

2010 Honor Grange Program - Subordinate/Community Granges

The **Honor Grange Program** is to recognize those Subordinate/Community Granges that are succeeding in being an exemplary Grange. This means helping in the community through community involvement projects and having active members. The **Honor Grange Program** has three levels: **Bronze, Silver** and **Gold**. Each Oregon Grange will have an opportunity to win a plaque when it first achieves one of these levels. Each year thereafter, if the Grange qualifies, it will receive a bronze, silver or gold bar with the year of the award engraved to attach to the plaque.

To receive an award, each Grange must keep track of its progress on the checklist for one year from January to December. The Grange should designate one member to be Tracker. At the end of the year, the Tracker will **send the tracking form to Oregon State Grange Office by 5 pm Thursday, March 31, 2011** with a brief summary of what level the Grange has achieved. The plaques or bars will be awarded at the June State Session. *We look forward to presenting your Grange with an award!*

To receive a **Bronze**, a Grange must achieve the following:

1. A minimum of one (1) new member (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least ten (10) months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange at one (1) Pomona meeting during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service/Involvement project or activity.
5. Two (2) committees appointed to report at the majority of the meetings.

To receive a **Silver**, a Grange must achieve the following:

1. A minimum of three (3) new members (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least 11 months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange at two (2) Pomona meeting during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service/Involvement project or activity.
5. Four (4) committees appointed to report at the majority of the meetings.
6. Have a delegate present at State Grange Session.
7. Must complete at least eight (8) of the requirements (6-19) of the Gold level.

To receive a **Gold**, a must Grange achieve the following:

1. A minimum of five (5) new members (includes new, reinstated, demits and affiliate members).
2. A minimum of one (1) legal meeting per month for at least 12 months of the year.
3. Representation of the Grange at all regular Pomona meetings during the year.
4. One (1) Community Service/Involvement project or activity.
5. Have a delegate present at State Grange Session.
6. Have one or more members present at State Grange Session.
7. Officers' planning meeting held and goals for year set.
8. Lecturer has a program or report at each meeting. Programs should include recreation, inspiration, music and education.
9. One (1) resolution on a community or legislative issue adopted by the Grange.
10. Committee chairs appointed by the Master. Standing Committees are Finance, Relief, GWA, Agriculture, Legislative, Deaf Awareness/Family Health, Community Service/Involvement, Lecturer, Membership, Junior, Youth, Energy and Education.
11. Six (6) committee reports at the majority of the meetings.
12. At least three (3) members, as a group, visit another Sub/Comm Grange at least once during the year.
13. Master must attend at least two (2) Pomona meetings.
14. Hold at least one (1) activity to support the Junior Grange or Youth Program. (Example – assist at a meeting or fundraiser, help leader with activities, provide camp scholarship, etc.)
15. At least one (1) member must enter one (1) State Department contest or program.
16. At least one (1) member must attend and participate in one (1) yearly conference.
17. Submit 2009 Community Service/Involvement Annual Report (due April 15, 2010).
18. Submit 2009 GWA Annual Report (due January 31, 2010).
19. Hold at least one (1) Open House or other community activity in the hall with public invited.