

NH STATE GRANGE YOUTH PROGRAM 2021 REPORT:

Please note that all * items on the following pages denote contests/activities that have no age requirement to complete or participate!

***2021 YOUTH REPORT FORM**

20 POINTS

Your Grange should submit a Youth Report to the State Youth Director by September 25, 2021. In addition, Subordinate Youth Chairmen should send a copy of their report form to the Pomona Youth Chairman by September 20th, 2021 so that he/she has all the needed information to compile and submit an accurate Pomona youth report to the Youth Director by the due date.

***2021 YOUTH REPORT BOOKLET**

50 POINTS

Each Grange is encouraged to submit a Youth Report form in a booklet that includes photographs, newspaper clippings, souvenirs, etc. about your Grange's youth activities. This is due to the State Youth Director by September 25th, 2021.

***WINTER YOUTH RALLY**

40 POINTS

This event is tentatively scheduled to be held at the State Grange Building on February 6, 2021. Please watch for details about the activities in the mail and the *Granite State Granger*. Scheduled activities will include Grange Knowledge Test, workshops, a Youth Association Meeting, and meals throughout the day.

***JUNE YOUTH RALLY**

25 POINTS

This event is tentatively scheduled for June 5, 2021 at the State Grange Building in Hooksett. Activities will include workshops, Public Speaking and Sign-A-Song Contests, a Youth Association meeting, awarding of Youth Officers and Ambassadors, and election of youth officers. Watch for a future mailing, the State Grange website, and the *Granite State Granger* for detailed information.

***NORTHEAST REGIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE Full: 70 POINTS /Partial: 35 POINTS**

Regional Grange Jeopardy, Public Speaking and the Sign-A-Song contests take place here. Workshop presented by the National Youth Director and Drill Competitions will be held at the conference. More details to come.

***DONATIONS:** All State Youth donations must be made by September 15th, 2021 to the State Youth Director. Checks should be made payable to "NH State Grange Youth Department".*

***CONTRIBUTE TO THE STATE GRANGE YOUTH FUND**

20 POINTS

The activities of the State Grange Youth Committee are greatly enhanced by the monies that each Grange contributes to the Youth fund. These donations can be funds raised by some project of the Youth Committee of your Grange.

***CONTRIBUTE TO THE RANDALL RICHARDSON MEMORIAL FUND 20 POINTS**

Randall Richardson was an active member of NH State Grange. He served as a Deputy State Master, was an elected state officer and was appointed the first Membership Chairman of the NH State Grange by State Master John L. Saturley. He was a strong supporter of the NH Youth Program and would often financially help any youth that was not able to attend youth activities because of the cost. A fund was established after his death at the request of his family to help meet the costs of youth travel, such as youth members attending National Session, especially for Youth Ambassadors, Youth Officers, and Public Speaking and Sign-A-Song winners. The Youth committee receives donations each year from individual Grange members, Subordinate and Pomona Granges and the donations are added to the fund. From this fund we are able to use the interest earned to cover the cost of youth travel.

***CONTRIBUTE TO THE JODI BAILEY YOUTH FUND**

20 POINTS

Jodi Thomas Bailey (1967 – 1991). This Youth fund was named in her honor, because it was her idea and desire that financial aid be offered to all Grange youth, that they could enjoy the fellowship and advantages gained from attending youth conferences. She was a very active member of the Grange and especially of the Youth program. Some of her accomplishments were: NH State Grange Female Ambassador in 1987, National Female Ambassador in 1988, Chairman of the Deaf Activities Committee and Sign-a-Song winner who competed at the National level. With her courage and commitment she stayed very active during her brief lifetime. It is through the donations by Granges that this fund is able to keep giving in her memory. Members age 14-35 may request financial aid to attend Summer Youth Rally or Northeast Regional Youth Conference.

Applications must be submitted to the Youth Director by May 1. They must be signed and sealed by the Subordinate Secretary, signifying that the member is in good standing. All requests are confidential. The amount of funds available will be limited to 50% of the funds in the account as of January 1, 2021. The Youth Director will notify recipients the amount of their award.

