



October, 2019

Marvel Grange #479

217 County Road 133A, Marvel, CO

UPCOMING DATES

October

October 18 – Ballot Issue presentation at 7:00 p.m.

October 21 – Junior Grange 4:00 p.m.

October 28 – Sr Citizen Lunch 12:15 p.m.

November

November 1 – Business meeting at 7:30 p.m.

November 15 - TBD

November 30 – Community Breakfast 8-10 a.m.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER Isaac Greer who graduated from Junior Grange.

<http://www.coloradogrango.org/local-granges/marvel/index.html>

Ballot Issues & Library proposal

Trish Pegram of the La Plata County League of Women Voters will discuss the state ballot issues at the Marvel Grange Hall on Friday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. The FLM/Sunnyside Library district will also present information and answer questions about the proposed district. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.

Senior Citizen Lunch

There will be a senior Citizen Lunch at the Grange Hall on Monday, October 28 at 12:15 p.m. Planned menu is Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, green beans, dessert and beverages.



JUNIOR GRANGE CORNER

The next Junior Grange meeting will be Monday, October 21 at 4:00 p.m. We'll be doing a craft and working on one of the passport projects.

Program opportunities

The Lecturer, Cindy Greer would appreciate your help.

We need individuals to volunteer to provide the program for business meetings. If you are able to provide a quiz, demonstration, story, poem or something else for a program, please let Cindy know which month you can attend and present the program.

If you ended up with the sign-up sheet after the October meeting, please get it back to Cindy.

Commissioner Clyde Church to hold office hours in Breen

Durango, CO – Commissioner Clyde Church will hold office hours on October 10 from 3 to 5 pm for the general public to meet with him in an informal setting to discuss issues of interest to the community or county at the Breen Community Center, 15300 Hwy. 140, in Hesperus. For more information please contact the La Plata County Commissioners' Office at 970-382-6219.

DUES INCREASE PASSED at State

1. **Whereas** the Colorado State Grange has been receiving a substantial amount of money from Grange Insurance Association (GIA) via the National Grange per a trademark agreement and
2. **Whereas** those monies were reduced again for the coming year by \$4,000.00 and
3. **Whereas** the Colorado State Grange has not had a dues raise for the state Grange since approximately 1998 and
4. **WHEREAS** the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Inflation Rate indicates that the cost of something in 1999 that was \$20, would now cost nearly \$31.00 in 2019 and
5. **Whereas** the Grange is one of the most economical organizations to belong to and
6. **Whereas** raising the Colorado State Grange Dues by \$10.00 per member would make an individual's dues \$24.00 to the State Grange (not including National dues or the Local Grange's dues) now therefore be it
7. **RESOLVED** that the Colorado State Grange raise membership dues \$10.00 per member.

So this means that dues for Marvel Grange members will now be \$41.00 per person/year for regular members who are not golden sheaf members. If you need to break your dues payment up into small portions please discuss the possibility with Secretary, Sheryl Ayers. Dues are due January 1, 2020.

AWARDS RECEIVED

Marvel Grange Received the following awards at the State convention:

2nd place Community Service

2nd Place Publicity report

Nathen Greer and Daniel Greer will be participating in the Evening of Excellence at the National Convention in Minneapolis, MN in November.

Lecturers report received recognition for Community Dinner, Food Sustainability Program and Lecturers Star Awards. Lecturer's participation Award and Lecturer's Sweepstakes Award.

Thank. You to everyone who entered items in the contests at State and Pomona.