & clean



Northeast Regional Grange Youth Conference 2023

July 15th at 8am – July 16th at 11am

Vermont Grange Center, 308 West St, Brookfield, VT 05036

For Youth Members age 14-35, but all are welcome to attend!

Regional Contests - Games - Drill Teams

\$35 includes all meals, activities & lodging

Payment accepted through Venmo @Jessica-Falker-1

or cash/check payable to:

Vermont State Grange Youth, c/o Jessica Falker, 72 Alfred Buck Lane, Pittsford, VT 05763

Please mail form to Jessica Falker, 72 Alfred Buck Ln, Pittsford, VT 05763, or email to jjem1999@yahoo.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

Food allergies or special needs: _____

I would like to participate in the following contests (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sign-A-Song | <input type="checkbox"/> Grange Baseball (trivia, not actual baseball) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'm Not Sure Yet | |