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Join Us May 5th for Opening Reception Multnomah Central Library ~ Portland, Oregon

Multnomah Central Library will be the final stop for the "150 Years of Grange" traveling exhibit. The library is hosting an Opening Reception on Saturday May 5 from 2-4 pm in the Collins Gallery on the 3rd floor. Postcard invitations will be mailed to Masters, State Officers and Directors, but **all members are urged to attend.**

National Master Betsy Huber will join us for the reception. Sister Huber, State Master Susan Noah, and others will speak briefly about the history of the Grange and the exhibit. The library will serve light refreshments.

The library is located at 801 SW 10th Avenue in downtown Portland. The SmartPark Garage at 10th and Yamhill is across the street. Parking there is \$1.60/per hour with a maximum of \$5 on Saturday. The beautifully renovated library has an elevator to the third floor.

Twelve huge display cases will showcase accomplishments during our 150 years as an organization and also make the point we are not done yet. Each case focuses on an aspect

of the Grange to explain why the Grange has survived 150 years.

- What is the Grange?
- Women's Roles since 1867
- Producers and Consumers Brought Together
- Community Needs Served
- Junior and Youth Programs
- Make a Multigenerational Organization
- Support for FFA, 4-H and Fairs
- Fraternalism Binds Members Together
- Grassroots Legislative Policy Impacted Oregon and the Nation
- Traditional Homemaking Skills Preserved
- Social Connection for Isolated Farmers
- Educating Each Other and Our Children
- Grange Halls Built by Volunteer Labor

A committee of volunteers collected appropriate objects and photos that tell the Grange story in as few words as possible. The State Grange thanks these volunteers for their dedication and hard work on this project during the last year:

- Pam Vetsch, Sauvies Island #840 in Multnomah County
- Julie Schnetzky and Nancy Newcomb, Tigard #148 in Washington County
- Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263 in Clackamas County
- Pat and Jan Eck, Multnomah #71 in Multnomah County
- Jay Sexton, Marys River #685 in Benton County
- Marilyn Reiher, Winona #271 in Washington County

Members of Skyline Grange, Multnomah County, have volunteered to help set up the exhibit. Sauvies Island Grange members will take it down while most of the committee members are at the State Grange Convention.

If you are unable to attend the reception, no problem. The exhibit runs from Saturday, April 28 to Sunday June 24. The library is open Mondays from 10 am-8 pm, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from noon-8, Thursdays through Saturdays from 10-6 and Sundays from 10-5. For members outside the metro area, consider stopping at the library on your way to this year's State Grange Convention.

If the exhibit officially begins on April 28, why is the Opening Reception not until May 5? Ag Fest of course. It is April 28 and 29 in Salem.

The traveling library exhibit began its journey on April 15, 2017. It traveled throughout Oregon — from Bandon to Ontario and from Rainier



National Grange Master/President Betsy Huber will be speak at the reception.

and St. Helens to Phoenix near the California border. Stops ranged from ten days to two months. Since no two libraries have the same display case, and some libraries don't have a case, each exhibit was unique. These libraries were visited:

- Corvallis-Benton County Public
- Philomath Community
- Sandy Public
- Albany Main and Carnegie
- Rainier Public
- Hermiston Public
- Bandon Public
- Baker County Main Branch
- Forest Grove City
- Silver Falls Public
- Ontario Community
- Southern Oregon Historical Society Research Library
- Eugene Public
- Phoenix Public
- Lowell City
- Oregon City Public
- St Helens Public
- Tillamook County Main
- Sherwood Public
- North Bend Public
- Springfield Museum



Above and right: Twelve display cases of different sizes and shapes are awaiting in the Collins Gallery to showcase the Grange.



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The Master's Column

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So many things have been happening I hardly know where to start! Grange Up, Grange Connections, Grange 101 Conferences, State Convention planning and State Masters' Conference! 2018 is a very busy year! People always ask, "Good news first or bad news first?" Fortunately I don't have any bad news. So let's start with the very best good news – the winners of Grange Up '17 and the fact that Oregon is showing a net gain at the end of 2017!

And the Winners Are

The Grange Up '17 results are final, and the three Granges with the highest net gain were **New Bridge** Grange in Baker County with 105.2% net gain, **Siletz Valley** in Lincoln County with 90%, and **Salmon River** in Lincoln County with 85.7%! Overall we showed a net gain of 211 members, which is about 5%. This is the first year we've had a net gain since 1992, 26 years ago! I think every member should be proud of this, and together we need to strive to keep the momentum going.

The Ice Cream Social winners in the Grange Up contest are: District #1, Live Oak Grange in Jackson County; District #2, Macleay Grange in Marion County; District #3, Leedy Grange in Washington County; District #4, Gresham Grange in Multnomah County; District #5, Little Deschutes Grange in Deschutes County and District #6, North End Grange in Walla Walla County. My congratulations to each of these Granges! I know they all put a lot of effort in this campaign. Of course, any Grange who showed a net gain deserves a celebration, and we will be celebrating during the State Convention in Astoria. Monday night has been reserved for a celebration of last year's accomplishments and a pep rally for this year's goals.

Grange Connections

Our State Officers, Directors and District Chairmen have been visiting Granges to let them know about the new "Grange Connections" program. This continuing membership effort should help you build on the progress you made last year with Grange Up. This year we are stressing connecting with your members, with other Granges and with your community. Most if not all of the Granges in the state should receive a visit by the end of April. As of the end of March, I know at least half of the Granges have been visited and are already thinking

of ways to connect with their members and community.

Pomona Task Force

The Pomona Task Force has been meeting, and we have come up with some new ideas and tools as well as a plan of continuing education for our Pomona Granges. More information will be available at the State Grange Convention in June.

State Convention

Our State Convention will be here before you know it. We will be just outside of Astoria at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds and Expo Center. This year our Veterans Director, Brother Jim Clute, has added a Veterans Tour on Friday June 22nd, so please see his column for the specifics. Another addition to the agenda is the Junior Fundraiser Luncheon on Saturday at noon. The tickets are on the Meal Ticket Order form. The proceeds after expenses will all go to the State Grange Junior program. You should have just enough time between the Ag Tour and the first four degrees for the Junior lunch! Anyone going on the Ag Tour will receive a free ticket to the luncheon paid for by the Ag Committee.

The first four degrees will be exemplified on Saturday the 23rd starting at 1:00 pm. Brother Jim Dumolt will be in charge.

Saturday night starts with the Kickoff Banquet, then on to the Talent Show. Remember that this year's talent winner will receive a paid trip to the National Grange Convention in Stowe, Vermont this November.

Sunday is still our official opening, with committee meetings and then the Fifth and Sixth degrees. On Monday we work all day, but then will take time to celebrate the *Grange Up* program and get revved up for this year's *Grange Connections*. Juniors will put on their degree on Tuesday morning, and the Youth will open session on Wednesday. Finally the week will culminate on Thursday with Installation of the new Oregon State Grange officers at 1:30 followed by the final wrap up of the session.

And do not forget the policy part of our week. Being a grassroots organization we look to the Community and Pomona Granges to send in resolutions for setting State Grange policy. I look forward

to seeing resolutions on many topics. Remember that resolutions must be in our office 30 days prior to the beginning of the State Convention so they need to be here by May 24th. If they do not have the signature of the Master and Secretary and have the Grange seal, they will not be considered.

State Masters' Conference

I had the pleasure of presenting information about both the *Grange Up* and *Grange Connections* programs at the State Masters' Conference in early March. Oregon was the host this year. I want to thank Sunnyside Grange for allowing us to use their hall and to thank both Sunnyside and Clarkes Granges for serving wonderful meals. National Master Betsy Huber presented several workshops as did Chris Hamp our National Lecturer. Chris spoke about the new partnerships the National Grange has entered into with the Quilts of Valor Foundation, which makes it easier for our Granges to make and present official Quilts of Valor and with the National Weather Service where we can become part of their collaborative effort to build a weather-ready nation. The Dogs for Better Lives (Formerly Dogs for the Deaf) organization had to cancel their appearance, but we had a chance to see their new video, which encompasses all their programs. Also Allen Pfeiffer, Volunteer Manager of Marion-Polk Food Share, spoke to us about working with volunteers. Overall the weekend went very well, and we all had a chance to exchange ideas and to learn about the challenges facing other states, which in most cases are very similar to our own. I was proud to be able to report that through the efforts of our members, Oregon has a net gain!

I am just about in the middle of the Grange 101 Conferences and have been getting some great feedback from each one. In fact I think the presentation changes each time to incorporate more information based on questions I have received. Every member is welcome to attend this "back to basics" conference.

Remember to make your reservations for the State Convention! A lot will be going on in Astoria; come and be a part of it!



State Master Susan Noah presenting her "Grange 101" conference at Fairmount Grange on February 25th.

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**The
Lecturer's Column**
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The Oregon State Grange's 145th convention is nearly upon us and time is short to get photos taken and canvas adorned with some fantastic art work. Make sure to read through this year's Awards, Contests and Scholarship booklet as there are some new categories in the Lecturer's department.

In the Flyer and Poster contests the minimum size is 8 1/2 x 11 inches and maximum size is 10 x 17 inches. (*11 x 17 inches will also be accepted.*) In the Photo categories the minimum size is 5x7 and maximum size is 11x14 (including mat, if used). Only 8x10 photos qualify for Best of Show. Also new this year is a black and white photo category.

Art, Pen in Hand, Skit Writing and Talent contests have no changes. Last year we had 119 entries in the contests and I'm hoping for twice that this year. I challenge everyone to take one more photo, draw or paint one more picture or write one more story to share with our Grange family.

Sharing and caring is what we do as Grangers. In February during Random Acts of Kindness Week our Lecturer at Phoenix Grange asked

us send a card to someone we felt close to and yet had not had contact with for a while, to show we were thinking about them and cared. On Wednesday February 15th I took cookies that I had baked to work for Valentine's Day and shared them with two homeless gentlemen that I pass every day on my lunchtime walk. I know that I brought a smile to their faces that day and it gave me a bigger reason to smile myself by sharing with someone that I don't know.

As we continue in our Grange Connections 2018 program let us remember to keep asking our friends and neighbors to join us in all of our good works. We can't grow if we stand like a lone Cedar tree, like one that I see every day on my way to work. That tree is the last one standing in a development of retail businesses where once there were many surrounding the headquarters of a thriving lumber business. The world calls it progress and change and we need to adapt. So as Grangers we need to find ways to invite our communities into our hall and our organization and are not left to be that lone Cedar tree wondering where everyone has gone.

See all of you in June with your arms full of contest entries.

Lane County "Plays" Again

It is play time again in Lane County. Nine Subordinate Granges have been busy practicing their one-act plays and show time is almost here. Each night there are three plays staged, one from the host Grange and the other two from visiting Granges. Each Grange hosts once and visits a couple of times. All performances start at 7pm with short breaks between the plays. The host Granges provides refreshments after the completion of all three plays. Each play lasts 20-30 minutes. While the performances are free, donations are always welcome. For more information contact Lane County Pomona Lecturer Ann Rawlins, 541-726-6098 or 541-801-9179 - larawlins@gmail.com



Date	Host Grange	Traveling Granges
Monday April 23	Goshen	Mohawk-McKenzie & Crow
Tuesday April 24	Jasper	Creswell & Walterville
Wednesday April 25	Irving	Mohawk-McKenzie & Jasper
Thursday April 26	Dorena	Irving & Goshen
Friday April 27	Goldson	Dorena & Jasper
Monday April 30	Mohawk-McKenzie	Creswell & Goldson
Wednesday May 2	Crow	Dorena & Walterville
Friday May 4	Walterville	Irving & Goldson
Friday May 11	Creswell	Crow & Goshen

For addresses of Grange halls, look online at www.orgrange.org or in the Oregon State Grange Roster.



Chetco Grange Celebrates Grange Month in April

April is National Grange Month and Chetco Grange #765, Curry County will be presenting a Appreciation Dinner and Dance in appreciation for their First Responders and their families including Police, Firefighters, Coast Guard, Search and Rescue and Cal-Ore Flight. The Dance will feature the Dixieland Rangers Band. 5-9pm Friday, April 27th. For information call Gayle Hall at 541-290-0592.

It's 125 Years for Springwater

Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County will be celebrating its 125th Anniversary during Grange Month on April 23rd. 6:30pm potluck and birthday cake followed by 7:30pm meeting where membership awards will be presents as part of the celebration. All Grangers are welcome to join them for the evening.





The Chaplain's Corner

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Today is a beautiful day but who knows about tomorrow. It is spring and the most predictable thing about spring is the unpredictable weather that each day brings. But we know that the rains and sun bring flowers and grass back to life.

Many of our members have had a difficult winter, facing hardships with health and loss of loved ones. The message of spring is rebirth and hope. It is the season in which Easter happens which gives us the message of rebirth through Christ and hope for an eternal future. Sometimes we get so burdened by life's hardships that we forget to look for a new beginning – a way to ease our sorrows and difficulties and start anew. That is what spring always reminds me of, the cycle of life.

The 1st degree of the Grange is symbolic of the spring. I am especially fond of the Lecturer's charge which states: "Brother, the farmer at this season must be earnest in his labors, knowing full well that if he neglects to sow he cannot reap. So, while occupied in the work of preparing your lands for the seed, have faith in God's promise that seedtime and harvest shall never fail, and do not lose sight of preparation for that great harvest where you yourselves will at last be garnered." It is a great reminder that each spring we have the opportunity to sow new seeds, seeds of kindness and caring, understanding and thoughtfulness.

I came across a cute story the other day that I am going to share: Four Seasons of a Tree

"There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn

to not judge things too quickly, so he sent them each on a quest, in turn, to go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away.

The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in summer and the youngest son in the fall.

When they had all gone and come back, he called them together to describe what they had seen.

The first son said that the tree was ugly, bent and twisted. The second son said no - it was covered with green buds and full of promise.

The third son disagreed, he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen.

The last son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment.

The man then explained to his sons that they were all right, because they had each seen but one season in the tree's life.

He told them that you cannot judge a tree, or a person, by only one season, and that the essence of who they are – and the pleasure, joy and love that come from that life can only be measured at the end, when all the seasons are up.

If you give up when it's winter, you will miss the promise of spring, the beauty of summer and fulfillment of your fall."

So, if you have had a difficult winter, enjoy the promise of spring.

In Memoriam

Marilee Irwin
Beaver Homes Grange #518

Lucia Schuebel
Molalla Grange #310

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Fairfield Grange #720

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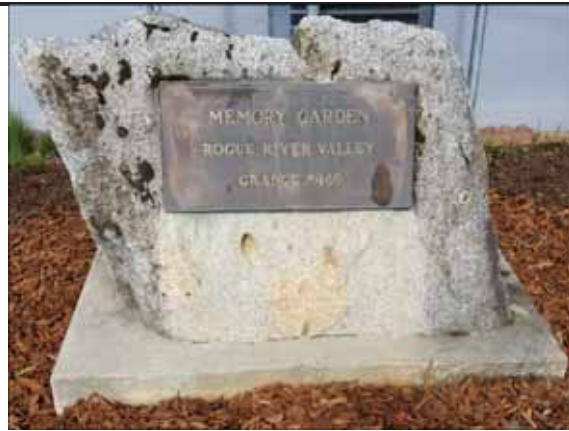
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Laura Hicks
Warren Grange #536



Seen through the eyes of Faith, we remember our Brothers and Sisters not as ones dead, they have only gone on before us through the gates of the Grange above, where dwells the Great Master of us all.



