

## SEPTEMBER 2008 POMONA GRANGE HIGHLIGHTS

- County Extension Educator, Morgan Firestine, provided updates on Extension Office
- Contributed \$100 to the Switzer family appeal
- Contributed \$50 to National Grange Youth Program
- Attendance: 18 brothers, 40 sisters, 17 juniors, 3 mini-juniors = total of 78
- Resolution regarding PA maps—having month and year printed beneath the words of PA—will be added beginning in Spring 2009
- Family Activities paid the \$190 tent cost for “Relay for Life”
- Family Activities (consignment sale) - \$4,501.64 profit
- Community Service distributed ‘Salvation Army Angel Tree’ tags for December meeting
- Derek Schroeder reported that 4 youth attended Youth camp in July
- Feryl Treichler reported on Sunday hunting situation (Legislative)
- Ken Kerschner reported—1,315 buyer numbers; 294 different individuals brought items for consignment; 160 household lots; 100 lawn and garden lots; 700 items were ticketed in the farm equipment area; gross income approximately \$170,000 (the lowest in a number of years) - sale profit approximately \$14,100
- 40th anniversary \$40 gift cards (from Sheetz) winners were Linda Jacoby, buyer; James Hite, con-signer
- Clean & Green assessments rolled back to 2001 figures
- Karl Minor, Humane Society of Berks County, was presented a \$500 check (from 2008 visitation programs)



- 106 participants (66 grangers and 40 non-members) participated on Pomona cruise
- 2009 Pomona dates: March, Fleetwood Grange hall, 9:45 a.m.; June, Kutztown Grange hall, 7:30 p.m.; September, Pioneer Grange, 9:45 a.m.; December, Virgenville Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- 2010 meeting locations will be reviewed
- 2008 Reading Fair Farm Family, Jim & Sue Younker and their boys, Andrew and Joel, were introduced
- Elaine Gordon is looking for Wernersville State



Hospital donations by end of October

- ECHO drawing winner was Barbara Heffner
- Received “thank you” for Dairy Ambassador gifts
- Resolution concerning Grange Volunteer Registry for all volunteers who work with the juniors that are 18 years of age and older was approved, approximate cost \$600
- Hosses’ fundraiser set for December 14
- Juniors made approximately \$1,000 from consignment sale
- Juniors will do junior degree at state session
- Bowling is set for November 30, Hiester’s Lane
- Christmas Caroling, December 8, Christmas Village
- Appreciation/Recognition Banquet is set for January 24, 2009, Leesport Farmer’s Market
- Installation of officers (by Henry & Madeline Seidel, Nettie Kauffman and Fern Kulp) was held.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The 2009 Farm Family Appreciation Celebration will be held April 4, 2009. A registration form will be included in the February 2009 issue of the ECHO.