



DISTINGUISHED GRANGE

THE DISTINGUISHED GRANGE PROGRAM honors Subordinate and State Granges that fulfill their responsibilities as part of the National Grange, while excelling in the areas of membership, fundraising, and service to their communities.

The program is presented annually at National Session.

The 2014-15 Distinguished Granges will be honored for their work done from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

The deadline to register as a Distinguished Grange will be August 14, 2015.

Distinguished Granges will be honored at a special reception at National Session, and will be recognized in the Annual Honors Booklet. They will receive a certificate to commemorate the occasion, along with a ribbon for the Subordinate or State Master at Convention. Granges that are considered distinguished for five consecutive years will receive a plaque for their hall.

Please complete the application and send to:

National Grange
Distinguished Grange Program
1616 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

All applications must be postmarked by August 14, 2015 for consideration.
Applications received AFTER this deadline WILL NOT BE accepted.



CRITERIA FOR 2015 DISTINGUISHED SUBORDINATE GRANGE

Grange Name: _____ Number: _____

City/County: _____ State: _____

Name of Submitter: _____

Current Grange Position Held: _____

Address: _____

City/County: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

- Submit a copy of check for donations, and a copy of the article to the National Grange e-newsletter or website and/or story in another news outlet.**

Check all that apply.

- Net membership gain (20 points)**
Our Grange had a net gain of _____ members from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.
- Update your Grange information in the National Grange Membership Database (20 points)** Our Grange last updated our membership roster on _____ (Date).
- Start new Junior Grange or net membership gain in existing JG (20 points)**
Our Junior Grange had a net gain of _____ members from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.
Our Grange started a new Junior Grange.
Junior Grange Name: _____ Charter Date: _____
- Send representative to at least one National event (Legislative Fly-In, GOAL Seminar, Convention, Regional Youth/Junior Conference, Regional Leaders or Lecturer's Conference) from July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015* (15 points)**
Our Grange sent _____ (Name) to the _____ (Event).
- Delegate representation at State Session (10 points)**
Our Grange sent _____ (Name) as a delegate to State Session.
- Host at least two community service/educational events (10 points)**
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
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- Update your grange.org website** with at least the meeting time, days, and location of your Grange and contact information for at least one of your officers/ directors, **along with at least one of the following:** a few paragraphs describing a recent Grange event, the link to your Grange's social networking site, a photo or message from one of your Grange's officers **OR contact the National Grange to have your grange.org website redirected to a website you already have established for your Grange** (10 points)
- Submit at least one photo and/or article to the National Grange Communications Department for publication via email or the National Grange website** (5 points)
- Host at least one Youth or Junior activity** (10 points)
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
Event Description: _____
- Participate in a Grange Month Open House/Activity in April** (10 points)
(REQUIRED) We returned our Grange Month 2015 Participation form _____ (Date)
- Quarterly Reports in on time to State** (10 points)
- Host a legislative event, candidate forum, Grangers Organized to Vote event or make at least one legislative issue contact with a public official on the local, state or national level** (15 points)
Event Name: _____ Date: _____
Event Description: _____
- Donate at least \$100 to National Grange Trademark Protection or Grange Foundation (O.H. Kelley Farm, Youth, Junior Grange, American Arts and Culture or Community and Leadership Development Funds)** (15 points) or \$200 for Junior/Youth State Activities
Our Grange donated \$_____ to _____ (Fund Name)
- Honor a WWII, Korean or Vietnam veteran with the Patriot's Program.** (10 points)
Please include description of honor ceremony / names of those honored and date.

Point Total: _____

Must get 100 points to qualify (out of 175 possible points)

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the above information is correct:

Printed Name

Date

Signature

**Activities or attendance of National Officers, Spouses, and Staff do not count towards a Subordinate Grange's activity credit*

