



Quarterly Newsletter of Turkey Hill Grange

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On My Mind. . . by President Dick Frette

Grangers one and all,



where does the time go? Two months are past in 2018 and we continue to move forward at Turkey Hill Grange.

We made a change in the format of our programs and meeting this year with the program starting at 7:30 pm and the meeting at 8:00 or shortly after the end of the program. The first two months of a six month trial have been successful and we look forward to additional programs under this format.

Our next big project is our chicken dinner. Included in this newsletter is a worker's list of suggested jobs on our Saturday, April 7 work day and the Sunday, April 8 dinner. If you are unable to perform the suggested duties or desire to work some other place, please contact Charles Treser or Ginger Miller, our intrepid leaders for this event.

Shortly after, our annual BBQ and Farmer's Market will begin in May. We need many helpers for each of

these projects.

This summer, we want to begin renovating our kitchen. This will entail discussions about needs/ desires, space allocation, and contact with a kitchen consultant to help us make those decisions. It will be a large project that will take some time to complete, so it is time to begin that process.

We thank Mary Beth Lee, Jane Helms, Julie Heberer and Barbara Joseph for taking the initiative to restart our Junior Grange program. We don't have the required number of Junior Grange members yet for a full restart, but the National Grange has established a new I+ program that allows our grandkids and others to do many of the activities of Junior Grange while we continue to recruit Junior Grange members. Emma Rutledge was the first to receive this obligation at our February meeting (see picture page 2 of this newsletter).

There are several other events in the near future that you need to be aware of. On Sunday, March 11, our State Master/President Lynette Schaefer and some of the State

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Welcome, March. It's Spring!





Turkey Hill Officers 2018

President: Dick Frette
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 Executive Board: Stacy Rutledge, Jane Helms, Ginger Miller, Charles Treser, Randy Kasper
 Catering/Hall Rental: Charles Treser;
 Community Service Director: David Donley;
 Membership Director: Vacancy
 Family Activities Director: Julie Heberer;
 Agriculture Director: Dale Helms.



Turkey Hill Grange President Dick Frette gives Emma Rutledge, the Junior I+ obligation at the Turkey Hill Grange business meeting. Emma is the daughter of John and Stacey Rutledge. Barbara Joseph, Lady Assistant Steward and John Rutledge, Assistant Steward, assisted with the ceremony.

Highlight from the meeting included introduction of special guests, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Joseph from Enterprise, Carol Neff from Broad Hollow, Patti and Mark Barth from Shiloh Valley, and Mr. and Mrs. Norm Sutter, guest speakers.

The Junior Grange committee members, Mary Beth Lee, Julie Heberer, Jane Helms, and Barbara Joseph—all past Junior Grange Leaders—organized the presentation. Sheryl Sternau received the New Member welcome. Mr. and Mrs. Sutter presented the program prior to the business meeting on Fresh Pasture Farms, their wholesome fresh pasture-raised food business.

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**Remember to set
 your clocks
 ahead next
 Sunday, March
 11, 2:00 in the
 morning!**





CHICKEN DINNER WORKER LIST Sunday, April 8, 2018

Saturday Work Day, April 7, 8:00 am until Noon.

It's that time of year again! World famous Turkey Hill Grange Chicken Dinner. Please come and join us. We need all hands on deck for success. Remember if you don't like the job you're assigned or if you got skipped, please let us know! Worker sign in/meal pay will be upstairs at the regular ticket table. Thanks in advance. Charles Treser (618-531-2600) or Ginger Miller (618-334-4574)

Saturday April 7, 2017 - 8:00 am – noon

Fry Room: Bob Dintelmann, Mark Drake, Lynn Gibson, Randy Kasper, Mark Henrichs, Darrel Lucas, Dick Frette, Charles Abernathy, John Manfredi,

Kitchen: Julie Heberer, Barb Joseph, Sue Herren, Stacy Rutledge, Karen Gibson, Julie McGuire, Mary Laurent, Jane Peters,

Pie Room: Jane Helms, Terry Schuchman, Mary Ann Drake, Ginny Domescik, Nikki Wilcoxon, Zoe Quinn, Vicky Helms,

Dining Room & Buffet

Table Set Up: Dick Frette, Jane Bonaldi, Judy Campbell, Mary Beth

Lee, Dale Helms, Sheryl Sternau, Mardy Eisloeffel, Julie Bilbruck, Carol Young

Trailer & Carry-out Set-up: Becky Steele, Becky Kaiser, Betty Arendell, Frank Whipps,

All other members not listed above, please come and help out where needed. Let's make this a short work day and enjoy each other's company. Lunch will be served after work is finished.

