



## MEMBERSHIP

Rick Grotton, Director

To the Officers and members of the Maine State Grange,  
The Membership Department has submitted columns with helpful information in order to attract new membership. Please refer to the website for all past columns and information. This is a year for 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations for Community Granges to begin and there have been a few already. I did attend two this year and plan for a couple more later this year.

Answering questions, communicating ideas, and finding new ways to attract members is the objective of this department. New ideas have formed recently; one is to award new membership for their accomplishments and the other is to have Granges share on the website what they are doing in order to be nominated in their community for a Spirit of America award. I do not have the membership numbers yet, but they will be shared when they arrive. Thank you to those who have inspired me during the past year. Remember, membership is a big concern and we should be continuously working on increasing our numbers for future generations. Hopefully, in the next year we will be able to meet, share our ideas, and build up our membership. In the meantime, keep up the good work, the good service, and continue to be a great Granger!!!

Fraternally,  
Rick Grotton, Membership Director, Maine State Grange

### GRANGES REPORTING NET GAINS For Membership Year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Ammadamast 379	+1
Bingham 237	+1
Cambridge Valley 582	+1
Chelsea 215	+2
Enterprise 48	+2
Fairview 342	+32
Granite 192	+1
Harraseeket 9	+1
Manchester 172	+3
Merriconeag 425	+2
Parkman 305	+2
St. George 421	+11 by merger with Penobscot View
Tranquility 344	+24
Trenton 550	+11
Union Harvest 591	+3
Valley 144	+1
Victor 49	+15
Waterford 479	+21 by merger with Alder River

