

**SOUTH MIDDLEBOROUGH GRANGE #337
68th ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL FAIR**



**Saturday, August 22, 2026
South Middleborough Grange Hall
570 Wareham Street, South Middleborough**

Fair exhibits received from 7 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Fair opens to the public at 1 p.m.

Musical Entertainment by Billy Mulligan 3 – 5 p.m.

Baked Chicken Dinner at 6:00 p.m. \$16 - adults \$7 - kids

Agricultural Products Auction at 7 p.m.

**In cooperation with the Massachusetts State Grange
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EXHIBITS RECEIVED FROM 7 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
FAIR OPENS TO THE PUBLIC AT 1:00 P.M.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITS
BAKED GOODS SALE
TRAVELLING BAZAAR
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT -BILLY MULLIGAN - 3 P.M. – 5 P.M.

BAKED CHICKEN DINNER AT 6 P.M.
BAKED CHICKEN
MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, CARROTS,
CRANBERRY SAUCE, ROLLS & BUTTER,
CHOICE OF BEVERAGE
BROWNIE AND ICE CREAM FOR DESSERT
\$16.00 FOR ADULTS AND \$7.00 FOR KIDS

AGRICULTURAL AUCTION AT 7:00 P.M.
FEATURING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



The Massachusetts State Grange and South Middleborough Grange #337 will provide ribbons and premium money for all contests. The Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) may fund premiums if provided funding and provides rosettes. Rosettes awarded have no additional premium money award.

General Rules and Instructions

First time exhibitors with questions can email: purchademeadows@yahoo.com or text 774-419-2938 or call Sandra at 508-866-7845. Exhibits will be received on Saturday from 7 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Entry forms can be completed when entering exhibits on Saturday.

All exhibits must be made/grown by the exhibitor. All entries must be in place by 11:30 a.m. to enable judging to begin promptly at noon.

Foods are to be properly covered and accompanied with the recipe. No package mixes are to be used.

All canning and preserved goods including jam (except jelly) shall be sealed by processing.

All exhibits must be kept intact and on display to the general public from 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the day of the fair. Anything not collected by 7:00 p.m. will be auctioned for the benefit of the South Middleborough Grange.

Boys and girls ages 5 – 14 as of January 1 are eligible to compete in all classes for all categories listed. Conservation classes are youth contests only.

If there is no listing for a category, it will be entered in unclassified and will be judged with other unclassified entries.

Suggestions and Helpful Hints for Fair Exhibitors

1. Read all instructions.
2. Follow the premium list exactly.
- 3 Some of the criteria used by the judges in identifying prize winners include:
 - a) exact number of specimens as described in premium list
 - b) uniformity; each specimen should be similar to every other in size, shape and color
 - c) quality; not too large, not too small. Fine in texture, etc.
 - d) free of blemishes; no cuts, bruises, insect injury or disease
 - e) cleanliness; product should be washed or wiped as one would prepare for market display

Canning/Jelly/Jams (to be processed)

4. Products should be of the best quality, uniform in size and good color.
5. The liquid should be clear, free from sediment with the proper amount contained in each jar.
6. Containers should be uniform, clean, properly sealed and labeled.
7. Rims (caps) should be able to be removed.
8. All canning, jams and jellies should be processed.

Flowers – Adult and Youth Classes

Arrangements 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

All arrangements must be selected and arranged by the exhibitor.

Artistic arrangement, choice of container, and quality of flowers are considered for judging.

All entries should be accompanied by a 3X5 index card with the name of the entry i.e. “Center of Table”

Center of Table

Child’s Room

Holiday (specify holiday)

In a container not originally intended for flowers

Mixed Flowers (3 or more varieties)

Wild Flower Arrangement

Unclassified

Cut Flowers 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Appropriate containers are to be furnished by the exhibitor.

Flowers must be grown, selected and arranged by the exhibitor.

Flowers are judged for horticultural perfection.

