



# Oregon State Grange BULLETIN

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## 2019 Theme: "Come Together at the Grange"

In a continuation of the GrangeUp '17 and Grange Connections 2018 programs, the State Grange is happy to announce the third installment "Come Together at the Grange." Over the past two years the goal of the State Grange has been to encourage Granges to reach out to

prospective members to make our organization sustainable and to enlighten the community about the role of the Grange. "Many hands make light work" is an often quoted saying, but for an organization that strives to support the community the more hands the better!

Like the previous two years the goal is to have a net gain in 2019. The program was launched at a meeting of State Grange Directors, district chairs, and State Officers in January. Each attendee agreed to visit Granges in February and March to deliver a banner and a box of goodies and tools to help your Grange achieve the goal.

gain at the end of 2019; \$750 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$500 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$250 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. This will be based on straight numbers this year, not percentages. That should give all Granges a chance to win, from big to small!

### The Banner

The Oregon State Grange is providing each Grange with a banner (4' x 2 1/2' vertical) to be displayed proudly inside or outside your hall. While it is an indoor banner, many

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### Rewards

There will be a monetary reward for the Grange that has the highest net



On January 10<sup>th</sup> Oregon Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge presented Redland Grangers with their 2018 Distinguished Grange Award from the National Grange. One of the original Granges to receive this award, this is the eighth consecutive year Redland has been honored.

## Five Oregon Grange Honored as 2018 NG Distinguished Granges

On the evening of November 14<sup>th</sup> in Stowe, Vermont five Oregon Subordinate/Community Granges along with the State Grange were honored as Distinguished Granges for 2018. These Granges are among the elite of the organization and should be proud of all of their accomplishments. A total of six state Granges, and 35 Subordinate Granges were honored.

Oregon Granges honored were Chetco Grange #765, Curry County, Dorena Grange #835, Lane County, Redland Grange #796, and Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County and for the first time Marys River Grange #685, Benton County.

The event ended with a Ben and Jerry's ice cream bar (we were in Vermont, after all) to celebrate the accomplishments of these Granges.



State Officers, Directors and state Committee members listen while state Master, Susan Noah explains this year's program and box of goodies.

## Your Recipes Are Needed

The Oregon State Grange is compiling a cook book to sell to the public as a fundraiser for the State Grange. All kinds of recipes are needed.

Are you or your Grange known for a specific food item? Did it win an award in the state GWA contest or your local fair? Will it feed a very large number? Do you have recipes for just one or two people, for Instant Pots or slow cookers, gluten-free, diabetic or sugar-free? We are looking for all kinds of recipes.

The entry coupon is on page 10. The deadline for accepting recipes has been extended until April 1<sup>st</sup>.



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### Bulletin Deadline

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## The Master's Column

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Remember playing hide and seek as a child? "Ready or not here I come" is the way I feel about 2019! The last few months of 2018 simply flew by including Christmas and New Year's, and now here we are a full month into 2019.

For everyone that means one or more Grange meetings have already happened. I usually focus on what your Grange is doing, as if the building, chairs and associated people were simply one large moving part. But that's not true, is it? Our Granges are made up of individuals who have made the commitment to be Grange members. So, to start this year lets pretend we are talking one on one. Did you attend the first meeting of the year? If not, why not? I know there are lots of reasons. Maybe you were out of town still celebrating the new year with friends and family. Maybe you were sick; to be truthful I missed a January meeting this year for just that reason. Maybe you just didn't want to go, or maybe you didn't even think about it. Let's start there. Is going to your meeting a habit with you, do you remember to block off that first Monday, or second Tuesday of each month? Maybe you are one of the members who would rather help with the events, than attend the meetings.

In truth it takes all kinds of members to make a Grange, especially to make a Grange that works together and has fun together. We need members who want to come to meetings, who want to be officers and who are willing to set aside that time each month to make sure that the Grange is running smoothly and that all the members have everything they need to be successful. We also need members who may not attend each and every meeting, but who are willing to be there at the crack of dawn to set up for the breakfast on Mother's Day, who are able to take on the Fair Booth during the county fair, or the ones who simply support the Grange because they believe in the organization and they want to see one in their community.

Whichever member YOU are, I hope your Grange values the contribution you make. We are a diverse organization with members of all ages, in all stages of personal growth and with all sorts of ideas. The best we can do for each other is to value what each of us brings to the table. As we go through life we will change, as people and as Grange members. Today, you may only attend events, but tomorrow you may want to be more involved

in the direction of your Grange, and may want to be an officer, or vice-versa. So, remember we are all members no matter what roles we are playing this year and we should all be accepted with respect and a friendly smile.

### Grange Membership Program

Here we go again! The third year of the GrangeUp program, is **"Come Together at the Grange."** If you remember the words below the GrangeUp '17 logo, they were **"Engage ~ Connect ~ Celebrate."** Our first year we took the time to engage our friends and neighbors, we asked them to join, and we saw our Granges grow. The second year we stressed making connections between our members, our fellow Grangers and the community, and while it was not quite as successful, we did see growth in our Granges as they worked to connect with the community. That leaves Celebrate, and what better place to do that than by coming together at the Grange.

When the Directors met in September and worked to design this step of the program we wanted something that would be viable on many levels and we feel the idea of coming together at the Grange fulfills that vision. In the next two months a member of our State Grange leadership team will visit your Grange and bring a box of goodies designed to help with membership as well as a new banner for your hall and a more detailed explanation of how to use the theme. These will be delivered by the State Officers, the Directors and the District Chairmen. I hope you will give them a few minutes at your meeting for their presentation and please feel free to ask questions and to offer ideas. Last year we lost a bit of ground in membership numbers, but I believe many Granges did embrace the connections they made with the community and within the Grange. Build on those connections this year to increase your membership and to raise the awareness of your Grange.

### Grange Month: Grange Heroes in our Hometowns

National Master, Betsy Huber unveiled the 2019 Grange Month theme at the National Convention in Vermont last November, "Grange Heroes in our Hometowns". This theme can be used not only this year but should be something that is usable for years to come, as we talk about the Grange service to the community. This is a theme that should easily play alongside ours of "Come Together at the Grange"



Each Grange will receive a new banner for their hall as part of the "Come Together at the Grange" program.

as we introduce ourselves and our organization to new members. At National each State Master was given a "super G" cape to help us capitalize on this theme. So, this year at our State Grange convention in Molalla I plan on honoring a Grange hero each day of the convention, and to do this I will need your help. Each day I will take nominations for the next days' hero. This should be someone who has been a Grange hero in your Grange, or someone who has been a Grange hero in the community. All I will ask is that to be nominated they be present at the convention and that their nomination includes a short paragraph of the reasons why this member deserves to wear the Cape! One person will be selected each day to be honored by the delegates. This should be an easy task given the wonderful members we have who work tirelessly in their Granges and their communities. Encourage the heroes in your Grange to attend State Convention!

### Grange 102?

Last year I held a series of conferences called Grange 101, Back to Basics. I held the event in 15 different venues around the state and I learned as much from the experience as anyone else. This year I have not set up dates but I am willing to work with any Grange or any Pomona that would like to continue on with the training. This year I would like to be a little more specific regarding the duties of the officers, including the Master, Secretary and the Executive Committee and the legislative work such as resolution writing. So, if your Grange has an interest in hosting a Grange 102 conference please let me know and I'll work with you to get it on the calendar.

One final thought, as we go into this new year. Remember this quote from Jimmy Dean, *"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination."*

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Granges have displayed them outside before and during events in the past. You may want to keep it up outside year around or include it in your fair booth or on a parade float. Before your banner is delivered, give some thought to how your Grange can best display it.

**What's in the Box my Grange will Receive?**

The box contains a selection of items designed to help your Grange with attracting new members.

- Buttons, pens, calendars and bracelets for your members or for new or prospective members.
- Table tents to be used at any event. Each has a blank space to personalize if you would like, or use them as is.

- Tear off sheet; can be used in your hall or at another venue, wherever you see a need to advertise the Grange! They are to be personalized with your Grange's information.
- A Junior project, to use as a brochure holder. Fun for Juniors or adults!
- Hearing Loss Survivor's Manuals courtesy of the Oregon Association for the Deaf.
- A pack of ten Thank You cards for your Grange to use.

So, Grangers let's get out there and make "Come Together at the Grange" a success bringing growth to the Grange in 2019!



Above: Box stuffing in progress. L-r: Webmaster Teresa Cernac, Veterans Director Jim Clute, Community Service Director Liz Dehne, Program Development committee member Sandi Ludi, State Overseer Jay Sexton, Junior Director Peggy Jillson, Legislative Director Mark Noah and Program Development committee member Jeanie Force. Also helping but not pictured were State Master Susan Noah and Membership committee member Jeff Dehne.



Right: 166 boxes almost ready for delivery.

**Bailey Barks**

Happy New Year! Were you up at midnight?

