

# POMONA ECHO

**BERKS COUNTY POMONA GRANGE #43**

**FEBRUARY 2011**

## **MASTER'S REPORT**

by Ray Davis

I'm sure your grange has many activities planned this quarter. Support your Subordinate grange, youth and juniors and see what they have to offer with outstanding programs and community service projects. Make suggestions with your ideas on the Subordinate and Pomona level. I'm always looking for new ideas to improve our Pomona meetings .

Let's retain our current members and ask non members to attend our Community Night programs and have them join the Grange. If your grange has a Junior Grange I'm asking that you **involve your Juniors in your program that evening.**

On March 5th the Youth will be officers and present program. Support the Legislative Banquet April 29th at Virgenville and invite your local township members to attend. Tri-County Visitation is at Schuylkill County on April 30th.

On behalf of the grange members we would like to send our condolence to family members of Senator Mike O'Pake. Mike attended a lot of grange functions and our Legislative Banquet.

## **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

By Denise Clare

The next Pre-Pomona meeting will be held on Monday, February 14 (note date change) at 7:30 p.m. at the Fleetwood Grange hall. Marion Grange will be assisting.

Thank you for your Angel tree donations--personally, from your Grange and through the Family Activities department.

As some of you may know, the Family Activities department will be donating \$2,000 (matching Pomona's contribution) to the Greater Berks Food Bank for Easter hams. A food collection will be held at the March Pomona meeting. See the Community Service article on page 9 for a complete list of appropriate items. Remember, each person can contribute as well as your Grange!

## **Haus Tournament and Game Night**

**When: March 5, 2011**

**Where: Bernville Grange**

**Time: 7:30 p.m.**

**Cost: FREE**

**Everyone is invited to attend. If you don't play haus, bring your favorite game. Come out and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship.**

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# Berks County Junior Grange News

## Attendance Contest

Thanks to the Pomona Grange for giving the junior committee \$150 to use as an attendance contest prize base. The junior committee gave away 21 gift certificates to Walmart to all the qualifying juniors for 2010. Congratulations to all the winners. The contest will run again for 2011.

In order to qualify, a junior member (Family unit) must collect \$100.00 in the Walk-a-Thon, and the individual junior member must enter at least one junior contest on either the National or State level. Beyond that, the juniors must attend 6 or more of the following events...

- ◇ Sleepover (in January)
- ◇ Roller Skating (in April)
- ◇ Camp (in May)
- ◇ Knoebels (in June)
- ◇ Swimming (in July)
- ◇ Helping at ice cream/ice stand during the consignment sale (in August)
- ◇ Hike (in September)
- ◇ Bowling (in November)
- ◇ 4 choices of Pomona meetings

Sure it is a contest, but it is also fun to get together with your Grange friends!! Hope to see you all at a lot of events!

## Keep the Date...

The juniors will be having a Knoebel's Day on June 14. We will be having some food at the Pavilion D during the day. Details will be in the May Echo. This is a day for all grangers to come to Knoebels together. We have a lot of fun, and hope even more grangers attend this year.

## Hoss's

Thank You for supporting the Juniors by eating out at Hoss's on an icy day in December! The fundraiser brought in \$409.00. Our largest income yet! The next day at Hoss's will be in June...stay tuned!

If you haven't been able to sponsor a junior member in the Walk-A-Thon yet, bring along your donation to the March Pomona and hand it to a junior.

Thanks to all that supported the Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser. The juniors will be walking at the March 5th Pomona meeting.

## VERY IMPORTANT!!!

Are you over the age of 18? Are you planning on being a counselor at Berks County Junior Grange Camp this year? If you answered yes to both of those questions, you must have Child Clearances. If you do have clearances and they are from more than 2 years ago, by PA State Grange mandate, you must reapply for your clearances. This needs to be applied for ASAP so you have them in time for camp! The county grange will reimburse your cost for clearances...please give your receipts to Karen Mohn.

## March Pomona Meeting

The March Pomona meeting plans include making decorations for county camp, and participating in the Walk-A-Thon.

