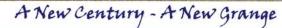
National Grange

of THE ORDER of PATRONS of HUSBANDRY



Kermit W. Richardson, Master

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Dear Mr. Oblander:

As National Master (President) of the National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, let me say that our organization has enjoyed a long and rewarding relationship with the Boy Scouts of America. From the very beginning of our organization 134 years ago, the value of the family and values in general were a part of our organization and they are a big part of our organization today. Our organization through its Junior Grange program and Youth program emphasize the values of leadership, self-discipline, caring and service.

Because of the absolute need for these values in our young people today, we are pleased to help the Boy Scouts of America in developing lifetime value and discipline that will support a long person for their entire life. As Master of the National Grange, I commend the Boy Scouts of America for their efforts and pledge our continued support to them.

Sincerely,

Kermit W. Richardson, Master

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