***CONTRIBUTE TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH FUND**

20 POINTS

Donations to The National Grange Youth Leadership Foundation are extremely important, as they provide crucial support to the National Youth Program. There are many wonderful programs offered on the National level. Donations should be sent directly to the National Grange headquarters and made payable to "The Grange Foundation" with a notation that this donation is for the Youth Leadership Fund (National Grange Office, 1616 H St. NW, Washington DC, 20006)

***PAPER CRAFT CONTEST**

20 POINTS EACH

This contest is open to all Grange members. Using paper as the foundation, you may use any materials to adorn or construct your entry. Your project may not be any bigger than 14 inches in height and width. Entries may consist of any type of paper construction or decoration that does not qualify for an entry in the Lecturer's Art Contest. Scrapbook pages, ornaments, gift bags, gift boxes, origami, quilling, scherenschnitte, paper mache, are some ideas to get you started. Members may enter more than one project, as long as each entry features a different craft genre. All entries must be to the State Youth Director by October 1st.

***T-SHIRT CONTEST**

20 POINTS EACH

Decorate a T-shirt with paint, fabric, or any suitable material and submit it to the State Youth Director by October 1st for judging! Entries must be signed-in before the end of the first day of session. There are two categories: A) Grange Promotion B) Open Topic.

***GRANGE KNOWLEDGE TEST**

20 POINTS EACH

This is a fun way to test your knowledge of Grange history, ritual, personalities, and such. It is given at the Winter Rally meeting and also serves as the written test portion of the Youth Officers' Contest and the Ambassadors' program. It is open to all Grange members.

GRANGE KNOWLEDGE TEST STUDY GUIDE

The following is a list of items that you should study if you are interested in taking the Youth Officer Test, Ambassador Test, Outstanding Young Adult Test or the Grange Knowledge Test.

- *NH State Grange Roster
- *Subordinate Grange Manual
- *Grange Youth Program
- *Grange Digest and By-Laws
- *The Grange, Friend Of The Farmer 1867-1947 By Charles M. Gardner
- *The Grange: First Century of Service and Evolution 1867-1967 BY W.L. Robinson
- "The Grange: A Century of Service in NH" By John L. Saturley
- *The Grange: Fifteen Years In The Second Century In New Hampshire By John L. Saturley.
- *The Grange: 1873-1998, 125 Years in NH By John L. Saturley.
- *People, Pride, and Progress 125 Years of the Grange In America By David H. Howard.

***PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST**

40 POINTS EACH

When: June Youth Rally

Who: Open to all Grange members

How to enter: Submit entry form to the State Youth Director by June 1st, 2021.

Rules:

> Three Age Categories: 1. 14 – 21 2. 22 – 35 3. 36 and over

> The age of the contestant at the first competition will determine the age group the contestant will enter.

> Categories:

A: Prepared Topic: Contestant's choice. Each contestant is required to answer an impromptu question at the end of their speech, which will be related to the contestant's chosen topic.

Time Limit: Must be a minimum of 4 minutes and a maximum of 7 minutes.

B: Radio Spot: This is an advertisement promoting the Grange. Pretend you are a Radio DJ doing a commercial for the Grange. Be original and creative. Spoken words, operating of music and any background must be done by the contestant. No outside help is allowed.

Time Limit: Exactly 60 seconds

C: Impromptu Speeches: This is delivered without preparation or thought ahead of time. Any member may sign up for the Impromptu Speech Contest at the state and regional conference, however no funds are available to aid these contestants with travel and registration costs to attend.

Time Limit: At least one minute but not longer than 7 minutes

> State winners in Categories A & B will compete at the Northeast Youth Conference. Some of the winner's expenses may be paid by the state Youth Committee. National Grange will provide ribbons to the top three entrants in each division and age category along with cash prizes. One overall winner from the region will be selected to showcase at the National Grange Convention. Refer to the National Youth Program for complete details on rules, awards, and scoring or contact the Youth Director for a digital or hard copy of the rules.