Thank-You to Fleetwood Grange for allowing the Juniors the use of your grange hall for the sleepover. A lot of fun (but not sleep!) was had by the juniors and adults in attendance!

## CLOTHING

JUNIORS and Parents...The walk-a-thon is a rain, sun, snow event...please have your children dress appropriately on March 5!

## **BERKS COUNTY POMONA GRANGE 2011 ATTENDANCE CONTEST**

1. This contest is based on the Olympic Medal format. You can obtain gold, silver, or bronze medal status depending on your participation.
2. The contest is for the calendar year of 2011.
3. We encourage attendance at all Pomona events. The events to qualify for this year's contest are
  - 4 Pomona meetings (present entire meeting)
    - March 5th @9:45 a.m., Fleetwood Grange
    - June 4th @7:30 p.m., Ontelaunee Grange
    - September 10th @7:30 p.m., Pioneer Grange
    - December 3rd @9:45 a.m., Kutztown Grange
  - Legislative Banquet (April 29th)
  - All Granger Picnic (June 19th)
  - Tri-County Visitation (April 30th)
  - Go-to-Church Sunday (TBA)
  - Junior Grange Camp Coronation (May 15th)
  - Degree Presentation (October 7th)
4. The prizes are as follows:
  - Gold Medal level – attend 6 or more events
    - 5 - \$40 gift certificates to Red Lobster
  - Silver Medal level – attend 5 events
    - 5 - \$20 gift certificates to The Olive Garden
  - Bronze Medal level – attend 4 events
    - 5 - \$10 gift certificates to Kauffman's Chicken Bar-B-Que Restaurant
5. All the dates for the events are on the Pomona calendar or will be printed in the Echo.
6. All members wishing to participate will be given a card to be punched at each event they attend. We are not responsible for lost cards.
7. All qualified contestants will be placed in their respective medal level and winners will be chosen at the 2012 Recognition & Appreciation Banquet.

**It is your responsibility to get your card punched.**

### **Change in Berks County Pomona Grange By-Laws**

According to the By-Laws of the Berks County Pomona Grange in Article VIII, Section 1.8.1 -- Any proposal to amend or otherwise change the By-Laws shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting, and shall lie over until the next regularly scheduled meeting when they shall be acted upon, and if agreed to by a two-thirds majority vote of all members present and voting, be adopted.

The following information was presented and read at the December 2010 meeting. This information will lie over until the March 5, 2011 meeting when a vote will be taken by the membership.

*WHEREAS, Berks County Pomona Grange made a change in their meeting schedule and these changes should be reflected in the By-Laws of the Berks County Pomona Grange; therefore, be it*

*RESOLVED, that Article II - Meetings, Section 1.2.2 be changed to read: The time shall be set as the March and December meetings starting at 9:45 a.m.; the June and September meetings starting at 7:30 p.m*



## WERNERSVILLE STATE HOSPITAL

By Charles & Mary Ruth Lauck, Elaine & Art Gordon, Ada Peters

The following list represents the Christmas gifts that were presented to Wernersville State Hospital for their consumers in 2010.

20 men's flannel shirts  
 4 men's knit caps  
 19 pair of men's socks  
 6 men's sweater shirts  
 6 men's pull over shirts  
 11 men's pocket t-shirts  
 10 men's leather belts  
 3 men's baseball caps  
 3 ladies sweat shirts  
 11 ladies night gowns  
 3 ladies sweat bottoms  
 11 ladies cardigans  
 8 ladies wallets  
 5 pair ladies slippers  
 650 sq. ft. of Xmas paper  
 300 Xmas gift labels  
 4 alarm clocks  
 124 gift items

### Donations from:

Pomona Family Activites, \$200  
 Pomona Grange, \$300  
 \$100 each from: Gouglersville, Virginville  
 \$50 each from: Alleghenyville, Fleetwood, Hamburg, Kutztown, Shartlesville, Geigertown  
 \$25 each from: Bernville, Marion, Ontelaunee, Pioneer  
 V-F Discount of \$100  
 Walmart Gift Card - \$100

Total value of gift donations: \$1,300

## HAMBURG GRANGE

The Hamburg Grange is holding an All You Can Eat Chicken Pot Pie Dinner on Saturday, February 19, 2011 (snow date February 26, 2010) from 4-7 PM at the Hamburg High School, which is located on Windsor Street. Tickets are \$7.00 for Adults, \$4.50 for children 3-8, 2 and under Free.