I was, barking at the neighborhood fireworks! What a fun way to start the year. You know dogs bark in a variety of ways. There are happy barks, sad barks, barks of fear, anxiety, pain and also barks of excitement, glee, gratitude and belonging. Dogs actually have an emotional intelligence quotient equal to that of humans. Dogs show high levels of empathy, compassion, care, trust and distrust. Dogs thrive when they are treated with praise, respect, encouragement and love.

And guess what humans do too! We dogs respond to positive reinforcement in training, rather than being forced to do something. So, the next time you are instructing

someone use encouragement and praise. Treat them with respect and patience instead of criticizing them. Make sure they receive a positive reward. Make sure they receive a positive reward. Yes, I said it twice, rewards really matter to dogs, and probably to people, right? My favorite reward is a piece of string cheese, but I guess you could go with other items as well, maybe cookies?

It used to be that "being treated like a dog" was a bad thing, but now you know that being treated like a dog could be the best thing for you. Woof wisely, live a good and positive life and remember to praise rather than nag. And grant yourself the positive attention you deserve, if you were a dog you would!

Woof, Bailey

**The Lecturer's Column**

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Greetings,

**One Day at A Time**

There are two days in every week we should not worry about—two days which should be kept from fear and apprehension. One of these days is yesterday, with its mistakes and cares, it's faults and blunders, its aches and pains. Yesterday has passed forever beyond our control. All money in the world cannot bring back yesterday. We cannot erase a single word said. Yesterday is gone.

The other day we should not worry about is tomorrow, with its possible adversities, its burdens, its large promise and poor performance. Tomorrow is beyond our immediate control. Tomorrow's sun will rise, whether in splendor or behind a mask of clouds, but it will rise. Until it does, we have no stake in tomorrow, for it is yet unborn.

This leaves only one day — TODAY! Anyone can fight the battles of just one day. It is when you add the burdens of two awful eternities — yesterday and tomorrow — that we break down.

It is not necessarily the experience of today that disturbs one's piece of mind. It is often the remorse of bitterness for something that happened

yesterday and the dread of what tomorrow may bring.

Let us therefore live, ONE DAY AT A TIME

By now, all Subordinate Granges in Oregon should have received, or will shortly receive, a copy of the 2019-2020 Lecturer's Guide. Please make sure it has been passed on to your Lecturer.



Lecturer's Reminders for February/March

- 1) Review the Contest guide—there is a copy in the back of the Lecturer's Guide.
- 2) Choose one photography contest to highlight.
- 3) Select flyers about Grange events to enter in state contests.
- 4) Encourage members to plan ahead.
- 5) Watch for talented people to enter the State Talent Contests!
- 6) Lecturer's Creative Writing Contest.
- 7) Encourage members to start now!

**Lost Creek Bluegrass Band**

Coming soon to:

Warner Grange  
Sunday, March 3rd  
10100 S New Era Rd, Canby

5-8pm

Tickets: \$8 per person/\$25 per family  
Includes Dinner!

Barbecued Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad



## The Chaplain's Corner

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It's a foggy dreary day. The joy of Christmas and New Year have faded. We have put away our decorations and have forgotten about what all the rush was all about. I think many of us forget we give gifts in remembrance of the greatest gift given. God gave his son to us to forgive our sins.

It's easy for us to slip into our old ways: to make resolutions and then forget them. My resolution for this year is to increase my prayer life. That is why in January, I read Psalms again. One of my favorites is Psalms 104. It talks about how great God is in what he has created for us. The mountains, the valleys, the water, the grass to grow, the earth to provide food, the trees, the sun and the moon and the animals. In short, nature that we see every day. I love to pray in the morning and thank God for everything I see including the gloomy and rainy days. We know they won't last because we know that Spring is on its way. For all of you who have taken the 7<sup>th</sup> degree all of this is very familiar.

All of the Psalms start in praise and cover the gamut of man's feelings – joy, anger, frustrations, love. I encourage all of you to read it too. What is your resolution? I know many of you make physical resolutions – lose weight, exercise more, eat healthier. All good but what about your spiritual life? Please consider making a step that will bring you closer to God. I guarantee your whole life will improve.

My sister-in-law, Elvaree Fine sent me something that was read at her Grange, Hurricane Creek. I hope you enjoy it as much as I do.

*I got up early one morning  
And rushed right into the day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I didn't have time to pray*

*Problems just tumbled about me  
And heavier came each task.  
"Why doesn't God help me?"  
I wondered.  
He answered, "You didn't ask?"*

*I wanted to see joy and beauty,  
But the day toiled on, gray and bleak;  
I wondered why God didn't show me.  
He said, "But you didn't seek."*

*I tried to come into God's presence.  
I tried all my keys at the lock  
God gently and lovingly chided,  
"My child, you didn't knock."*

*I woke up early this morning  
And paused before entering the day.  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I had to take time to pray.  
Author Unknown*

As you are praying, I would ask that you remember me in your prayers. My kidneys gave out in October and I started dialysis on October 4. I go three days a week, three hours each session. It is difficult but I thank God I have it because it is keeping me alive. I also thank God for John, my husband, my love and my caregiver.

I do remember that many of our Grangers have it worse than me and they are constantly in my prayers as I hope they are in yours. None of us knows what God has in mind for us, but we all need to pray for the courage and strength to endure.



**Lane County Installation** - Captains Pat Heard and Dick Wyant of the Installation Team installed the officers of the Lane County Granges and Lane Pomona Grange on December 8<sup>th</sup>. L-r: back row Mark Noah, Dennis Chapman, Jeff Dehne, Ken Schwieger, Alice Nowicki, and Linda Wetzell. Front row: Katrina Bowser, Elaine Chapman, Liz Dehne, Richard Wyant, Peggy Jillson and Pat Heard.

## In Memoriam

Sally Akin  
South Fork Grange #605

Carol Beck  
Kellogg Grange #811

Vivian M Brown  
Greenacres Grange #824

Grady Butler  
Long Tom Grange #866

Dorothy Carter  
Eagle Valley Grange #656

Jack Corning  
Eagle Valley Grange #656

Norma Forsea  
Eagle Valley Grange #656

June Heyl  
Lowell Grange #745

Valerie James  
Salmon River Grange #513

Wayne Lathrop  
Hurricane Creek Grange #608

Bert McCormack  
Hurricane Creek Grange #608

Lila McKay  
Eagle Creek Grange #297

Georgia Menefee  
Junction City Grange #744

Ike Osgood  
Lowell Grange #745

Maggie Osgood  
Lowell Grange #745

Naomi Schulze  
Lookingglass Grange #927

James Seale  
Goldson Grange #868

Ida Serface  
Columbia Grange #867

Dale E Stone, Sr.  
Winona Grange #271

Daniel Thompson  
Lorane Grange #54

Edward Weber  
Pacific Grange #413



*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.*

## Clackamas Pomona #1 and Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2

started the year off with a joint installation of their respective officers on January 1. Beanna McKay of Abernethy Grange, who has been working to learn the installing officers part, did a fine job installing the officers even if it was her first time. A potluck and social time followed the ceremony.

Right: Beanna McKay prepares to install the Pomona officers.



Back row: Jim Clute (W-Y), Kim Schettig (C) and Mike Duyck (W-Y). Middle row: Katherine Luttrell (W-Y), Jeanie Force (C), CoraLynn Congdon (C), Sandi Ludi (C), Ed Luttrell (C), Bud Dumolt (C), Cody Dunsmuir (C), Georgene Barragan (C), Sam Keator (W-Y), Margie Belnap (W-Y) and John Knox (W-Y). Front Row: Suzy Ramm (C), Annette Naylor (C), Marilyn Reiher (W-Y), Connie Clark (W-Y), Jessie Jo Guttridge (C), Joyce Parker (C), Kiri Schnetzky (W-Y), Margaret Clute (W-Y), Julie Schnetzky (W-Y) and Mark Schnetzky (W-Y).





