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By Charles Treser

We are halfway through the first quarter of 2022. A lot has transpired these past few weeks. Time after time, THG Grangers have responded to calls for participation in various meetings and events. The response to these calls for helping on projects is heartwarming to me. I see committees meet and positive results are born. THG is blessed beyond description with outstanding members willing to carry the load and show the way for others to get involved and make our Grange prosper. We have catered large lunch and dinner meetings and events resulting in super satisfied customers and added funds to our bank account. We will see committee reports later in this newsletter. I foresee great happenings for you and your Grange in the spring quarter. Thank you sincerely for all you each do for our Grange!

Belleville Officer Named National Grange Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, 2021



Left to Right: Turkey Hill Grange President Charles Treser, Belleville Mayor Patty Gregory, Officer Dan Cook, National Grange Executive Committee Member Lynette Schaeffer

Photo by David Phillip

Lynette Schaeffer presented the National Grange Law Enforcement Officer of the Year recognition to Belleville Police Department Officer Dan Cook. Lynette is Chairperson of the National Grange Executive Committee. Turkey Hill Grange nominated Officer Cook in the Summer of 2021. The Illinois State Grange selected him as the Illinois Grange Officer of the Year nominating him to the National Grange. *(continued on page 2)*

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The National Grange considered nominees from 38 State Granges at the National Grange Convention in Wichita, KS, in November 2021. They selected Officer Cook as the 2021 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.

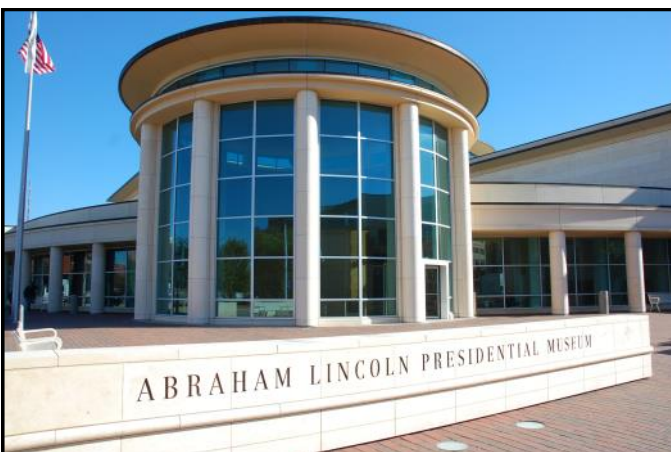


Officer Cook and Family. (Left to Right) Dan's Mother, Norma Wierciak, his daughter, Danielle, his wife, Julie, and Officer Dan Cook. Their son, Holden, was unable to attend.

Photo by David Philip

Officer Cook served as a School Resource Officer and started a D.A.R.E. program to help young people stay away from illicit drugs. He also praised Officer Cook's diligence to duty when successfully pursuing and capturing three robbery suspects involved in a robbery in Belleville. The suspects were also investigated for a string of robberies in St Louis, MO. Officer Cook's actions contributed significantly to the overall success of the multi-agency investigation and reflected great credit on the City of Belleville and its police department. Officer Cook's remarks were characteristically humble thanking the Grange for the award and expressing appreciation to the many agencies who supported the investigation and capture of the robbers.

Officer Cook's friends, family, and fellow police officers attended the February 11 ceremony at Turkey Hill Grange. Lynette Schaeffer presented the award on behalf of the National Grange. Ms Schaeffer is a National Grange Executive Committee Chairperson and President of the Illinois State Grange. Belleville Mayor Patty Gregory praised Officer Cook for his community involvement and valuable service as a Belleville Police Officer for over 20 years. Belleville Police Captain Todd Kielbach talked about Officer Cook's near 3-decade dedication to law enforcement.



Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, Springfield, IL

President's Day

Presidents' Day never falls on the actual birthday of any American president. Four chief executives—George Washington, William Henry Harrison, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan—were born in February, but their birthdays all come either too early or late to coincide with Presidents' Day, which is always celebrated on the third Monday of the month.