***SIGN-A-SONG CONTEST**

40 POINTS EACH

When: June Youth Rally

Who: Open to all Grange members

How to enter: Submit entry form to the State Youth Director by June 1, 2021.

Rules: You must be a member of Subordinate Grange for a minimum of 1 year. (Junior Grange membership counts.)

Categories:

A: Novice- beginning to learn sign, no more than 3 sign language classes, not entered contest for more than two years.

B: Hobbyist-signs on occasion for fun, and entered the contest for more than two years.

C: Group- two or more people signing.

D: Expert-one who signs professionally. Ineligible for Best of Show award.

Time Limit: 5 minutes

>Participants are to supply three copies of the words to the song they are signing.

>Participants must provide their own music. A CD player and speakers will be available. Refer to the National Youth Program for complete details on rules, awards, and scoring or contact the Youth Director for a digital or hard copy of the rules.

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GRANGE YOUTH AMBASSADORS CONTEST

MALE/FEMALE, YOUNG COUPLE

50 POINTS EACH

MALE/FEMALE YOUNG ADULT AMBASSADORS

The Ambassador program (known as the Horizon Leadership Ambassador Program at the National level) develops and recognizes the achievements and leadership abilities of young adults. Those wishing to compete for Male or Female Ambassador must have observed their 16th birthday, but not their 22nd birthday by December 31st 2021. These individuals must also be single, never been married, may not have children and must not marry and/or have children during the term of service. If under 18, must have parent's consent.

Young Couples and Young Adults must be between the ages of 22-35, having observed their 22nd birthday, but not their 36th birthday by December 31, 2021.

All participants must have been a Grange member for a minimum of 1 year. State winners must be willing to work to help promote the Grange Youth Program, as well as, represent our state at the National Grange convention in 2020 for which ambassadors will receive partial funding to attend.

Requirements:

- 1) Complete a notebook about your Grange, School, Home, and Community activities.
- 2) Take a written test with a score of 85% or higher on Grange history, personalities, etc. (Winter Rally)
- 3) Take part in a personal interview. The interview and written test will be conducted at a spring activity to be determined.
- 4) Participants must complete the requirements for 3 National Grange Achievement award seals by April 1, 2021. (The Public Speaking Achievement is highly recommended.)
- 5) Each must have attended a Northeast Regional Youth Conference within the past 3 years.
- 6) State winners shall complete all other requirements for the National Horizon Leadership Recognition Program. (A complete guideline for National Participation will be provided.)
- 7) NH Ambassadors must agree to provide a workshop at Winter Youth Rally in 2022 to pass along the information learned at National Grange.
- 8) Applications (available online) and notebooks are due to the State Youth Director by April 1st, 2021.

NH YOUTH OFFICER CONTEST

40 POINTS EACH

The purpose of this award is to recognize our members between the ages of 14-35, who do outstanding ritualistic work in the office of: Master, Steward, Assistant Steward, and Lady Assistant Steward, or Ceres. This honor requires that each officer be present at Youth Association events, including rehearsals. The office is held for one year and can be held only once. Complete an application, available online, and send it to the Youth Director, postmarked by January 16, 2021.

REQUIREMENTS

- Take a written test on Basic Grange knowledge. Test is given at the Winter Rally Meeting.
- Participate in the opening and closing ritual of the Subordinate Grange.

Youth Officers will be announced in June and will be the Youth Officer of the New Hampshire State Grange Youth Association for the coming year. Remaining Youth Officers will be elected at the Summer Youth Rally.

DRILL TEAM CONTEST

30 POINTS EACH

The New Hampshire Youth Drill Team competes at the Northeast Youth Conference held each summer. The drill team is an 8 to 16 person team, and is open to all youth ages 14- 35. One quarter of the team may be over the age of 35, but youth age team members get first preference. The team meets in the spring and early summer for multiple practices and will perform an 8-10 minute marching drill set to music for the competition. This is a highlight of the regional youth conference and the first place prize is highly coveted by all the states in the region. Please let the Youth Director know you are interested by March 1, 2021.

