

National Projects

Creative Art Contest

Draw a picture of your family on an 8 ½ x 11 inch paper. May be of any medium (crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, paint, marker, etc.), framed or unframed or matted. On the back of the paper write your name, birth date, address, Grange name and number.

- Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of theme.
- Entries must be postmarked by **October 1** and sent to the National Junior Director.
- 1st place: \$20, 2nd place: \$10; 3rd place: \$5 in each age group: under 6, 7-8, 9-11, 12-14 (as of January 1, 2010).

Creative Writing Contest

Write a story about your family.

Class I: As told to ...8 and under

Class II: Written by... 9 - 14

Use one page, computer typed or hand written on 8½ x 11 inch paper. On the back of the paper write your name, birth date, address, Grange name and number.

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Scrapbook Page Craft Project

Submit one scrapbook page about yourself.

Hand Craft Project

Use your handprints and create a craft project. On the back of the paper write your name, birth date, address, Grange name and number.

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Share a Talent Contest

Purpose: To encourage our Junior Grange members to share their skills and talents with other Juniors and Grange members. We will showcase our Junior's talents/skills while educating others. Examples: sharing a collection (stamps, coins, etc.), performing a song, playing the guitar, performing a skit, jazz dance routine. The sky is the limit.

Bring your skill or talent to the Regional Conference or the National Grange Convention. They will be presented at the same time as the regional public speaking contest and sign-a-song contests take place.

As a thank you for presenting your skill or talent, you will receive a special Junior Grange locker organizer bag. You can only receive the organizer by participating.

Regional Public Speaking Contest

- Age groups
 - 8-10 years of age
 - 11-12 years of age
 - 13-14 years of age
 Based on age as of January 1, 2010
- Prepared speech: Topic of choice
- Minimum 1 minute and maximum 2 minutes
- Judge criteria:

Time	10 pts
Content	20 pts
Preparation	30 pts
Volume	10 pts
Body Language	10 pts
Eye Contact	20 pts

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- Speeches will be presented at the Regional Youth Conference at the same time the youth and young adult competition is taking place. Western Regional will be August 5-8, 2010 in Washington state.
- Regional winners cash prizes: 1st place: \$25, 2nd place: \$15, 3rd place: \$10.
- The 1st place winner will be asked to present their speech at the National Convention in November during the Saturday Junior Grange Breakfast and will receive \$50 cash award for presenting the speech.

Sign-a-Song Contest

- Divisions:
 - Manually sign the alphabet
 - Sign-a-song
- Ages 8 - 14 as of January 1, 2010
- Judging criteria:

Utilization of total communication (Sign language ability, signs clearly with creative interpretation)	35 pts
Body expressions, displays emotion	30 pts
Presentation, interpretation with confidence	35 pts

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