Rogue River Valley Grange's Memorial Rock Finds a New Home

On March 10th, the members of Fruitdale Grange #379, Josephine County, many who had belonged to Rogue River Valley Grange #469, were happy to have finally found a permanent home for the Memory Rock that graced Rogue River Valley Grange hall for so many years. It has been stored at Peterson's Ready Mix since the Rogue River Valley Grange hall was lost to a fire 2012. In 2013 Rogue River Valley members decided to consolidate with Fruitdale rather than try to raise the funds needed to rebuild.

Now the rock has been installed in front of the three flag poles at Fruitdale Grange. Master Jill Hamm said "We lost everything in that fire except one photo album, our pancake spatula and this large rock. Now, we have all three pieces at our home at Fruitdale Grange. It feels good to have that done."

The Rogue River Valley Grange hall was built in 1923 in the bungalow craftsman style. On March 9, 1992 it was added to the National Register of Historic Places. But not for long. In June 2012, the Rogue River Valley Grange hall was destroyed by an arson fire.



Rock is lowered into its new home.

Winona Grange Helps Promote Patriotism During Tualatin Memorial Day Commemoration

Tualatin is place to go for patriotism on Memorial Day, May 28. Winona Grange #271, Washington County, is active in putting on Tualatin's Memorial Day Celebration. The event starts at 10:45am at Winona Cemetery, 9900 SW Tualatin Road with a Missing Man Maneuver flyover. Then it officially starts with the Tualatin Police Honor Guard presenting the colors while the National Anthem is sung. Local churches, on a rotating basis, provide a veteran for the opening prayer. After a local veteran is honored, Tualatin's Mayor introduces elected state and federal officials. The poem "In Flander's Field" is recited before Taps closes the event. Then everyone is invited to a free barbeque picnic at the Tualatin Community Park.

Grange Veterans Co-Chair Dale Potts, chairs the committee and also coordinates and emcee the event.

Both the Grange (founded in 1895) and the cemetery (founded in 1900) are named for a little girl named Winona who died before 1900 and was the daughter of Grange Overseer James. R. C. Thompson. In addition to Brother Thompson, eight other charter members of Winona Grange are buried in Winona Cemetery: first Grange Chaplain Edward Byrom, Elizabeth Byrom, George Galbreath, Wm. Jurgens, Rosa Jurgens, Louis Jurgens, Rawlinson Potts, and John. L. Smith.



Winona Grange has four members on the Memorial Day Committee, including Loyce Martinazzi, Norm Parker and Larry McClure. Winona

Above: Missing Man Maneuver: red plane peels off to the left as the formation passes by; symbolic honor for a fallen aviator.

Midland Grange had a Minty Sweet Time at the Farm Expo

Midland Grange #781, Klamath County, participated again this year in the Klamath County Farm Expo. On February 21st and the 22nd fourth grade students from the Klamath County Schools, Klamath City Schools, Lake County School District, Tulelake Schools and private and home-schooled students came to the Klamath County Fairgrounds to visit the Farm Expo. This year more than 900 attended. On Wednesday evening, February, 22nd the public was welcome to attend with a special guest doing farm magic, the Thank a Farmer show and the Klamath Kids Iron Chef Competition being held.



Louise Holst, Midland Master and timekeeper, prepares to ring the triangle bell that announced it was time to change stations.

Seventeen stations were set up representing agriculture in the Klamath Basin area. The stations were dairy cows, sheep, pigs, goats, horses, honeybees, beef, trees, hay, water, gardening, potatoes, grains, soil, forestry, water conservation, vector control and the Midland Grange Supermarket. Each station was given 5 minutes to tell about their

product. At the supermarket students could see all the products from all the other stations.

At the Midland Grange Supermarket students also learned about mint growing. There are so many products made with mint, Midland

Grange chose the York Peppermint Patty to talk about. The talk followed the growing of mint, processing, distribution of the mint oil and where and what is needed in the production of the Patty. At the end of the talk the students were treated to a sweet treat – A York Peppermint Patty.



Lee Sukraw gave the talk about mint.

Free Seed, Scion Exchanges and Agricultural Presentations Held

Southern Oregon Granges are becoming "Seed Central" with three free seed and scion exchanges held in March.

On March 9th the Fruitdale Grange #379, Josephine County, hosted an evening potluck and seed exchange and on March 11th the Williams Grange #399, also in Josephine County had their annual seed exchange along with their monthly pancake breakfast.

Then Bellview Grange #759, Jackson County, held their seed and scion faire on March 31st. During the day four local experts offered talks on soil, seeds, plant propagation and bees. The free seed and scion exchange included kids' activities, soil and seed cleaning demonstrations and dozens of agriculture-related non-profits with tables of information.

Presentations included "Dirt is dead, soil is alive!" by Sydney Hamlett, a soil microbiologist with Infinite Tree Nursery. She waxed poetically

about our living planet's greatest asset and what makes it come alive.

"Local food begins with local seed!" with Chris Hardy, member of the board of the Southern Oregon Seed Growers Association who is actively involved in creating a seed network of growers within the region. He shared his experience and covered the basics of how to grow, select and properly store seed for future use, as well addressed questions on challenges, successes and local seeds to increase availability of local seeds.

The third presentation was "It is easy to multiply your plants naturally and affordably" by Brad J Smith of Williams, gave an overview of some basic plant-propagation techniques.

The closing presentation was "The Bees are about more than honey!" with Laura Bee who shared secrets of the honeybee and tips for evolutionary bee-centric bee-keeping. Laura is the Founder and Director of College of the Melissae: Center for Sacred Beekeeping.

The Agricultural Report

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Now we are into the busy season of starting gardens and farm fields – the soil should be drying and ready for those seeds and young plants. The Agriculture Committee is looking for volunteers to help at Ag Fest at the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem on the weekend of April 28th and 29th. It is a fun, busy time helping children and families plant marigold, tomato, or green pepper seedlings from flats to individual peat pots for the visitors to take home. Thousands of people pass through the large Oregon State Grange booth and we get a chance to talk to little kids about where their food comes from, what four things plants need to grow (Soil, Light, Water, and.....Air). Email or phone me if you would like to help out, and I can let you know the days and times that need more Grangers.

This year's OSU Small Farm Conference, in late February, was yet another success with over 1000 eager young farmers attending. At our State Grange table we talked about Grange and gave out contact information for the Granges closest to farmers homes so they could visit. This year the Oregon State Grange was a Silver Sponsor of this annual

conference and the Grange logo was displayed on programs and schedule displays throughout the event. New small farmers are one of the best recruiting pools for Granges and their enthusiasm, work ethic, and youth can spark energy into any Grange.

The Agriculture Tour at our 145th Annual State Convention in Astoria in late June will have interesting stops showcasing the region's enterprises. Although the details are not all hammered out, it looks like we will start with a visit to the commercial fishing docks and have a dock walk with a knowledgeable OSU Extension agent who will explain the fisheries, and the equipment used in Warrenton's commercial fishing fleet. One or two other diverse stops will fill the rest of the tour. The Ag tour is free and includes lunch. We will leave from the Fairgrounds at 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 23rd and will return to the convention site for the Junior Lunch at noon. The Ag Committee will provide tickets for this lunch for the attendees of the 2018 Ag Tour. If you are on the Ag Tour you do not need to purchase a Junior Lunch ticket. Sign up details are below for the tour.



Oregon State Grange AG Tour Saturday, June 23

Leave the Clatsop County Fair and Expo at 9am. Return at 12 noon for the Fundraiser Lunch for the Junior program. Tickets for the Lunch will be provided by the Ag Committee for those who take the Ag Tour. So if you register for the tour you do not need to order tickets for Saturday's lunch

The Ag Tour in Astoria this year will visit several locations including a visit to the commercial fishing docks, a dock walk with a knowledgeable OSU Extension agent who will explain the fisheries and provide information about the equipment used in Warrenton's commercial fishing fleet.

Must reserve your spot by June 1st
Limited to 40 people on a first come basis

For reservations contact: Jay Sexton
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Community Service

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Community Service District Chairs and I have been visiting Granges again this year to deliver the message of "Connecting with your Community." My Grange has partnered with the Senior Center in our area and volunteered many hours. We work with Meals on Wheels to serve lunches. Some of us serve as a greeter. Others help write their newsletter or assist with special events throughout the year. Senior Centers are a source of information for older adults in need services, such as utility assistance, minor home repairs, medical expenses, healthcare questions, legal information, tax services, or just getting a foot message.

It is time to send in your 2017 **Annual Community Service Report**. The deadline is **June 1**. The Grange Bulletin shows that many of you are busy volunteering and planning activities in your communities. So please take a moment to fill out your report. The report can be downloaded from the State Grange website or I can email you a copy. You may email me your report or snail mail it to me. If you have questions, please feel free to call me. I would love to see more reports and Yearbooks at the 2018

State Grange Convention.

The Oregon State Grange **receives money (\$250) from the National Grange IF 25%** of Granges send in a report. We use this money to fund the prizes awarded for the **Community Service Yearbooks**.

Volunteer of the Year recognizes a member who is a dedicated volunteer in your community. Nominations must be sent to me by June 1. Refer to the OSG Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet for more information. The winner will be announced and presented with a certificate and award at the State Grange Convention.

The **Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer and Teacher of the Year** awards are a National Grange program but nominations need to be sent to me by June 1. Refer to the OSG Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet for more information. The winner will be announced and presented with a certificate at the State Grange Convention and then forwarded to the National Grange.

Thanks for your service in the community.

Lane County Pomona Grange Holds Quarterly Community Service Collection Project

Each Quarter Lane County Pomona Grange #14 organizes a collection project with different themes each quarter. The theme at the January 13th meeting was toilet paper. Collected were 178 rolls of toilet paper and nine pairs of gloves. The collection was donated to The Thomas Eagan Warming Center in Eugene, which serves the homeless community.

The theme for the April 14th Pomona meeting is personal hygiene products and other items for women and children. It will be given to Womanspace in Eugene, which serves victims and survivors of domestic violence in intimate partner relationships.



178 rolls of toilet paper and nine pairs of gloves made a nice display at the January Lane Pomona meeting.

Riversdale Grange Makes Christmas for a Local Family

Riversdale Grange #731, Douglas County, adopted a family to support at Christmas as part of their Community Involvement program. The Grange contacted the Principal of Eastwood School in Roseburg for assistance in selecting a family for this project. The major criteria for the selection was for the family to be one that was struggling to meet their needs while still trying on their own and not connected to all the other programs.

Once the family was selected the Grange purchased gifts of clothing and toys for the three children. The Grange then purchased all the supplies for a healthy Christmas dinner. The goods were given to the Principal who delivered to the family. Riversdale Grange realizes they can't help all families but tries to make a difference in their community.



Goshen Grange Stuffs Eggs

Goshen Grange #561, Lane County, has been providing eggs for Easter egg hunts for ten years. This year the members stuffed 300 plastic eggs and delivered them to two different trailer courts for kids to have an egg hunt.

It is a fun activity for all kids to enjoy, young and old and it is always a great way for the Grange to stay connected to their community.



Left to right: Mary Lambert, Emily Russell, Alicia Nilsen, and Linda Litts added quarters and candy to the eggs.



Macleay Grange Market A Success

Macleay Grange #293, Marion County, held its first 4th Saturday Makers Market in January and it was hailed a success. The February market had a musician stop by to liven things up and even gave some impromptu fiddle lessons.

Currently the market has vendors with homemade pies, jewelry, early organic vegetables, free range eggs, honey, grass fed meats, hand crafted pottery, jewelry and more.

The shoppers were excited to see the Grange being used for a community event and plan on returning to the monthly event.

The market is planning on expanding, as well as to continue to have musicians drop in to play. Outdoor booths will be added when the weather warms up and summer vegetable crops come on.

Vendor space is still available. For more information contact Randi Embree at rgembree@gmail.com.



Look for more fruits and vegetables in the market this summer.

Abernethy Installs Lighting

Abernethy Grange #346, Clackamas County, recently installed new lighting around the exterior of their building. This project was possible through the Matching Grant Program from Oregon State Grange. This grant program encourages Granges to improve the exterior of their Grange building.

Grange member Lee Heilman prepared the LED fixtures. Then he climbed into the ladder truck and installed the new lights around the exterior of the Grange building. Their new lights have greatly improved the safety of anyone visiting the Grange.

Abernethy wants to thank the State Grange for this program. They really appreciate it.



Up in the ladder truck is Abernethy Grange member Lee Heilman installing new lighting.

Hurricane Creek Grange Hosts Winter Yard Sale

Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, held their annual Sweetheart Indoor Yard Sale the Friday afternoon and Saturday of the weekend before Valentine's Day. Clarann Witty and Barbara McCormack started the event as a fun way to give the community a winter time activity that they normally only enjoy in the summer months.

It started with odds and ends the Grange members had on hand and donated to the cause. The next year community members donated items and some wanted to know if they could have their own tables to sell their wares. Last fall they held their first harvest sale and had 23 vendor tables. The Grange managed the event and provided breakfasts and lunches so the vendors had a source of nourishment.

Two of the other Granges in the county participate every year so it is also a way for neighboring Granges to stay in touch and cross

participate. They have had people from as far away as Eugene, attend. They said they saw it on Hurricane Creek's website and Facebook page and used it as an excuse to visit Wallowa County in the winter. Their next sale is a summer sale the last weekend in June, right after state convention.



Above: Clarann Witty helps a customer decide on an item to purchase.



A sampling of items available at Hurricane Creek's Sweetheart Indoor Yard Sale.

Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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Milk – Myth and Mystery

Issues of milk and the dairy industry touch us in so many ways.

Our National Master has been reminding us of the struggles of dairy farmers, especially smaller family-owned dairies, in an era of surplus production. Congress has already budgeted fixes to milk price subsidies that were deemed too urgent to wait for inclusion in the 2018 Farm Bill later this year. These subsidies are based on the principle that free-market milk would result in huge price and production fluctuations. But where is that principle taking us?

Last week the *Oregonian* reported on the impending collapse of Lost Valley Farm near Boardman, the second-largest dairy in Oregon. Despite vigorous opposition in the community, Lost Valley opened last April under special requirements to avoid groundwater contamination. The Oregon Department of Agriculture has now asked a judge for a temporary restraining order on wastewater creation or discharge after eight months of ongoing permit violations. Besides protesting the unfairness of the environmental oversight, the farm manager warns that 70 jobs – mostly filled by Latino workers "whose lack of education and English-speaking skills would prevent them from getting other jobs" – and many local creditors are in jeopardy.

I hope this family-owned mega-dairy is not what our government subsidies encourage.

The U.S. is not alone in choosing to protect this industry. In fact, we've had a small-scale trade tiff with Canada over a controversial process called ultrafiltration of milk, which involves using multiple filters to separate milk into water, minerals, lactose, protein, and fat; then recombining them to create "unique ultra-filtered milks." Perhaps not incidentally, these individual milk extracts are also not technically "milk," and so can avoid quotas and tariffs that impede milk sales across international borders. The Canadians are concerned that using these products in cheese production may literally require a new definition of "cheese."

Milk producers meanwhile are lobbying to protect their product name – Milk – from being hijacked by nondairy beverages made from nuts and soy. Many consumers

believe these "milks" are nutritionally superior to dairy milk, and they are a godsend to those with lactose intolerance and dairy allergies. For good or ill, they have cornered up to 5% of the milk market.