***HOLD YOUTH/ACTIVITY NIGHT**

75 POINTS

Youth Nights are to be conducted by the Youth Committee of each Grange. The program should be well rounded and a copy must be included in your report. An activity or event can be planned in place of a youth night program. An event can be a dance or activity that would include local youth who are not

Grange members. One or more Granges can combine to hold a youth/activity night or program. Send invitations to neighboring Granges. Please make sure to send your Youth Night date to the Youth Director so we can schedule a representative to attend.

***YOUTH NIGHT VISITING**

30 POINTS

Each Grange is asked to visit at least three other Youth/Activity Nights. Any member of your Grange may make these visits. Please be sure to report about your visits at your next Grange meeting. Also report to the State Youth Director in your year-end report what office you held, or games you played or any other way you participated or assisted.

NEW YOUTH MEMBERS

40 POINTS EACH

Youth membership must be encouraged at all levels of the Grange. There ARE young people in the world today that are interested in the values exemplified by the Grange. Get out into the community to let others know about Grange.

SUBMIT YOUTH MEMBERS' MAIL/EMAIL ADDRESS

10 POINTS EACH

The success of our program depends greatly upon our ability to communicate with each other. The Youth Committee desires the ability to send emails and mailings directly to all youth members, thus enhancing the quality of our communications. Please send the name, mailing address, email address, and if possible, the phone number of each of your Grange's youth members to receive this credit.

***YOUTH REPORT AT EACH MEETING**

40 POINTS

The Youth Committee should be a Standing Committee in every Grange. This committee should report at each meeting the activities of the young people in the area including Grange, school, 4-H, FFA, JROTC, scouts, church groups, etc. Also report the events of the Youth Association, as there are activities happening throughout the year.

PARTICIPATE IN STATE LECTURER'S TALENT/VARIETY SHOW POINTS

30

Our organization benefits when we support other departments in our organization. The Lecturer's Talent Contest is in need of our support.

***PRESENT A RITUALISTIC PROGRAM**

50 POINTS

Present or provide a ritualistic program in your Grange. This can include trivia or any bits of interesting information. To take credit a complete copy of the evening's program must be included in your Youth Report.

YOUTH ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

10 POINTS EACH

Any member age 14-35 can be elected or appointed to fill an office in the Youth Association for one year. This honor requires that each officer be present at State Grange, Winter Rally, June Youth Rally, and other Youth Association meetings.

***ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

5 POINTS EACH SEAL

The National Grange offers achievement awards that can be earned by **all ages**, with a couple of exceptions. It's a great way for all members to participate and encourage participation in the community and in the Grange. A certificate is awarded and a seal is given for each level met. Look for detailed information on each award and also see the full list, go to the National Grange Youth website.

Ambassador Application

Circle one: *Male Ambassador Female Ambassador Young Couple*

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Grange & #: _____ Date 4th degree conferred: _____

If you are a member in any of the following degrees please list dates:

5th degree: _____ 6th degree _____ 7th degree _____

Were you a Junior Grange member? _____, If yes, when did you join? _____

Would you be able to attend any part of State Session for 2021?

Would you be able to attend the National Grange Session in 2022?

Would you be able to represent your state at the following activities the next Grange year?

Northeast Youth Conference (2021) _____

Grange Family Weekend (2021) _____

Grange Day at the Big E (September, 2021) _____

Winter Rally (2021) _____ June Youth Rally (2021) _____

Did you participate in any of the following activities this past year?

June Yout Rally _____ Grange Day, Big E _____

Northeast Youth Conference _____

Will you be entering any of the following contests this year?

Public Speaking _____ Sign-a-Song _____ Paper Craft Contest _____

Youth Officer Contest _____ T-Shirt Contest _____

What National Grange Achievement awards will you be working on? (A minimum of 3 seals must be completed with the Public Speaking Achievement recommended.)

1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____

Have you participated in any community service work? Please explain. _____

What have you contributed to your subordinate Grange this past year? _____

SUBORDINATE CERTIFICATION:

This certifies that this applicant is in good standing of the Grange, and is eligible for participation in this project, and that the information given is accurate.

