



GRANGE CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 2024



GRANGE HAPPENINGS FOR JANUARY 2024

Convention 2023 Fund Raiser The Northeast Connection is selling tee shirts as a fund raiser for National 2023. The tee shirts are **Cardinal Red**. The logo on the front is a National drawing of the Empire State Building with a drawing of Niagara Falls in front inside the Grange logo. I have short sleeve and long sleeve shirts in the following sizes: Short Sleeve: Medium, Large, Extra Large, 2X, and 3X Long Sleeve: Medium, Large, Extra Large, 2X and 3X Most sizes have a limited number of shirts. If you would like to have one, send me a message and I will put your name on a shirt and work out how to get it to you. Make your check payable to: Vermont State Grange and send to me. Any questions, just call. Brenda Rousselle 11 Abnaki Ave. Essex Jct., VT 05452 brousselle@myfairpoint.net 802-878-5877 (please check with Brenda on sizes left)

Hello Brothers and Sisters. One of the projects in the Program Book is putting together Walker and Wheelchair Bags to donate. If anyone is interested in doing this project, just let me know. We have lots of material----some slightly heavier cotton and can coordinate with a second piece of regular weight cotton. My Craft Group would love to get together for a craft day and cut out some Walker Bags that we would put into a kit and ship it out to you with instructions. We probably will not be getting together until after the new year. Life is too hectic these days. Just let me know. I would love to get some of this material out of my house and into yours !!!!!!! Please contact Brenda Rousselle at 802-878-5877

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM MY HOUSE TO YOURS

January 1 Mountain Valley will NOT meet in January. Next meeting is Monday, February 5th with pot luck at 6:30 followed by dues-paying meeting at 7:30 pm.

5th Blue Spruce #574 will meet on January 5. It is a business meeting and dues paying. We will start with a pot luck dinner starting at 5:30. All are welcome.

6th , 4:30 to 7:00 PM: Capital City Grange: January meeting and potluck. From 4:30 to 6:00, we will have our first fully live meeting with ritual since the beginning of the pandemic! And we'll be performing our Obligation ceremony for the members who have joined since then. Starting at 6:00, we'll have our monthly Community Potluck dinner!

8th Evening Star Grange will hold their Dues Paying Potluck supper at 6:30 followed by their monthly business meeting and lecturer's program.

10th Evening Star Grange Senior Lunches on Wednesday, January 10 & Wednesday,

January 24, Reservations/Information at 802-254-1138 and leave message. A donation of \$3 for ages 60 and above is suggested. Take-outs available. All are invited.

13th 9:30 to 11:30 AM: Capital City Grange: Kids Trade & Play--our monthly family clothing exchange, with kids' clothing from infant to Junior 12 sizes, all inspected, clean, no rips or stains, and all sorted by size! We ask for a \$5 donation per family--but no one is ever turned away. You can bring in donations for our volunteers to inspect and sort, too.

14, 3:00 to 4:30 PM: Capital City Grange: Dance, Sing & Jump Around--our monthly series for children--and their adults. Songs, dances and play-party games, especially oriented to 3 to 8 year olds. Line dances, circle dances and singing games, all taught and led by Liz Benjamin and Stan Carlson, with live music by Aaron Marcus! Free for kids, \$5 each for adults.

20th We are doing Bingo on the 20th of January.(Tunbridge)

We voted to have a lock box on the entry door for the convenience of those who come early.

We raffled off a Quilt last month and made \$182.00. We donated 43 Lbs of food to the Woodstock Food Shelf. Laura Robinson, Secretary was presented with her 70 years badge to put in her book. She has the same as her mother, Gertrude Godda did years ago. We will have more Bingo games and

Pot Lucks coming in February and March. We are hoping to have a dues paying night with Pot Luck in January. Our total membership to date is 28.

20th Middle Branch Grange special "winter schedule". Only one meeting. Saturday, January 20. Potluck at 1pm, regular meeting to follow.

24th Evening Star Grange Senior Lunches on Wednesday, January 10 & Wednesday,

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26th Blue Spruce #574 will meet on January 26. We will exemplify the 4th degree. This is at the Essex Congregational Church starting at 6:30.