Consumers have great power to direct food production, and milk is no exception. My hope is that we never lose sight of the goodness of natural products in the blizzard of manufactured foods that blankets the supermarket. Consider this evolving story:

In a March 7 online article, *Farm Journal* reports on a study involving the University of Minnesota, Johns Hopkins University, Newcastle University in England, Southern Cross University in Australia, and Aarhus University Hospital in Denmark. It suggests cows fed 100% organic grass and legumes produce milk with 147% more omega-3 fatty acids and 52% less omega-6 fatty acids than conventional milk. Grass-fed organic milk also has 36% less omega-6 than organic milk produced feeding some grain and concentrates.

Mickey Rubin, the U.S. National Dairy Council's Vice President of Nutrition Research, discounted the study's findings. "The difference [in omega-3 levels from grass-fed milk] is so small that it would be difficult to demonstrate a human health risk or benefit," he says, comparing the amount of omega-3 in any milk with what would be found in fish oil supplements.

Ironically, the same *Farm Journal* article notes that Fairlife, a national dairy brand marketed by Coca-Cola, is marketing a DHA Omega-3 whole milk with 125 milligrams of DHA (a form of omega-3) per serving, roughly the same level of total omega-3 as grass-fed milk in the U of M study. And speaking for the Dairy Council, Mr. Rubin observes that the difference is that in the Fairlife DHA milk, DHA was actually added to the product so you know what you're getting with each glass you consume. In grass-fed cows, the response can be much more variable.

Oh, and who owns the ultrafiltration technology mentioned above, that's stretching the definition of milk? That would also be Fairlife. Caveat emptor.





The Education Committee

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OSG Education Director

Hello Grangers,

At last year's State Grange Convention, the delegate body passed ED #1: Textbook 'Get Oregonized' for Oregon Classrooms (*included below*). The third resolved of the resolution is what this article is about. The goal is to get the book 'Get Oregonized' included on the approved textbook list throughout elementary schools in Oregon.

Suggested steps for Subordinate/Community Granges to take to achieve this goal are:

- Obtain a copy of and familiarize yourself with the book, so you can answer questions about the book when asked.
- Check with your local school district office and learn who handles the curriculum and textbook adoptions.
- When you are ready to start the discussion with the schools, set up a meeting. This is considered a history book and would be part of the history curriculum. One of the biggest obstacles to introducing the book is time for the curriculum in the school day. Point out that this book would be incorporated into the current state history teachings, not a new subject.
- Consider helping fund the purchase of the books. This might help with the adoption. There are grants available through Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom to help with obtaining the books. Also, seek out other agriculture and community groups to help cover the costs if needed.

If you are not sure who or how to contact your school district, please contact me or your district Education Committee member.

ED #1: Textbook 'Get Oregonized' for Oregon Classrooms

Whereas: The textbook 'Get Oregonized' has been continually updated and is available through the Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC) Foundation at Oregon State University. Therefore, be it

Resolved: The Oregon State Grange endorse textbooks in our public schools that present agricultural practices realistically and honestly. And be it further

Resolved: The Oregon State Grange endorses the book entitled 'Get Oregonized' as such a textbook. And be it further

Resolved: The Oregon State Grange Education Committee encourages local Granges to work with their local schools to get 'Get Oregonized' adopted as a textbook and develop guidelines/talking points for local Granges to use to accomplish this goal.



Springwater Grange Holds Annual Scholarship Pie Auction

Springwater Grange #263 in Clackamas County held their annual Pie Auction to raise money for their scholarship fund. The event started with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. with the auctioning of pies following. Attendance was down a little from previous years as snow was forecast to start that evening but

those in attendance had a good time.

There were plenty of pies sold with several going for \$60-70 each and a double crusted lemon pie going for \$19 per slice yielding \$152 raised on that pie alone. Between pies and donations more than \$3000 were raised. All scholarship money

Prime Rib Feeds Lane Pomona Scholarship Fund

For nineteen years Lane Pomona Valentines have been treated to prime rib and all the trimmings as a fundraiser for the Lane Pomona scholarships. These scholarships varying between \$500 & \$1,000 and are offered to Grange family members who are second year or beyond students at a college or following other educational pursuits, and two \$200 scholarships for agricultural based, (4-H) high school age participants in Lane County.



Mark Noah, chef for the evening, checking on one of the prime rib roasts.

Mark Noah, chef extraordinaire, keeps the menu simple: Veggie trays welcome diners to their seats to await prime rib, baked potatoes, green beans, and Texas toast. You decide how much sour cream, butter, and horseradish sauce creates your ideal plate. Then a little ice cream and cookies top off the meal.

Dorena Grange hosts this event, usually held the second Saturday in February. The Pomona Education Committee takes advantage of Dorena's large kitchen with a commercial range, dishwasher, and enough steak knives for over 100 people. This year members of London, Dorena, Creswell, and Mohawk-McKenzie Granges cleaned and set up the kitchen and dining room the day before. On Saturday the crew came from those Granges plus Crow, Irving, and Goshen. The party atmosphere bloomed with décor planned by Alice Nowicki of London and music by Shawn Traub and Linda Wetzell from Goshen and Creswell Granges.

Lane Pomona's Education Committee provides a prize basket drawing to encourage anyone with pocket change to make an extra contribution. Becky Cornforth was the lucky winner in 2018.

This year's event was held a week later than usual and the attendance of about 80 people was slightly down from prior years. Leftover roast beef raised almost \$200 as to-go slices for \$8 apiece. Dinner tickets were reasonably priced at \$17.50.

To be sure you and your Valentine enjoy the 2019 Prime Rib Dinner, check the Lane Pomona Grange calendar or Facebook page in January. This tasty event usually sells out to about 100 lucky people who reserve tickets.



More than 80 people enjoyed the Lane Pomona Grange annual prime rib dinner on Saturday February 17th in support the Education Committee's fundraiser.



received goes to the scholarship fund, without exception. And as all the pies are donated there are no expenses for the auction.

Last year Springwater Grange gave six scholarships of \$1,500 each to those that applied by July 1 and an additional three scholarships of \$750 were given to those that applied by December 1. Scholarship applications for Fall 2019 are due July 1.





Sunnyside Grange Master Sandi Ludi presented North Clackamas FFA speakers Katie Sherman and Lexi Cole with a check to help the chapter.

North Clackamas FFA Speakers Visit Sunnyside Grange

Two members of North Clackamas FFA attended the March meeting of Sunnyside Grange #842, Clackamas County. Presenting their speeches were Katie Sherman and Lexi Cole. Both competed in Sophomore Public Speaking during this year's competition season and are students at Clackamas High School.

North Clackamas FFA is comprised of students from Clackamas, Milwaukie and Rex Putman High Schools. The Sunnyside Grange also made a donation of \$200 to the FFA chapter to help with upcoming travel expenses to the state FFA convention.

Sandy High School FFA Ag Issues Team Visited OSG Headquarters

The Sandy High School FFA Chapter visited the Oregon State Grange office Thursday afternoon March 15th and presented their Ag Issues skit on the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and how it affects what can be in animal and pet foods. The skit contained seven characters representing many different viewpoints on the issue.

The skit was set on the Rachel Ray talk show with guest Ree Drummond and featured a panel discussion group consisting of a moderator, a rancher, an American Humane Society representative, a representative from the FDA and a

NW food processor. Each part had been previously researched and then played by one of the students.

In addition to the Oregon State Grange, the FFA members visited the Oregon Farm Bureau, the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, the Capital Press and then ended their day with the Multnomah County Farm Bureau. Then on Saturday March 17th they visited Eagle Creek Grange #297 and on Tuesday March 20th the team presented their skit to Boring-Damascus Grange #260, both in Clackamas County, before heading to Redmond for their state convention.



Left-right: Sandy FFA Ag Issues team members Kadi Atiyeh as a NW food processor, Evin Hagemann as cattle rancher Ladd Drummond, Kara Atiyeh who served as the moderator, Cailey Ellzey representing the American Humane Society, Robert Gotham from the FDA, Anna Persell playing the role of Ree Drummond and Fallon Marshall as talk show host Rachael Ray.

State Grant Delivers More Field Trips to Zenger Farm

Posted by Jack Rushall - Feb 18, 2018

Healthy food relies on healthy soil, while a healthy educational program depends on some serious dough. Zenger Farm (11741 S.E. Foster Road) has long provided David Douglas School District fifth-graders with seasonal class visits, encouraging science-focused lessons on its various premises. With a new Oregon Department of Education (ODE) Farm to School grant providing \$27,914, this staple batch of field trips are in no immediate danger of ending up on the chopping block.

"Every fifth-grader in the David Douglas District travels to Zenger Farm three times a year [seasonally] to learn about the science of farming, gardening and local food production," says Dan McCue, communications director for the David Douglas School District.

The grant is one of 22 that are being implemented statewide for food-based, agriculture-based and garden-based education activities. Altogether, around a million dollars—\$982,000—are being awarded to ensure that kids continue to get their hands dirty. The grants will allow for more than 116,000 hours of farm to school educational programming.

None of this would be possible if the Oregon State Legislature hadn't passed House Bill 2038 unanimously in 2017. House Bill 2038, the Farm to School and School Garden Bill, is a continuation

of previous grants passed by state politicians.

Zenger Farm serves many local purposes. According to its homepage, it was purchased from the Zenger family by the City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services in 1994. By June 1995, the land had become a functioning farm again with community on the mind.

The farm harbors four acres of land for food production, in addition to the Zenger Farm Egg Cooperative, which raises its own livestock. In 2015, it opened a 6,600-square-foot facility with classroom, office and meeting spaces designed for the next generation of farmers, consumers and food entrepreneurs. It also includes a commercial kitchen, which can be utilized by startup food businesses as well as for more generalized community events.

But for David Douglas's 28 fifth-grade classes, all 831 students can look forward to tending to vegetables and farm animals, as well as the farm's coveted 10-acre wetlands.

To learn more about Zenger Farm, go to their website at zengerfarm.org or give them a call at 503-282-4245.

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2018 Grange Scholarships

OSG Foundation Scholarships

Marcel "Muzzy" Mandel Memorial Scholarship

For a Oregon Grange member or the child or grandchild of an Oregon Grange member who has graduated from high school or completed a GED. For undergraduate work while attending any institute for post-high school education. Amount is variable. Paid to the recipient with proof of enrollment

Mary Helen Sauter Ramm Memorial

For a female Oregon Grange member undergraduate student who is returning or has returned to college after a break. Use at the school of your choice; priority will be given to students majoring in Education, History or Family History/Genealogy. \$250 will be paid directly to the winner.

Oregon State Grange Scholarships

Charles E. Spence Memorial

An applicant must have been a Grange member in Oregon for at least two years. Scholarships can be used at applicant's choice of school. Value \$500.

Grange Workers Activities (GWA)

Goes to an Oregon Grange member, who by September 1 will have completed at least one year of college, business school, nurses training, or vocational education. Check will be mailed to the school. You must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours fall term. Two \$400 scholarships.

For all of the above scholarships: The application forms were mailed to your Subordinate/Community Grange Secretary or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/scholarships/. The completed application must be sent to the Oregon State Grange office, 643 Union St NE, Salem, OR 97301 postmarked no later than **May 1**.

G W A

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OSG Grange Workers Activities Director



Spring is on its way. The sun is out!! People are out mowing lawns, trimming bushes, cleaning up their yards, and planting flowers. Now is a good time to do the same for our Grange properties. I encourage all Grange Workers to do some spring cleaning of their Grange halls both inside and out. I'm reminded of the Flora's charge in the fourth degree that says "Beautify and adorn your homes with flowers. The home that is thus made fragrant and cheerful is prepared to be the abode of sweeter affections and more radiant virtues." This is so true for our Grange halls too.

State Grange will be here before we know it. Hopefully, you have looked over the GWA Contests and have decided to enter one or more. New contests are Hand-Dipped Chocolates, Sugar Free Jams, Jellies, and Canned Fruit and Woodcraft larger than 12 inches. Be sure to read the rules. Thank you to the Granges and individuals who sponsor these contests. Reminder to sponsors: payment for your contest is due May 1st. Mail your payment to the Oregon State Grange and indicate which contest/contests you are sponsoring. Thank you to those who have already paid.

There is a new National Grange program for quilters. National Grange has partnered with Quilts of Valor Foundation and their **Under Our Wings** program. This program allows Grange members to create quilts and present them to veterans

in their communities. In addition to making quilts, there are other ways for our Granges and Grangers to be involved - let your Grange halls be used for a sew day, presentations, donate supplies or donate money. Another way to be involved would be to connect with another Grange and make a quilt together. Present the quilt to a veteran in your area and have a program. Please be sure to share your photos with our State Grange and National Grange. See the flyer below for information. It can also be downloaded from the GWA page on Oregon State Grange website. For more information contact National Grange Lecturer Christine Hamp at lecturer@nationalgrange.org or 509-953-3533 or mail to 16418 N. Birdie Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026

Holidays and Recognition Days

April

April is Grange month. April is also Volunteer, International Guitar and Garden Month

April 10 - Farm Animal Day
April 20 - Teach Children to Save Day
April 27 - Morse Code Day
April 26-29 - American Quilters week

May

May is Blood Pressure and Foster Care Month

May 6 - Nurses Day
May 11 - Military Spouses Day
May 28 - Memorial Day
May 2-8 - Drink Water Week

Morningstar Mini Craft Group

Have you ever wanted a place to go where you can craft with others and meet new people. Well here it is Morningstar Grange in Millersberg. You will be able to knit, crochet, hand embroidery, sew, bead, or any other craft. And yes even quilt. If you have always wanted to learn to quilt there will be a teacher on site to teach and/or help with problems. We will be meeting the second and fourth Monday of each month, beginning in April, from 10am-3pm.

\$5.00 a day to help with grange rent.
\$10.00 a day for instruction and grange rent.

For more information call (541)220-8558



Lane Pomona GWA Meets

The Lane Pomona Grange GWA business meeting was held at the Cafe and Bakery of Indulge in the Springfield Mall on February 28th at with 18 members present.

Many subjects were discussed over some very tasty lunches including the Pomona Strawberry Festival, Pomona meetings and Picnic, Lane

County Fair, WOE Fair, Oregon State Fair, Ag Fest, Christmas Parade, Officer Installation, and the initial reason for the luncheon, the Lane Pomona High Tea. The "High Tea" event has been going for 15 years. Goshen Grange will be hosting this year. Date and times will be announced at a later date, possibly in May.



Left - right: Shelly Guilford, Jean Hartman, Anna Massingham, Nadine Reed, and Elaine Chapman talking about the National Quilt Block contest.



Partners in the Mission

The National Grange has become a recognized partner in the mission of the Quilts of Valor® Foundation as an official Under Our Wings® program. This program allows Grange members to create quilts and present them to veterans in their communities or in the organization, and teach the art of quilting to novices and young people while completing this meaningful community service.

All quilts awarded should be reported to the National Lecturer so the information can be made official with the Quilts of Valor® Foundation. Labels are available through the National Lecturer to be sewn onto the quilt indicating the name of the recipient and Grange/member who made the quilt.

For more, contact National Lecturer Christine Hamp at 509-953-3533 or lecturer@nationalgrange.org or send mail to 16418 N. Birdie Road, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026.

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LANE JUNIOR GRANGE WORKSHOP



—ALL JUNIOR GRANGE MEMBERS—

MEET AT MORRIS-MCKENZIE GRANGE
EVERY 3RD SUNDAY AT 2:00 PM

Formal, casual, membership or other Grange activity, dress code and venue subject to change and will be announced in a Junior Grange Message

Questions?

