

May 2017 Article for "Community Service" from Martha Cook

Hello, Community Service chairs/or secretaries,

"Community service" is US! It is what we do as grange groups and what we do as individual grange members. Whether it is offering our hall at no cost for county elections, emergency community meetings, or our members as individuals shoveling snow for others, driving people to errands, airports, medical appointments, supporting Scout groups or 4-H clubs, all the things that we do to help our community thrive are considered "COMMUNITY SERVICE", as long as we are not being compensated in any way.

PLEASE keep track on a monthly basis of the service you or your grange offers and be ready to fill out a simple report form for me about mid-August. When you read this article/letter, you will have your report form on hand, as well as forms for reporting if your grange has honored a Teacher/Policeman/Fireman-EMT of the year. (Forms are on the ISG website, also)

Do consider honoring a non-Granger for doing something noteworthy for the community or town that you are in. That form is also in your packet.

Some of the funds that we pay to State and National Grange with our annual dues can come back to our granges if we show CS reports from at least 25% of our granges. I would like to help make that happen.

Please call me (765-8230, afternoons) for more information, THANK YOU! Martha Cook