We will be using this Pot Pie Dinner to support the Hamburg Library and Northern Berks Food Pantry. Each group will be getting 25% of our profit from the evening. The dinner includes: chicken pot pie, corn, applesauce, pickles, lettuce with bacon dressing, and drink.

There will be a bake sale and a Chinese auction. Take-out is available. Tickets are available at the door, from any Grange member, or you can call Michael Adams @ 610-562-5933.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** Hamburg Grange will be having a Blood Drive for Miller-Keystone Blood Bank on February 15, 2011 from 2 to 8 p.m. It is a mobile drive and will be located at the Hamburg Municipal Center, 61 N 3rd Street, Hamburg.

Please contact Barbara Schroeder, 610.562.0980, for more information or an appointment time.

### **GO-TO-CHURCH SUNDAY**

April 10, 2011

Trinity United Church of  
 Christ in  
 Rehrersburg

10:30 a.m.

Directions will be included in the March Pomona program and will be sent to each Master.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM DECEMBER 2010 POMONA MEETING

- \* Morgan Firestine, Extension Service, reported on concerns
- \* Minnie McCormick, Salvation Army, accepted Angel tree gifts. She noted 3,128 applications from families who need help were received. Of this number it was 2,428 families and 700 seniors who would be receiving this help and assistance.
- \* Attendance Contest for 2011 was approved
- \* Lecturer's budget for 2011 at the amount of \$400 was approved
- \* ECHO Contest Corner prize increased to \$10 - approved
- \* Give auctioneers the option of providing their own clerk on day of sale and the Sale Committee paying \$50/day for the clerk - approved
- \* Purchase 4 adding machines for the county sale clerical work - approved
- \* Support Farm Family Appreciation event in March 2011 with contribution of \$1,500 - approved
- \* Purchase Officer Bond for 2011 - approved
- \* Attendance: 17 brothers, 34 sisters, 12 juniors, 2 mini-juniors for a total of 65
- \* Charles Lauck, finance committee, presented report on the audit of records - report accepted
- \* As of December 1, 2010, the membership stands at 1,396
- \* \$100 for participation at National Grange was given to Dustin & Julie Kunkle (Young Couple), Andrew Kieffer and Ashley Mohn (Youth Officers), and Brittany Haag (Talent Winner).
- \* Hams will be purchased for the Food Banks for the Easter holiday (\$2,000) - Family Activities department voted to match that amount - therefore, \$4,000 will be used to purchase hams for Easter 2011
- \* Presented as a first reading the by-law proposed change
- \* Pomona mileage reimbursement rate to be kept the same as State Grange - approved
- \* Resolution presented on Local Government/Local Issues proposal that any attempt to take authority away from local government be greatly discouraged by Grange Leadership on all levels - approved
- \* Afternoon program was Lois Gassert speaking about Keystone/Miller Blood center.
- \* Resolution presented on Township Government and that township mergers only be encouraged if they stem from similar entities and local control - approved
- \* Meeting concluded at 1:28 p.m.



Minnie McCormick, Salvation Army, accepted Angel Tree gifts from Pomona Community Service rep Denise Clare

### Berks Heim News:

By Lorrie Wesner

Berks County Pomona Grange is still very active at Berks Heim. We held our Annual Christmas Party for the residents of the A-1 unit on December 6th, 2010. The party consisted of ice cream, drinks & cookies. The residents were all given a snowflake made from foam and decorated with glitter to hang in their rooms and a \$3.00 certificate for their use from the canteen cart.

