

Tentative Convention Schedule

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024

Ballroom, Holiday Inn, 10 Laura Blvd., Norwich, CT

- 7:00 P.M. Opening in form in the Fourth Degree
Introduction of National Representatives, Roger Bostwick, High Priest of Demeter of the National Grange and Melanie Bostwick
Roll Call of Officers, Deputies, Committees
Lower Grange to Fourth Degree
Presentation of Fourth Degree Delegates
Roll Call of Granges
Report of Credentials Committee
Session Committee Announcements
Intro. of Business to be referred without debate
- 8:00 P.M. Address of State President Robert Buck
Response of Overseer Theodore Powell III
Report of Treasurer Jody A. Cameron
Report of Secretary Todd A. Gelineau
Report of Executive Committee/Board of Dir.
Report of Lecturer David Roberts
- 9:00 P.M. Closing
- 9:05 P.M. Annual Meeting of the Connecticut State Grange Foundation, Inc. including the annual report of the President of the Foundation
(Please remain seated for this brief meeting)
- 9:30 P.M. Time for Committee Meetings (if necessary)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

- 7:30 A.M. FREE Continental Breakfast provided by the Connecticut State Grange (Chelsearose Room)
- 9:00 A.M. Opening & Introductions
Roll Call of Officers
Minutes of Previous Day's Session
Intro. of Business to be referred without debate
- 9:15 A.M. Special Order of Business: Election of Officers of the Connecticut State Grange
- 9:30 A.M. Report of Legislative Committee
Report of Agriculture Committee
Report of General Deputy
Reports of Pomona Deputies
- 10:45 A.M. BREAK
- 11:30 A.M. Report of *Connecticut Granger*
Business Session (Resolutions)
- 12:00 P.M. Luncheon (Nutmeg Ballroom), Hosts: TBD
 - Blessing by State Chaplain
 - Family Activities Awards & Report
 - Membership Awards
 - Public Relations Awards
 - Agriculture Contest Awards
- 2:00 P.M. Recognition of Past Voting Delegates
- 2:15 P.M. Address of National Representative
- 2:45 P.M. Business Session
- 3:15 P.M. BREAK
- 3:30 P.M. Report of New England Grange Building
- 4:30 P.M. Closing
- 7:00 P.M. Celebration Banquet (Ballroom)
 - Professional Agriculture Awards
 - Scholarship Awards
 - Lecturer's Program

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024

- 7:30 A.M. FREE Continental Breakfast provided by the Connecticut State Grange (Chelsearose Room)

- 9:00 A.M. Opening & Introductions
Roll Call of Officers
Minutes of Previous Day's Sessions
Intro. of Business to be referred without debate
- 9:15 A.M. Memorial Service
Closing in form in the Fourth Degree
- 9:45 A.M. Break for Preparation of Sixth Degree
- 10:00 A.M. Conferral of the Sixth Degree, Ballroom (NEW LAST YEAR)** Open to all Sixth Degree members, registration not required to attend.
Opening in form in the Sixth Degree
Escorting National Representatives
Recognition of Honored Guests and Past Voting Delegates to National Grange
Conferral of the Sixth Degree in full form
Recognition of Golden Sheaf Members
- 11:15 A.M. BREAK (or 15 min. break at the conclusion of the degree, if earlier).
Committee Reports (Resolutions)
- 12:00 P.M. Youth & Junior Recognition Luncheon, Hosts: TBD
 - Blessing by State Chaplain
 - Introduction of guests from the CT FFA
 - Presentation by FFA
 - Junior Recognition
 - Youth Recognition
- 1:30 P.M. Budget Approval (tentative)
- 2:00 P.M. Business Session
Community Service Report
Honor Grange Awards
- 3:00 P.M. Closing in Form in the Fourth Degree
- 3:30 P.M. Installation of Officers

Degree candidates must be at the Holiday Inn by 9:30 A.M. with the Fourth and Fifth Degree Words and the Sixth Degree ticket stub to be admitted. Applications are \$10 and can be purchased from the State Secretary.

This Schedule is Tentative and subject to change.

How to book your room at the



- 1) Call the Holiday Inn Norwich at 860-889-5201. You may be forwarded to the corporate reservation line.
- 2) Tell them you are reserving a room in the CT State Grange room block in October.
- 3) Rates for our room block are as follows:
Thurs., 10/17 \$109 +tax/fees
Fri., 10/18 & Sat., 10/19. \$129 +tax/fees
- 4) **Make your reservation before Sept. 16, 2024.** If there are rooms left after that date they will be at the standard "rack" rate, not our special group rate. Due to concerts and events at Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun Casinos, rooms may be in short demand, PLEASE RESERVE your room(s) as soon as possible, well in advance of the deadline.