

Come Join Us



Connecticut Granges

Building On Our Foundations



Connecticut State Grange: Application for Membership

To the officers and members: I, _____
Mailing Address _____
City/ST/Zip _____
Phone _____ Birth Date _____
E-mail _____
Occupation _____
(if retired, please state previous occupation)

<u>For Grange Secretary</u>	
Grange & No. _____	_____
Affiliate? (Circle one) Y N	_____
Home Grange _____	_____
CT Granger Subscription? Y N	_____
Date Joined _____ / _____ / _____	_____
Fees paid \$ _____	Dues Paid \$ _____
<u>For State Secretary</u>	
Member No. _____	_____

respectfully petition to be initiated and enrolled as a member in your Grange.
In presenting this application, I am influenced by no motive other than a desire to unite with others in elevating and advancing the interest of my community through the principles of the Grange and receiving in return such benefits and advantages as may accrue to all who belong to the Grange. I promise a faithful compliance with the By-laws of this Grange, and the Constitution and By-laws of the State and National Grange. I have not previously applied to membership in this or any other Grange within the past six months.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____
Recommended by 1.) _____ 2.) _____
Application Fee \$ _____ Membership Dues \$ _____

What is the Grange?

Founded in 1867, the Grange is the nation's oldest general farm and community public interest organization. Today the Grange represents nearly 160,000 grassroots Grange members affiliated with 2,100 local, county and state Grange chapters located in 42 states.

In the State of Connecticut, there are over 50 communities with Grange chapters.

Connecticut Granges provide diverse services to not only agriculture and rural communities on a wide variety of issues, but to the needs of all people - rural, suburban and urban - including economic development, education, family endeavors, and legislation designed to assure strong and viable communities across America.

With a non-partisan legislative voice at the local, state and national level, the Grange vigorously encourages member participation in the political process.

The fellowship, recreation and social activities in the Grange are developed with the family in mind – children and senior citizens alike are welcome. Competitions in music, art, public speaking, crafts, and a variety of other activities are an important part of every Grange's agenda.

In 1867 the National Grange became the first nationwide farm organization. It is the first national organization to give full voice and vote to women, 50 years before Congress adopted the same.



National Grange
Founder
Oliver Hudson Kelley

The Grange's passionate, non-partisan style of grassroots vigor has since continued to ensure that the average citizen is fully represented in public policy dialogue.

Membership Benefits

The Grange provides numerous benefits for its members, including:

- An ability to have a voice – from legislative issues to community issues
- Learning about your community and its priorities, and making a difference within the communities across Connecticut
- Camaraderie, fun and life-long friendships
- Networking and personal growth opportunities
- Developing organizational and communication skills: speaking, writing and negotiating
- Stay informed of Grange News with a subscription to the Connecticut Granger newspaper
- Numerous contests and hobby activities
- Camp Berger - Summer Camp for children ages 7-14.
- Discounts on Rental Cars
- Insurance Services
- Hearing Aid Services
- Prescription Cards
- Grange Trips and Cruises
- Hotel Discounts
- Access to numerous other savings and services

As well as additional benefits with the following ...

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Since 1867, Grange members have been meeting the needs of their communities and the nation. Our organization has constantly evolved to be of service to our communities, families and our neighbors.

The Granges in Connecticut are very active within their local communities on a daily basis. Grangers have been responsible for a whole myriad of community service programs, including:

- Supply and help local food banks
- Make care packages for our troops overseas
- Donate dictionaries to third graders
- Distribute bike helmets to prevent head injuries
- Provide college scholarships to students
- Provide a quality summer camp for children
- Work with Foster Families through donations
- Raise money and donate goods to children's programs across the state



Today's Grange works to improve conditions for rural, suburban, and urban Americans.

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The centerpiece of Grange activity is community service. In Connecticut, each Grange determines what is needed in their individual communities and works to fill the void.



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