A BIG THANK YOU to those who helped Irene Blatt for the wonderful cookies and the members of Ontelaunee Grange who helped with the decorating of the glitter snowflakes. Also thanks go to Betty Naftzinger for her wonderful entertainment (guitar playing and singing). The residents remarked they always like when we come to see them. One of them even said the cookies were the best food she had since being at the Heim and she told me she was a resident there for 10 years, It is so sad that we take everyday things for granted and these residents are so thankful for something as small as a few cookies.

The new Berks Heim visitation schedules will be coming out in February. If there are any conflicts, please call Lorrie at 610-926-3391 if you need help with any of these visitations.

Thank You for those who volunteer. Remember one day we may be waiting for someone to volunteer to help us if the need arises that we need to live in an assisted living facility like Berks Heim.



Lois Gassert, member of Ontelaunee Grange, works for Keystone/Miller Blood Center. She spoke on the value and need of giving blood throughout the year and encouraged each Grange to hold one or two drives a year.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY - MAY 2011

- Feb. 11 Ontelaunee Spaghetti Dinner (snowdate Feb. 12), 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cost is \$8 adults; children, 3-12, \$5; 2 and under, free
- Feb. 13 Shartlesville Grange buffet breakfast, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Feb. 14 Pre-Quarterly Meeting @Fleetwood Grange, 7:30 p.m.  
**NOTE DATE CHANGE (not Feb. 21!!!!)**
- Feb. 27 Fleetwood Grange Basket Bingo 1:30 p.m. For tickets call Heather @610.756.6001
- March 5 Pomona meeting, 9:45 a.m. @Fleetwood Grange
- March 6 Ontelaunee Grange breakfast, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- March 13 Daylight Saving Time begins
- March 13 Benefit Bingo for Scott Miller, Virginville Grange member who recently had a kidney transplant. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. - bingo starts at 1 p.m. Call Linda, 610.562.5105, for tickets
- March 13 Shartlesville Grange buffet breakfast, 8 am - 12:30 pm
- March 19 Farm Family Appreciation Celebration, @Hamburg Field House, 7 p.m.
- March 19 Ontelaunee Grange will be sponsoring Keystone-Miller blood drive, 8 a.m. to 12 noon (drop-in's ok)
- April 3 Ontelaunee Grange breakfast, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- April 4 Junior Team meeting @Ontelaunee, 7 p.m.
- April 10 Pomona ECHO deadline
- April 10 Go-To Church Sunday, Trinity UCC, Rehrersburg, 10:30 a.m.
- April 20 Junior Roller Skating
- April 25 Pioneer Basket Bingo, 6:45 p.m. Call 610.641.0070 or 610.682.7077 for tickets - \$20 in advance or at the door
- April 29 Legislative Banquet @Virginville, 7 p.m.
- April 29, April 30, May 1 Eastern Regional Youth Conference, Delaware host state
- April 30 Tri-County Visitation, Schuylkill County host
- May 1 Ontelaunee Grange breakfast, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 2 Collate ECHO @Ontelaunee, 7 p.m.
- May 2 Ag-Legislative meeting, 7:30 p.m. Location to be Announced
- May 9 Pre-Auction meeting @Ontelaunee, 7:30 p.m.

## COMMUNITY NIGHT PROGRAMS

- March 14 - Bernville Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- March 22 - Ontelaunee Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- March 29 - Marion Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- April 7 - Kutztown Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- April 19 - Gouglersville Grange, 7:00 p.m. (snacks)  
7:30 p.m. (program)
- April 28 - Fleetwood Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- May 4 - Virginville Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- May 5 - Pioneer Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- May 11 - Geigertown Grange, 7:30 p.m.
- May 19 - Alleghenyville Grange, 7:30 p.m.

### Grange Holds Benefit for Kidney Transplant Member

Virginville Grange held a benefit dance on November 27, 2010, for the Scott E. Miller family, who are members of Virginville Grange. Over 200 people attended the event. A raffle was also held with local businesses, Grangers, and non-Grangers contributing prizes. All refreshment proceeds from that evening also went to the family. After being on dialysis for almost two years, Scott received a kidney for his step-son, Kyle Kulp Miller, on June 1, 2010, at Pinnacle Hospital in Harrisburg.