Join us for  
Grange Adventures ~  
Molalla '19

## Oregon State Grange Convention June 22-27, 2019 Molalla High School 357 Francis St Molalla, Oregon

Town	Motels	Rates	Pool	Pets	Breakfast	Wifi	Notes
<b>Canby</b> - about 14 miles from school/20-25 minutes drive time							
	Motel 6	\$90-105					Typical Motel 6
	463 S.W. First Avenue						No breakfast
	Canby, OR 97013						McDonalds 2 blocks away
	503) 266-5400						On Hwy 99E
<b>Molalla</b> - 5 minutes to high school							
	Stagecoach Inn	\$70-90				x	Older motel
	415 Grange Ave						23 units
	Molalla, OR 97038-8148						Restaurant and lounge on site
	503-829-4382						
<b>Oregon City/Gladstone</b> - about 30 miles from school/30-35 minutes drive time							
	Best Western Plus - Rivershore Hotel	\$180-275	x			x	AAA Discount available
	1900 Clackamette Drive						Can arrange breakfast for fee
	Oregon City, Oregon 97045						Queen/King/Suites available
	Reservation 800-780-7234						On Site Restaurant
	Local 503-655-7141						
	Holiday Inn Express	\$171-220	x			x	King and Standard Beds
	75 82nd Drive						
	Gladstone, OR, 97027						
	(855) 470-1611						
<b>Silverton</b> - about 15 miles from school/20-30 minute drive time							
	Silverton Inn & Suites	\$95-195		x		x	Kitchen/Kitchenettes
	310 N Water Street						Queen/King/Suites available
	Silverton, OR 97381						Multi night rates available
	503-873-1000						Some rooms allow pets
	info@silvertoninnandsuites.com						
	Oregon Garden Resort	\$165-180	x	x	x	x	Located at the Oregon Garden
	895 W. Main Street						Queen & King Rooms
	Silverton, OR, 97381						Some rooms pet friendly
	503-874-2500						
	www.oregonresort.com						
	concierge@oregonresort.com						
<b>Woodburn</b> - 15 miles/20-13 minute drive time							
	Best Western - Woodburn	\$120-160	x	x	x	x	AAA Discount available
	2980 Tom Tennant Drive						Close to Woodburn Outlet Stores
	Woodburn, Oregon 97071						Queen/King/Suites available
	Reservation 800-780-7234						Some rooms allow pets
	Local 503-982-6515						
	La Quinta Inn & Suites - Woodburn	\$140-200	x			x	
	120 Arney Road NE						Double/Queens/King
	Woodburn, OR, 97071						Some Suites
	www.lq.com						Some Kitchens
	lq0439gm@laquinta.com / 503-982-1727						
	Super 8 by Wyndham - Woodburn	\$99-109	x	x	x	x	
	821 Evergreen Rd						
	Woodburn, OR 97071						
	503-981-8881						
	www.wyndhamhotels.com/super-8						
<b>RVs</b>							
<b>Aurora</b> - about 18 miles/26-27 minutes to school							
	Aurora Acres RV Resort						Good Sam/AAA Discounts
	21599 Dolores Way NE						Pool
	Aurora, OR 97002						Wifi
	503-678-2646						
	www.AuroraAcresRV.com						
	reservations@AuroraAcresRV.com						
<b>Canby</b> - about 13 miles/22-25 minutes to school							
	Riverside RV Park	\$43.60					Restrooms with showers
	24310 South Highway 99E						Cable TV
	Canby, Oregon 97013						Wifi Available
	800-425-2250 / 503-263-3000						Full hook ups - 30 & 50 amp
	www.riversiderv.net / canbyor@hotmail.com						Weekly rates available
<b>Molalla</b> - 3 miles from town							
	Feyrer Park	\$28					20 campsites, with water and electric hook-ups
	16185 S. Feyrer Park Road						Up to 8 people and 2 domestic pets allowed per
	Molalla, OR 97038						additional vehicle fee \$6
	Information and reservations: 503-742-4414						
	parksreservations@clackamas.us						
<b>Silverton</b> - about 15 miles from school/20-30 minute drive time							
	Silver Spur RV Park Office	\$46-55					Full hook-up up to 50 amp
	12622 Silverton Rd NE						Hot Tub
	Silverton, OR 97381						1 cabin - sleeps 2 queen bed \$50
	www.silverpurrvpark.com / 503-873-2020						Wifi
<b>Woodburn</b> - 15 miles/20-13 minutes drive time							
	Portland-Woodburn RV Park	\$54.29					Good Sam/AAA/AARP/Military Discounts
	115 Arney Rd, Woodburn, OR 97071-9465						Next to Woodburn Factory Outlets
	Toll-Free: 888.988.0002 / 503-981-0002						
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### Dues

2019 dues were due at the end of 2018. By now Subordinate/Community Granges should have sent the second dues reminder to those members with unpaid dues.

### February

The 3rd Dues notice is the "Intent to Suspend" and should be sent out prior to the March meeting. Members with unpaid dues at the end of March can be listed on the 1st Quarter Membership Report as being dropped for Non Payment of Dues (NPD) but please make every effort to contact these members before the end of March so you are sure they don't want to continue being a Grange member.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Report - April

Read and adopt the Quarterly Report for the 1st quarter at your April meeting and send it to the state office by April 30<sup>th</sup>. All members dropped on the first quarter report need to be notified with a "Notice of Suspension" that informs the person that they have officially been removed from the membership rolls.

Also, remember when taking in new members to collect the \$5 initiation fee with each new application and remit \$1 of that to the State Grange when they are added to the quarterly report.

### April is Grange Month

This year's theme is "Grange Heroes in our Home Towns". Some information including the poster and a guide on how to use the slogan and the capes are available on the Subordinate/Community Grange Information page of the OSG website. Additional items will be added as they become available.

Grange Month is an excellent time to honor community members as heroes in your community. Check out the Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer and Teacher of the Year Awards available through the Community Service Department. Honor them at your Grange. Then

nominate them for the state award. Deadline is June 1.

Your Grange can also select a Volunteer of the Year. This award recognizes a Grange member who is a dedicated volunteer in their Grange and in their community. Honor them at your Grange. Then nominate them too for the state award. Deadline is June 1.

Grange Month is an outstanding time to honor members for their commitment to the Grange. Membership recognition certificates and pins are available. Supply Order forms that include these awards are available on the OSG website in the Secretary's section on the Forms page. This includes 25-year Silver Certificate, 50 and 75-year Certificates and 80 and 85-Year Letters of Congratulations. There are also seals for 40, 55, 60, 65, and 70 years. Pins may be ordered from the Oregon State Grange office. Prices are listed on the Supply Order form available on the website and an up-to-date Supply Order form will be sent to the Subordinate Secretary with your 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report form. Get your orders in early as it can take several weeks for the certificates and letters to come from National Grange.

### Bonding

National Grange Bonding Insurance premiums are due in December. Information was mailed in November from the state office related to coverage and premiums. The bonding year runs the calendar year from January 1-December 31 so even if your Grange doesn't pay for it until February or March your Grange is still only covered until December 31.

4.12.11 of the Oregon State Grange By-laws say "Every Subordinate/Community Grange shall bond its Treasurer and Secretary." The National program covers not just your Treasurer and Secretary but all your officers and members.

## Are You Planning To Attend State Grange Convention? Make Your Reservations Now

The 2019 State Grange Convention will be in Clackamas County this year, hosted by District #4. This is a list of hotels and RV parks that might be able to accommodate you for the week. The rates are in a range and do not include AAA, AARP or another discounts.

Most are going to require some driving as there not a lot of accommodations in Molalla. You might also consider renting a house. Both www.airbnb.com and www.vrbo.com have homes available in and around Molalla.





## The Agricultural Report

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Ahhhh...that magical time of year when the garden elves drop seed catalogs into your mailbox and visions of sugar snap peas dance in your head!

I am encouraging all Granges to host a Seed Swap for their community. Silverton Grange and White Clover Granges have fun names like "Give Seeds a Chance" and "Seedy Saturday" for their seed exchanges.

Where can Grange members find reliable seeds to swap? Here in Eastern Oregon with a 120 average frost-free garden season, I turn to special northern catalogs for my first choices, *Vermont Bean Seed Company*, *Johnnies Selected Seeds* in Maine, *RH Shumway* or *Jung Seeds and Plants* in Wisconsin.

*NE Seed* in Connecticut is a great source for bulk garden seeds if any Grange would like to get good seed to redistribute to their community. (1 ounce of carrot seed is \$4.95, with 24,000 seeds per ounce!)

In Western Oregon you have *Territorial Seeds*, *Nichols Garden*, and *Adaptive Seeds*.

## 2019 Winona Grange's Garden Seeds Program

Do you or your local community service group have a garden project? Do you raise fresh vegetables for your local Food Pantry? Do you administer a Community Garden? Work with a 4-H group, or Youth Group Garden Program? Would you like to be able to give vegetable seeds to low-income families to grow their own vegetables? In what other ways could you or would you be able to put vegetable seeds to constructive use in community service?

Through a generous donation from a major distributor of garden seeds, Lake Valley Seeds of Boulder, Colorado, Winona Grange #271, Washington County, is again able to supply you with high-quality vegetable seeds of many varieties. The Grange is very grateful for Lake Valley's generosity in addressing the issue of hunger at the grassroots level here in Oregon. Every local Grange and Community Garden in Oregon qualifies for access to these donated vegetable seeds, and your organization can distribute them in your local area as needed.

*Seed Savers Exchange* and *Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds* offer great selections of unusual and Heirloom seeds. And then there is *Burpee Seeds* and *Totally Tomatoes*.

Google them for their website or to get an address to request a catalog.

If saving your own seeds is important to you, stick with "Open Pollinated" or heritage varieties. Most catalogs will let you know if it is a hybrid variety or a Genetically Modified seed of which neither will give you "true seed" for you to re-plant.

According to Oregon's *The Seed Ambassador's Project* ([www.seedambassadors.org](http://www.seedambassadors.org)), "Saving seeds is the foundation of developing durable and resilient locally based food systems. We encourage others to join us in this important work. In our eyes every seed saved is a socially healing, community creating event."

So, make it a fun event. This would be a great community outreach for our new "Come Together at the Grange" 2019 membership drive!



The seeds must NOT be sold; it is illegal to sell outdated seeds, and they don't want to be competing with their generous donor.