Reprint from National Grange

Calendar Update

Date & Time	Event	Notes
March 2022		
2, 1-2:30 pm	Quilting Group	
8, 7 pm	Executive Board Meeting	
11, 7:30 pm	Grange Meeting	Program: Peace Corps
18, 9 am—2 pm	Quilting Work Day	
April 2022		
2, 8 am	Chicken Dinner Workday	
3, 10:30 am	Chicken Dinner	Indoor dining & carryout service
5, 7 pm	Executive Board Meeting	
6, 1 — 2:30 pm	Quilting Group	
8, 7:30 pm	Grange Meeting	Program: Busy Bees 4-H
10	Palm Sunday	
17	Easter	
29, 9 am-2 pm	Quilting Work Day	
23-24, 8 am — 3 pm	Flea Market	
May 2022		
4, 1 pm	Quilting Group	
10, 7 pm	Executive Board	
13, 7 pm	Grange Meeting	
20, 9 am-2 pm	Quilting Work Day	
30	Memorial Day	
June 2022		
7, 7pm	Executive Board	
10, 7:30	Grange Meeting	Officer Nominations Scholarship Awards
July 2022		
4	Independence Day	
5, 7 pm	Executive Board	
10, 7:30 pm	Grange Meeting	Vote on Officers
August 2022		
9, 7 pm	Executive Board	Old & New Officers Attend
12, 6 pm	Potluck & Grange Meeting	Install New Officers Member Recognition
12 & 13, 8 am	Ham & Peach Workdays	
14, 10:30 am — 2 pm	Ham & Peach Dinner	
25, 26, 27	Renner Farm	
Holiday	Grange Meeting	Grange Activity Fund Raising Event

Chicken Dinner Kicks Off 2022

Major Fundraisers



Turkey Hill Grange will hold its first major fund raising event Sunday, April 3, 2022. We are returning to our traditional format for the three big Sunday dinners (Fried Chicken, Ham & Peach, and Wurstmarkt) with indoor dining and carryout orders available. We'll take advanced credit card orders through the web site (www.turkeyhillgrange.org). The three fundraising events support our community service mission and help us keep the Grange Hall in good repair. Stacy Rutledge and David Donley are co-chairpersons for this event.

Worker List: These dinners require the coordinated work of many Grange members. A complete worker list is at page 7. If you are not listed don't despair. Give Stacy Rutledge (618-593-0515) a call. If you cannot help at the designated time or job, please call Stacy. We can find a spot for you. We serve from 10:30 am—2:00 pm on Sunday. We'll also need help on Saturday. Clean-up on Sunday after 2:00 p.m. is important to keep our Grange Hall ready for meetings and rentals.

Grangers provide desserts: We expect each Grange family to provide four pies, but we also accept other desserts. We are known for our desserts.

Worker Meals: Work 8 hours or more on one or more days, eat free. Work at least 4 hours on either day, pay \$8 meal (eat-in or carryout). Please coordinate meal break with your team leader. Half-price worker meal tickets are available only at the ticket table on the upper level. "Free" meals require the worker to get a ticket from the Dining Room Team Leader so we have an accurate count of the number of meals served.

MENU

- Fried Chicken
- Homemade Dressing
- Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
- Green Beans
- Cole Slaw
- Apple Sauce
- Dessert

PRICES

- Adult Dine-In or Carryout \$16
- Child 5-12 years old \$8
- Child under 5, free
- Advanced Order (adult only) Dine-in or Carry Out: \$15

The Quilt Block

Information on Grange Quilting Group

Quilt Raffles

The Cardinal T-shirt throw is complete! Ticket price is \$3 each or two for \$5. We begin selling at the March Grange Meeting. Also, the quilt will be displayed at the Chicken Dinner. We'll draw the winner before the Cardinal's Home Opener, April 7, 2022.

Four seasonal throws (each approximately 55 in X 70 in) will be raffled starting at the Chicken Dinner. Tickets for the four throws are \$5. Drawing for the winner at close of Wurstmarkt 2022.