A check for \$3550.00, to be used for medical expenses, was presented to the family at the Virginville Grange's Christmas Party on December 15, 2010. At this time, the family thanked everyone who attended or donated to the dance and raffle, as well as gave monetary donations. The family also thanked everyone for their prayers and cards during their recovery.

On March 6, 2011, The Virginville Community Service Committee will hold a benefit bingo (Boyd's Bears, Longaberger baskets, and cash) for the family at the Grange Hall

beginning at 1 PM. The public is invited. For more information contact Virginville Grange at 610-562-8357.



# NATIONAL GRANGE 2010



Fern Kulp, Ontelaunee Grange, played for the National Session



Brittany Haag, Ontelaunee Grange, performs - Best of Show from Pennsylvania

## CONSIGNMENT SALE

by Feryl Treichler

We are heading for Spring already and it will not be long before our Pomona Sale. Be sure to plan on those days when we need a lot of help. Talk to your friends and bring them along as they just might become Grange members.

If you know or get to meet any auctioneers, have them call me at 610.683.8200 to have the opportunity at our sale.

I hope you are looking forward to sale day as much as I am.

**August 27, 2011**

## YOUTH REPORT

by Andrew Kieffer

Well, I guess another new year has come and that means one thing for the youth department. It is time to start gathering willing volunteers for March Pomona. That's right, we need the youth to fill officer chairs. I would again like if we can have all the available positions filled by non-current officers. I know the youth will do a great job and I am looking forward to their bright smiles. And, yes, I do plan on making sure the hall is open for us this time.

I have not yet scheduled any activities for the coming year, mostly because I tend to push things off. I will hopefully have something ready to announce in March.

I would also like to congratulate youth member Brittany Haag for participating in the Evening of Excellence at the 2010 National Convention. Since last quarter's article was written before session, I was not able to congratulate her with the other national winners.

Now until we see you in March, stay warm and safe.

## BERKS COUNTY JUNIOR PRINCE

Hi! This is Joshua Mengel your Berks County Jr. Grange Prince. I am in sixth grade at Kutztown Area Middle School. I play soccer, basketball and baseball. Of the three sports, soccer is my favorite to play. I do enjoy watching football a lot too, and the Steelers are my favorite team. In fact my whole bedroom is decorated with Steelers 'stuff.' Did you know they have already won 6 Super Bowls?

I took the hunter safety course this past summer and went hunting this fall. I shot my first deer, a doe, in November. Being outdoors is so much fun to me. My favorite place to go is my dad's hunting cabin. Our family has so much fun there. We don't have a TV, phone or computer... just the fun we create!!



I am really pleased to tell you that I had a great year being the Jr. Grange Prince. I had a real good time handing out awards at all the fairs I went to. Being Jr. Grange Prince was such an honor for me this year. I had so much fun and I wish I could do it again. Jr. Grange camp is coming up so if you want to have as much fun as I did you might want to start studying. See you soon!

## From the desk of LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN Ken Schlegel

In the last "ECHO", I basically told you what the pollsters predicted was going to happen in the election. For the most part, they were on target. Just think, one of these days we will be told, "we don't need elections", yeah right. Wouldn't it be neat if when we have elections the turn out would be in the 90% and make the pollsters work a little!

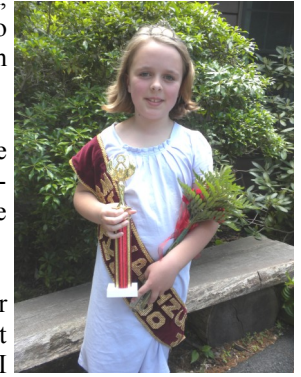
*Before I go on, Berks County lost a true friend with the passing of Senator Michael O'Pake. I had a little thing going with Mike. I was often kidding with him that when the economy gets better, instead of handing out Pennsylvania maps, he'd hand out GPS's. The Senator could best be known by two ways: 1) Mike's family was Berks County and/or the people he represented, and 2) Mike's tenure in the Senate gave him access to a lot of WAM Money and he used it to help everyone he could. "Well done good and faithful Servant."*

Back to the November election -

1. Rural voters backed Republicans more than Democrats 64% to 36%
2. The New Congress will probably have a great influence on Agriculture and rural America

## BERKS COUNTY MINI-PRINCESS

Hi, I'm Molly Brown. I am having a great time being the mini Princess! I live in Kutztown with my mom, dad, 3 sisters and dog Oatmeal. I go to Kutztown Elementary School and I am in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.



