

NATIONAL GRANGE **PHOTO CONTEST**

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The National Grange Lecturer's Department is excited to bring back a national photo contest at this year's National Grange session in Tulsa, Ok. Your State Lecturer will have a set of rules by April 1st that they have been sent, using rules from photo contests held by State Granges. I felt it was important to bring back a national contest and this is one that most State Granges already have in place.

Each State Grange can send **one** photo and that State will determine which photo to send. If each State has an entrant, I would be "tickled pink," and if you were at this year's National Grange session... well... the kilt should say it all! The prizes will be \$100 for 1st, \$75 for 2nd and \$50 for 3rd place, so let's get out there and take some pictures! If you have any questions prior to April 1st, feel free to e-mail me at NGLecturer@gmail.com.



National Grange Gathering

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The National Grange Lecturer's Department is proud to announce our nationwide Grange event for 2011. Our National Master Ed and I agree that with the success of last year's rededication of National Grange Headquarters, a nationwide event was in order. After discussing this with some members, it was decided to hold a nationwide Grange gathering on July 16, 2011. The only actual "rule" is that Granges hold some type of event that day. These events can be held by a State, Pomona, Community, Junior or a Grange Department. It will depend on how Granges want to approach this. In smaller states (geographically), they may wish to hold a State event, where larger states may want to hold regional events. In some cases, individual Granges may want to sponsor their own event to celebrate a milestone. National Grange will have some suggested topics in case they are needed, but Granges do not need to use them and can come up with their own.

Granges may want to use this event as a way to say thanks to your own members, use it to reintroduce your Grange to your community, or as a membership boosting drive. For those State Granges that have members who camp, you could hold one of your camping caravans that weekend. As you can tell, it is up to you. My one recommendation is the State Grange has someone to be the coordinator so they know who is doing what, and if possible, send out a newsletter with the events so Grangers can visit an event close to them. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at NGLecturer@gmail.com.

-Pete Pompper-

