New York State Grange

2020 - 2021

Family Activities Program

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The Grange has always been a family-oriented organization. We feel the family unit needs to be strengthened. The Grange needs to continue to provide opportunities to uphold family values of love, acceptance, honesty and meaningful communication. The Grange will continue to provide programs of interest for members and to draw new members.

**Health Project:** The health project is meant to educate and to raise awareness of different health topics. The health topic suggested is Opioid addiction and its health effects and how the community can help.

**Crafts and Handiwork:** Entries are open to Grange members and community members. A community member may enter one (1) year, but then must become a Grange member prior to entering subsequent years. No professional people may enter any contest. An entrant may not make the item to be sold later. We hope to draw new interest and new individuals with the hope of gaining new members. Juniors will have their own class in each category at the Pomona level. First place winners from each category at the Pomona level are sent to Cortland for state competition. Entries may only be submitted once at Local, Pomona and State levels. Judging at Local and Pomona levels may be done at any time during the year prior to judging at State level.

**The top entries for Afghan, Doilies, Embroidery, 3-Piece Baby Sets, Plastic Canvass, Counted Cross-Stitch, Adult Garment, Latch Hook, Quilted Wall Hanging, Stuffed Toy, Baby Afghan and Sewn Garment will be sent to the New England Exposition (Big E) for judging. Please note there are some categories not included in the New York State contests, the top entries for those categories will be sent to be judged at the Northeast Exposition. These entries will need to be sent to Springfield, MA prior to September 5 for 2020 and 2021. All items are to be labeled with Name, Address, Home Grange and County.

**Please send items to Cortland Headquarters by April 20, 2020 and April 19, 2021.** Judging will take place the Thursday prior to the Lecturers and Family Activities Conference. In 2020, judging will take place on Thursday April 23, 2020 and in 2021 judging will be on Thursday, April 22, 2021 with the conference on Saturday, April 25, 2020 and Saturday, April 24, 2021, respectively.
Categories for Crafts and Handiwork:

1) **Woodworking**
Complete any type of woodworking not to exceed 20x24 inches.
Judging: Creativity – 30%, Workmanship – 40%, Appearance – 30%
   A.) Subordinate
   B.) Junior

2) **Quilting**
Create a finished quilt project. You may use any type of thread or material except pre-quilted fabric. Any quilting method may be used.
Judging: Originality – 30%, Coordinating Colors – 20%, Stitching – 40% Overall Appearance – 10%
   A.) Small wall hanging (for the Big E, maximum size is 18”x18”)
      1. Machine quilted
      2. Hand quilted
      3. Junior
   B.) Bed Size Quilt (for 2020 only)/Baby Size Quilt (for 2021 only)
      1. Machine quilted
      2. Hand quilted
      3. Junior

3) **Needlework**
   A.) Afghans – Any size, any pattern; knitted, crocheted, woven, maximum size: 52”x84”
      1. Regular Size (between 48”x78” to 52”x84”)
      2. Baby Size, yarn should be suitable for a baby
   B.) Doilies – Knitted, crocheted or tatted, maximum size 14 inches
   C.) Latch Hook (for 2020 only)/Plastic Canvass (for 2021 only)
   D.) 3-Piece Baby Set, yarn should be suitable for a baby
   E.) Embroidery/Cross Stitch
   F.) Stuffed Toy, toy should be child safe

   Judging: Originality – 30%, Coordinating Colors – 20%, Stitching – 40%, Overall Appearance – 10%

4) **Holiday Ornament** any holiday of your choice
   Judging: Creativity – 30%, Workmanship – 40%, Appearance – 30%

The projects will be on display at the Lecturers’ and FAC Conference on April 25, 2020 and April 24, 2021. First place winners of select categories will be sent to the Eastern States Exposition (Springfield, MA) before September 5 for 2020 and 2021. Anyone may still submit entries to be selected for judging at the Big E for contests that we do not have categories for in New York.

D. **Baking Contest** (See attached score sheets for details)
   1) Scones, your choice (for 2020 only)
   2) No-Bake Gluten Free Cookies (for 2021 only)
2020 Scone Judging

a.) Each contestant must be a member of a Grange. No Professional Bakers may enter.
b.) Each contestant must enter six (6) scones for judging. No frosting may be used.
c.) Recipe must be submitted with name, address, Grange and county attached to the bottom of each entry.
d.) Judging at Local and Pomona levels to be done within one year prior to State Grange. The winners from each Pomona Grange are to be sent to State Grange to be judged the Saturday of State Session in 2020.

SCORING

GENERAL APPEARANCE (10 points)
   Uniform in size
   Straight sides
   No flour base
   Creamy white inside

TENDERNESS (30 points)
   Crisp, tender crust
   Moist, tender interiors
   Color

TEXTURE (30 points)
   Light and flaky
   Medium to fine grain
   Slightly moist

FLAVOR (30 points)
   Pleasing flavor
   No off flavor

TOTAL SCORE
2021 No-Bake Gluten Free Cookie Judging

a.) Each contestant must be a member of a Grange. No Professional Bakers may enter.
b.) Each contestant must enter six (6) cookies not over 3 inches in diameter. No frosting may be used.
c.) The recipe with name, address, Grange and county must be attached to the bottom of each entry.
d.) Judging at Local and Pomona levels to be done within one year prior to State Grange. The winners from each Pomona Grange are to be sent to State Grange to be judged the Saturday of State Session in 2021.

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<td>Six (6) cookies of one kind</td>
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<td>CRUMB (35 points)</td>
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<td>FLAVOR (odor &amp; taste) (40 points)</td>
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