CALL

253 Hwy Van Nuys 543-680-0628

OR

Ask BAKING 543-680-0179

Subordinate Granges

Please remember to add the names, addresses and date of birth of your new 1+ Junior members to the back of the quarterly report. Also remember if you have Juniors they need a leader.



Juniors Help with Prime Rib Dinner

Juniors 1+ members Aislin McClain and Riona McClain from Irving Grange #377, Lane County, helped their mom Kate Jillson with kitchen duty during the Lane Pomona Grange Prime Rib dinner in February. They love helping out said their grandmother, Peggy Jillson.

Below: Aislin McClain, Riona McClain and Kate Jillson



Juniors Involved with Masters' Conference

Jade Naylor, (right) a Junior 1+ members at Clarkes Grange #261, Clackamas County, helped out with serving and clean up during both Friday and Saturday night dinners at the National Master's conference the first weekend of March. Clarkes Grange catered both of the dinners.

National Junior Ambassador Riley Reynolds, a 1+ member of Santiam Valley Grange #828, Linn County, spoke to the State Masters and National officers on Saturday evening about the Junior program and some new activities and contests.

Since his selection in November Riley has been busy visiting Granges around the state. He attended Sunnyside Grange's February meeting and helped out at Lacombe Grange's Swiss Steak Dinner also in February. On December 4th he attended the State Grange's 150th Gala in Salem.

He also visited a local 4-H Bee Keepers meeting to learn more about bees and pollinators to get more information for this year's Awareness Award.

By the time you read this he will have returned from the Mid-Atlantic Leadership Conference in Baltimore March 15-18th. Next on his

schedule is the National Grange Legislative Fly-in April 16-18th in Washington, DC.

Riley is hoping to visit other Granges around the State. Please get a hold of his mom, Tina Reynolds, if you would like Riley to attend an Grange event or a meeting.



Riley Reynolds attended a 4-H Beekeepers meeting where he learned about bees and pollinators. He will be sharing this information when he visits with other Juniors.

Oregon Junior Grangers

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OSG Junior Directors



The Awareness Award

Each year a theme is selected for the Junior awareness award and all Juniors are encouraged to help bring awareness to the issue by following some program guidelines.

This year's theme is: **Pollinator Awareness.** Juniors, please complete the following tasks to receive your 2018 Awareness Award!

- Research the different types of pollination and who our pollinators are. Talk to a local Master Gardener about their importance and what you can do to help.
- Create a pollination diagram and a flyer about the importance of pollinators; put the flyers up at your Grange Hall, local businesses, and/or grocery stores.
- Encourage friends, family, and neighbors to not use toxic chemical pesticides
- Find out what plants pollinators are drawn to and plant a small (or large) pollinator garden. Or help a local gardener or small group plant a garden.
- Build a 'bee condo' or an 'insect hotel' or bird house/ butterfly house (*instructions on how to build a bee condo are available on pollinator.org*)

- Speak at your Junior Grange and/or Subordinate Grange about the importance of pollinators!

Submissions for Award:

- A copy of your flyer and diagram
- A pictures of your 'bee condo'
- Any written testimonials about your efforts to bring awareness
- Junior Leader must submit a letter stating your efforts.
- Pictures of your efforts to bring awareness! (Talking to neighbors, at your Grange meeting, hanging flyers, etc.)

The Awareness Awards will be presented during the Junior Grange Breakfast at National Convention. If you are unable to attend National Convention your certificate will be mailed.

All Articles Submitted MUST have the Junior's

- Age
- Name
- Grange Name & No.
- State
- Mailing Address
- Will you be attending National Session?

Submissions for Award must be made by **October 1.**

Pollinator Worksheet

Connect the dots to discover the

Pollinator

Thanks to the wonderful work of moths and other animal pollinators, the world's flowering plants are able to reproduce and bear fruit, providing many of the foods we eat, the plant materials we and other organisms use, and the beauty we all around us.





Legislative Update

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OSG Legislative Director

This was the year for the Oregon Legislature's short session and they took that seriously, closing up shop a week early on Saturday March 3. A couple of consumer protection bills were passed, including a requirement that pharmaceutical firms provide explanation for any big drug price increases and a bill that requires proper notice and free credit freezes to victims of data breaches. Another bill tightened restrictions on firearms possession by individuals who have committed domestic violence against a boyfriend/girlfriend, where the law had previously only applied to married people. The proposed cap-and-trade bill that would attempt to limit carbon emissions did not pass but it apparently will get a lot of attention in the next regular session (2019).

Thanks to John DeHaas of Springwater Grange who has accepted the position of Lobbyist for the Oregon State Grange. We look forward to working with John to maintain effective communication between Grangers and our legislators.

A few random thoughts regarding legislation...Lane County voters had collected sufficient signatures to place a measure on the May ballot that would have banned aerial spraying of herbicides, but this petition was recently ruled out of order because it included too many changes under a single measure, thus violating an Oregon law referred to as the "separate vote requirement." This is an important lesson for writers of resolutions too, because we occasionally see Grange resolutions that have a similar flaw. If your resolution tries to cover too many topics it could confuse delegates, or it might include one

radical provision that causes the entire resolution to be lost. The session committee that considers your resolution might tackle the job of fixing it by separating the issues, but then again they might not. If you're not there to help the committee work on your resolution it just might fade away. Be sure your resolutions are focused, not too wordy, and try to address one issue at a time.

Two years ago our delegates adopted an 'automatic sunset' resolution that eliminates policies that are over ten years old. We had some really dated statements in our old policy handbook—issues that had been decided long ago, or no longer had a current application, or on which the Grange delegate opinion had shifted. Last year was the first implementation of this sunset provision and the result was a major updating of our Legislative Policy handbook. This year there are only about 11 policy statements approved at the 2008 session that fall under the sunset rule. (You can tell when a policy was adopted by the numbers at the end of the statement; for example EE2.8 means Environment & Ecology Resolution #2, from 2008). Look through our policy handbook, it is easily found on the Oregon State Grange website, and if you see a policy number ending in .8 that you believe we should keep, you can write a resolution to reaffirm that policy.

The deadline for submitting resolutions to the Division of Labor committee for the 2018 State Grange session is 30 days before the convention starts, so this year the deadline is Saturday May 24. If you need any help writing a resolution you can ask a Legislative Chairman or District Director, or email me directly.



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Asst. Director ~ Oregon State Grange

The Oregon State Grange welcomes John DeHaas, a member of Springwater Grange #263 in Clackamas County as our new Lobbyist. John has been involved in politics for over 34 years. In 2016 he opened his own company, SearchLight Political Consulting. In the past he served as a lobbyist for Environmental and Health Issues.

Additionally, John has worked on several campaigns as well as measures and bills and has served as campaign manager for county

commissioner and state senate races. He is currently managing a county-wide race in Clackamas County. He is a retired Deputy Sheriff from Multnomah County.

Since coming on board he has been familiarizing himself with Grange policy and updating the email list. Brother John plans to attend the State Grange Convention in June and you will have an opportunity to meet him then if not before. He can be reached at the above email or by phone 503-706-2499.

National Grange Policy Updates and Issue News for March 2018

Congress is on a two-week Easter recess until April 9. Before leaving town, the lawmakers managed to pass a \$1.3 trillion omnibus spending package to fund the government through September, the end of the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The bill was loaded with extraneous nonappropriations provisions as it became possibly the last legislative train to leave the station before midterm elections. Many of these add-on provisions were considered must-pass legislation by congressional leaders that would have a tough time making it through both houses the remainder of this year.

For the past several months, the agriculture community was guardedly optimistic that action on the new farm bill would begin by April in the House followed soon thereafter in the Senate. Agriculture committee leaders and committee staffs in both the House and Senate had been negotiating legislative details and writing a draft bill title-by title and section-by-section for months. Just days before the recess, rumors leaked out that the food assistance title of the House draft contained work requirements for able-bodied men to be eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Rank and file Democrats on the House committee, feeling they should have been involved earlier in SNAP discussions, announced they would not vote for the farm bill in its present form. This action brings farm bill progress to a halt for the foreseeable future.

Trade continues to be a contentious economic, political and diplomatic issue in Washington, around the country and among our international trading partners. As the Administration threatens to place tariffs on imports from certain countries, those countries quickly prepare restrictive retaliatory tariffs against American exports. U.S. food and agriculture exports are expected to suffer the most from a trade war.

The Omnibus Package

In addition to appropriating funds to run the federal government through September 30, the omnibus provided a legislative vehicle to pass a plethora of unrelated items deemed must-pass by congressional leadership and by the constituency of those pieces of legislation. Here is a summary of several items that interest Grangers:

Healthcare

- \$1 billion in new funding for grants to states and Indian tribes to address the opioid epidemic including rural communities
- Increased funds for special education
- Increased funds for charter schools
- New funds for rural health care
- Restoration of funds for adoption and guardianship initiatives
- \$32 million for telemedicine and distance learning grants in rural areas

Broadband

- \$600 million for the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a new rural broadband loan and grant pilot program
- \$30 million for a grant program to finance rural broadband transmission in eligible areas

The omnibus also includes a two-year extension of the Secure Rural Schools program to support schools in counties with large areas of federal lands and a low real estate tax base.



UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS

Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date, time, and location are determined and/or changed.

Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	May 5	10:30 AM	New Bridge Grange
Benton #36	April 21	10:30 AM	Marys River Grange
Clackamas #1	April 28	10:00 AM	Warner Grange
Columbia #18	May 5	10:00 AM	Deer Island Grange
Deschutes #25	May 12	11:30 AM	Fort Rock Grange
Douglas #13	April 28	6:00 PM	Riversdale Grange
Jackson #27	April 14	10:00 AM	TBA
Josephine #20	June 30	10:00 AM	Sunny Valley Grange
Lane #14	April 14	10:00 AM	Elmira Grange
Lincoln #10	May 19	10:30 AM	Salmon River Grange
Linn #12	April 14	10:00 AM	Lacomb Grange
Marion #4	July 9	6:00 PM	TBA
Polk #3	April 21	10:00 AM	Buell Grange
Tillamook #9		10:00 AM	TBA
Umatilla-Morrow #26	April 21	10:00 AM	TBA
Wallowa #22	April 14	10:00 AM	Liberty Grange
Washington-Yamhill #2	April 28	10:00 AM	Aloha Grange

Ed and Doris Thurston Receive their Silver Star Certificates

On Tuesday March 13th Washington-Yamhill Pomona Master Sam Keator presented Ed and Doris Thurston of McMinnville Grange #31, Yamhill County, with their Silver Star Certificates, recognizing twenty-five years of continuous service to the Grange.

Ed and Doris took their first four degrees on January 19, 1992 at Aloha Grange in Washington County. Then took their fifth and sixth degrees when State convention met at McMinnville in 1994. Doris was in the Rosebud drill and on the Memorial Drill Team that year.

When ask to choose some highlights of their Grange career they said it would be very hard. They are both dedicated to the Friday Night Dance at the Grange, thoroughly enjoy delivering the dictionaries to Amity Elementary School each year, as well as taking great pride in awarding scholarships to the graduating seniors that are studying Agriculture from schools in Yamhill County. However, to single out just one event, they said would probably be, having Sam Keator, Pomona Master of Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2, present their certificates and pins at the monthly meeting in March.



Creswell Holds New Member Social

On January 31, 2018, Creswell Grange #496, Lane County, invited new Grange members to a special social party with long-standing Creswell members. There were four objectives to the social:

- 1) New members need information on what the Grange is, how it operates, historical values, and facts.
- 2) New members need to get acquainted with other Grange members that can take an interest and mentor them.
- 3) New members and all Grangers need to have a social connection and enjoy "Fun Things" to do at the Grange.
- 4) With Grange roots in agriculture, food that is enjoyed and shared by all is an important part of Grange activities.

The party started out with a Welcome by Creswell Master, Martin McClure, followed by get acquainted activities, the "Fruit

Salad" game and a "The Treasure Hunt of People. The treasurer hunt included such questions as: Are you a Veteran? Where have you visited in the world? What is your favorite color, food, number? What are your hobbies? This resulted in learning much about the interests of the members and who shared those interests.

After all that "Work" which everyone thought was Fun, finger foods, veggie and fruit trays, and yummy desserts were served.

Other items during the event was a historical presentation by Vickie Weathers on 150 Years of Grange. Ken Schwieger, Lane Pomona Master, gave information on meetings, degrees, and things pertinent to the Grange.

Everyone had a great time and learned much about the Grange and each other. It was a very enjoyable evening.



Some of Creswell's long-standing members welcomed new members.



Membership Matters

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OSG Membership Directors

Is your Grange SPRINGING FORWARD to getting new members? Now is the time to get your Grange CONNECTED with your COMMUNITY. Planning fun activities and events will bring non-members into your hall. Keeping your hall active in the community shows non-members that your Grange is a happening place!

Recently our Grange had the pleasure of hosting the National Masters' Conference for State Masters. There were some National Officers there as well. With that said we thought it would be a great opportunity to find out what activities, events, etc. they or another Grange in their state held that was a success in opening Grange doors to the community. We received a wonderful response and plan to share them over the next two Bulletin articles.

Membership Tips From Across The Nation

Vermont—Brenda Rousselle, Master

Clothing And Toy Drive

Open your hall once or twice a month and invite people from the community with children to bring in clothing and toys that their children have outgrown and offer them for exchange. No cost. It brings younger families into the hall. Be sure to have a Grange display set up about your Grange with printed information.

New Hampshire—Chris Heath, Master

Farmer's Markets

Charge \$10.00 for table and offer reduced prices for members

Photo with Santa

Around Christmas have a photo shoot with Santa

Sock Hops

Oldie dances and provide refreshments

Movie Nights

Invite the public and provide snacks

Membership Drive at Old Home Days

Set up a booth at a community

event to tell people about the Grange

Illinois—Lynette Schaeffer, Master
Keep the Grange active and the name out

Barnyard Golf

This has been a fundraiser for various groups (FFA, 4-H, etc.) They have raised thousands of dollars the past few years. For more information on this activity contact Sandi and Bob at 503-668-5750.

Florida—Barbara Borderieux, Master and National Chaplain

Invite a non-Granger to help with a community service project then invite them to join.

Connecticut—Noel Miller, Master
One of their Granges is able to get free seed packets from the University of Rhode Island. They have herbs, vegetables, and flowers. They have a Soup Night that opens the hall to the public with different soups along with a seed give away and hosting a Master Gardener for tips.

Connecticut—Marcia Miller

Invite kids in to decorate Christmas cookies. Their moms will probably come too. Hand out membership information.

Maryland—Amanda Brozana Rios, NG Communications Director and Past National Lecturer

Adoption Events

Invite a local shelter/animal rescue (dog/cat) group to hold adoption events at your hall.

Kitchen Open Houses at Christmas

Have a few members/people in your community offer to have an open house of their kitchen/living room or some area(s) of their decorated home for Christmas and make a Christmas/Santa Trail. People buy a ticket for the trail and get information on the Grange. Reduced admission (-\$5.00) if they bring a donation for your Grange's child toy/needed family Christmas give-a-way.



Oregon's 2017 Grange Legacy Families



Above left: generation four – Lexie, Danny and Olivia Suing

Left: Dan Suing, generation five - Noah Strasheim and generation three – Connie Suing



The Bloom Family ~ Crow Grange

Crow Grange #450, Lane County, is so proud to have a Grange Legacy family, the Bloom/Burch/Suing family, as part of their membership. Third generation family member, Connie Suing, accepted the Grange Legacy award for the Bloom family at National Convention in Spokane, Washington in November.