I really like school! I especially like reading and writing! I play soccer, basketball, softball and swim team. I like swimming the best.

I am a member at Ontelaunee Junior Grange. I like to learn about different things and have fun with my friends. I really enjoy earning merit badges!

I had so much fun at the fairs handing out awards! I take cows to some of the fairs. I thought it was really cool to hand out awards to people too! I really like grange!

### Soup Warms the Hearts of Local Grangers.

Over ninety members filled the hall as Virginville Grange held their annual soup night/pay your dues night at their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 5. The meal consisted of twenty different varieties of soup made by different grange members. Along with soup, homemade breads and desserts complimented the meal. After the meal, members enjoyed the musical sounds of C. L. Leinbach & the Haiti Quartet. A short business meeting followed including a monetary donation to the musical group's Mission Trip to Haiti. Members were also encouraged to save money by receiving a discount on their annual grange dues if paid by this meeting. Virginville Grange also had the pleasure of having five new members join their organization.

3. 56% of the independent voters sided with Republican candidates compared with 37% of voting Democrats - if you go back to the 2008 election, 52% of the independents voted for the President.
4. Conservative vote rose by nearly 1/3, at 42% it is the highest percentage in about 20 years
5. I'm getting these numbers from exit polling. Thus far, it looks great for Republicans but, people who voted look at the GOP unfavorably by a 53% to 41% margin. But then the Democrats didn't fare much better with a 52% to 44% margin.
6. 70% of voters said they are angry or dissatisfied with the federal government. 73% said they are dissatisfied with Congress!
7. Senate Ag Chairman from Arkansas was defeated. No Republicans on the House Ag Committee lost their's for another term. Fourteen Democrats on the panel lost their bid for re-election!
8. Things or changes have already begun. Harry Reid has said cap and trade is dead! Another issue - the Democrats had the 2012 Farm bill on the fast track to be finished by the end of 2011. Since the Republicans have taken control of the House, it looks like they are going to take more time to look into the Farm bill so they can help farmers better.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Denise Clare

Thank you to everyone who bought gifts for the Salvation Army Angel Tree program. We contributed 100 gifts this year, more than in 2009.

Friend, Inc., is having their 3rd FRIENDFEST event on February 19 starting at 2 p.m. This is one of their annual fundraisers. They have asked Grange to consider donating 200 hoagies. Originally they wanted hot food but that has changed. They would need to be delivered to Belzner Hall in Kutztown before 2 p.m. Are we interested in doing this as another Community Service project? Please contact me ASAP so that I can let them know.

A representative of the Greater Berks Food bank will be in attendance at our March Pomona meeting to collect food items for them to distribute. We thought this would go along nicely with the Easter ham donations we will also be giving them. When collecting food items, keep the following requirements in mind:

- \*Please do not donate out-of-date food or food in rusted, dented, or leaking cans or containers.
- \*If an outer box is torn, but the inner wrapping is still sealed, the item can still be used
- \*All food items must include the product name. No unidentifiable bags or cans can be used
- \*Non-perishable food in plastic, cardboard or cans works best. Glass can easily be broken.
- \*Homemade items (canned jellies, sauces, etc.) and perishable items cannot be accepted

Recommended items for collection:

cereals	peanut butter	grains (rice, oatmeal, etc.)	dry milk	pasta
snack items (crackers, fruit snacks, cookies)		beans	fruit juices	
canned: tuna fish, meats (chili, stew, etc.), fruits, vegetables, soups (preferably chunky soups)				
Shampoo bath soap	toothpaste	toothbrushes	baby shampoo diapers	
Baby wipes	baby lotion			

Cash donations are always welcome and provide an even greater supply of food because for every \$1 donated, the Greater Berks Food Bank can acquire \$20 worth of food.