Community Service workers will be available to assist as needed on Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday April 8, 2017

Fry Room 7:30-11:30: (note early start time –need all roasters full at 10:30 am) Bob Dintelmann, Mark Drake, Lynn Gibson, Randy Kasper, John Manfredi; 11:30-3:00: Marc Hendrichs Darrel Lucas, Dick Frette

Buffet Table 10:00-12:30: Mike Boyne 12:30-3:00: Keith Brauer

Trailer 10:15-12:30: Becky Steele, Betty Arendell; 12:30-3:00: Becky Steele, Becky Kaiser

Drive Thru 10:15-12:30: Jeff Mueller 12:30-3:00: Lori Hendrichs

Coffee & Tea 10:00-12:30: Julie Bilbruck, Carol Young; 12:30-3:00: Charles Abernathy, Burt Wikgren

N Dishes/Kitchen Asst 10:30-12:30: Bob Ruhl; 12:30 to End: CSW

S Dishes: 10:15-12:30: Judy Campbell, CSW; 12:30-end: Tammy Hughes, Audrey Partee

Jelly Table (UP): 10:15-12:30: Julie Abernathy; 12:30-3:00: Judi Quimby

Jelly Table (DOWN): 10:15-12:30: Dale Helms, Larry Aldridge; 12:30-3:00: Joyce Meyer

Microphone: 10:15-12:30: Frank Whipps; 12:30-3:00: Jane Bonaldi

Pie Room: Jane Helms, Chair 233-6734 (note early start time) 9:30-12:00: Terry Schuchman, Mary Ann Drake, Ginny Domescik; 12:00-3:00: Nikki Wilcoxon, Zoe Quinn, Vicki Helms

Ushers: Megan Beisiegel, Charles & Sophie Treser, Lary Eckert, Corky Helms

Tickets: Marlene Frazier, Steve Shevlin

Potato: David Donley, John Rutledge, CSW

Outdoor Dining (weather permitting): Urban & Mary Lou Baum (continued right)



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Grange officers will be at Turkey Hill from 1:00 until 4:00 pm for a training session for Grange members. They will address some of the upcoming events, concerns and issues from the recent Master's Conference.

I'm sure there will be discussion of the State Grange session to be held at the Shrine of the Lady of the Snows in September, so here is your opportunity to hear what will happen and how you can help. All members are invited to this session.

David Donley's Community Service report in this issue highlights our support of the Belleville Parks and Recreation Easter Egg Hunt on March 24 and St Augustine's Empty Bowl soup luncheon to fund their food pantry on March 29. Say "yes" when you are asked to help.

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Finally, if you haven't paid your 2018 dues (\$40), now is the time to do that. You can send your check

to Secretary Tami Hughes at your earliest convenience.

Turkey Hill Grange is noted for its support to the community, but it is only possible when each of us takes the time to help our various projects around town. With everyone's help, we can make this a very successful year for Turkey Hill Grange.

Dick

Post Cards 10:15-12:30: Roger Roehrig 12:30-3:00: Marilyn Wikgren

Elevators: 10:15-12:30: Will & Carol Clark 12:30-3:00: Bob & Dot Inman

Dining Room: Judy & Darrel Cates, Lisa Griffith, Marie Ambrosio, Robert Blomker, Fred & Kathy Helms, Mary Beth Lee, Jane Peters, Sheryl Sternau

Kitchen, Julie Heberer, Chair 233-0288 (coordinate your time with Julie): Barb Joseph, Sue Herren, Stacy Rutledge, Karen Gibson, Julie McGuire, Mary Laurent

Floater: Mardy Eisloeffel, John Laker, Jerry Hemmer **Bus Tables:** AHG, Beisiegel & Company; **Parking Monitor:** Amy Bouvey



Community Service Report

Submitted by David Donley, Community Service Director

We have two projects in March. Both are totally to help others.