Her grandparents Paul and Eathyl Bloom and her mother Maxine (Bloom) Burch began their Grange life in the early 1940's when they moved to Crow from the Bellfountain, Oregon area. Paul and Eathyl quickly became involved with the building of the new Grange hall and of the HEC committee, respectively. Maxine was also part of the HEC while attending Crow High School. They received their degree of Flora in 1943 in Eugene and their degree of Ceres in Portland in 1946.

The Bloom family was always busy helping with dinners for the Lane County Fair and for Applegate Trail Days. Connie (Burch) Suing became a member in 1976 and has been very active at Crow Grange since that time. She was also State Ceres for 14 years and is currently the OSG Youth/Young Adults Director. Her husband Dan and their children Olivia, Alexa (Lexie), currently the OSG Steward, and Danny are also members of Crow Grange. The 5th generation member Noah Strasheim (Olivia's son) joined Crow Grange as a 1+ Junior member in September of 2017.

The Gorbett Family ~ White Eagle Grange

Chester and Bessie (Phillips) Gorbett along with their sons Rolin and David, were charter members of Promise Grange #601 in Wallowa County when it was organized in 1922.

Chester and Bessie Gorbett demitted from Promise to Columbia Grange #867, Umatilla County in 1960. Earlier Rolin and wife Elna Gorbett along with son Wayne demitted from Promise to Wallowa Grange #603 in 1948.



Wayne & Addie Gorbett joined White Eagle Grange #683 in 1961 and their daughter Gail joined in 1972. Roger and Gail Wilson and family: Misty Gorbett, Brandon and Aleshia Anglin, and Cole Wilson are all members of White Eagle Grange as are grandsons Austin and Owen Ancheta. Granddaughter Kymber Anglin is a 1+ Junior.

Gail says "the Grange has always been a part of my life and I have raised my children and now my grandchildren in the Grange." Both Gail and her dad are past state officers and her husband Roger is the current OSG position #3 Executive Committee member. Her children have been active both in White Eagle Grange and in the state Youth and Junior programs.

Left-right: Austin and Owen Ancheta, Misty Gorbett, Aleshia Anglin and daughter Kymber Anglin. Back row: Gail and Roger Wilson, Cole Wilson and Brandon Anglin

The Taylor/High Family ~ Midland Grange

In 1928 Poe Valley Grange #710 was started in Klamath Falls by thirteen farmers. Four of those thirteen charter members were Joseph and Rosa Taylor and Rex and Zella High. They were active supporters of farming, rural postal delivery and social gatherings.

At the age of 14 Taylor High, Rex and Zella's son, joined and was an active member in the Grange. In 1948 when Taylor got married to Betty King, she also joined the Grange.

Taylor and Betty's son Dean, joined the Grange at the age of 18. He would attend Grange with his grandmother Zella and support her in any way he could. Dean married Vickie in 1977, his grandmother told her, part of the vows to marry Dean were she had to join the Grange.

Dean and Vickie then became very active members in the Grange on a local, county, state and national level. Their children, Andy and Melissa, joined the Junior Grange at the age of 5 and then both at the age of 14 joined the Subordinate Grange. They also became active in the local, county, and state level.

With the support of the Grange the Taylor/High family have had a constant membership in the Grange of 387 years of service, with seven members taking the 7th degree and five generations of Grange members.



The Taylor/High Family



Oregon's 2017 Grange Legacy Families



In the center are Shirley and Ken Naylor surrounded by their family including children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The Naylor Family ~ Clarkes Grange

Shirley Green and her mother Jereign Green joined Clarkes Grange #261, Clackamas County, on February 9, 1952. Five years later Shirley married Ken Naylor on September 1, 1957 and he joined Clarkes Grange the following spring. Shirley and Ken have three children, Lori Hugo (Mike), Allen (Annette Dickson) and Janet Jordan (Bill). They and their spouses are all members of Clarkes Grange along with six grandchildren Bryan Hugo, Joel, Anthony (AJ) and Ross Naylor, Jaylene and Janika Jordan. Their oldest great grandchild, Jade is a 1+ Junior and enjoys being a state Junior officer.

Ken and Shirley and their daughter Janet have been State officers. All the family has been involved with their Subordinate Grange as well as the Pomona, state and National level including State Youth Officer, Rosebull drill for the Sixth Degree and as a Trumpet Girls for the Seventh Degree.

The Shibley Family ~ Springwater Grange

On March 16, 1893, Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County, was organized with charter members Almon Marcus (AM) Shibley his wife Mary and their son James Almon (JA) Shibley and his wife Mary.

On January 11, 1913 Everett Almon Shibley joined Springwater Grange and that December he was elected Assistant Steward although the minutes show that as early as age five he was part of the Lecturer's program, typical of a Grange family. His wife Margaret Wilma Beck was also a member.

Everett and Margaret's daughter Wilma joined in 1943. About the same time Joseph Guttridge also joined. She and Joe were married September 24, 1949. All of Wilma and Joe's children are members, Gary and Robert joined in 1975, Alan, Don and Tim in 1977. Don's wife Tami join in 1989 about the time they were married and their daughter Jessie Jo joined as soon as she was old enough, in 2011.



In the spring of 2017 after many years of living out-of-state, Tim's wife Nike and daughters Kara and Kendra joined Springwater Grange.

Today there are thirteen Shibleys and Guttridges on the Springwater Grange membership list.

Wilma Shibley Guttridge, Center; left son Gary; right granddaughter Jessie Jo; back row sons Alan and Don.

The Sauter Family ~ Springwater Grange

Sometime between 1917 when the family moved to Lyle, Washington and 1932 when he passed away, Frank Sauter and his wife Lena joined Columbia Grange #87, in Klickitat County. On April 2, 1938 their oldest son Erwin Sauter, Sr. took his first and second degrees. Likely, his wife Nellie did at the same time. Both were still members at the time of their deaths.

All six of their children joined Columbia Grange and remained Grange members until their deaths. Their daughter Mary joined Columbia Grange in 1941 at the age of 16. She was a member there until 1962 when she married LeRoy Ramm and she demitted to Odessa Grange #931, Lincoln County, Washington. Her husband joined Odessa Grange at that time. In 1965 they moved and demitted into Parkdale Grange #500 in Hood River County.

Their daughters Suzy and Joyce grew up in the Junior Grange, being charter members of Parkdale Junior Grange #297. Suzy moved up to Subordinate Grange in December 1977 and Joyce in the spring of 1979. In the fall of 1983 the family moved to Colton and demitted into Colton Foothills Grange #831, Clackamas County.

When Joyce married John Parker, he became a member. Both of their children had fun at State Junior Grange and moved up to Subordinate when old enough. Colton-Foothills consolidated with Springwater and the family is now members there.

Joyce is past OSG officer and Suzy is the current Editor of the Grange Bulletin.



Lena and Frank Sauter

The Tarbell Family ~ Warren Grange

Eva Tarbell Frost received the certificate for her family recognizing six generations of Grange membership at National Grange's 151st Annual Convention in Spokane, Washington.

The enduring tradition started for the Tarbell family when Charles and his son Albert, both Grangers from Maine, moved their families to Yankton in 1892. Charles was instrumental in building the Yankton Grange in 1901 and Albert started the Warren Grange in 1915. Albert was one of the pioneers who helped establish the Columbia River People's Utility District (PUD) in 1940 with a substation named after him in 1990.

Third generation Arnold Tarbell joined the Grange at the age of 14. He was County Deputy, a State officer, served on the Board of Directors for the PUD, and initiated the building of the Columbia County Pomona Farm Museum.

Eva and her sisters Evelyn Tarbell Hudson and Roberta Tarbell Leuer are active members of Warren Grange with their kids and grandkids. They now have a seventh-generation great grandchild that is a 1+ Junior Granger.



Four generations of the Tarbell family



Veterans

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The following items come from Military.com articles and have been shortened to accommodate the paper. While these are only brief summaries and may not apply to you, if you happen to know someone else with a need, passing this information on to them may make all the difference in the world to them.

The Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA's) Caregiver Support Line assistance is just a quick phone call away. Whether you're in need of immediate assistance or have questions about what services you may be eligible for, the caring licensed social workers who answer the support line can:

- (1) provide you with information about assistance available from VA
- (2) help you access services
- (3) connect you with the Caregiver Support Coordinator at a VA Medical Center near you
- (4) just listen, if that is what you need right now. Calling the Caregiver Support Line at 1-855-260-3274 is a great way to learn more about the support that is available to you.

The Department of Veterans Affairs is using new technology to deliver health care to veterans. VA's TeleHealth service utilizes health informatics, disease management and telehealth technologies to care for and provide case management. The aim is to help veterans continue to live independently: in their own homes, local communities and stay out of the hospital. For more information, visit the Veterans Health Administration website.

For more on veteran health care benefits, visit the Military.com Benefits section.

Serial Refinancing, or Home Loan Churning

The number of lenders aggressively targeting veterans with misleading refinance schemes has fallen to less than a dozen says Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Draft regulations to strengthen safeguards and raise awareness will soon require lenders to present in large print on page one of loan documents the financial consequences of refinancing. Industry calls this a "net tangible benefit test". Schemes that lower mortgage payments but raise loan amounts by rolling in new settlement fees or adding years to loan payoff periods would be seen at a glance. Not only how mortgage payments

decline but the size of loans grow, payoff periods lengthen and how many months must pass before the savings of reduce payments recoup the costs of refinancing.

VA already requires such information to appear on a document called the Interest Rate Reduction Refinance [IRRRL] worksheet. Trouble is, lenders need NOT show borrowers that worksheet until the day they close on a loan and face a mountain of other paperwork that borrowers don't read or understand.

The VA has been criticized in the past for ineffective action on the loan churning issue. In 2014, it issued a regulation to impose "seasoning and recoupment" requirements on lenders. The new rules said loans should be on the books at least six months before a refinancing, and all settlement fees rolled into the new loan should be recouped through lowered mortgage payments within 36 months.

Unfortunately, the regulation had no teeth. It continued to guarantee home loans even if lenders didn't meet the new requirements.

Ginnie Mae can act more quickly. In February 2017, it told lenders that loans not meeting VA seasoning and recoupment rules set in 2014 would not be included in its securitized loan pools for the secondary mortgage market. By October, the number of veterans getting more than one home loan per year was cut in half and lenders who clearly abuse veterans "be put on notice" and their loans made ineligible for Ginnie Mae's flagship security pools. Their alternative will be "custom pools" with loans that perform "materially different than our average".

A dozen senators believe it is time for Congress to act. They introduced their Protecting Veterans from Predatory Lending bill alongside ten co-sponsors, "The way we feel about it," said Elizabeth Warren, "if the federal government is going to be helping these companies out [with loan guarantees], we think the refinancing should be done, not when it's in the company's interest but when it's in the interest of our veterans."

To comment, write Military Update, P.O. Box 231111, Centreville, VA, 20120 or email milupdate@aol.com or twitter: @Military_Update.

Tom Philpott has been breaking



Grange members created handmade valentines to pass out at the Salute to Veterans.

Grangers Deliver Valentines to Vets

Lane County Grangers delivered 135 handmade valentines to the Roseburg V.A. Center on February 8th as part of the annual Salute to Veterans Celebration. In addition to the Valentines' Goshen Grange supplied a bean bag baseball toss booth as part of the afternoon carnival. They gave money vouchers for the in-house cantina as prizes. Granges participating in the event were: Ada #570, Creswell #496, Goshen #561, Mohawk-McKenzie #747 and Walterville #416.



Grangers overseeing the bean bag baseball carnival booth.



PROTECTING THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

State Grange Veterans Tour Friday June 22

Leave the Clatsop County Fairgrounds at 12:30pm
Visit the USCG Air Station in Astoria

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news for and about military people since 1977. After service in the Coast Guard, and 17 years as a reporter and senior editor with Army Times Publishing Company, Tom launched "Military Update," his syndicated weekly news column, in 1994. "Military Update" features timely news and analysis on issues affecting active duty members, reservists, retirees and their families. Visit Tom Philpott's Military Update Archive to view his past articles. Tom also edits a reader reaction

column, "Military Forum." The online "home" for both features is Military.com.

I have received replies to the notice in the February/March Bulletin about the Veterans tour. As a reminder, even though the base is close by, access is more restricted and transportation scheduling more of a factor, therefore RSVPs sooner than later would be appreciated. Looking forward to seeing everyone at convention.

WL Recognizes Reluctant Hero for Tireless Work at Local Parks

Patrick Malee Sunday, March 18, 2018

When Don Kingsborough learned that he won the City of West Linn's 2017 Robert Moore Award for community service, his first instinct was to reject the honor. If Kingsborough had his druthers, there would be no award ceremony at an upcoming City Council meeting, and this article would not exist. That's not because he's ungrateful; he simply doesn't see the need to be recognized for work that he does out of a sense of obligation as a productive citizen.

"I'm not one that wants to bring attention to myself," Kingsborough said. "That's not my goal in life, not my place in life. I just feel like other people have done so much more than I have."

Kingsborough's fellow community members would beg to differ. When Kingsborough told Citizen Engagement Coordinator Courtney Flynn that he'd prefer not to accept the award, she told him that was impossible given that the vote had been unanimous between both the award committee and the City Council. And so, Kingsborough relented. While a prior commitment kept him from attending the mayor's State of the City Address — when the award is normally given out — Kingsborough will be honored at a City Council meeting in April. The exact date has yet to be finalized.

The award — named after West Linn's founder — was created in 2013 to "recognize individuals who contribute to the quality of life in the community without reward or recognition." To name the award after Moore was fitting; though he founded the city, Moore chose to name it after friend and mentor Dr. Lewis Linn.

It takes just a quick glance at Kingsborough's volunteer resume to see why his fellow community members were so adamant about his selection. A member of West Linn's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for the last nine years, Kingsborough has worked tirelessly alongside other longtime volunteers to rebuild trails and remove invasive species at Mary S. Young Park. He's also heavily involved in the Oregon State Grange community organization and has advocated on behalf of the Willamette River being incorporated into the National Water Trail Network.

"He has been described as the best docent for Mary S. Young Park, one to always wish others a friendly 'good morning' and, most importantly, an individual who works constantly to serve others," West Linn Mayor Russ Axelrod said during his State of the City speech Feb. 26.

Kingsborough's volunteer efforts began shortly after he retired from the United States Postal Service in 2004. "I started in Mary S. Young Park," he said. "It's a great place to walk my dog, so as I walked on the trails I would knock the blackberry vines and nettles back. My thought was so the kids wouldn't have a negative experience getting cut with blackberries and stuff like that." One day, he ran into a resident named Dave Kruse — now a fellow Robert Moore Award winner — and that was when his volunteer efforts truly took off at Mary S. Young Park. "Dave Kruse had a plan to rebuild the trails and start removing invasive plants from the park, and I just joined him," Kingsborough said.

As the group expanded, one resident brought a John Deere tractor to help with the heavy lifting. When that volunteer had to step away due to a bad back, Kingsborough took over as tractor operator — a role he shares with his poodle, Riley. "I wear shorts, I drive the tractor and I have a well-behaved poodle," Kingsborough said. "That combination makes me stand out. I don't do as much work as the other guys on the crew do."

Kingsborough does admit that the park has undergone a thrilling transformation since his volunteer work started. "It's magnificent," he said. "The trails are passable 12 months out of the year — you can walk on those trails without getting muddy and dirty 12 months a year now. We have removed tons of invasive plants, blackberries, garlic mustard, ivy, various other plants — and we have planted thousands of plants."

