

APPLICATION FOR MIDDLETOWN GRANGE MEMBERSHIP
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!!

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____ OCCUPATION _____
Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____ E-Mail _____

I am at least 12 years old and hereby apply for membership in Middletown Grange #684. I desire to unite with others in elevating and advancing the interest of community life and family values. I understand the Grange is nondenominational and non-partisan. I pledge on my honor to and abide by the laws of my State and Nation and the rules and regulation of the Grange. I will not propose an improper person for membership, nor will I oppose the admission of anyone solely on the grounds of personal prejudice. I will endeavor to be a true and faithful Grange member. Should I violate this agreement, I may be dropped from membership. I know that included in my membership I will receive the monthly subscription to PA State Grange Advocate Newspaper and the monthly newsletter to Middletown Grange.

I understand that I am required to pay annual dues by January 1st of each year and that fees may be increased annually in accordance with PA State Grange fees. With this application, I agree to pay a \$5 application fee and the remaining portion of annual dues for the year determined by the month that I am joining. If you need to confirm the proper amount please call Gloria 215-598-7262.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date Signed _____ Application Fee \$5 Dues ~~_____~~ *Call for Quot*

Recommended by: _____
(I am a non family Grange member and recommend this applicant listed above.)

**Please return this application with your Grange dues and application fee to the membership secretary:
Gloria Medaglia 276 Countryside Circle New Hope PA 18938 (any questions call Gloria 215-598-7262)**

CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE AND KEEP THE LOWER PORTION FOR YOUR INFORMATION

WELCOME

You can easily become a part of America's foremost family, volunteer and grassroots organization. The Grange is comprised of families and individuals who share a common interest in community involvement, our food and fiber production system, education and working together in a wholesome environment.

Programs, projects and activities offered in every community Grange reflect the interest and talents of its members with special focus on family activities. Like any organization, the Grange is only as effective as it's members want it to be.

People are attracted to the Grange because everyone is welcome regardless of age, sex, race, religion or political persuasion. The fraternal aspects foster a deep appreciation of the American way of life and a sense of belonging.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS ARE AT HOME IN THE GRANGE

The Grange provides programming to assist in the leadership development of youth, young adults and young couples. The Grange youth program focuses on accomplishments in helping people reach goals. Programs: Public Speaking, Seminars, Camps, Achievement Projects, Travel Exchange to Other States, State and National Conference. The Grange provides the opportunity, the people provide the leadership and the community reaps the benefits.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The heart and soul of every local Grange is community service. Through strong local leadership and innovation, the Grange contributes to a stronger, better way of life for all Americans. No project is too big or small, Grangers rally together to get the job done.

PROGRAMS REFLECT MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Every Grange has a Program Director (Lecturer) in charge of planning programs for meetings. These programs are varied and are educational, informative, entertaining, and inspirational and it gives members an opportunity to share their talents and interests. Program planning is influenced by the interests of members as well as current happenings in the local community.

Programs and other activities also give members an opportunity to share individual talents and interests.

Members of all ages have the opportunity to develop skills and confidence by serving on the Program Development Committee (Lecturer's Committee) and in other leadership positions.

Programs and activities vary from Grange to Grange depending on local and regional interests. They often include: Art, photography, writing and talent contests, holiday celebrations for the family, picnics, fairs, parades, guest speakers and current topics.

Your membership committee is Gloria Medaglia, Alice Betts and Karen Vandemerkt

*****If you do NOT receive your MONTHLY newsletter, call Karen Vandemerkt 215-493-3036*****

*****if you do NOT receive your State Grange Advocate Newspaper call Alice Betts 215-598-3297*****

THE FOLLOWING ARE ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE MIDDLETOWN GRANGE #684
*******GRANGE MEETINGS HELD THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH & FAIR MEETINGS THE 2ND THURSDAY BOTH AT 7PM*******

Five day country fair
Support 4-H
200 meals a month are prepared for Aid for Friends
Support 2 local fire departments
Support local police departments
Provide police cars with defibrillators
Sew lap robes for veterans and baby quilts monthly
Knit Chemo Caps and Preemie Baby Caps for area hospitals
Monetary support to other organizations and charities
Food and clothing provided for homeless and needy
Support Women's Shelters
Support 3 local food pantries
Provide acreage for tri-county little league baseball
Hold horse shows
Provide winter storage
Financial support for community needs
Honoring Community Organizations and Leaders
Support animal shelters
Financial support to "Doctors without Borders"
Provide our facilities/grounds for community events such as: Boy Scout Jamboree,
4-H projects, Renaissance Faire, Dog Shows, Dog Agility and Obedience
AND MUCH MORE

WHAT IS GRANGE?

The Grange is a family fraternal organization dedicated to the betterment of the American way of life through community service, education, legislation and fellowship.

THE GRANGE CONSISTS OF:

- 1. The Subordinate Grange (your local level or "Community" Grange)-is the foundation of the organization and serves your needs, the needs of your family, and the needs of your community. There are nearly 300 Community (Subordinate) Granges covering 66 counties in PA. (There are Granges in 37 States in the U.S.)**
- 2. The Pomona Grange (your county level Grange)-assists your Community Grange and works at the district level for the membership. In PA there are 55 Pomona Granges throughout the 66 counties. Each Pomona consists of members from 3 or more Subordinate Granges.**
- 3. The State Grange (State level)-provides programming and assistance to your Community Grange. It works with the state legislature and promotes the organization across your entire state. Membership in PA totals 14,000 Grange members.**
- 4. The National Grange (National Level)-provides materials and training, pursues the Grange's legislative policies at the companies and organizations to provide members with outstanding benefit programs and services. Nationwide the membership totals 150,000 in 37 States.**

Activities of the Grange are varied and include all ages. There are many benefits available to Grange members. Brochures are available that lists all of these benefits and activities from your Local, State and National Grange.