Thomas F. Severance Award for Outstanding Grange Service

Up to four awards will be available per year to students who have contributed their time and talent in an outstanding manner to the Grange. Students may apply for this award by including on or with this application a resume of their Grange activities. This application must be signed by the President, Secretary or Lecturer of the applicant's Subordinate Grange. These awards are competitive, and no student may receive more than one Outstanding Grange Service Award.

Brother Thomas F. Severance served the Grange in many different capacities since he joined in 1955. Tom began his service to the Massachusetts State Grange as a member of the Conservation and Ecology committee in 1973. He also served as a Deputy before being elected Gatekeeper in 1980. Following historical tradition, Tom worked his way up the chairs and was elected Master (President) of the Massachusetts State Grange in 1993, serving until 1997. At the time of his passing in 2011, Tom was a member of the State Grange Executive Committee and held the National Grange position of High Priest of Demeter. Over the years, Tom served on many Grange committees and worked to support many State Grange functions.

I, _____, a member of _____
          (*PLEASE PRINT*)
Grange #_____, wish to apply for a Thomas F. Severance Award for Outstanding Grange Service.

To be considered for the Thomas F. Severance Award for Outstanding Grange Service, please attach a list of your current and past Grange activities, offices and committee positions held, including dates of service. You may also include a brief (1-2 paragraph) narrative providing further details of why you feel you're deserving of this special recognition. Be sure to sign the application below and submit this application along with your First, Subsequent, Vocational or Part-Time Scholarship Application form.

Applicant's Signature_____

Subordinate Grange Officer Signature:
I believe the above to be accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed_____

Date_____

Office_____
          President, Secretary or Lecturer