Why parks? Kingsborough — who was raised in the Robinwood area back when it was still known as part of "Oswego" — returned to West Linn in 1990 and said his passion for this particular field of volunteering dates back to when he was raising his five children. "As my children were growing up we spent a lot of time in parks," Kingsborough said. "Not just playing on swings and whatnot, but baseball practice, soccer practice, games. 'I just feel like I got a lot from the parks and now it's time for me to pay back.'"

He's also been shaped by his time with The Grange — a 150-plus year-



TIDINGS PHOTOS: VERN UYETAKE - Alongside his trusty poodle Riley, Don Kingsborough operates a tractor as part of his efforts to keep Mary S. Young Park clean and pristine.

old national group that was founded as a rural farm organization and has evolved to support community involvement in a variety of areas. "I feel as though every citizen should participate at some level," Kingsborough said. "That doesn't mean you have to be on city council or parks board or something, but (citizens) need to listen and put in their two cents, their ideas. That's the only way our country goes forward, stays the way we are. That's kind of The Grange philosophy, as well as my philosophy."

Kingsborough joins former Robert Moore winners Larry McIntyre, Dave Kruse, Lisa Clifton and Alexana Kachirisky.

Brother Don is a member Warner Grange #117 and an affiliate member of Springwater Grange #263, both in Clackamas County. His daughter Holly Bence commented on the article saying "Perfect! All that work keeps him young and provides his grandchildren with a great role model." And his daughter Sarah, Secretary of the Oregon State Grange wrote on her Facebook page "I'm very proud of my padre; and I am happy to see him getting some recognition for all the work he does in the park and with Grange. If more people had his community spirit, what a difference it would make!" His award is being presented to him on April 9th at the West Linn City Council meeting. Congratulations Brother Don.

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Community Chili Challenge

CHILI COOK-OFF

BROWNSMEAD GRANGE FUNDRAISER

Date: Sunday April 15th - Tax Day Time: 5 PM - 7 PM

Event: Chili & Corn Bread and Chili Dog Feed
Cost: \$10 - Adults (\$8 - Grange Members)
\$5 - Kids 12 and under

Enter the competition by bringing 3 quarts of homemade chili in a warmer (rockpot) along with a "F&D" card listing ingredients and spice level (Mild, Hot, Very Hot). One entry per person.

WIN GREAT PRIZES

- * Raffle Items
- * Trophies
- * Fun for ALL

See who has the BEST Chili!

COME ON DOWN AND JOIN US!

For more information
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Bailey Barks!

You know how they say to stop and take time to smell the flowers? Well, that's great, better to eat them of course, but I say take time to celebrate the small stuff. You humans seem to need something big to celebrate, but we canines are always ready to celebrate just about anything. Dad's home? Let the celebration begin! Dinner time? Dance of Joy! Opening gifts on Christmas? Tear the wrapping to shreds! Oh, I guess you guys do that one too.

But my point is everyone should take pride in all that they do and accomplish. Did your Grange grow by just one member? Dance the night away! Has your Grange not missed a meeting in a whole year? Celebrate! Did you add one small community event to your schedule? Roll on your back in the new grass!

Or, I guess you could high five each other, although not as fun as a good roll in the grass. In any case have fun in all you do. Don't always be the "working dog"!

The State Grange Convention is coming up and it's time to get your "Bailey's Good Dog Gift Package" ready for the GWA contest. Remember all of these are donated to a local shelter at the end of the week. And you might win a prize!

In the spirit of celebrating the small stuff, take your canine companion for a walk and try to observe something new, even if it's just the smell of the clean crisp air!

Woof, Bailey

PS: Check out my pal Riley on page 17

2018 Ag Fest April 28 & 29 Oregon State Fairgrounds

Volunteers needed to work in the Oregon State Grange Booth to help transplant vegetable and flowers starts and talk Grange.

Saturday 8:30 am - 5 pm / Sunday 10 am - 5 pm
To volunteer contact:

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Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

- April 15** Grange 101- Back to Basics, Warren Grange - St Helens 1pm
- April 15-18** NG Legislative Fly-In - Washington, DC
- April 20-22** Spring Youth/Young Adult Retreat, Warner Grange - Canby
- April 21** Grange 101- Back to Basics, Missouri Flat Grange - Baker City 10am
- April 22** Grange 101- Back to Basics, Columbia Grange #867 Hermiston 10am
- April 28** Ag Fest, Oregon State Fairgrounds - Salem 8:30am-5pm - **Volunteers needed**
- April 29** Ag Fest, Oregon State Fairgrounds - Salem 10am-5pm - **Volunteers needed**
- April 30** 1st Quarter Reports Due
- May 1** State Grange, GWA & Foundation Scholarships applications must be postmarked
- May 5** Ballots for State Officers must arrive at state office by 5pm
Opening reception for 150 Years of Grange exhibit - Multnomah Central Library, Portland 2-4pm
- May 19** Grange 101 - Back to Basics, Rockwall Grange Elgin 10am
- May 20** Grange 101 - Back to Basics, Abernethy Grange, Oregon City 1pm
- May 26** Resolutions must be received at the State Grange office to be considered at the 2018 convention.
- June 23-28** Oregon State Grange Convention - Clatsop County Fair and Expo, Astoria
- August 3-5** Western Region Leadership and Youth Conference, Red Lion Hotel, Olympia, Washington



Beautiful and creatively decorated boxes await buyers at the box social.

Hurricane Creek Supports 4-H

The winter storm outside certainly did not chill the warm atmosphere of community fun inside as Hurricane Creek Grange #608 hosted a Box Social fundraiser for the Wallowa County 4-H program to celebrate the 150th year of the National Grange.

The evening was a great opportunity to connect with the community while raising \$2,450 that was donated to the Wallowa County 4-H Leaders Association to support their program. Everyone is interested in having a Box Social again next year.



An array of desserts waited for buyers.



Bidding was hot and heavy on both the boxes and desserts.

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REGISTRATION FEE:
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“Perseverance” or How Many Grangers Does It Take To Turn Off a Ceiling Fan?

White Eagle Grange #683, Umatilla County at their March Meeting needed to turn off the fan because it was getting a bit chilly. Their Master Cole Wilson tried to jump up to get it but he was too short even at 6'6"! So, he climbed on a chair and held his niece, Junior member

Kymer Anglin, up and she grab the chain. It worked.

Oregon State Grange Spring Youth/Young Adults Retreat Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Grange _____ # _____

Home Telephone Number: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

When will you be arriving: _____ Friday night _____ Saturday morning

Do you have any special dietary requirements? _____

Please fill out one form per person and mail/email to:
OSG Youth Director, Connie Suing
4557 Spring Meadow Ave ~ Eugene OR 97404
csuing@hotmail.com

You can mail your \$5 with your registration or bring to the retreat.

OSG Permission slip/medical treatment form must be signed by parents for those under 18 and is available on the OSG Youth Facebook page and the OSG website. Please print and send with registration or bring it to retreat.

Items to bring include: sleeping bag, air mattress or pad, pillow, personal care items and swimsuit for Saturday night's activity. Youth are encouraged to bring musical instruments, etc. to share their talents and board games/cards to play on Friday night. Also, bring ideas for a resolutions for one of the workshops.

Grange Youth & Young Adults

Connie Suing
csuing@hotmail.com



OSG Youth Director



State Grange Convention is just around the corner and I am looking forward to working with a great group of Youth and Young Adults who are able to spend a week with like-minded Grangers.

We have a lot of fun events coming up. We have the Spring Youth/Young Adults retreat coming up April 20, 21, and 22 at Warner Grange in Clackamas County. We will have a fun weekend with a couple of workshops, a scavenger hunt, swimming and an Iron Chef cooking contest. I hope to see some of you there. The registration was in the February Bulletin and is on the Oregon State Grange website event calendar.

Remember to bring your handmade or store-bought scarves, gloves or mittens, socks, caps or hats to State Convention in Astoria so we can continue being part of the "Keeping the West Warm" program. Last year we were able to help many families in District #2 and we want to do the same or even better for District #3.

Hopefully by the time you are reading this article, we will have applications for full slate of Youth officers for State Convention. I truly enjoy watching the Youth practice and practice and then absolutely shine when they open session on Wednesday morning. The Officer application is on the website and was also in the February bulletin. come on, you know you want to. We will be selecting officers on Friday evening of the retreat.

I'd like to highlight one of the National Grange contests. Jessie

Jo Guttridge has represented Oregon and the Western Region for the past two years in the "Grange Jeopardy Challenge". This contest is played just like the "Jeopardy" TV show where the contestant answers Grange related questions in the form of a question. Jessie Jo knows a lot of Grange trivia answers and she would be happy for other Youth and Young Adults to step up and enter this contest. It's fun to watch; it's fast paced and you learn a lot of Grange facts. And we can send three on to Regionals in Washington this year.

Aww, one of my favorite things about being the Youth Director is talking about "Goodie Baskets." Each year the six District Youth Committee Chairs put together a "Goodie basket" filled with fun items from each of their Districts. The baskets have a minimum value of \$100. The items in the baskets are donated or purchased with funds from the different districts. Then the Subordinate Granges are given Goodie basket tickets to sell to Grangers and non-Grangers alike. The money collected from these baskets supports the Youth/Young Adult travel fund that helps pay transportation for contest winners and ambassadors/officers to Western Regionals and the National Session. The Youth/Young Adult committee is eternally grateful for all of your continued support of our contestants.

As I said, I am looking forward to seeing you all soon. As always, remember to ask a Youth or a Young Adult to help. I know they will be delighted.

Tentative Schedule

Spring Youth/Young Adults Retreat

Friday April 20

Arrive 7pm Dinner
Get Acquainted Activities
Cards, Games and fun
State Youth Com. Meets

Saturday April 21

Breakfast
Workshops
Lunch
Workshop
Prep "Iron Chef" Soup contest
Scavenger hunt
Finish up soup
Dinner
Announce 2018 State Youth Officers, Scavenger hunt winners and selection of winning "Iron Chef" team

Saturday April 21 evening

Swimming
Cards, Games and fun

Sunday April 22

Brunch
Workshop -
11am - Cleanup and leave

Workshops may include:

- National and State Grange Youth/Young Adults program
- Other opportunities for participation at state, regional and National Grange events
- Resolution Writing

GRANGEUP '17

Engage. Connect. Celebrate.

We Have Winners!!! 74 Granges Show a Net Gain

As of the end of March the Oregon State Grange is showing a net gain for the 2017 calendar year of 211 members, with 160 of the 168 Granges reporting. 74 Granges showed a net gain (59 of these got their report in by the February 5th deadline for the contest) and 29 Granges held even, leaving 65 Granges that showed a loss.

The top three Granges who are receiving cash awards are:

- 1st** with a percentage gain of 105.2% is New Bridge Grange #789, Baker County
- 2nd** with a percentage gain of 90% is Siletz Valley Grange #558, Lincoln County
- 3rd** with a percentage gain of 85.7% is Salmon River Grange, Lincoln County

These Granges are receiving a personal visit from the State Master and some of the Directors to present the checks.

The Grange in each district winning an ice cream social are:

- District #1 – Live Oak Grange #655, Jackson County with 66.6%
- District #2 – Macleay Grange #293, Marion County with 61.5%
- District #3 – Leedy Grange #339, Washington County with 70.5%
- District #4 – Gresham Grange #270, Multnomah County with 40%
- District #5 – Little Deschutes Grange #939, Deschutes County with 7.5%
- District #6 – North End Grange #820, Wallowa County with 70.3%

State Master, Susan Noah, said “I certainly think these results are something we can be proud of! In checking back over the last three or four audits I find that we had been losing about 200 people per year so in reality we have shown around a 10% increase, based on our recent trend. The last time we showed at net gain according to the Proceedings was in 1992! And I believe that the “Connections” we have made with our Community Granges are worth every dime we have put into this!”

These Granges also showed a net gain but missed the turn in deadline of February 5th to be included in the contest.

Redwood #760	150.00%	Fairview #273	18.18%	White Eagle #683	8.33%	Rogue #767	6.67%
Brownsmead #822	61.54%	Warner #117	14.81%	Woodburn #79	8.33%	Camas Valley #521	4.76%
Silverton #748	38.10%	Mt Vernon #659	9.68%	Hillsboro #73	7.69%	Ash Butte #802	4.55%
Milwaukie #268	21.43%	Rockford #501	8.93%	Harding #122	7.41%		

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Since the magazine's inception Oregon has had nine stories in the four issues. Some of these are rewrites from article that appeared in the Bulletin, others like the story on the Itami family were written specifically for the magazine. You don't want to miss out.

www.nationalgrange.org/good-day-magazine-subscription/

Below: Salmon River Grange received their check for 3rd place in the membership contest with a 85.7% net gain. They went from 28 to 52 members.



Other Granges with a Net Gain are:

Goshen #561	60.87%	South Fork #605	14.29%
Fort Union #953	60.00%	Eagle Creek #297	12.50%
Marys River #685	58.14%	Oak Grove #198	12.00%
Creswell #496	53.85%	Enterprise #489	11.11%
Quincy #321	52.38%	Morning Star #311	11.11%
Netel #410	50.00%	Ramsey Park #352	11.11%
Hope #269	46.15%	Parkdale #500	10.00%
Missouri Flat #612	42.86%	Deer Island #947	9.09%
Fern Hill #592	40.74%	Walterville #416	7.04%
Scholls #338	38.89%	Beavercreek #276	6.67%
Hurricane Creek #608	36.36%	Illinois Valley #370	6.25%
McMinnville #31	34.78%	Redland #796	6.06%
Columbia #267	26.87%	Skyline #894	5.56%
Maplewood #662	25.00%	Fairfield #720	5.00%
Deer Creek #371	23.81%	Santiam Valley #828	5.00%
Kellogg #811	23.81%	Lacomb #907	4.55%
Sunnyside #842	22.22%	Triangle #533	4.55%
Mohawk-McKenzie #747	18.75%	Jasper #532	4.17%
Pacific #413	17.65%	Wickiup #722	4.17%
Wolfcreek #596	17.65%	Irving #377	3.03%
Goldson #868	16.67%	Abernethy #346	2.94%
Greenacres #834	16.67%	Bellview #759	2.94%
Lowell #745	14.63%	Springwater #263	2.53%
Lake Creek #697	14.29%	Terrebonne #663	1.82%
Sandlake #546	14.29%	Williams #399	1.61%

Additionally several of these Granges added 1+ Junior members to their lists.





1 in 1,000 Club of the National Grange Foundation

Only 1,000 numbered lifetime memberships for the 1 in 1,000 Club will be available for a one-time buy-in of \$1,000 each. All funds raised will be used for the good of the Order. Individuals may make a pledge to hold a space (provided the maximum of 1,000 memberships has not already been attained) but will not be *provided* a member number until their final payment is received.

When the member passes away, the membership may be first made available to an individual designated by the late Club member but will require a "renewal" payment of \$1,000 in order to keep the membership number. Should the designated individual wish not to renew the membership, it will be offered to the person at the top of the waiting list (or general membership if 1,000 are not already assigned).

Members will receive a special pin and certificate and be entitled to invitation-only *events* throughout the year and during National Convention.

At this point, we are reserving places in the 1 in 1,000 Club and preparing all required documents to ensure proper transaction of the donation will take place and we will be able to provide you documents related to deductibility for your tax professional. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE MADE OUT TO THE NONPROFIT, CHARITABLE **National Grange Foundation**.