Winona is making the seeds available in assortments of two sizes, Single and Double. Single being whatever fits into a Priority Mail Regional Rate "A" Box and Double being whatever fits into a Priority Mail Regional Rate "B" Box. The volume of a "B" box is almost exactly double that of an "A" box. An "A" box postage is \$7.85, a "B" Box postage is \$10.75.

Winona is now accepting orders for shipment in February 2019. Orders may be placed on their website [winonagrang271.org/garden-seeds-program/](http://winonagrang271.org/garden-seeds-program/) using a PayPal or a credit card.

Or send checks to:  
PO Box 3848  
Tualatin OR 97062

Questions or comments? Please feel free to contact the Grange at [seeds@winonagrang271.org](mailto:seeds@winonagrang271.org).

## It's Spring with Seedy Saturday

Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, Silverton Grange #784, Marion County, will again be holding Seedy Saturday from 10am to 3pm.



Join local gardeners and farmers in this annual seed exchange and garden fair. Free seed packets are available and you may also bring your own to exchange. Gardening and farming information, tables for vendors, free seed catalogs, resource materials and local experts will be available to help your garden grow. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments and snacks will be offered.

## 2018 Conservation Policy Statement of the National Grange

We encourage the responsible stewardship of our natural resources from all who own or use them. We define responsible Stewardship as a balance between use, preservation, and the environmental standards appropriate to the regional needs.

Our organization has been a strong advocate for land stewardship. We believe that protection of the environment and the conservation of natural resources are vital. We further believe that education of the public regarding the importance of our natural resources is an absolute necessity.

The National Grange should continue to advocate for conservation programs. These programs should encourage farmers to operate in an environmentally sound manner, focusing on technical assistance, research, education, loans, and cost-share programs.

We recognize that plastic is a significant environmental nuisance. The National Grange should support legislation that will promote the use of shorter life plastic and other biologically degradable materials.

The National Grange recognizes the unique role agriculture plays in land and environmental management. We advocate for greater flexibility in the interpretation of environmental laws to allow for traditional land uses taking into consideration vary-

ing environmental situations across the country.

The National Grange supports coordination among Federal, State and Local Governments when developing land use management plans. We urge Congress to include voluntary incentive-based assistance for conservation practices by farmers, ranchers, foresters, developers, and landowners in future Farm Bills, which will maintain a commitment to conservation. In that light, we also urge USDA to ensure that they use only scientifically based research when crafting regulations to implement the conservation portions of the Farm Bill. The optimum result should be that the environment be protected with the least amount of prime, productive farmland taken out of production.

## 2018 National Grange Policy Statements

This is the second of several Policy Statements adopted at the 152nd Annual Convention of the National Grange held in Stowe, Vermont. More are located in this issue on pages 9 and 10. Over the next several issues, as space allows, additional statements will be published in the paper with the hope of having them all published before our state convention in June.

## New CEO for Grange Insurance Association

After 21 years of leading GIA, Ryan Dudley retired as CEO. Ryan joined GIA in 1992 and saw many successes in his longtime tenure with the company. Highlights included the transition to Independent Agents, the achievement of A- (Excellent) Rating by A.M. Best and earning the ValChoice award for "#1 Best Value in Homeowners Insurance" throughout the Pacific Northwest in both 2017 and 2018. Under Ryan's leadership, GIA has seen huge growth in the numbers of policyholders and written premiums. Thanks to Ryan's initiatives, the company's financials have never been stronger.

Starting Jan. 1, 2019, Executive Vice President Steve Stogner stepped into the role of CEO. Steve has a breadth of experience in the property and casualty insurance industry in addition to Claims, Sales, Marketing and General Management. Steve has been with GIA since 2009, working predominantly as the Vice President of Marketing.





Members of Mohawk Valley Grange enjoyed the sunshine while picking up fifteen bags of garbage along their local road.

## Mohawk Valley Cleans the Roads

On November 17<sup>th</sup>, Mohawk Valley Community Grange #922, Lane County did their biannual road cleanup. The hard-working Grangers picked up fifteen bags of trash

between mileposts 14 and 16 on Marcola Road! Several members of the community saw them busy at work and have offered to help next time.

## A Charlie Brown Tree and More

This year Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County, chose to adopt a family for Christmas. The family consisted of a single mother with twins, a boy and a girl age eight. The family loves to go walking so warm outdoor clothing was needed.

Grange members brought many items to the December Grange meeting for the family including winter coats for both children, socks, winter undergarments, rubber boots and umbrellas as well as family games, toys and candy.

Grange members also provided household and personal care items that cannot be purchased with food stamps like dish cloths, bar soap, tooth brushes and paste. And not to be left out food was added for the



pets. All of this was delivered and put under a donated tree. Community Service Chairman Phyllis Prath, said the family was so appreciative. The mom almost cried and the kids were very surprised.



Above: A wonderful pile of gifts was placed under the Charlie Brown tree and the children could look forward to a fun Christmas morning.

L: Springwater Master Tami Guttridge adds to the gift pile.

## Community Service Involvement

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OSG Community Service/Involvement Director



Greetings from your Community Service Director.

State Convention is just around the corner. From what I see on Facebook Granges and Grangers are busy with community projects. Warner Grange with Cuddle Cots; Creswell, Crow, Lorane and Goshen Granges with the Cody Tripp Cancer fund; Waltherville Grange with Camp Alma; several Granges with food pantries; Christmas open houses and lots more.

April is Grange Month. Plan a Community Service Project during the month to help connect with your neighborhood. Have an Open House, a Lecturer's program or service event. Remember to keep promoting your Granges by getting involved with your community.

And the most important thing is to document all of your activities.

Don't forget to include all miles and hours that your members have accumulated in 2018. Please nominate one of your members for Volunteer of the Year. There are also awards available for Youth/Young Adult Community Service and others. Check out the Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet for details.

I hope you are all working on your Community Service Yearbook and are using the Oregon State Grange Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet for the guidelines on how to put it together and what to include.

I hope to see lots of nominations and yearbooks at this year's state convention. Above all else, submit the Community Service Report so we can reach to goal of at least 25% of Granges reporting and maybe even exceed the number that were received last year.

## Warner Grange's Cuddle Cot Fundraiser Picking Up Steam

Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County, is hosting their 2nd annual Cuddle Cot fundraiser on April 13th, starting at 5pm. They have already received quite a few donations including handmade blankets, museum passes, gift certificates, and many more donations keep rolling in for the auction. The project is receiving attention from various politicians and media outlets.

Warner would love to have more Granges participate, whether by donating, volunteering, or attending the event. It is with the support of other Granges partnering with Warner will help to fulfill this cause. Many lives have been changed through this equipment and your help will make this gift of time accessible to more parents in need.

As a Grange, they are asking you to consider donating an item or service for their auction, such as a gift basket, or assist in providing food/drinks/decorations, or advertising for the event. Monetary contributions as well are greatly appreciated and all contributions may be tax-deductible (*Please consult your tax advisor*). Furthermore, it would be appreciated if you are able to reach out to your community and secure donations on Warner's behalf. As Brothers and Sisters, all are working to band together in support of this cause.

Of course, the Grange will grateful-

ly include an acknowledgement of your generous support in the Evening's Program. Additional advertising space in the program is available for purchase, and all proceeds will be put towards the purchase of these Cuddle Cots. If you or your Grange need supplemental material (flyers, letters requesting donations, tax deductible receipts, etc.), or if you would like to volunteer the night of the event, please contact Maryssa Yager at 503.347.9476

Dinner tickets are available now on [www.EventBrite.com](http://www.EventBrite.com)- Search "Warner Grange Cuddle Cot Dinner and Auction Fundraiser" Only \$20.00 a person!

Please come join Warner Grange and help change the lives of some families in our communities.



## Deaf Awareness and Family Health

## 2018 National Grange Health Policy Statement

The opioid crisis continues to plague our country. A multi-pronged approach is needed and must include continued study of the benefits of opioid painkillers as compared to alternative pain management strategies; improved prescription strategies such as limiting the number of pills issued per renewal; proper security of our prescription drugs in our homes; and proper disposal of unused or outdated prescription medications through recognized drug take-back programs or disposal programs. These are all efforts that local Granges can and should promote in their communities. The Rx Abuse Leadership Initiative (RALI) has formed partnerships with various State Granges to address these issues and we strongly urge others to develop RALI programs in their states.

Biological therapies are significant new developments in the treatment of disease. We believe price competition and innovation in the development of biosimilars, the generic equivalent to biological therapies, should be encouraged.

Transglutaminates are additives that serve as food binders or glue and are used in many aspects of food production and preparation. These additives are a form of gluten and may trigger responses in the gluten-intolerant. Whenever used

in foods intended for human consumption, transglutaminates should be clearly listed as an ingredient.

We support paid parental leave and working with businesses to build a comprehensive policy that benefits both the employee and employer.

Ambulance services can be in-network just as doctors or pharmacies, but when an ambulance is needed, one rarely has the time to find one in your network. We believe that all certified or licensed ambulance services should be treated as in-network by insurers.