Members should pick up tickets to sell to friends and neighbors. Proceeds from the raffles help us support our Quilt of Valor projects.



Quilting Group Calendar

Date, Time	Comments
Mar 3, 1 pm — 2:30 pm	Discuss projects, get ideas, plan activities, and get help
Mar 25, 9 am — 4 pm	Work projects including Quilts of Valor and Curtains for Dining Room
Apr 6, 1 pm — 2:30 pm	Discuss projects, get ideas, plan activities, and get help
Apr 29, 9 am — 4 pm	Work projects including QOV and Curtains for Dining Room
May 4, 1 pm — 2:30 pm	Discuss projects, get ideas, plan activities, and get help
May 27, 9 am — 4 pm	Work projects including QOV
June 1, 1 pm — 2: 30 pm	Discuss projects, get ideas, plan activities, and get help
June 24, 9 am — 4 pm	Work projects including QOV



Flea Market

Turkey Hill Grange will host a Flea Market **April 23rd and 24th, 8 am — 3pm.**

20 tables available at \$15 per day to vendors, direct sales, crafters, or even for rummage sale items. **Set up on Saturday or Sunday starts at 6:30 am. Early setup Friday, Apr 22, 9 am — 6 pm** for additional \$5 per 8-foot table.

Grange will have its own rummage sale area. We also will sell baked good, food and drinks all day. Help is needed.

Questions: Stacy Rutledge at 618-593-0515.

Donated items taken anytime. Call Stacy Rutledge or Chris Bursett 618-233-6994 and we can meet you to get your items.

This summer we will sell jams and jellies, and other items in a new location on Saturday mornings. Our new location is Vine Street Market, downtown O'Fallon, IL. We will set up inside the O'Fallon Station building, 9 am to 12 pm. Season begins May 8th and ends October 16th. The address is 212 E. 1st Street, O'Fallon IL.

We will participate in the Vine Street Markets micro markets on March 26th, April 9th, and April 30th, 9 am until 12pm.

We also will be back selling our jams and jellies May through October on Thursdays at the Swansea Farmers Market. On State Highway 159, Rural king parking lot. 10 am — 2 pm.

Come check us out and tell your friends, family, and neighbors. We will have new items to sell made by our quilters, breads, stained glass items, honey, chocolate, seasonal produce, and a few plants. We need help to work the Turkey Hill Grange booth at each of these markets. To volunteer or for questions call Stacy Rutledge, 618-593-0515.



CHICKEN DINNER 2022 WORKER LIST

Jobs Prior to Prep Day

	Job	Worker	
	Mail Post Cards	Charles Treser	
	Newspaper Advertising	Charles Treser	
	Place Road Signs	John Rutledge	
	Update Marquees	Steve & Hilda Koluch	
	On-line Advertising, Store, Advanced Orders	Jim Coe	
	Pick Up Truck w/ Chicken at Winnemans	David & Mary Donley	
	Arrange for CSWs	Ginger Miller	

Prep Day, Saturday, April 2, 2022

Location	Job	Times	Workers
Kitchen	Food Preparation	8 am – Done	Stacy Rutledge Team Lead (TL) (593-0515) , Barb Joseph, Mary Laurent, Mary Donley, Julie McGuire, Marlene Frazer, Paulette Hill
	Cut Cabbage	8 am – Done	Darrell Lucas
Fry Room	Chicken Prep	8 am – Done	John Rutledge TL (593-0515) , Rick Kohl, Ron Bersett, Lynn Gipson, Roger Mueller
	Potatoes (find drill & attachment and test)	As Required	David Donley
Pie Room	Set Up	8 am – Done	Nikki Wilcoxon TL (973-3825) , Jane Helms, Chris Bersett
Dining Room	Setup	8 am – Done	Karen Gipson TL (816-547-4382) , Joanna Stanforth, American Heritage Girls (AHG), Hilda Koluch, Urban and Mary Lou Baum
	Set Up Buffet Table	8 am – Done	Mike Boyne, Keith Brauer, Charles Treser