Applications are available on the state and National Grange websites.



London Claims "Traveling Gavel"



Lane Pomona Grange #14 has a "Traveling Gavel" competition to encourage and make visitations fun between Lane County's twenty-four Granges. London Grange #937 jumped at the chance to claim the Traveling Gavel from Lorane Grange #54.

Connect with Your Communities

In the Grange Connections you have or will receive is a flyer on Connecting with your Community. The state Directors looked for one project that every Grange in Oregon, no matter size or location, could participate in and it was determined that a Food Drive for your local food bank would work for all involved.

The goal for 2018 is for every Community Grange in Oregon to participate in a food drive. Options for this could include hosting a summer event and helping collect food and/or dollars for your local food bank or pantry. You could partner with other Granges in your area creating a contest between Granges and/or members. Offer a prize for whoever collects the most.

Connect with your local food bank or pantry to coordinate a drive. Food banks will provide a barrel or box for your hall or other locations. Most Granges have people other than members in their hall on a regular basis, be it renters or a group you are donating the use of the hall to. Have a barrel available so they can participate also.

If you don't want to deal with the actual products a "canless" food drive can be held. Solicit cash donations so the food bank can purchase needed items to supplement other donations. Often the food bank can purchase products cheaper than the general public as well as procuring perishable food items. Cash donations also help to keep their freezers icy cold and their

Molalla Loses Oldest Member

Molalla Grange #310, Clackamas County, celebrated the life of and draped the charter for their oldest member Lucia Scheel on March 21st. Sister Lucia was born March 12, 1915. She passed away on January 31, 2018 just 40 days before her 103rd birthday.

A life-long Granger, she and her husband Fred Schuebel saw the benefits and value of the Grange and joined Mulino Grange #40 in 1937. They also encouraged their children Bob and Diane to join and then their grandson, Kevin Kindall. Daughter Diane Potter is a Life Member.

Lucia was the Secretary of Mulino Grange for many years. She was a cook at the Mulino Grade school and loved being with all the kids. When Mulino Grange disbanded some of the members including Lucia, Diane & Kevin joined Molalla Grange in January of 2007.

In March 2017 Molalla Grange honored Lucia with a "80-year Letter of Acknowledgment" from National Grange. That same



trucks on the road.

If your members have time available consider a group volunteer activity, spending a few hours at your local bank/pantry. Food donated through drives needs to be sorted and items donated directly from producers, like bins of apples and 55-pound bags of rice, beans, etc. need to be repackaged into small packages.

Why is this important? The National Grange Master challenged each State Master to come up with a project to raise the visibility of the Granges in their state. To this end there will be a mass Press Release sent to more than 400 media contacts in Oregon talking about how all 168 Granges in Oregon support their local food banks and encouraging the media to contact their local Grange for a story.

So, you're saying your Grange is already supporting your local Food Bank, then consider really pushing it during July and August or doing something additional to support them and be prepared to talk about it if and when the press contacts you.

Watch for more information on this project in the June/July Bulletin and at the Oregon State Grange Convention in June.

evening, they presented her grandson Kevin Kindall with his Silver Star certificate, recognizing 25 years of continuous Grange membership.

Molalla Grange Secretary, Susan Sether wrote "Don and I are so honored to have known Lucia, Fred and their children for many years."

Part of the family farm has recently been divided and now when you drive on Highway 213 between Molalla and Mulino you see a new road sign, Lucia Lane, named in her honor.



Lucia Schuebel at her sister Roberta's 100th birthday in September 2013.

District 3: Rediscover the Grange at the End of the Trail



Netel Grange #410
Clatsop County
Organized 1910

Location: 90525 Logan Rd, Astoria 97103
Meets: 3rd Saturday 6 pm
Master: Gary Sunderland

Best known for: Site of Salmonberry Hill Play School
Other projects: New septic system, parking area, re-seeded lawn, play area for children in back of the building, and an emergency exit that meets fire code — thanks to a loan from the Oregon State Grange.



Pacific Grange #413
Clatsop County
Organized 1910

Location: 90475 Hwy 101, Warrenton 97146
Meets: 2nd Monday 7 pm
Contact: Cynthia Weber

Best known for: Community yard sales in February, March, April, May, and October
Other projects: Craft Fairs in November and December, home of the Hayshakers Square Dance Club, and a semi-annual rummage sale



Wickiup Grange #722
Clatsop County
Organized 1929

Location: 92683 Svensen Market Rd, Astoria 97103
Meets: 1st Saturday 10 am in even months; odd months at Brownsmead
Contact: Mike Posey

Best known for: Wickiup Farm Stand, Sunday afternoons from April to the end of September
Other projects: Holding a Fill Your Pantry Event with Brownsmead Grange in November. Local farm vendors will sell winter storage products as well as fresh produce.



Olney Grange #793
Clatsop County
Organized 1931

Location: 89342 Hwy 202, Astoria 97103
Meets: 2nd Tuesday 7 pm
Master: Judy Fisher

Best known for: Annual Pit Barbecued Beef Dinner on 3rd Sunday in September
Other projects: Hood to Coast stop, Wild Goose Sale, served dinner at Scandinavian Festival



Brownsmead Grange #822
Clatsop County
Organized 1934

Location: 42880 Fish Lane Rd., Astoria 97103
Meets: 1st Saturday 10 am in odd months
Master: Matti Raihala

Best known for: Annual Corn Feed, 2nd Saturday in September; Annual Crawfish Feed in July and Annual Chili Feed in April
Other projects: Co-sponsoring a Fill Your Pantry Event with Wickiup Grange in November to support the local Ag community. Local farm vendors will sell winter storage products as well as fresh produce at Wickiup's Grange hall.



Yankton Grange #301
Columbia County
Organized 1901

Location: 33065 Pittsburg Rd, St Helens 97051
Meets: 3rd Wednesday 7 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Erin Salisburg

Best known for: Annual Strawberry Pancake Breakfast
Other projects: Lady Makers and Doers craft circle, annual plant sale, working with 4-H groups and school programs



Natal Grange #302
Columbia County
Organized 1901

Location: 7542 Nehalem Hwy N, Vernonia 97064
Meets: 2nd Wednesday 7:30 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Jeff VanNatta

Best known for: Hosting Annual Hood to Coast runners and walkers
Other projects: Food Bank distribution to rural areas



Vernonia Grange #305
Columbia County
Organized 1901

Location: 375 N St, Vernonia 97064
Meets: 3rd Monday 7 pm
Master: Carol McIntyre

Best known for: Bee class
Other projects: Wildcrafting, herbal remedies



Beaver Valley Grange #306
Columbia County
Organized 1901

Location: 75942 Larson Rd, Rainier 97048
Meets: 3rd Thursday 8 pm
Contact: Carol Everman

Best known for: Spring and fall rummage sale and Memorial Day Breakfast
Other projects: Christmas dinner and program on 2nd Sunday in December at 2 pm

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Quincy Grange #321
Columbia County
Organized 1902

Location: 78314 Rutter Rd, Clatskanie 97016
Meets: 1st Thursday 7 pm
Master: Ellen Nieminen

Best known for: Annual Chicken Dinner in March and Halloween Carnival in October
Other projects: Trash to Treasure in May, craft days on 2nd Saturday, card night on 3rd Friday



Fern Hill Grange #592
Columbia County
Organized 1920

Location: 72612 Fern Hill Rd, Rainier 97048
Meets: 3rd Thursday 7 pm
Master: Bruce Wallace

Best known for: New sign and well, thanks to matching grants from the Oregon State Grange
Other projects: Working with 4-H Club and the community, blue grass music



Sandlake Grange #546
Tillamook County
Re-Organized 1936

Location: 21220 Sandlake Rd, Cloverdale 97112
Meets: 1st Tuesday 7 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Cindy Green

Best known for: Annual rummage sale and spaghetti dinner and Annual Teddy Bear Tea
Other projects: Bunco, community barbecue in May, partnered with the Lions to assemble and deliver Christmas baskets, supported local FFA, put in a booth at the Tillamook County Fair



Beaver Homes Grange #518
Columbia County
Organized 1914

Location: 31105 Beaver Homes Rd, Rainier 97048
Meets: 1st Wednesday 7 pm
Master: Dwayne Waite

Best known for: Haunted House & Harvest Dinner
Other projects: Around the world brunch with foods from other countries, Mother's Day Brunch



Deer Island Grange #947
Columbia County
Organized 1980

Location: PUD Building, 64001 Columbia River Hwy, Deer Island 97054
Meets: 2nd Thursday 6 pm
Master: Julie Wheeler

Best known for: Annual Spaghetti Dinner for CRPUD Customer Appreciation
Other projects: Provide turkeys for Senior Center, award scholarships, donate homemade hats for newborn babies, donate clothing to homeless and homemade quilts to vets



White Clover Grange #784
Tillamook County
Organized 1931

Location: 36585 Hwy 53, Nehalem 97131
Meets: 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Fred Lackoff

Best known for: Annual pie auction
Other projects: Annual Farmers Market, Winter Bazaar in December, Mohler 4-H Fair in July, Seed exchange in spring



Warren Grange #536
Columbia County
Re-Organized 1926

Location: 58892 Saulser Rd., St. Helens 97051
Meets: 3rd Thursday, 6:30 pm, potluck 6 pm
Master: Eva Frost

Best known for: Fried Bread Booth at Columbia County Fair
Other projects: Breakfasts on the 2nd Saturday of most months, Words for Thirds, support the Senior Center, Foster Kids, and 4-H clubs, help with the St. Helens mEGGA Egg Hunt



Fairview Grange #273
Tillamook County
Re-Organized 2013

Location: 5520 E 3rd St, Tillamook 97141
Meets: 2nd Monday 6:30 pm, potluck 6 pm
Master: Eric Sappington

Best known for: Music
Other projects: Souper Sunday, community dinners with open mic, display paintings by local artists, booth at the Tillamook County Fair



Hillsboro Grange #73
Washington County
Organized 1874

Location: 245 SE 3rd Ave, Hillsboro
Meets: 4th Wednesday 7 pm, potluck 6:30
Master: Joel Jacobson

Best known for: Brighter Days Mental Health Fair
Other projects: Delegates attended the State Grange Convention in Florence

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Tigard Grange #148
Washington County
Organized 1874

Location: 13770 SW Pacific Hwy, Tigard 97223
Meets: 2nd Friday 7:30 pm, potluck 6:30
Master: Mark Schnetzky

Best known for: Multicultural members spanning a wide-range of ages
Other projects: St. Pauly Textile clothing drop-off also provides support for the Caring Closet at the Tualatin-Tigard School District, dedicated a Peace Pole, participated in Words for Thirds and donated school supplies, held annual Holiday Bazaar, purchasing a haunted house



Winona Grange #271
Washington County
Organized 1895

Location: 8340 SW Seneca St, Tualatin 97062
Meets: 2nd Saturday 11 am, potluck brunch 10 am
Master: Marilyn Reiher

Best known for: Seed project
Other projects: Garden Party, Winona Cemetery clean up, scholarship, member of Chamber of Commerce, Words for Thirds, support the Caring Closet at the Tualatin-Tigard School District and the Tualatin Schoolhouse Food Pantry



Forest Grove Grange #282
Washington County
Organized 1896

Location: 1917 B St, Forest Grove 97116
Meets: 2nd Thursday 7 pm
Master: Joe Duyck

Best known for: Presented 504 dictionaries in 2017 to 3rd graders at city schools
Other projects: Remodeled kitchen



Washington Grange #313
Washington County
Organized 1902

Location: 16430 NW Pumpkin Ridge Rd, North Plains 97133
Meets: 1st Saturday 11 am
Master: Linda Dorland

Best known for: Saturday night dances, which ceased in 2017 due to death of drummer
Other projects: Save and roll newspapers for Oregon Roses, hall was setting for an episode of Grimm, sent Halloween candy to troops in Afghanistan



Scholls Grange #338
Washington County
Organized 1903

Location: 16917 SW Hillsboro Hwy, Scholls 97140
Meets: 1st Wednesday 7 pm, potluck 6 pm
Master: Don Haynes

Best known for: Burgers & Books
Other projects: Held a craft fair, erected a wall around the basement to keep the building from collapsing



Leedy Grange #339
Washington County
Organized 1903

Location: 835 Saltzman Rd, Portland 97229 (Cedar Mill)
Meets: 2nd Saturday 9 am
Master: Savannah Hively

Best known for: Being named after the 8th State Master, B.G. Leedy
Other projects: Painted, replaced curtains, and flooring in dining room, won 1st prize and People's Choice vote for 2017 booth at the Washington County Fair



Kinton Grange #562
Washington County
Organized 1917

Location: 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd, Beaverton 97007
Meets: 2nd Tuesday 7 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Joe Peter

Best known for: Celebrated Kinton's 100th anniversary & the 150th anniversary of Grange
Other projects: Held the Kinton Country Antique Faire with bake sale table and cafe, Dance for the Cure, and Fall Feast sausage and kraut dinner and quilt raffle



Aloha Grange #773
Washington County
Organized 1931

Location: 3425 SW 185th, Aloha 97007
Meets: 4th Thursday 6 pm
Master: Krystal Laas

Best known for: Square dancing
Other projects: Replaced roof with the help of a matching grant from State Grange

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Dixie Mountain Grange #860
Washington County
Organized 1936

Location: 23455 Dixie Mountain Rd, North Plains 97133
Meets: 1st Thursday 7:30 pm, potluck 6:30 pm
Master: Dan Logan

Best known for: Annual Strawberry Festival
Father's Day weekend, 2017 was 65th event
Other projects: Halloween party, loaned a Friendship Quilt for the Grange 150th Anniversary quilt display at the Great Oregon Steam Up



McMinnville Grange #31
Yamhill County
Organized 1873

Location: 1700 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville
Meets: 2nd Tuesday 6:30 pm, potluck 5:30 pm
Master: Ed Thurston

Best known for: Friday night dances
Other projects: Words for Thirds, scholarships, weekly farmers market



Clatsop County Fair & Expo
92937 Walluski Loop
Astoria, OR 97103



Above: Clatsop County Fair and Expo located about 8 minutes from downtown Astoria

Below: Clatsop County Fair and Expo site map



Meals at Oregon State Grange Convention

This year, District 3 is not locked into a caterer tied to the facility. They have taken this opportunity to offer the preparation of banquet and luncheon meals to Granges in the district who have a specialty. As in the past, there is a deadline for hot meal sales (June 1) and additional tickets will not be available at convention, so that the day's team will know how much to prepare.

In an effort to encourage last-minute spontaneous attendance, the district will offer a Salad Bar option with tickets available daily at the convention site. They don't intend to undercut the hot meal sales, but to offer a fallback meal. To that end, don't expect an extravagant spread. There will be mixed greens, some raw and pickled veggies and a few toppings. Do NOT look for meats, breadstuffs, prepared mayo-based salads or any desserts.

What happens at a banquet or luncheon? It is more than a meal. Depending on the committee hosting the event there maybe a speaker, awards given, scholarship recipients recognized, reports on activities and almost always door prizes. These are things you don't want to miss so plan to attend and order your tickets by June 1st.

2018 Oregon State Grange Convention Meal Tickets

Clatsop County Fair and Expo

Name: _____
Grange Name & No.: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____

Saturday dinner and Saturday through Thursday lunches are available for purchase. All meals are on site at the Clatsop County Fair and Expo. In the boxes below, write in the total number of meal tickets per meal. Total the daily meal costs on the right and enter the grand total at the bottom. Mail completed order form and total amount by June 1st. Meal tickets will not be available for purchase after June 1st. **Only limited salad bar tickets will be available on site for purchase.** All meal tickets will be picked up at State Convention.