The first one is the annual Belleville Parks and Recreation Department Easter Egg Hunt, March 24, 2018 at Bellevue Park. Marlene Frazer is heading this project up. We hope several will volunteer to help her. Based on past experience, there will be some three to four hundred children from the toddlers to ten years old and approximately 150 to 200

Mommies and Daddies. We purchased two thousand plastic eggs and the Parks Department personnel placed candy in each egg.

We also provided nine prizes, three for three age groups.

Again, please tell Marlene that you will help. It will take no more of your Saturday morning than two hours. See her at the March meeting or call her at 226-9667 or 210-9059.



The second project is that we will be preparing four gallons of soup to assist St. Augustine Church with their fund drive to supply their food pantry. We will be making Spinach Chicken-Potato Gnocchi Soup – sound

different? It is and is very good! The soup will be served Thursday, March 29, 2018 at St. Augustine Church from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We will need one or two members to assist with serving, and YES, help will be greatly appreciated on Wednesday, March 28 to assist with preparing the soup. We will begin 8:30 AM. If you can help with the preparation, please let David Donley know email at DLDONLEY@AOL.COM or phone at 9791707. That's right, David's cell phone, not the Donley home phone.

A **BIG THANK** to all of you who assisted with the recent Trivia Night. The income assists our funding of our community service projects. Now is the time to let us know of other community needs that we might help fulfill. Let David hear about them. After March 28, you can call him at home 235-3310.

Turkey Hill Grange Players Theatre Camp



June 11-15, 2018

For Kids and Teens aged

6 to 16

Turkey Hill Grange

1375 E State Rt. 15

Belleville, Illinois, Intersection

Call: 618-671-6579



If any members should need or want a current THG roster, contact David Donley via DLDONLEY@AOL.COM. The current one is up to date as of March 1, 2018. David will email members who let him know they would like one.



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Highlights Executive Board Meeting, February 6

Submitted by Secretary pro tem Mardy Eisloeffel

A letter of resignation as Turkey Hill Grange Treasurer by Marlene Frazer was distributed.

President Dick Frette noted that George and Louise Peterson have moved to St. Peter, Illinois. We need to find a new Building Committee chair.

Four people have applied for membership: Betty Arendell, Julie Bilbruck, and Charles and Julia Abernathy.

Charles Treser listed numerous activities taking place in the Grange hall. The Cub Scouts' Pinewood Derby held last week was a big success.

Dick Frette noted that the Chicken Dinner is April 8, and he has a prospective chair in mind. Also, there has been no update on the foundation's nonprofit status.

Mary Beth Lee reported that she has sent cards to Barb Edwards and Louise Peterson. She delivered dictionaries to Zion Lutheran School and received thank-you cards with notes from students.

Mary Beth Lee has been preparing a reorganization of the Turkey Hill Junior Grange by making flyers and booklets to be distributed at an organizational

meeting. There are ten children who have been invited to attend. Dick Frette noted that there is provision in the new budget for the Junior Grange. Jane Helms discussed the Junior Grange One Plus program in which Turkey Hill Junior Grangers may be eligible to participate.

Dick Frette noted that Turkey Hill Grange needs to fill the positions of Flora, Building Chair, three-year Executive Board member, Membership Chair, Catering and Hall Rental Chair, Treasurer, and more.

Executive Board members discussed ceasing to mail the hard copy Grange newsletters. It is costing us \$575 a year to send four newsletters. We can probably find a cheaper place to print newsletters. One idea discussed was charging members who wish to receive hard copy mailings a little more dues.

Charles Treser noted that the last inventory of things in the hall was done in 2005, and this needs to be updated for insurance purposes. Mary Beth Lee volunteered to help do this.

There was a discussion of upgrades to consider in the upcoming kitchen remodeling project.

Submitted respectfully by secretary pro tem
Mardy Eisloeffel