Prep Day, Saturday, April 2, 2022 (continued)			
Location	Job	Times	Workers
Upper Level	Prepare Hall, Stage, Bathrooms, Audio System	8 am – Done	Mardy Eisloeffel TL (277-7005) , Steve Koluch, Jim Coe
	Set up Jelly Table & Quilt Auction	As Required	David Donley, Emma Rutledge, Chris Bersett
	Pick Up Change for Drawers, Check Credit Card Machine	As Required	Jim & Marilyn Coe
Trailer	Carry-Out Setup	8 am – Done	Dick Frette TL (235-8266) , Judy Campbell
Sunday, April 3, Chicken Dinner			
Location	Job	Times	Workers
Outside	Set Up Parking Lot	9 am – 10:30 am	Charles Treser TL (618-531-2600) , Amy Bouvet, Ginger Miller, Fred Helms
	Turn Entrance Sign Around	9 am – Done & 2 pm -- Done	Charles Treser
	Direct Traffic	10 am – Done	Amy Bouvet TL, Ginger Miller
	Bring in chairs & signs	2 pm – Done	Ginger Miller, CSW
	Picnic Area	10 am – 2 pm	Urban & Marylou Baum
	Remove lettering on outdoor signs	2 pm – Done	Steve Koluch, CSW
	Bring in Road Signs	As Required	Jim Coe
Kitchen	Prepare food for buffet table & trailer	8 am – cleaned up	Stacy Rutledge TL (416-7382) , Barb Joseph, Rebecca Hawkins-Valdez, Barbra Ruhl, Joyce Meyer, Joy Underwood
	Runner/Porter	9 am – 2 pm	2 CSW
	Wash Pots (North End)	10 am – 12:30 pm	Ron Bersett TL (233-6994) , 1 CSW
12:30 – cleaned up		Ron Bersett , Bob Dintelmann, 1 CSW	
	Wash Silverware (South End)	10 am – 12:30 pm	Carol Young, 1 CSW
		12:30 pm – cleaned up	Edith Robinson, 1 CSW

Sunday, April 3, 2022, Chicken Dinner (continued)

Location	Job	Times	Workers
Fry Room	Prepare Fried Chicken for buffet table & trailer	8 am – cleaned up	John Rutledge TL (593-0515) , John Manfredi, Fred Helms, Lynn Gipson, Dude Underwood
	Runner/Porter	8 am – cleaned up	2 CSW
	Prepare Mashed Potatoes	8 am – Noon	David Donley
		Noon – cleaned up	John Manfredi, Chad Stanforth
Pie Room	Cut & Serve Desserts	8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Nikki Wilcoxon TL (973-3825) , Chris Bersett, Judy Campbell, Ginny Domesick
		12:30 pm – cleaned up	Nikki Wilcoxon , Chris Bersett, Jane Helms, Mariah Underwood, Beth Underwood
Dining Room	Dining Room Team Leader Worker Meal List	10 am – cleaned up	Karen Gipson TL (816-547-4382)
	Wait Staff	10 am – 12:30 pm	Audrey Partee, Kathy Lickenbrock, Jane Bonaldi, Judy Cates
		12:30 pm – cleaned up	Paulette Hill, Judy Eckert, Lisa Griffith
	Buffet Table Manager	10 am – 12:30 pm	Mike Boyne
		12:30 pm – cleaned up	Keith Brauer
	Bus Tables	10:30 am – cleaned up	Todd Beisiegel & family, AHG, Molly Cross, Jill Connors, J.D. Underwood, Matt Underwood, 2 CSW
	Make Coffee	10 am – cleaned up	Keith Dintelmann
	Drink Table Prepare Drinks	10 am – 12:30 pm	Terry Schuchman, Tami Hughes
		12:30 – cleaned up	Joanna Stanforth, Jennifer Smith
	Ushers Seat Customers	10 am – 12:30	Rick Kohl, Vicki Helms
		12:30 pm – 2 pm	Lary Eckert, Tom Holbrook, Mary Donley