We encourage bipartisan efforts by Congress to reform healthcare, identifying solutions that provide reasonable affordable healthcare for all Americans.

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NEW SHOW FOR 2019

### Grange President's Monthly Update

Tune in each first Saturday of the month at 2 p.m. ET to hear a 5-minute Monthly Message from National Grange President Betsy Huber

Reruns at noon ET Sundays, 7 a.m. ET Tuesdays and 11 p.m. ET Thursdays

GRANGE RADIO  
GrangeRadio.org

## Inside the Inner Gate

New episodes debut monthly on the second Saturday at 4 p.m.

Reruns at 4 p.m. each Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 3:30 p.m. Fridays

All times Eastern

GRANGE RADIO

A look at traditions, ritual, and the impact on the Grange of today



Blood Mobile parked in front of Triangle Grange #533 with Blood Mobile Organizer and Grange Overseer: Sherrill Harder, Grange Master: Maxine WorthyLake, and valued member Karen Redhead

## Triangle Grangers Enlists Community To Help Save Lives!

The Blood Drive held at Triangle Grange #533, Lane County on October 25th was a huge success! It brought in nineteen donors/units of blood with fifteen of those being first time donors. The whole blood donation from this blood drive will help save up to 57 patients through red cells, platelets, and plasma components.

Triangle would like to give special thanks to Mark Smith and Bridgette Black of Bloodworks Northwest, for all their help in coordinating this effort. Sherrill Harder, Tri-

angle Grange Overseer organized the blood drive, and also actively engaged the community and inspired such a wonderful turnout and results. The Grange couldn't be prouder of her or their caring community for giving the gift of life!

If you are interested in donating blood or organizing a blood drive, start by contacting Lane Bloodworks at 1 (800) 398-7888, or [www.bloodworksnw.org/donate](http://www.bloodworksnw.org/donate) for more information.

## It's 2019 And New Shows Are Coming to Grange Radio!

Grange Radio is an online radio station and is a project of the National Grange in partnership with the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)3 that seeks to advance the interests of rural Americans and agriculture through education, leadership and community development and services to enhance the lives of Grange members and their communities.

The Grange President's Monthly Update airs first Saturday at 11am PT with repeats throughout the month. Then gather 'round with Juniors to learn about topics covered by Junior Passports on the second Saturday of the month at 11am ET

(reruns scheduled throughout the month). Go Inside the Inner Gate and explore traditions and rituals, and how those things inform the Grange of today with the show debuting on the second Sunday of each month at 1pm PT (reruns scheduled throughout the month).

From music to old time radio shows to original content for Grange members and those who have not yet joined our more than 150-year-old fraternal organization, Grange Radio has a variety of content for you to enjoy. Make sure you tune in to [grangeradio.org](http://grangeradio.org).

New Grange Radio Show for 2019

### JUNIORS PACK YOUR PASSPORTS

New Episodes debut each month on the second Saturday at 2 p.m. ET

Reruns are aired weekly at 6:30 p.m. ET on Sunday and 10:30 a.m. ET Saturday

GRANGE RADIO



## 2018 National Grange Education Policy Statement

The purpose of education is to open the minds of young people to the world around them, to the lessons of the past, and the possibilities of the future. An understanding of the past is a part of education that is too often neglected. These important facts are even more powerful and useful when an understanding of their context and background are taught.

Technical education was underfunded or ignored for years and as a result, employers are now experiencing a shortage of skilled workers. We welcome the recent emphasis by high schools and community colleges on STEM, curricula emphasizing Science Technology Engineering and Math (sometimes written as STEAM, including Arts). We need to encourage those who fall outside the term "traditional student" to look at the educational opportunities offered by vocational, trade and technical schools or other nontraditional degree programs.

Many teachers and mental health counselors undertook their career education under the auspices of federal programs that offered student loan forgiveness if specific conditions were met. However, these programs have sometimes been administered in a capricious and uneven manner, leaving many who followed the rules in good faith with unexpected significant debt. We believe this is a situation that calls

for reason and compassion on the part of the program administrators.

Since the Smith-Hughes Act of 1917 and the 1946 George-Barden Act, focused federal aid for agricultural, industrial, and home economics training for high school students, our federal government has to some degree had a hand in funding public education. Thus, the funding of public education has become a partnership between federal and state/local, but we reaffirm the importance of state and local control.

Private providers of higher education are major recipients of federal financial aid and should be held accountable for their academic standards and advertised employment outcomes. We are opposed to any weakening of regulation of private education providers.

Many social problems in schools arise from bullying, feelings of disenfranchisement and isolation among at-risk students. We urge schools to find ways to increase the availability of counseling for all students, and proactively engage with marginalized and at-risk young people. We strongly encourage Grange members nationwide to play an active role in their local school systems and communities. It is essential for our members to invest in our children's education through volunteering.



### The Education Committee

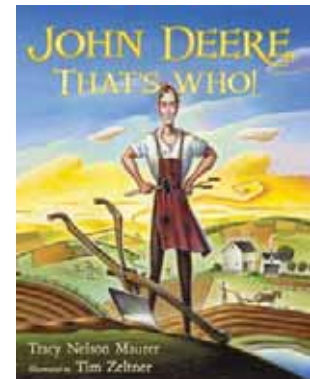
Paula Herrick  
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OSG Education Director

Greeting fellow Grangers! The Oregon State Grange is officially a sponsor of the Ag in the Classroom Literacy Project. Did you know only one percent of Americans are farmers and 85 percent of America is so far removed from agriculture they do not understand what people in agriculture do even when we tell them. We now have the opportunity to educated children about agriculture through this program.

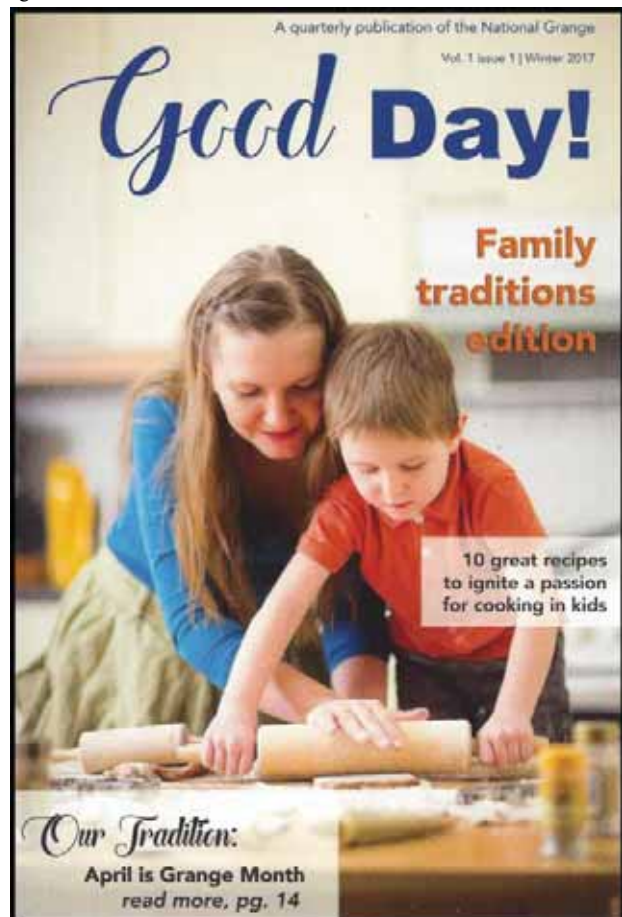
This spring you as Grangers will have the opportunity to participate with Ag in the Classroom in your local schools with the Literacy Project. You will read the featured book *"John Deere, That's Who"* and lead an activity related to the book. This whole project will take you about 45 minutes. The end of February I will have information on the procedure to become involved with this project. Ag in the Classroom is a valuable tool in educating children about agriculture. Check their website at

<https://oregonstateaitc.org>

Remember *"Alone we can do little; together we can do so much"* - Helen Keller- Let us as Grangers get involved in this program and see what great things we can do!



John Deere, *That's Who!* tells the story of John Deere and his development of the steel plow.



## Good Day from The National Grange

Have you gotten your Good Day magazine subscription? It's just \$16 a year for four issues. Order today at [www.nationalgrange.org/](http://www.nationalgrange.org/)

[good-day-magazine-subscription/](http://good-day-magazine-subscription/). Back issues are also available at the National Grange Supply Store.



### The Kinton Grange

*invites you to our*

## Spring Celebration

## Ham Dinner and Bazaar

Dinner includes Ham, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Applesauce, Coleslaw and Pie!

**Sunday, April 28, 2019 - Noon - 4:00 pm**

This event is one of our major fundraisers of the year, providing the basic support needed to keep this community building operational.

