



WORDS FOR THIRDS DICTIONARY PROJECT

We would like to encourage all Granges to participate in this worthwhile project again this year.

The idea of this project is to purchase dictionaries for third-grade students. Each student gets to keep their own personal dictionary. The dictionaries come in case lots of 24 and shipping is free. Most third-grade classrooms consist of 20 – 25 students. You should check with the school you wish to help for the number of dictionaries you will need and home-schooling organizations. Don't forget to purchase a dictionary for the teacher and room aide.

If your Grange cannot afford them, this is a perfect opportunity to get other civic organizations involved with this project. The school or schools that you wish to work with is that of your choosing.

We would like to point out that we do not have Granges in every community. This year we are asking your assistance for the Rhode Island State Grange (RISG) Dictionary Project Fund. This fund will be used to purchase dictionaries in the name of the Rhode Island State Grange and will be donated to communities where there is need.

No donation is too small. Checks should be made payable to:

RI STATE GRANGE FOUNDATION and sent to Marie at 750 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI 02814-1459. Personal donations, which are tax-deductible, can be counted in your report.

If you are looking for more general information about the **Words for Thirds Dictionary Project** or to order dictionaries, you can call 843-388-8375 or go to their web site:

www/dictionaryproject/org. There are some great resources on the "Get Involved" page.



PAPA GINO FUNDRAISERS: The first fundraiser will be held on March 27th in Warwick. See the Beacon for other Papa Gino dates.

DICTIONARY POOL

You can also help by donating your excess dictionaries to the Dictionary Pool. After making your school distributions, the RISG will be glad to accept any leftover dictionaries you may have. If we collect a few dictionaries from several Granges this could possibly give us enough to donate to an unserved school. Even one left-over is acceptable. This pool would allow us to earmark each dictionary with a label that identifies the Rhode Island State Grange to the recipient.