

# Marvel Grange #479



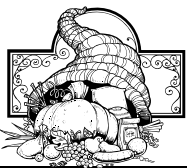
*In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty and in all things charity.*

## November Newsletter

2009

November - Happy Thanksgiving!

November 21 - Benefit dinner and silent Auction for Tommy Jones at FLM School, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



### December Fun!

December 2 - Grange catering USDA Retirement Party at Rec. Center 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

December 4 - Business Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

### SECRET SISTER GATHERING

DECEMBER 6 - 2:00 P.M.

December 13 - Community Christmas Program - FLM School 6:00 p.m.

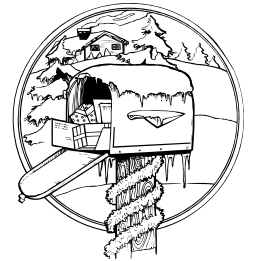
### Community Service opportunities

December 12 - Christmas Dessert making party for Manna Soup Kitchen - 11:00 a.m. at Manna Soup Kitchen

December 18 - Waffle Night and White Elephant Gift Exchange 6:30 p.m.

December 31 - New Year's Eve Party!

### Happy New Year!



## Christmas Family project

For the last several years Marvel Grange has helped families in need in the area with an anonymous gift to either their electric or propane bill. If you know of a family in need this year please let Sheryl Ayers (385-4557) or Cindy Greer (588-3386) know their name and address and the situation on or before December 4. The Grange will decide at the December meeting how to best help families.

## Christmas Dessert Making at Manna Soup Kitchen

December 12 at 11:00 a.m. we will be making dessert for the Manna Soup Kitchen annual Christmas Day dinner. We will be preparing the desserts at the soup kitchen. If you want to car pool please contact Cindy Greer (588-3386). We had a great time making Apple Crisp in October and are sure that this will be just as fun!

Come and join us!

## Waffle Night and White Elephant Gift Exchange

Friday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m. we will be holding our annual Waffle night along with a white elephant gift exchange for those who want to participate.

What is a white elephant Gift Exchange? We all have things around our house that are perfectly good, but we no longer need them or want them. Those are white elephant items. The idea is that one persons trash is another person's treasure. So wrap up those unwanted items for the gift exchange. More details next month.



### Dictionary delivered to the third grade class at Fort Lewis Mesa Elementary School

On Tuesday, November 10 Sheryl Ayers was privileged to deliver the dictionaries that the marvel Grange ordered to Mrs. Calkin's third grade students at the Fort Lewis Mesa elementary school. We ordered 24 new dictionaries this year and gave out 26. We had a few left from last year's order. Labels were placed inside each dictionary telling the kids that the dictionaries were donated by Marvel Grange #479 for their education and enjoyment. From the pictures provided the kids seem to be delighted with the dictionaries which contain additional information as well as definitions.

### Breakfast News

**October 31, 2009** we held our first breakfast for this Grange year. We had approximately 140 in attendance, a record attendance to date. We served Pancakes, or Whole Wheat pancakes, bacon, eggs, orange juice, coffee, tea or milk. We received \$365.25 in donations. There were 12 kids present who received a treat bag for halloween. Brenda Isgar a local nurse offered free health checks to those in attendance at the breakfast. Several took advantage of her services. Thanks to everyone who helped!



Bob Richardson getting checked by Brenda Isgar.



Clarice Schmid all decked out as Dale Evans with her horse.

## Secret Sister party

The date for the annual secret sister party has been set for Sunday, December 6. It will begin at 2:00 p.m. and last no longer than 4:00 p.m. Everyone participating is to bring a snack to share and a gift for their secret sister. We will reveal ourselves to our secret sister and get new ones for the coming year. The party will be held at the home of Judy Santo, 138 Sunset Acres (HYW 140), Hesperus. Please invite others who might want to join us as a secret sister or just for the party.



### REMINDERS:

Activity Teams need to be making plans for their activity! Especially those activities held in the next three to four months.

**Grange Dues** are due January 1 for 2010. This year the dues are \$29.00 per person for regular members. Please send your dues to Sheryl Ayers, Secretary, 275 C.R. 121, Hesperus, CO 81326.

**Congratulations!** Clarice Schmid will have two articles published in "Prairie Times" in 2010. One in the January issue and one in the February issue.