Arrangements should include stem and foliage when applicable.

All entries should be accompanied by a 3X5 index card with the name of the entry i.e. “Dahlias 5 Singles”

Any Other Variety

Asters	5 Blooms	One or more Varieties
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Cosmos	5 Stems	
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Dahlias	5 Singles	
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Dahlias	5 Doubles	
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Gladiolus	3 Spikes	
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Marigolds	5 Small	
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Marigolds	5 Large	
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Petunias	5 Stems	Single Flowers
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Petunias	5 Stems	Double Flowers
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Roses	3 Stems	
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Sunflower	Tallest	
Zinnias	5 Stems	Small Flowers
Zinnias	5 Stems	Large Flowers

Houseplants 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

To be judged for horticultural perfection.

All entries should be accompanied by a 3X5 index card with the name of the entry i.e. "Foliage House Plant"

Cactus/Succulent
Flowering House Plant
Foliage House Plant
Herbs 1 Type
African Violet Single
African Violet Double

Conservation – Youth Classes Only Collections 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

All displays should be mounted on posterboard no larger than 14 X 22 or contained in a scrapbook.

All specimens should be identified with the name listed next to each place.

Collection of 5 Bugs
Collection of 5 Common Weeds
Collection of 5 Leaves
Collection of 5 Sea Shells
Collection of 5 Wild Flowers

Food – Adult and Youth Classes

Baked Goods 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

All food recipes must be made by the exhibitor.

All food exhibits must be wrapped in transparent paper.

Recipe must accompany all entries.

No package mixes to be used.

Bars (Plate of 7)

Brownies (Plate of 7)

Cookies (Plate of 7)

Coffee Cake

Cornbread (Plate of 7)

Dark Cake

Light Cake

Muffins (Plate of 7)

One Crust Pie

Two Crust Pie

Quick Bread, Fruit

Quick Bread, Vegetable

Canned Goods 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Products shown must be of the current years production and made by the exhibitor.

All canning, jams and jellies should be processed.

Labeled jars should be of the same size and type.

Canned fruits, canned vegetables, and jam shall be sealed by processing.

Rims (caps) must be able to be removed.

Judges consider the quality of the product and the workmanship as indicated by the condition of the product.

Preference shall be given to practical collections rather than fancy collections of products.

2 Jars of Applesauce

2 Jars of Pickles

2 Jars of Cranberry Sauce

2 Jars of Relish

2 Jars of Jam

2 Jars of Salsa

2 Jars of Jelly

2 Jars of Tomato Sause

Apiary/ Honey 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Products shown must be of the current years

Production and made by the exhibitor.

Honey jars must be leak proof.

No labels or ID will be on entry

Judges consider the quality of the product and the workmanship as indicated by the condition of the product.

Eggs 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

1 Dozen Brown Eggs

1 Dozen Colored Eggs

1 Dozen Duck Eggs

1 Dozen Quail Eggs

1 Dozen White Eggs

Needlework – Adult and Youth Classes

Needlework 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

The exhibitor must have made all exhibits during the last twelve months.

Leave the back of all frames open for judging.

Only one entry is allowed in each class.

Afghan, Crocheted

Afghan, Knitted

Baby Set, Crocheted 3 Pieces

Cross Stitch Article

Dolls

Embroidered Article

Irene Jefferson “Crocheted Article” category

Handspun Project

Handspun Skeins

Knitted Article
Needlepoint Article
Novelty Article
Pillow
Quilt, Adult
Quilt, Baby
Quilted Project
Rug Hooking Project
Plastic Canvas
Unclassified

Special Youth Contest (Ages 5-14)

250th Anniversary - Patriotic Themed Entry

Class is open to youth ages 5-14. Submit a patriotic themed piece of artwork; pencil, watercolor, or coloring or any other piece of artwork or craft. Add an index card or piece of paper with an explanation of the entry.

