

Finding Aid for the Duane Grange, 1940-1964 (2006.2.6)

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Scope and Content

This collection portrays the history of the Duane Grange in Schenectady County, which is a part of the larger organization of the New York State Grange. Membership information and account information are highlighted along with letters providing insight into the closure of the Grange in 1964. The Grange is a family fraternity striving to improve the lives of farmers and their families through educational and charitable programs for the community.

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 - Notice of Donation from Duane Grange to American Red Cross, 1955
 - Membership Card in American National Red Cross - Duane Grange, 1957
 - Lecturer's Program, 1957
 - Tax Receipt from Town of Duanesburg for Building Association, 1957; 1962
 - Baking Contest - Information Sheet, 1963
 - New York State Grange Award Program, 1963
 - Community Progress Program Workbook, 1963
 - Community Progress Program (Rules and Information), 1964-65
 - Applications for Silver Star Certificate
- Folder 2: Correspondence
 - Letter from Merrill L. Predmore to Duane Grange Secretary - purchasing Victory Bonds, 1945

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- Letter from Henry D. Sherwood to "Worthy Secretary" - changes to New York State Grange Program, 1949
- Letter from Duane Grange Committee to patrons - Grange closure, c. 1960
- Letter from Russell Curtis to "Worthy Master" – membership, 1963
- Letter from Russell Curtis to "Worthy Master" - Grange laws, 1963
- Letter from Helen Teetz to Werner Feuz - Grange chapter closing, 1964
- Letter from Russell Curtis to Werner Feuz - Grange chapter closing, 1964
- Letter from Leona Smith to "Worthy Secretary" - thank you for donation to Scotch Church Grange, c. 1964

Folder 3: Membership

- Application for Membership, 1952-55
- Application for Reinstatement, 1963
- Card of Dimit, 1964
- Receipt for paid dues, 1964
- Record of Membership – Blank, 1964
- Membership Cards - Blank
- Receipts for dues collected - Blank
- Handwritten Lists of Names - Members?

Folder 4: Reports & Grange Information

- Community Service Report for Duane Grange, 1953
- New York State Grange By-Laws, 1956; 1964
- Secretary's Handbook - Written by Harry A. Caton
- Handwritten Meeting Notes

Folder 5: Reports & Grange Information

- Account information - on small slips of paper, 1940-43
- New York State Grange Report for Duane Grange - Quarterly Reports, 1941-64
- Official Directory of New York State Grange, 1962; 1963
- Journal of the Proceedings of National Grange, 1963-64

Folder 6: Reports & Grange Information

- Digest 1949: Constitution & Digest of the Laws and Enactments 1949

Folder 7: Reports & Grange Information

- Deputy's Report of New York State Grange, 1944; 1948; 1958-62

Folder 8: Supplies & Memorabilia

- The Farmers Record and Account Book - Blank inside, 1915
- Square Dance contest plaque, 1955
- Bill for Grange Memorabilia, 1964
- Grange Supplies Catalog - Manufactured by H.C. Bainbridge, 1964
- Grange Supplies Order Sheet - Blank
- Grange metal pins
- Official Grange Supplies - List and descriptions