## BASKET BINGO

Fleetwood Grange hall  
Sunday, February 27, 2011  
Bingo starts at 1:30 p.m.; doors open at 12:15 p.m.  
Tickets \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door  
Snowdate is March 6  
Seats are pre-assigned  
Email Heather Mengel (mengels5@verizon.net) if interested in tickets or call her 610.756.6001

Kutztown Grange hall  
Monday, March 7, 2011  
Bingo starts at 6:45 p.m.; doors open at 5:30 p.m.  
Tickets \$20  
No walk-ins.  
Pre-reservations only  
Call 610.683.7975 for tickets

Pioneer Grange hall  
Monday, April 25, 2011  
Bingo starts at 6:45 p.m.; doors open at 5:30 p.m.  
Tickets are \$20 (in advance or at the door)  
Seats are pre-assigned  
Call Cindy, 610.641.0070 or Tammy, 610.682.7077 for tickets

## DID YOU KNOW?

...Kelly Rohrbach, Fleetwood Grange member, returned from an 8 month mission to Thailand, Laos, Nepal, Cambodia, India and China on December 15th

**...COUPONS FOR THE TROOPS:** Hamburg Grange is still collecting coupons to send to troops. They can be expired up to six months or current. Please cut them out and give them to any Hamburg Grange member. If you are unable to cut them out, please give them to Barbara Schroeder. Thank you for your help!

...Ontelaunee Junior Grangers will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, February 11 (snowdate Feb. 12). 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults; children, 3-12, \$5; 2 and under, free. Public invited.

...Robert Petro, a science teacher with NASA, will be the featured speaker at Fleetwood Grange's Open House.

...Maude Schaeffer turned 100 years young on February 5 and has been a member of Kutztown Grange for 88 years!  
Way to go!!!!!!!

...Berks County Sheriff, Eric Weaknecht, will be the speaker for the Kutztown Grange Community Night program

# CONTEST CORNER

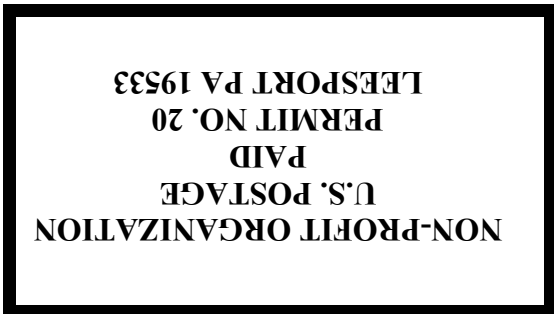
**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRANGE** \_\_\_\_\_

Complete and bring along to the March Pomona meeting. Must be present to win.

**DR. SEUSS TRIVIA** – In recognition of Dr. Seuss’ birthday (March 2, 1904), below are some trivia questions to test your knowledge on his books and characters. Circle the correct answer. Trivia fact: His real name is Theodor Seuss Geisel.

1. The site of the infamous Christmas heist by the Grinch.  
a) Zaxville      b) Whoville      c) Mulberry      d) Bernville
2. The energetic character in “Green Eggs and Ham” is  
a) Stan-I-Am      b) Efram-I-Am      c) Sam-I-Am      d) Pam-I-Am
3. In the “Cat and the Hat”, what color is the cat’s hat?  
a) Black/White      b) Blue/White      c) Green/White      d) Red/White
4. According to Dr. Suess, who can Moo?  
a) Mr. Brown      b) Horton      c) The Grinch      d) Lorax
5. In “Horton Hatches the Egg”, Horton is an  
a) Anteater      b) Elephant      c) Iguana      d) Orangutan
6. “One fish, Two fish, \_\_\_\_\_ fish, Blue Fish”?  
a) Purple      b) Green      c) Yellow      d) Red

Answers from last issue: (1) 12; (2) 101; (3) 300; (4) 007; (5) 800; (6) 4077; (7) 57; (8) 44; and (9) 7.  
Congratulations to December contest winner Coleen King.



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