Special Contest 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Arts & Crafts –Youth Classes (ages 5 – 14)

Adult Classes (ages 15 and over)

Arts & Crafts 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Adult Coloring Contest (Ages 18 and over)

Decorations

Jewelry

Oil Painting

Watercolor Painting

Woodworking Project

Unclassified

Photography – Adult and Youth Classes

1st 4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

Animals

Landscape/Nature

250th Anniversary – Patriotic Themed Photo

People

Photo should be mounted or framed. Photos can be black and white or in color.

Fruit - Adult and Youth Classes

Plate of Fruit 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

5 Apples

5 Peaches

5 Pears

Quart Basket of Cranberries, Early Black

Quart Basket of Cranberries, Stevens

Quart Basket of Cranberries, Ben Lien

Unclassified

Vegetables - Adult and Youth Classes

Container Display & Table Display Contests

All vegetables in the display must be grown, selected and arranged by the exhibitor. Judges scorecard: Quality 50%, Arrangement 30%, Utility of Value 10% and Number of Varieties 10%.

**1) Frank Jefferson Best Display of Vegetables
Arranged in an Appropriate Container Contest
Prizes awarded 1st \$25.00 2nd \$20.00 3rd \$15.00**

**2) Edward Tomasik Best Display of at least six
(6) kinds of vegetables, covering at least nine (9)
square feet of table space Contest
Prizes awarded 1st \$25.00 2nd \$20.00 3rd \$15.00**

Plates of Vegetables 1st \$4.00 2nd \$3.00 3rd \$2.00

15 Pods of Beans Any other variety

15 Pods of Beans Green

15 Pods of Beans Yellow

5 Beets

2 Cabbages Green

2 Cabbages Red

5 Carrots Short

5 Carrots Long

2 Cauliflower

2 Cucumbers

2 Cucumbers Pickling

5 Ears of Sweet Corn

2 Eggplant

2 Honeydew melons, ripe

2 Muskmelons Ripe

5 Onions Red

5 Onions White

5 Onions Yellow

5 Peppers Hot – Hungarian Wax

5 Peppers Hot – Jalapeno

5 Peppers Hot - Chili

5 Peppers Green

5 Peppers – Red

5 Peppers Yellow

5 Potatoes Red

5 Potatoes Purple

5 Potatoes White

2 Pumpkins Field

2 Pumpkins Miniature

2 Pumpkins Sugar

2 Squashes Butternut

2 Squashes Green

2 Squashes Other Winter

2 Squashes Summer

5 Tomatoes Green

5 Tomatoes Red

5 Tomatoes Italian

10 Tomatoes Cherry

10 Tomatoes Green Cherry

10 Tomatoes Pear

2 Watermelons

Unclassified



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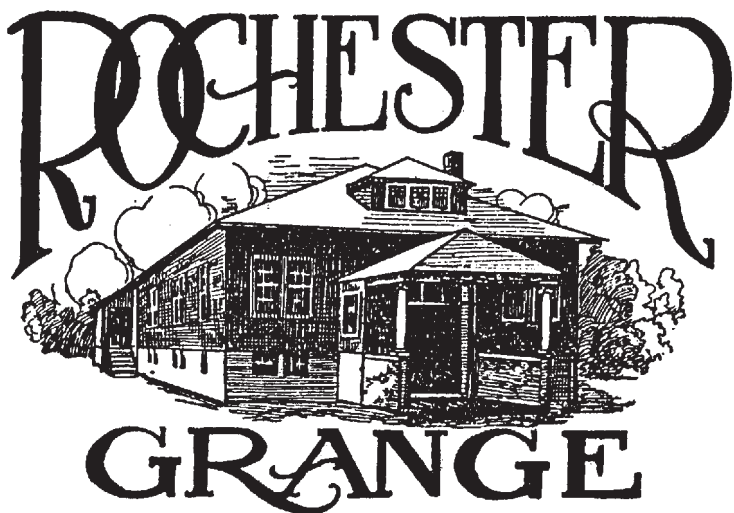


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Auction - Saturday night begins at 7:15 p.m.