Mail to: Doris Thurston, 10251 SW River Bend Rd ~ McMinnville OR 97128
Please return order form with check payable to the

"Oregon State Grange OSG District #3" by June 1st.

Day	Meal	Menu		# of tickets	Price per ticket	Daily \$ Total
Sat 6/23	Fundraiser Lunch for Junior Program **	Hamburger, tater tots, cupcake	Adult		X	\$10.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00
	Kickoff Banquet	Salad bar only			X	\$6.50
		Pot roast, baked potato, salad, green beans, roll, homemade pie	Adult		X	\$15.00
Sun 6/24	Foundation Luncheon		10 & under		X	\$9.00
		Lasagna, salad, green beans, garlic bread, cake	Adult		X	\$12.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00
Mon 6/25	Membership Luncheon	Salad bar only			X	\$6.50
		Chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, dessert	Adult		X	\$12.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00
Tues 6/26	Benefits Breakfast	Salad bar only			X	\$6.50
		Baked potato bar OR Taco salad, cookies	Adult		X	\$10.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00
Wed 6/27	Youth/Young Adults Luncheon	Salad bar only			X	\$6.50
		Shredded beef on hoagie bun, tossed salad, dessert	Adult		X	\$12.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00
Thurs 6/28	District #3 Luncheon	Salad bar only			X	\$6.50
		Pizza and salad bar	Adult		X	\$10.00
			10 & under		X	\$8.00

All meals and salad bar include beverages

** If you are going on the Ag Tour your Saturday Lunch ticket is included.

Do not order on this form

Grand Total

Orders must be received by June 1st.

Only limited salad bar tickets will be available on site.

'The Grange is a Channel of Giving Back to Our Communities'

By: Jared Anderson/Siuslaw News. Reprinted with permission of Siuslaw News

March 3, 2018 — Ada Grange #570 is celebrating its 100th anniversary this month, with a gala being held today at the Ada Grange Hall. The hall, which is nestled by the Siltcoos Lake where Fiddle Creek ties into the lake, has been the home of various traditions for the Ada area, which has included dances, pie socials and theatrical productions over the years. The hall has also played a vital role as a place for Grange members to bring much needed changes to the Ada area over the decades.

"It's just been such a big part of my life," Grange member Linda Pugh said about the organization. "It holds a special place in my heart. I don't know why. Maybe it's because my folks have been members, or I've been a member for so long. The Grange is a channel of giving back to our communities."

The Grange organization, officially known as the National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, is a community organization with its roots in agriculture. Last December, the organization celebrated its 150th anniversary.

Ada Grange #570 was first organized in March 1918 as part of the National Grange, with the Grange hall being erected in August of the same year. "I think back to 1918, there wasn't a bridge into Florence," Pugh said. "There wasn't a good road to the ferry, so it was a way for families to get together and socialize and discuss issues of the day. Most of it was farming and dairy."

Discussing issues of the day eventually led to improvements to Ada, including getting power, phone and rural mail delivery to the area. "The National Grange pushed a lot for that kind of stuff, and they're still fighting," Pugh said. "They're fighting now to get broadband in the rural areas and pushing legislation for that." Members of local Granges discuss issues within the community that need to be addressed and draft resolutions to be sent to the state Grange, which then lobbies for changes to state and national governmental agencies.

But Ada Grange was also a community hub, allowing for multiple activities like theater productions and fundraising. A memoir of Ada Grange by Ethel (Edie) Rieken described what it was like in the early days of Ada Grange. "Various fundraising events that lured people from miles around took place at the Grange Hall," she wrote. "For a time, the women gathered for quilting bees to make quilts that were raffled off at the various events."

One of the most enjoyable times for Rieken were the dances. "I learned to dance the waltz, polka, schottische, Paul Jones and even square dances," Rieken wrote. "At midnight everyone stopped for cake, pie and coffee, then dancing resumed. In earlier years, those dances sometimes continued until 4 o'clock in the morning. My brothers came home and dragged themselves to the barn in a sleepless daze to milk the cows."

One of the most well-attended events were the pie socials, where women brought pies to be auctioned off. "The man who paid the most for a pie ate it with the lady who baked it," Rieken wrote. "For young single girls, that sometimes meant disappointment and not getting to eat with the person she'd hoped would buy her pie."



Joe Henry, Mayor of the City of Florence spoke to a full house on how grateful the city was for all Ada Grange does in the community.

Times have changed since the early days. The majority of Ada Grange members are not farmers, nor do they live out in the Ada area, according to Pugh. But the Grange has found relevance in the Siuslaw region as a whole. "We're focusing not only connecting with our own members and other Granges in our area and throughout the state, but connecting with our communities," she said. "That's what the Grange wants to do. Connect with the communities and find out what the needs are, or projects that they can be involved in. Community service is a big part of our organization."



Joy McCourt, whose grandfather M.D. Scott was a charter member, shared history of the Grange and how important it was to the families living in the area at the time.

One of Ada Grange's largest projects is collecting and donating supplies to Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS), including food and non-food items. "Right now, we're focusing on laundry soap," Pugh said. "Stuff that people are in need of that they can't buy with food stamps, like soap and toothpaste."

We do a quarterly collection and donate to SOS. Plus, we get a lot of stuff donated to the Grange. Most of that we re-donate to SOS or other places."

Before SOS, Ada Grange helped sponsor a foster family when the father of the family became ill. The mother, who had to quit her job to take care of her husband, needed financial support to help raise the children and take care of expenses. "We supported them for two years until the dad passed away," Pugh said. "The mom got back on her feet and the kids were doing really good."

Family is a driving force for the Grange. "I think families are losing their connection with all the technology and people being so busy," Pugh said. "The Grange is a place where you can take your whole family and be involved."

One way that the Grange supports families in the organization is by letting individuals join young. While the Junior Grange program at Ada ended in the 1980s (it still goes on nationally), children are regularly encouraged to join the local organization. In fact, full membership begins at 14 years old. "You can join at that age and you can hold an office," Pugh said. "You can even be president. You have the same rights as a 60-year-old."



Darlene Jorgenson, another granddaughter of M.D. Scott, read poems her grandfather had written.

Having younger members take part in the Grange has multiple advantages. First and foremost, it allows children to learn about civic engagement, government, independence and leadership, Pugh said. But it also allows younger generations to feel more involved in the Grange, creating lifelong members. "My mom's a member, both my daughters are members, and also my grandkids," Pugh said. "I have three brothers who also still belong to Ada Grange. It's been a big part of my life, and my daughter's life, and now my grandkids' lives." Getting younger members involved is vital to the continuation of the organization.

"We only have 38 members now," Pugh said. "At our largest we had 170, but for a time there was an insurance program through the Grange and a lot of members signed up just to get the insurance. The numbers have dwindled down." Keeping membership steady is not a problem specific to the Grange, as other fraternal organizations such as the Elks or the Oddfellows are struggling to keep membership.

"Unfortunately, the membership is getting so old, the focus is on getting

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Ada Grange Celebrates 100 Years

Chartered on March 3, 1918 with 53 charter members, Ada Grange #570, Lane County, celebrated its 100 years with a celebration on March 3rd. Fourteen Ada members and 44 guests were in attendance. Music for the day was provided by Linda Wetzell, Oregon State Grange Musician.



John Fine, Past Master of the Oregon State Grange, spoke on the importance of the connections between Granges and their community.

Member Joy McCourt, whose grandfather M.D. Scott, was a charter member spoke on the Grange history and how vital the Grange was to families living in the Siltcoos, Ada and Fiddle Creek areas. Ada Grange helped bring better rural mail delivery, power, telephone service and pushed for improved roads over the year. They were also instrumental in raising funds to start the Canary Ada Fire Hall.

Darlene Jorgenson shared three poems her grandfather M. D. Scott wrote. Joe Henry, Mayor of Florence spoke on how grateful the city was for all the community service Ada does and guest speaker John Fine, Past Master of the Oregon State Grange, also spoke on how vital the connection between Granges and their communities are and how he has always enjoyed visiting Ada Grange.

Linda Pugh, Ada Secretary, shared a picture of the original fire truck that was housed in the Fire Hall not far from the Grange pointing out that her father, brother and brother-in-law were all volunteer fireman.

Other guests in attendance were OSG officers Chaplain Peggy Fine, Pomona Liz Dehne, Executive member #1 Jeff Dehne, LAS Louise Holst and AS Phil Van Buren. After singing Happy Birthday to Ada Grange, cake and ice cream were served.



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younger families in, so you have them coming up and taking over responsibilities," Pugh said. "But it's hard. We're lucky to have very active members, but we have some older members that won't be around forever. The kids are our future, so we try and focus on them a lot."

It's that focus on children, and the community as a whole, that Ada Grange #570 continues to foster. It also purchases school supplies to donate to local schools. "We have a scholarship program that's actually in memory of my stepdad," Pugh said. "After he passed away, my mom established it, and that's been going on since 1993. This past year, we gave out three \$500 scholarships to local schools. And home school students can apply too."

The Grange works closely with veterans and has a Relay for Life team. It's also known for its food fundraisers, such as an annual breakfast fundraiser and appearances at the Florence Wings and Wheels, where members have served hamburgers since the event's inception. "Our hamburgers are 'almost' famous," Pugh said.

The gala will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. today at the Ada Grange Hall, located at 82457 S. Canary Road in Westlake. Grange member Joy McCourt, whose grandfather was a founding member of the Ada chapter, will give a local history of the Grange, followed by poems of the Grange by Darlene Jorgenson. Cake and ice cream will be served, and there will be a small speech by Florence Mayor Joe Henry.

Pugh believes community work makes Ada Grange just as relevant now as it used to be. "I think the Grange still plays a vital role in communities," she said. "It's doing something right to be around for 150 years. It has changed a lot. It had to change with the times. If I didn't have the Grange, I don't know what I'd do. It's a second family."



David McBride and his wife Joanne volunteered to repaint the entire inside of the main hall of Hurricane Creek Grange. Also pictured is Elvaree Fine.

Hurricane Creek Upgrades Building

Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, is looking forward to their 100th birthday in 2023. That is just around the corner and they are working on the hall to make sure it lasts another 100 years.

In the recent past the Grange has drilled a well, replaced hot water heaters with on demand water heaters, updated all of the knob and tube wiring to meet today's codes, got a new roof, updated to have a handicapped bathroom, enlarged door width to 36 inches for wheelchair accessibility, brought in a garden shed to store tools and benches and the list goes on.

The Grange has recently received a grant from the Wildhorse Foundation to have the exterior of the hall painted. Once that is accomplished they will be looking at replacing the tongue and groove hardwood flooring. They are currently getting estimates and a good education on hardwood flooring.



2018 Oregon Ag Fest

April 28 & 29

State Fairgrounds

Saturday 8:30 am - 5 pm
Sunday 10 am - 5 pm

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Mohawk Valley Cuts, Stack Wood

January found Mohawk Valley Grange #922, Lane County, busy cutting and stacking firewood for their hall. twenty people, two pickups, a splitter, and a lot of energy showed up and put in a day's worth of labor to get the project complete.

Thanks to Jeff and Luanne Rhodes for donating all the logs that were cut, split, loaded then unloaded and stacked at the Grange. They are so grateful for all the help that the Grange received for this activity. They are very appreciative!



The splitter came in very handy to quickly make firewood.

Blooming Daffodils and Fresh Cinnamon Rolls Draw Visitors to Junction City Festival

By Alisha Roemeling, The Register-Guard

JUNCTION CITY — Flowers and cinnamon rolls. That's what prompted hundreds of people to flock to the 46th annual Daffodil Drive and Festival in Junction City on Saturday, March 17th despite fits of rain and cool temperatures. The festival, held at Long Tom Grange, about 10 miles west of Junction City, features daffodils by the bouquet, bulb or pot, live bluegrass music, horse drawn wagon rides, hot meals prepared by high school students, and goods from about 40 local vendors.

About 300 volunteers worked together to organize the festival,

according to festival organizers. It's the largest daffodil festival in the state, according to festival officials, and heralded by former Oregon Gov. Ted Kulongoski as one of the best.

But despite the wide variety of daffodils, booths and activities, many people said the No. 1 reason they attended the festival was for the massive, plate-sized cinnamon rolls, made by New Day Bakery in Eugene. "You bet we had one," said Eugene resident Anna Jackson. "That was the first thing we did when we got here. They're really good." Jackson, who said it was her third

year at the festival, noted that this year's event seemed to be bigger than last year's. "It's very well-organized," Jackson said. "I'm really impressed, and it seems to just keep growing each year."

Danuta Pfeiffer, an organizer of the event for about the last 25 years, confirmed that the cinnamon rolls were a big draw. "One year we decided to do blueberry muffins or something like that and people freaked out like we had shot the Pope or something," she said with a laugh. "It was bad!" But that wasn't the case this year. Nearly everyone at the festival on Saturday either had a cinnamon roll halfway in their mouth or in-hand and ready to take home.

Many of those who weren't eating sweet treats walked around the mostly outdoor festival and checked out what vendors had to offer at their booths that offered a variety of goods, including bird houses, plants, lotions and lip balms, sea glass, board games, quilts and more. Betty Schmitt and her adult granddaughter Sammy Helland were meandering through the booths and munching on cinnamon rolls around 10:30 a.m. Saturday and said they were "loving" the festival. "We just wanted to check it out," said Schmitt. "The drive to get to the grange was beautiful with



One and half-year-old, Luke Fisher, stops to smell the daffodils during the Daffodil Festival in Junction City. (Collin Andrew/The Register-Guard)

so many daffodils." "This cinnamon roll is pretty dang good, too," said Helland.

Many children also attended the festival Saturday, most of which were interested in three llamas and two horses who were visiting for the day. The two Belgian horses, Teddy and Bud, were pulling festival goers seated on a wagon throughout the day, and children were elated. Several young girls were seen sitting on the covered wagon with big smiles strewn across their faces.

The festival is a fundraiser for Junction City-area businesses and organizations, according to Pfeiffer, who said the \$3,000 to \$5,000 raised each year is usually donated to the Junction City and Monroe school districts, the Junction City Fire Department, area 4-H clubs, Women's Space and more.

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Larry Chafin and his Belgian horses, Teddy (left) and Bud pull festival goers along to Long Tom Grange during the Daffodil Festival in Junction City. (Collin Andrew/The Register-Guard)



Beavercreek Grange

22041 S Kamrath Rd, Beavercreek Oregon

The Annual Mother's Day Breakfast

May 13, 2018 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Adults \$7.00 Kids 6 – 10 \$4.00
 Kids 5 and under Free

Pancakes, French Toast, Hash Browns,
 Biscuits & Gravy, Ham & Eggs, Coffee,
 Tea, Milk, Cocoa & Juice

ALL YOU CAN EAT

So bring a big appetite

Goshen Holds Pie Auction

Goshen Grange #561, Lane County, held their third annual Pie Auction on March 10th. A38 pies were auctioned off to the highest bidder. Under the leadership of auctioneer, former State Master John Fine, the auction raised \$750 on this one-day fundraising event.



Priscilla Phillips and Brenda Hassler recording and receiving money for the pies.

John Fine asking for bids as Mike Cantrall shows off a pie.

Your Name: _____	Moving? Let Us Know.
Old Address: _____	New Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
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