Adults	\$13.00 each or 2 for \$25.00
Children	\$ 5.00 each (ages 4-12)
Toddlers	FREE (under age 4)

Quilt Raffle - Proceeds go to Breast Cancer Research at OSHU's Knight Foundation ticket will be drawn on Oct 6

Handmade items for sale

Bake Sale



To register for the Bazaar, to purchase dinner tickets in advance or for more information, please visit:



[www.KintonGrange.org](http://www.KintonGrange.org) or the Kinton Grange's Facebook page or call Linda Curtis at 503-661-4366

Kinton Grange is located at 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd, Beaverton, 5 miles southwest of Washington Square



## GWA

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OSG Grange Workers Activities Director



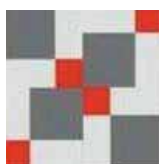
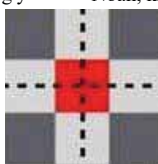
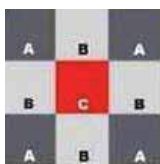
You should have received the Awards, Contests, and Scholarship booklet by now. Look through this booklet carefully there are new contests that you might like to try. GWA has two new contests: Food Gift in a Jar (cookies) sponsored by Linda Pugh and Small Basketry using natural materials sponsored by Eagle Creek Grange #297.

This is the time of year when we are inside a lot due to weather so crocheting or quilting or card making passes the time. Maybe a day at the Grange hall to sew or do a craft together might be fun. The National Quilt Contest for the coming year is

the Pride of Quillisascut block. Remember these blocks entered at the Oregon State Convention are kept and made into a quilt for GWA to auction at the next year's convention.

Spring is on the way and time to spring clean our halls inside and out so they are inviting to our communities. Maybe a work party and social would be fun.

I'm still in need of District chairmen for District 1 and District 5 so if you know of someone please let me or our State Master, Susan Noah, know.



## 2019 National Quilt Block Contest

### Rules

- The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone
- All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by October 31, 2019.  
*Send entries to:*

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer  
16418 N. Birdie Road  
Nine Mile Falls WA 99026

- Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 153rd National Grange convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and other items to be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity.
- A 2019 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged.

### Groups

- Group I-Adult (Age 14+)
- Group II - Junior (Age 13 and under)

### Prizes

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in both groups.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.

### Pride of Quillisascut

(based on the Disappearing Nine Patch, also called Split Nine Patch)

### Fabric:

Three fabrics. The key to this block is that there is good contrast between all three fabrics.

Fabric A should be a medium to dark print.

Fabric B should be significantly lighter than fabric A.

Fabric C should be BRIGHT! Not a pastel bright, but a strong BRIGHT! All fabric used should be cotton.

### Constructing the Quilt Block:

Cut all pieces to 4 1/2-inch x 4 1/2-inch square.

Fabric A: Cut four

Fabric B: Cut four

Fabric C: Cut one

Use a 1/4 inch seam allowance.

Sew into three rows: ABA, BCB, ABA. Sew the rows together into a single block.

Cut the block into four equal pieces through the middle.

Rotate two blocks.

Clip and remove all threads.

Press all seams.

Sew the block back together.

Unfinished block should measure 12" x 12".

Clip and remove all threads.

*Note: Special recognition and thanks to the Quillisascut Quilters of Quillisascut Grange #372 in rural, northeast Washington state for taking on the challenge of selecting the block for the 2019 National Grange Quilt Block Contest by virtue of one of their members, Joan Roberson, winning the 2017 contest. Fantastic work!*

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## Survey of Grange Attitudes, Outreach and Programming Activities Related to Food Security and Food Literacy

### DEFINITIONS

**FOOD SECURITY** - One of the most widely used definitions comes from the final report of the World Food Summit of 1996, which said food security exists "when all people at all times have access to sufficient, safe, nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life."

It is built on three pillars:  
- Food availability: sufficient quantities of food available on a consistent basis.  
- Food access: having sufficient resources to obtain appropriate foods for a nutritious diet.  
- Food use: appropriate use based on knowledge of basic nutrition and care, as well as adequate water and sanitation.

**FOOD LITERACY** - Understanding the impact of your food choices on your health, the environment, and our economy.

**FOOD DESERT** - According to the USDA, an area void of fresh fruit, vegetables, and other healthful whole foods, usually found in impoverished areas. (Food Desert Map link: [tiny.cc/find-food-desert](http://tiny.cc/find-food-desert))

**LOW ACCESS COMMUNITY** - An area with at least 500 people and/or at least 33 percent of the census tract's population residing more than one mile from a supermarket or large grocery store (for rural census tracts, the distance is more than 10 miles).

Please use definitions to the left to inform your answers. Complete and return survey as soon as possible to National Grange, 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006

TARGET SUBMISSION DATE: JUNE 30, 2019

Grange Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grange # \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Zip Codes served: Primary: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional: \_\_\_\_\_

For these questions, please answer on a scale of 1 to 4, 1 being "not at all important," 2 "somewhat important," 3 "important," and 4 "our highest priority as a Grange."

How important is food security for your Grange? \_\_\_\_\_

How important is food literacy for your Grange? \_\_\_\_\_

Prior to answering this survey, was your Grange aware if any of the top communities you serve are in whole or in part a food desert according to the USDA Economic Research Service? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**ALL BELOW YES OR NO QUESTIONS ARE FOR JANUARY 1, 2017 through (planned) DECEMBER 31, 2019.**

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food security? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food literacy? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your Grange held a Lecturer's program or other program regarding food deserts? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your Grange held a food drive or done any community service involving collection or distribution of food for the food insecure in the communities you serve? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your Grange donated to any organization/program that helps those struggling with food security? \_\_\_\_\_

DECEMBER 2018 NATIONAL GRANGE 23



## Beavercreek Grange

22041 S Kamrath Rd in Beavercreek Oregon

For our annual St Patrick's Day Dinner & Fundraiser

From 4 to 7 PM

Adults \$8.00, Kids 12 and under \$4.50

Kids 5 and under Free

Corned Beef (Optional Chicken)

& cabbage, Red potatoes, Carrots

Salad and dessert plus drinks and Gluten free bread

Additional Meat \$3.00

[www.beavercreekgrange.org](http://www.beavercreekgrange.org)

## Your Recipes are Needed

Send your recipe and the form or information listed below to

Paula Herrick

[vpjbears@q.com](mailto:vpjbears@q.com)

88088 Millican ~ Springfield Oregon 97478

Deadline for submittals is April 1, 2019

Recipe name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number served: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of submitter: \_\_\_\_\_

Grange Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current or past title, history of recipe: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information if questions: \_\_\_\_\_



## Oregon Granges Upgrade With State Grange Grants



*In go new windows at Skyline Grange.*

### Grants at Skyline Grange Snowballed the Renovations

After a fire in 1974, Skyline Grange #894, Multnomah County, rebuilt their hall with a \$12,000 insurance payment and the true dedication of members. The result was a functional, but a no-frills hall. Thirty years later, members realized the hall needed major renovations to meet today's needs and building codes. They planned. They fundraised.

The first major improvement was a new septic system, depleting their finances. So, fundraising continued, as did strategic planning aimed next at lighting. In 2016, They applied for and received an OSG grant for vastly improved lighting on the lower level, a project that snowballed into many other changes once they could "see" the needs. The Grange planned more. They fundraised more. And again in 2017, they applied for and received a second matching grant from OSG, this time for new windows and a door.

Skyline replaced the windows in the main room of the hall. The larger, energy-efficient windows transformed the room from feeling closed-in to a hall with a bright, open ambience and a view of their green surroundings. At the same time, the neighborhood association, Skyline Ridge Neighbors, donated a significant amount towards the purchase of much needed acoustical panels. These changes, including

craftmanship of the members, and commitment to community were quickly noted by Skyline residents. They saw their donations of items to the Grange's garage sales and purchases at the plant sales converted into positive changes, and they felt like active contributors to the ever-improving Grange hall.

The snowball effect got even larger. The community stepped forward. An anonymous local resident paid for the main room in the hall to be painted, matching walls and ceilings with the acoustical panels. Four more anonymous local residents purchased and had installed beautiful new commercial-grade flooring, replacing deteriorating 44-year old asbestos-vinyl flooring. The Grange couldn't stop there, and finished the renovations with new baseboards. The transformation is sensational.

Skyline would encourage all Granges who need renovations to consider applying for an OSG matching grant. Don't be surprised if your project, like theirs, snowballs into something even greater. They got more than new lighting, windows and a door; they got the backing of an appreciative community that sees the worth of having an active, community-involved Grange in the neighborhood.

### Coburg Grange "Look At Us Now"

Over the past three years the Coburg Community Grange #535, Lane County, has worked extremely hard to raise money to do some needed upgrades. Funds have been raised through many efforts including "Coburg Golden Years", "Coburg Quilt Show", "Coburg Car Classic", "Coburg Antique Fair" and the Circus. The Grange also received a grant from the Oregon State Grange to help with the roof.

As you can see by the "Thermometer" the Grange has completed many projects with money raised. They have updated the restrooms, remodeled their kitchen counter tops, replaced the carpet, repaired the ADA ramp, installed a new roof, and painted the building. They still have some work to do but hope the community can enjoy what has been accomplished.

In addition to all the Grange did, the City of Coburg has replaced the street out front and put in curbs and sidewalks. Looks Great!



