

SENIOR GRANGER HIGHLIGHTED

This quarter we are highlighting the life of Betty Yeager, age 75. She has been a Grange member for 60 years and is currently a member of Kutztown Grange.

Were you a juvenile member? Didn't have any at that time

How did you get to be a member? I always went with my grandparents from the time they took me into their home (when my mother passed away—I was 3 years old). When I was 14 years old, I joined the Subordinate Grange. I still remember going up three flights of stairs in the Rothermel Building, which somebody has just remodeled and made it into apartments.

What offices did you hold? I was Subordinate Ceres for 20+ years; Family Activities chairperson (was and still am); Deaf Activities; and I am now Lecturer at Kutztown Grange

Were you involved in Pomona, State, and/or National Grange as any chairperson, officer? I served as Pomona Ceres for many years and also Finance Committee. Helped with the 6th degree in the Ceres, Flora and Pomona degrees.

Participated in what activities of the Grange? In my youth days, I remember we had a lot of youth and we did a minuet dance and went to competition. I forget who the leader was. I help to prepare and serve our banquets we have. I'm usually the crumb maker for the shoefly pies for bingo.

What is the Grange (in your words)? The Grange is a family organization. The Grange helps with a lot of community projects. A lot of legislative help goes through the Grange. A lot of different programs and contests.

Your hobbies: My hobbies used to be gardening but can no longer do it. I used to do a lot of sewing when the children were small and also for myself. I like to travel all around. I just spent 20 days in August on a cruise. It was great. I saw some camels and saw how other people live.

Children/grandchildren/great-grandchildren: 2 children, Jane Adams and Kenneth Yeager; 2 grandchildren, Jennifer Adams and Sara Adams Wilhelm; 1 great-granddaughter, Olivia Wilhelm, 18 months

Highlights of your Grange life: Going to State Grange for many years and seeing your friends from different areas—always with a big hug. Also reaching the 60 years as a member.



YOUTH REPORT (continued)

attend camp. Do you know that the Berks County Youth Department pays for your first year at Youth Camp? In order to encourage greater participation at Youth Camp, the Berks County Youth Department would like to help by providing transportation to camp. If there is enough interest, we would look at renting a van to take Youth to and from camp. That means not only would the Berks County Youth Department pay for the cost of you going to camp, they would also pay for you to get there!

Please feel free to call me (610-698-3999) or email me (darryll629@hotmail.com) with any ideas that you have for next year and the Youth Department. I would like to see a revitalized Berks County Youth Department in 2009!



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Haus/Game Night at
Hamburg Grange