

## March Match Game & Calendar Highlights by Kristin Paulson, MA State Lecturer



IT SHALL BE AN ABIDING PRINCIPLE WITH US TO RELIEVE ANY OF OUR OPPRESSED AND SUFFERING MEMBERS BY ANY REASONABLE MEANS AT OUR COMMAND.

The Heirloom Program\* is designed for us to take time to read & reflect on the essential Grange lessons from our Grange rituals. The 3rd Degree scene is on a Farm in Harvest Season. The Candidates are called Harvestors & Gleaners. The 3rd Degree symbols are The Fruit, Flowers, Ripened Grain, Autumn, & Manhood. The 3rd Emblem is the Sickle. The Lesson is CHARITY. \*<https://www.nationalgrange.org/heirloom-program/>

**[ PLAY A "Third Degree" MATCH GAME. Match the Grange Officer to their 3rd Degree words.]**

Grange Officer	"Officer's Third Degree Words"	123 =?)
1] President (Master)	A) "Be faithful, be hopeful, be charitable, is the constant song that Nature sings."	1] = __)
2] Vice President (Overseer)	B) "As flowers cover rough places in nature, cover faults & failings of others with the mantle of Charity."	2] = __)
3] Lecturer	C) "Our Brothers and Sisters come to gather words of wisdom."	3] = __)
4] Steward	D) "God loveth a cheerful giver, & no less a cheerful worker; for work is prayer."	4] = __)
5] Assistant Steward	E) "While in faith & in Hope this world may disagree, all mankind is concerned in charity,"	5] = __)
6] Chaplain	F) "Add gratitude to the Hope inspired by the blossoms of the early Summer."	6] = __)
7] Ceres	G) "We must reap for the mind as well as the body, & in good deeds and kind words, dispense Charity."	7] = __)
8] Pomona	H) "Forget not to dispense Charity in word & deed."	8] = __)
9] Flora	J) "Brothers & Sisters, you have labored diligently, & I gladly commend your faithfulness."	9] = __)

Source: Subordinate Grange Manual



Source: [www.NationalGrange.org](http://www.NationalGrange.org)

March is National Women's History, National Nutrition, & National Craft months. National Agriculture Week is March 16-22, 2023. "Spring Forward" & set clocks forward 1 hour on March 12th. Spring begins on March 20 (Spring Equinox) March info\_Birthstone: Aquamarine, Flower: Daffodil, & Full Worm or Sap moon on the 7th.

MarchBiography: Dr. Zeuss [B: 3.2.1904 in Springfield,MA] Theodor Seuss Geisel, American children's author & cartoonist, has written & illustrated over 60 books as Dr. Seuss. By his death in 1991, he had sold over six million copies of his books. In his 1950 book "If I Ran the Zoo", Dr. Zeuss invented the word "nerd". His top selling book is "Green Eggs & Ham." Geisel's 1st children's book: "And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry St.", is one of his 6 books no longer published due to insensitive imagery. The Dr. Seuss National Memorial Sculpture Gardens & Museum are at the Springfield Museums in Springfield, MA. <http://www.catinthehat.org/>

Date	Name of Special Day	Description	Event Type
03/01/23	Peace Corps Day	Peace Corps mission: promote world peace by USA helping countries in need.	Historic Day
03/01/23	World Compliment Day	<a href="https://www.worldcomplimentday.info/">https://www.worldcomplimentday.info/</a> Created by Hans Poortvliet of the Netherlands.	International Day
03/02/23	Read Across America Day	Also #DrSeussDay was created by National Education Association on his birthday.	National Day
03/03/23	National Anthem Day	Congress declared "Star Spangled Banner" the national anthem in 3.03.1931	National Day
03/08/23	International Women's Day	<a href="https://www.internationalwomensday.com/About">https://www.internationalwomensday.com/About</a> celebrated since 1911.	International Day
03/12/23	National Girl Scout Day	Juliette Low organized 1st Girl Scout troop in 3.12.1812 <a href="http://www.girlscouts.org">www.girlscouts.org</a>	National Day
03/16/23	National Farm Rescuer Day	<a href="https://farmrescue.org/">https://farmrescue.org/</a> #BeAFarmRescuer	National Day
03/17/23	St. Patrick's Day #StPatricksDay	St. Patrick's Day is celebrated globally by millions by "wearing of the green"	International Holiday
03/18/23	National Quilting Day	National Quilting Association started National Quilting Day in 1991	National Day
03/19/23	National Certified Nurses Day	Birthday of Dr. "Gretta" Styles, RN, EdD, & American Nurses Credentialing Center founder	National Day
03/21/23	World Poetry Day	2023 Poetry Contest, Adults & Youth: "The Joys in my Life" / Junior Topic: "My best friend"	International Day
03/21/23	National AG Day	Held during National AG Week. <a href="http://www.agday.org">www.agday.org</a>	National Day
03/25/23	National Medal of Honor Day	Medal of Honor, the highest US military award for valor, was created in 1861	National Day
03/29/23	Vietnam War Veterans Day	Anniversary of the final withdrawal of military from South Vietnam in 1973	National Day
03/31/23	Farm Workers Day	Also Cesar Chavez Day [his birthday]	National Day

Sources: <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/> Sources: <https://en.wikipedia.org/>

Quiz Answers: 1]\_J; 2]\_D; 3]\_A; 4]\_G; 5]\_C; 6]\_B; 7]\_H; 8]\_F; 9]\_E.