### Fairfield Grange Celebrates Building Improvements

Fairfield Grange #720, Marion County, celebrated with an Open House on December 1 recognizing the completion of their year of work on Fairfield Grange's building, funded in part by a matching grant from the Oregon State Grange.

The improvements included replacing all the original windows in the 1932 building, adding a sidewalk

along the building, and re-graveling the parking lot for better parking. "These projects really improve the functionality of our Grange," said one member.

The Open House included free food, children's activities, and many gifts and crafts for sale. Also, on display were some of the Fairfield Grange record books from 80 years ago.



*Members cooperate to pour and smooth concrete for the new sidewalks. L-r: Sheila Wedner, Frank Cunningham, Roger Fiscus, and Teresa O'Neill*

### Kellogg Completes Porch Project

Kellogg Grange #811, Douglas County, finished up its 2018 improvement project, a new porch. Grange members volunteered 240 hours with community members pitching in 34 hours to complete the new deck, hand-capped ramp, gutters, lighting, and gravel to the ramp. A special thanks to Bill Calvert for volunteering his time, contractor skills and equipment. Inspiration was given by the Oregon State Grange as they funded the matching grant to get the Grange members started.





## Oregon Granges Celebrate the Holidays



Above: Lane County Grangers participated in the Springfield Christmas Parade. A Special "Thanks" to Vernon and Paula Herrick for supplying the truck and trailer and donating the Christmas trees.



Above: Mohawk-McKenzie Grange, Lane County, held a Holiday dinner and open house. Guests included neighbors in the Willakenzie Crossing next door. The Grange presented gift cards to a staff member of Willakenzie Crossing for SAIL Housing for developmentally disabled adults.



Above: Santa Claus came to the Santiam Valley Grange, Linn County, in December to visit the children and pass out homemade stockings full of goodies. Activities were available to the children along with punch and goodies.



Left: The weekend of October 20th, Mohawk Valley Grange, Lane County, held their annual Harvest Festival which included painting or carving, live music, and a history presentation about farming in this valley. To top it off, all enjoyed a chili, cornbread, and dessert contest.

Below: Harding Grange, Clackamas County partnered with Building Blocks 4 Kids; they collected and donated 37 pairs of pajamas.



Right: Billie the Goat and Dick Wanker helped Santa spread joy at Redland Grange's, Clackamas County, Christmas Party December 15. Approximately 60 friends and family enjoyed a turkey and dressing feast and the children were gifted with stockings filled with toys and candy from Santa. Each family took home a cookie bowl, and some won door prizes.



Above: Creswell Grange, Lane County, Master Martin McClure and Chaplain Dottie Jennings show off 25 Christmas gift fruit bowls prepared by the Grange for the Creswell Meals on Wheels program. Gift baskets also were prepared for and delivered to the Creswell Fire Department, Creswell City Hall, and the Lane County Sheriff Creswell Substation to say "thank you" for their work in the Creswell community.



## Oregon Granges Celebrate the Holidays

Below: Terrebonne Grange, Deschutes County, held their Christmas party/dinner on December 15th. Following dinner membership recognition awards were presented. Then an instrumental group of Grange youth and their friends played Christmas songs with Mary Brott and Olivia Morris on flutes and Nathan Brott and James Sphatt on saxophones. Junior member Ginny Ford along with Youth members Veronica Ford, Meriaha Ford, Emilio Todd and Sage Adams with help from Vanessa Tritipo-Ford and Robin McKinney sang Christmas carols to the audience.



Right: Terrebonne member Doris Priday, who is 96 years old, sitting on Santa's lap after receiving her Silver Star certificate for 25 years of membership.



Above: Creswell Grange, Lane County celebrated with an Open House and Holiday dinner. Steve Predoehl, Dorothea Perkins, June Messer, and Bob Messer found plenty to eat at the dinner. Members Cecil Parsons, Teresa Dearth, and Patrick Dearth received membership certificates along with bar pins with 4th, 5th, and 6th degree emblems.



Above: On December 11th Waltherville Grange, Lane County, held a community Open House with a dinner of turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, dressing and all the trimmings. Entertainment was provided by a trio of musicians from Lane Community College. Canned foods were collected for the local food bank. Vinita Bishop, Grange Secretary was honored as Grange of the Year and Walt Wilson as Citizen of the Year



Above: Fairfield Grange, Marion County, celebrated the holiday season with an Open House and Craft Sale on December 1 including free food, children's activities, and many gifts and crafts.



Ada Grange #570, Lane County Junior Grangers Terry and Taylor Elliott along with Junior leader Heather Elliott and Ada Grange Master Megan Schofield decorated the hay trailer for Ada's Annual Christmas party hayride.



Springwater Grange, Clackamas County, made a special effort with their normal first Saturday of the month for December. Held in the main hall with holiday decorated tables, there were dancers on the stage, holiday music on the keyboard and Santa made an appearance.



## Oregon Granges Celebrate the Holidays



What's a Grange event without food? There was plenty at the Open House.

## Oregon State Grange Open House



Above: As usual State Master Susan Noah ask Santa for a puppy.

Below: Now what were Don Kingsborough and Dan Keeley asking Santa for?



The Oregon State Grange held its annual Open House at State Grange headquarters in Salem on December 9th. A lot of fellowship and fun was had and Santa paid a visit with candy canes for all.



Above: Wyatt Williams wasn't so sure about that big man in the red suit until he saw the candy canes.

## Lacomb Helps Keep People Warm

The Community Service project for December at Lacomb Grange #907, Linn County, was "Chasing the Christmas Chill." It was a huge success with over 40 coats and jackets donated by Grangers and their families and friends.

Community Service Chair Maxine Smith and Master Waldo Smith delivered the items to a Lebanon church that operates a soup kitchen for those in the community in need of a hot meal.

All these coats and jackets were very appreciated! Maxine reported that two of the recipients gave her hugs, they were so pleased with the new coats.

## Wolf Creek Shares the Holidays with the Community

Wolf Creek Grange #596, Union County celebrated the holidays with two events. On November 18<sup>th</sup> was their community Thanksgiving potluck dinner with 60 people showing up with side dishes to go with the Grange provided turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy.

Next was the Santa sale on December 15<sup>th</sup> with many Santa's helpers giving out the \$5 coupon books for the young ones to purchase gifts for their family after they talked to Santa. Additional helpers helped wrap gifts and served hot chocolate, cookies and popcorn as well as provided hay rides to sing carols. Fun was had by all who attended.

GRANGE: Good for the whole family since 1888



## State Junior Grange Officer Application

Mail completed form by April 30<sup>th</sup> to:  
643 Union Street NE, Salem, OR 97301  
or email to: jrdir@orgrange.org

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ As of January 1, 2019

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grange: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Grange activities I have participating in this year: \_\_\_\_\_

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First Choice of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Why I would like to hold this office: \_\_\_\_\_

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Second Choice of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Choice of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that it is my responsibility to memorize my assigned part prior to the beginning of state session and I am committed to achieving this expectation.

Junior Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that my child is required to memorize his/her part prior to the start of state session. I also understand that my child will need to attend state session for the entire week as well as meet certain dress codes for the conferral of the degree on Tuesday. If I have any questions or concerns I will reach out to the State Junior Committee prior to the start of state session.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**See you in June for  
Grange Adventures - Molalla 2019**







L-R: Members of Hurricane Creek's model rocket group showing off their rockets are Shepherd Newton, Evan Torres, Jacob Bosch, Case Melville, Wesley Torres, and Nathan Bosch.

## Hurricane Creek Has Rocketeers

Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, has started a model rocket group with six of their 1+ Juniors learning about rocketry fun-

damentals and building model rockets. When the weather permits, the group will be launching their rockets and testing their craftsmanship.

## Junior Member Dresses Up for Open House

December 1, 2018 Fairfield Grange #720, Marion County, celebrated the holiday season with an open house and craft sale. They were also celebrating the completion of their year of work on Fairfield Grange Hall building improvements.

During the Open House, Junior member Bella Herrera-Clark (right) dressed in an inflatable dinosaur costume to get the attention of passers by on River Road, and was occasionally joined by her sister dressed as a shark.



## Ada Juniors Select Toys for Drive

On December 14th, 2018 Ada Grange #570, Lane County, Junior members, Taylor Elliott and Terry Elliott donated toys they had selected to their local area toy drive. Tay-

lor and Terry dropped their items off at the local St. Vincent DePaul store where one of the donation bins was located.



Juniors Taylor and Terry Elliott dropping off toys for other children less fortunate.

**Junior Word Scramble Answers:** Dairy, Youth, Pledge, State, Degree, Leadership, National, Agriculture, Heroes in Training, Legislative, Ambassador Program, Passport, Handy Craft, Good Day Magazine, Community Service, Brothers, Veterans, Education, Sisters



## Oregon Junior Grangers

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OSG Junior Director



### Juniors in The Kitchen

Let's show off what Junior Grangers can do in the kitchen! Education Director Paula Herrick is editing a new Grange cookbook to debut at the Oregon State Fair. I'd be delighted to help you submit recipes. Probably everyone has a recipe that uses milk, buttermilk, cheese, yogurt, sour cream or some other dairy product. This year Juniors have a special project of learning about America's dairies. You will fulfill one of the award requirements by letting us know about a dairy-rich recipe you know how to make. The deadline for the cookbook has been extended to April 1. Send your recipe to Paula Herrick (vpjbears@q.com) and take a photo of your creation to keep for your award packet.

