
IDAHO STATE GRANGE

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Dear New Grange Member:

As President of the Idaho State Grange, it is my pleasure to welcome you to your Local Grange and the Grange Family. Your membership in Grange will be valued and appreciated.

The Grange consists of four levels: Local (Subordinate) County (Pomona) State and the National Grange. The Idaho State Grange has 22 Local Grange consisting of 600 members throughout the State.

The Grange community consists of 150,000 members in 1,700 local chapters across the nation that each serve as the center of rural life in their farming communities. Each local chapter offers a wide range of locally oriented programs and activities like potluck dinners, annual Grange fairs, and community service events.

Charitable work is often the focus at local Granges with members giving thousands of volunteer hours and raising millions of dollars for important causes. Through this outreach, Granges help improve the lives of their own members and of neighbors in their rural communities. Whether by helping a neighbor in need or organizing a bake sale to raise money for a local school, Grange members will be there serving their communities.

The Grange is for the whole family. Junior Grange and Grange Youth provide a place for anyone over age four in the Grange. Young members conduct their own meetings, learn about leadership and service, and participate in fun activities. The Grange is for everyone!

Along with being a social and service organization, the Grange is the nation's oldest agriculture advocacy group. Being a Grange member opens the door to interact with legislators to advocate on behalf of rural America and agriculture. Local Granges hold regular meetings during which issues like rural broadband access, climate change, and rural healthcare are discussed. As the Grange is a grassroots organization, policy recommendations are adopted in local Granges, passed by State Granges, and moved to the National Grange who advocates for them in Washington, D.C. with Congress and other federal agencies.

I hope you will take advantage of your Grange discounts and benefits that are offered through the National Grange, please check out the National Grange Website for more information (nationalgrange.org). Also, please check out our own Idaho State Grange website idahostategrange.org for State and Local Grange information. We are also on Facebook.

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