Sunday, April 3, 2022, Chicken Dinner (continued)

Location	Job	Times	Workers
Upper Level	Sell Tickets	10 am – 2 pm	Jim Coe TL (593-5629) , Marilyn Coe (Mary Donley, backup)
	Post Cards	10 am – 12:30 pm	Julie McGuire
		12:30 pm – 2 pm	Dale Helms
	Microphone (call customers to dining room)	10 am – 12:30 pm	Charles Treser
		12:30 pm – 2 pm	Rosemarie Parker
	Sell Jelly & Quilt Raffle Tickets	10 am – 12:30 pm	Mary Beth Lee, Mary Laurent
		12:30 pm – 2 pm	Judy Brindley, Emma Rutledge
	Membership Table	10 am – 2 pm	Steve Koluch
Clean up Grange Hall, stage, bathrooms	1:30 pm – Done	Mardy Eisloeffel TL (277-7005) , Charles Treser, Jim Coe	
Elevator	Assist at Elevator Upper Level	10:30 am – 2 pm	Bob Ruhl
	Assist at Elevator Lower Level	10:30 am – 2 pm	Roger Mueller
Trailer	Set up, prep to-go orders	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	Marlene Frazer TL (210-9059) , Mary Donley, Hilda Koluch
	Prep to-go orders, clean up	12:30 pm – cleaned up	Dick Frette TL (235-8266) , Hilda Koluch, Jane Peters
	Order Taker	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	Kent Heberer
		12:30 pm – cleaned up	Jeff Mueller

Post Event, Sunday, April 3, 2022

	Job	Worker	
	Food Sales	Stacy Rutledge	
	Meal Count	David Donley, Jim Coe	
	Return Truck to Winemans	David & Mary Donley	
	Empty & Clean Fryers	Ron Bersett	

Good and Faithful Servants



Joyce Dintelmann

Joyce Anne Dintelmann, nee Kuhlmann, passed away Sunday, January 9, 2022, at home in Belleville, IL with family by her side.

Joyce was born January 19, 1936, in East St. , Louis, IL, and raised in O'Fallon, IL. She graduated from O'Fallon Township High School and Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Joyce married Robert Dintelmann on August 31, 1957. She was primarily a homemaker, but also taught elementary school in New Jersey, Cahokia, and Belleville.

Joyce was a loving and caring person to all whom she encountered. Her life exemplified the values of the Grange. She was past president of Turkey Hill Grange, 2002-2003 where she was a member for over 50 years. Joyce was widely known and respected for her personal involvement in Grange fundraising activities including weekly Bar-B-Que sales, annual dinners, and catering events. She was an initial member of the Board of Directors of the Turkey Hill Grange Charitable Foundation facilitating the establishment of the Foundation and construction of the elevator section of the Grange Hall.

She is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Robert (Bob) H. Dintelmann, their five children, and grandchildren.



Jerry Hemmer

Jerome "Jerry" O. Hemmer, 89, of Belleville, IL, born July 27, 1932, in Belleville, IL, died Saturday, January 29, 2022, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville, IL.

Jerry was a self-employed insurance broker before retirement. He was United States Marine Corps Sergeant serving in the Korean War. He was a member of St. Henry Catholic Church, Belleville, IL, and treasurer of the Diocesan counsel of Catholic men. Jerry was also former president of the United Youth of Belleville, former president of the Belleville Optimist Club, past chairman of the Belleville Zoning Board, past Alderman for the City of Belleville.

Jerry joined Turkey Hill Grange in 2004 and was a former vice president. He was very active in the weekly Bar-B-Que sales, annual dinners, and catering events. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, and coaching Khoury League.

His wife of 57 years, Lois L. Hemmer, and his second wife, Dolores Barbachen, preceded him to their final reward. He is survived by five children, and nine grandchildren.