Youth Chairman (signature) _____ Date: _____

Master (signature) _____ Date: _____

Applicant (signature) _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION FOR JODI BAILEY YOUTH FUND

ELIGIBILITY: Any New Hampshire Grange Member ages 14-35.

USE: To aid youth members to attend June Youth Rally or Northeast Youth Conference.

DECISION Made by a committee consisting of the Youth Director, the State Master, and a past State

Youth Director for all requests received by due date.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 1, 2021 REQUESTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

NAME _____ AGE _____

GRANGE _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE _____

EVENT: Please circle.

JUNE YOUTH RALLY

NORTHEAST YOUTH CONFERENCE

AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

Reason for request: _____

In what capacity will you be involved at the event you are planning to attend using these funds?

Will your home Grange also be providing assistance to attend this event? _____ If yes, how will they assist you? _____

If you do not get the full amount requested, will you still be able to attend? _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Applications must be signed and sealed by the Secretary of your Subordinate Grange signifying that you are a member in good standing.

SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

SEAL:

YOUTH OFFICER CONTEST APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

TELEPHONE NO.: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

GRANGE: _____

Send to Youth Director by January 15th!

OFFICE THAT YOU WILL BE RUNNING FOR:

MASTER _____ STEWARD _____ ASSISTANT STEWARD _____

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD _____ CERES _____

PUBLIC SPEAKING/SIGN-A-SONG ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____ GRANGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Circle One: PUBLIC SPEAKING SIGN-A-SONG

Check Division: ___14-22 ___23-35 ___36&up

Circle Category: Speech Radio Spot Impromptu Novice Hobbyist Group Expert

If Group, please list the name of all participants: _____

2020 YOUTH PROGRAM SUBORDINATE / POMONA REPORT

>Youth Report to Pomona Chairman 9/20/2021----- 20 points _____

>Send this form to State Youth Director by 9/25/2021----- 20 points _____

>Youth Report in Booklet Form due to Youth Team Director by 9/25/2021 ---- 50 points _____

***The Subordinate and Pomona Granges with the highest score will be recognized at State Session.**

Attend Youth Events in 2021: See Grange calendars for dates.

Winter Youth Rally----- 40 points _____
 June Youth Rally-----partial/full 25/50 points _____
 Northeast Regional Youth Conference-----partial/full 35/70 points _____

Contribute to Youth Funds: Due to State Youth Director by: September 15th, 2021

* State Youth Fund----- 20 points _____
 * Randall Richardson Memorial Fund----- 20 points _____
 * Jodi Bailey Youth Fund----- 20 points _____
 * National Youth Fund (Send directly to National Grange)----- 20 points _____

Participate in Youth Contest:

* Paper Craft----- 20 points each _____
 * T-Shirt Contest ----- 20 points each _____

* Grange Knowledge Test----- 20 points each _____
 * Public Speaking: ----- 40 points each _____
 * Sign-A-Song Contest----- 40 points each _____
 Male and Female Youth Ambassadors: ----- 50 points each _____
 Young Couple/ Young Adult Contest ----- 50 points each _____
 Youth Officer Contest----- 40 points each _____
 Drill Team Contest Member----- 30 points each _____

Events, Awards, and Members:

Hold a Youth/Activity Night (include copy of your program): ----- 75 points _____
 Attend at least three Youth Nights (include report of how you participated) ----- 30 points _____
 New Youth Members: ----- 40 points each _____
 Submit youth members' mailing/email address to Youth Director ----- 10 points each _____
 Report Youth Activities at each meeting: ----- 40 points _____
 _____ Participate in State Lecturer's Variety/Talent Show ----- 30
 points _____
 Present a Ritualistic Program: (include copy of your program) ----- 50 points _____
 Youth Association Officers (elected 2021):----- 10 points each _____
 Earn Achievement Awards: ----- 5 points each _____

Total points _____

_____ Grange belongs to _____ Pomona.