

Maryland State Grange to meet this week

HURMONT, Md. — The 106th annual session of the Maryland State Grange will be held October 16, 17, and 18th at the Sheraton Inn in Frederick, Maryland.

Rodman Myers of Thurmont and Master of the Maryland State Grange says everything is moving forward for a successful session.

Frederick County Pomona Grange will serve as the host grange.

Adrian "Mac" Remsberg, Frederick County Commissioner will have the opening remarks on Thursday morning. National Grange guests are Frank and Virginia Hays of New Hampshire. Hayes is master of New Hampshire State Grange and Secretary of the National Grange.

Other highlights Thursday morning will be the memorial service, officers



John Weidman



Frank Hays

reports, State Master message and the membership report of increase for the 2nd straight year by Maurice Wiles.

Thursday at 1 p.m. the Womens Activities Luncheon, Chairman Louisa Hott, telephone 301/357-8438 for tickets at \$5 each. Speaker is Mrs. Julia Gouge, President of the Maryland Homemakers Council and the Deaf Scholarship report by Lester Stem. Tour of the Maryland School for the Deaf is planned for 3 p.m.

Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. will be the conferring of the 5th degree by Frederick Co. Pomona Grange Officers and the Sixth degree at 8:30 p.m. by Maryland State Grange Officers.

Friday's session opens at 9 a.m. with the election of two executive committee members followed by the Maryland Grange-Farm Bureau report by Sid Ishee of Beltsville Grange. Committee reports will be

given by Charles Brauer, chr. Roads and Transportation; Harold Stevens, Chairman of Safety and Stella Ishee, Chairman of Health and Education.

The Junior Grange Luncheon will be held at 12:15 p.m. under the direction of Junior Leader Ethel Brauer, telephone 301/447-6424, tickets are \$5.

Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Earl Brown, Dean of the College of Agriculture for the University of Maryland will speak followed by the report of the agriculture committee chairman Jesse Burall and secretary Ernie Shea.

Other speakers on the program are Roy Porter, Alan Musselman, Carol Aragon and Amy Leber.

At 7 p.m. the annual Agriculture Banquet. Tickets are \$7, telephone 301/271-2104. Guest speaker is John Weidman of Lancaster, Eastern Division Sales Manager, Pioneer

Seed Corn Company, speaking on "It's a great day to be alive".

Also the Community Service Award, Maryland Agriculture Award, Agriculture Scholarship winners and the finalist of the talent contest held at Eldersburg on October 11.

Saturday morning the youth breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. Youth Director Janet Wiles, tickets are \$5, phone 301/898-7724. Speakers will be Keith and Sue Treichler, 1980 National Grange Young Couple

runner-up from Pennsylvania, followed by the Clear Spring FFA Chapter State FFA Parliamentary Procedure contest winners and comments from Larry Riggs, Maryland FFA Executive Secretary.

Myers says he hopes many grangers will take time to attend the session and help set policy of the Maryland State Grange for 1981. Some of the resolutions will be forwarded on the National Grange Session in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Nov. 10-16, 1980.

Wyoming County agent wins national award

TUNKHANNOCK — Robert Hobbes, Wyoming County Agent, has been working harder than usual recently, making sure there is a supply of trained people to fill agriculture positions of the future.

Because of Hobbes' efforts, and other agents like him, enrollment in the nation's agriculture colleges is on the rise.


As a result, Hobbes has been honored at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents dinner in Oklahoma City, as one of eight Career Guidance winners in 1980.

The award is earned by county agents who are best at originating and developing career guidance programs related to agriculture for the young people in their communities. The program is sponsored by Sperry New Holland, a farm machinery manufacturer.

In Wyoming County, Hobbes created a 4-H Career exploration program which is offered where it can do the most good. He has worked, for example, with Wyoming County eighth grade guidance teachers encouraging them to use the package to supplement their own teaching program.

The teachers have used the program and it has been well received by the students, Hobbes says.


Other county agents recognized at the August 11 dinner were: Edward J. Ausderau, Whitehall, Wisconsin; John Rickett, Monticello, Kentucky; Charles R. Moody, Centre, Alabama; Joe C. Green, Marietta, Georgia; James R. Mabe, Jr., Marion, North Carolina; Stephen H. Jackson, Richfield, Utah; Gary D. Stewart, Yakima, Washington.



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