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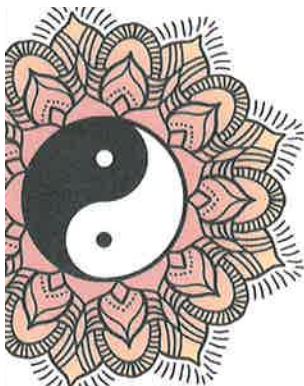


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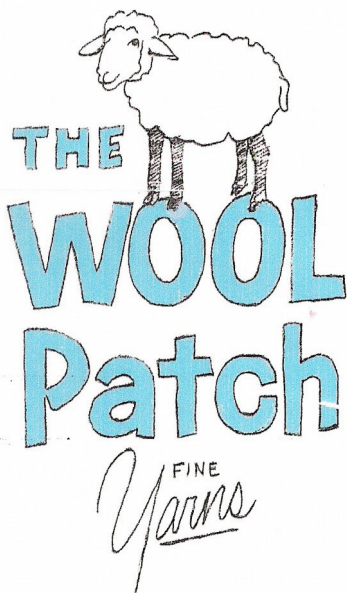


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South Middleborough Grange #337

Organized in 1913 by 98 Charter members, South Middleborough Grange held its first meeting at Benson's Mills under the leadership of Lyman P. Thomas. A fire at the mill destroyed all of the granges' possessions. Replacement items were borrowed from Nemasket Grange of Middleborough and the members moved their meetings to the South Middleborough Community Church.

Shortly thereafter, the members decided to build a grange hall. Members pledged money for the project. William Thomas donated pine trees which were cut and split into boards by the members of the grange. The grange hall was constructed in 1916 and the mortgage on the building was burned approximately five years later.

Annual grange events included clam bakes, dances, suppers and meetings with programs. Many meetings were held and dances followed. The grange held community children's parties, assisted the South Middleborough Protective Association during its initial years and supported the construction of the fire station in South Middleborough. The grange supported a 4 – H club, drama club and conducted charitable work in a variety of areas. The annual agricultural fair began and was held for numerous years. It was discontinued by the grange and restarted at a later date and had run continuously until the 2020 pandemic cancelled fair season completely. The fair returned in 2021 and in 2023, the Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture/Chief of Staff representing the Department of Agricultural Resources attended the fair. She toured the fair, met with grange members, exhibitors and local officials and placed a state rosette on the prize-winning entry selected by the judge.

In late 2024, the grange moved their meetings to the Middleborough Lodge of Elks while the grange worked to secure grant money and a small loan from the Massachusetts State Grange to update the electricity in the grange hall. The electrical improvements were completed by Randall Electric in January, 2026 and grange meetings and activities returned to the grange hall after that. The grange is extremely grateful to the Massachusetts State Grange for the grant and loan to complete the work and to Randall Electric for expeditiously completing quality work with little disturbance to the interior appearance of the hall as well as completing the work under budget. Lastly, to

our fraternal friends, Middleborough Lodge of Elks, thank you for your generosity in hosting our meetings at the Lodge and your gracious hospitality.

Upcoming fall events include, the traditional farm to table turkey dinner scheduled for November with the date to be announced in the fall. Reservations to purchademeadows@yahoo.com in advance of the event date and the annual Holiday Faire to be held in December. Tables will be available for rent for the event by calling (508) 947- 6406.

All grange events are published on the sign board at the grange hall as well as on social media, cable access and in the Nemasket Week Today newspaper.

Monthly meetings of the grange are held on the third Friday at 7:30 p.m. For more information about joining the grange or for a schedule of 2024-2025 meetings, contact Grange Secretary at purchademeadows@yahoo.com or call 508-947-1904.

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