Grange families with Girl Scouts may have noticed a new Tillamook Dairy patch program for Oregon Girl Scouts that looks just like the Grange Dairy Awareness Project. It's totally fine to earn them both with the same activities, so check out the requirements in the new Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet.

Oregon State Grange Convention. We're working on a digital talent contest as well, so let those Juniors take photos at your events and even during meetings if they can curb their paparazzi tendencies. Most every Grange has a stage. Make a video when they're hamming it up with music or public speaking. Entries can be emailed to your Junior Director (psjill@comcast.net) any time before June 1.

### Juniors on Membership

The National Grange has a Junior contest for membership displays in several categories. These can be as simple as a poster or tri-fold board about your Grange or as sophisticated as a video presentation with Juniors promoting Grange membership. This spring every Oregon Grange will be receiving some membership recruiting materials for Juniors. That is only a baby step compared to what our Juniors can do with your support. Contest details can be found in the Junior section under Departments on the Oregon State Grange website.

### Juniors Online

Updated contest and convention information for 2019 is now available on the Oregon State Grange website. Check it out!



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## Legislative Update

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OSG Legislative Director

### Be A Legislative SuperGranger

If a group of regular computers networked together can become some kind of supercomputer, then a group of regular Grangers networked together can become some kind of SuperGranger! Be a part of the Grange network, stay connected about issues and legislation, be involved, make a difference! Search for "Oregon Legislature" and click on OLIS (the Oregon Legislative Information Service page) where you can search for a bill by number or even just with keywords, and you can find committee meeting schedules and much more. If you find anything that you think other Grangers should know about, email any of us on the legislative committee and we will follow up.

Last June, our delegates adopted a resolution titled Oregon Fallen Firefighter Roadside Memorial Signs. Eva Frost and other Columbia County Grangers took this information to their senator, Betsy Johnson, and as a result SB528 will be introduced in this legislative session. Follow the bill's progress on OLIS and if you see committee actions or hearings or opportunities to submit written comments be sure to let us know. Be sure to check with the OSG legislative committee or State Master Susan Noah before offering written comments or speaking on behalf of the Oregon State Grange.

There are already some proposals working their way towards the legislature concerning firearms safety and education funding, on which we have some long-standing pol-

icies. Other issues that are bound to come up this session include climate change/carbon tax, affordable housing and health care. The Jordan Cove/LNG issue doesn't seem to be on the legislative agenda in Salem as of now, but there have been town hall meetings and protests, and many of our affected Grangers in Southwest Oregon are involved in opposing the pipeline. The Oregon State Grange delegates adopted a resolution last June opposing the use of eminent domain for the acquisition of private property for the construction of this pipeline.

If you're not sure of the phone number of your state senator or representative is, or your congressional delegation, there is a handy text tool below that will send the information right to your phone. Or go online and search for "Oregon Legislature" and entering your address under "Find your district and legislators."

### Important dates

**Grange Day at the Legislature** is planned for Friday, March 29th. See details below. The \$5 box lunch is still being offered and we want lots of Grangers with identifying buttons, shirts and jackets, etc. roaming around the capitol and talking to your legislators. We have secured a room at the capitol even among all the construction. Watch Facebook, the OSG website and/or your email for more information as we get closer to the date.

**The Oregon State Grange Salute to Oregon Agriculture BBQ** is definitely scheduled for Friday May 17. Clarkes Grange will again be catering but volunteers are needed! Check with the OSG office or the OSG legislative committee to see where you can help.



### Get Your Contact Information for Your State and Federal Legislators

To Find contact information related to your legislators from a cell phone text your five-digit zip code to 1-520-200-2223.

After several minutes you will receive a return text from a different phone number that will list the name and phone numbers of your U.S. Senators and Representative for your district, as well as the governor and your state Senator and Representative so you can contact them.

## Clackamas County: The Grange Report

By Don Kingsborough, District 4 Legislative Chair

Last year Clackamas County Pomona Grange voted to share with our county commissioners once per quarter the good things that Clackamas County Granges are doing in our communities. The first time was in conjunction with Grange Month in April 2018 when our Pomona Master Ed Luttrell and the Pomona legislative committee made a presentation. The commissioners seemed to enjoy hearing about the road side pickups, the community dinners, feeding the homeless and all the good things we do.

The next quarter when we again reported on the good things Granges do for the community, Clarkes Grange presented a check for \$1,100 to the commissioners for the Veterans' Village and this time as a new twist we talked a bit about upcoming events.

For the third quarter, we spoke on similar information as in the other reports and shared invites to Grange breakfasts, Christmas parties and fundraisers. This meeting we got more questions and comments. The commissioners want us to place them on our email list so that they get written notice more often of what is coming up that they can attend.

The purposes of these quarterly reports are:

- to get our commissioners and the viewing public familiar with Grange; i.e. what we do, who we are, what we believe in
- To hear what proposed legislation the commissioners are considering and share with Granges
- To hear what are the concerns of citizens

I believe it is working. At the November 29 commissioner's meeting they referred to the "Grange Report". They asked us to be more forthcoming with community events so that they can plan to

attend. They asked questions and made comments on our activities.

Maybe a bit of a "fuzzy" goal is that if proposed legislation, similar to the non-profit tax proposal at the last legislature (SB 181, the 2019 version is SB 210) comes up again, our commissioners and our legislators will think twice about the good things we do and the harm that the proposed legislation can do to our existence and our service to our communities.

All Pomonas can do this. It is easy. Any Grange can do this. Almost every county commission and city commission/council have a time for "community comments". You simply sign up, and when your name is called you come forward and give your information. It is really easy, doesn't take a lot of time and can do a whole lot of good for the Grange. Suggestion, the recorder appreciates a copy of your report so make a copy of your report and give it to the recorder so that they don't have to take notes.

I also give each commissioner and the county manager a copy of our current Bulletin with tabs on pages that contained news about Clackamas County Granges. You can do this too. Just ask the Bulletin editor for copies of the paper ahead of time.

Perhaps a good time to start this in your county is April. April is GRANGE MONTH and all of us should be doing something to promote our image. County commissions, city councils and legislators, give them a report on the good things that we as Grangers are doing and enlighten your government officials.

Perhaps this is not the job of your Legislative Chairman; maybe your Community Service chair, Master, Public Relations chair, or Communications chair?? But somebody!!

## Join Us!

2019

### Grange Day at the Legislature

**Friday, March 29th ~ 10am - 2pm**  
**Oregon State Capitol ~ Salem, Oregon**

Represent the Grange, meet your state legislators, learn about the law-making process, see the capitol building, connect with other Grange members, introduce non-Grange friends to our legislative work, and much more! We will be meeting in Room 350. Box lunches are available for \$5. Please RSVP with this form or email and specify your wishes. Boxes may be paid for on the 29th but must be ordered by March 25th at the latest.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grange: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Box Lunch - \$5

Meat options: ☐ turkey, ☐ ham, ☐ roast beef  
Bread options: ☐ white, ☐ wheat, ☐ sour dough  
(Gluten-free and vegan options available; call Mark for more info)

Please **RSVP by March 25th** to:

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## Bellview Members Testify on LNG

Oregon has just gone through yet another round of hearings around the reasons to build - or not - the "LNG pipeline". The proper name for this project is the "Pacific Connector Fracked Gas Pipeline and Jordan Cove LNG Export Terminal". Whatever it is called, it is still a 36-inch diameter pipe that would be surrounded by a 95-foot wide swath of denuded land that would destroy private and public property from Malin, south of Klamath Falls all the way to Coos Bay, creating havoc along 229 miles and almost 500 waterways, including sources of drinking water for various municipalities.

Hearings about this project have been occurring every year or so for more than 14 years, with different agencies, and about different problems the pipeline "might" cause.

On January 8, Kristina Lefever of Bellview Grange #759, Jackson County, attended the second hearing in a five-city-series hosted by the Department of State Lands (DSL) at The Expo in Central Point in Southern Oregon. Well over 1,200 people were in attendance, and the huge majority were wearing red to express their sentiment: NO LNG! At least 15 members from the Bellview Grange were in the audience - and had something to say to the DSL!

Thanks to Bellview Granger, Julie Caldwell, the members kept finding friends further up the line that had formed to enter the hearing room. Since only a limited number of people could speak, the sooner you signed up the better. They listened with sadness, disgust, incredulity, and sometimes awe, as the majority

of the testimonials, and sometimes poetry, spoke to the heartfelt reasons this pipeline should not proceed. At about 1:20 minutes into the hearing, both Julie and Kristina were called forward to speak.

Both were grateful for the opportunity to tell the DSL that in 2018 the Oregon State Grange passed a resolution written and submitted by members of the Bellview Grange in Ashland, which addressed the LNG pipeline. Both Julie and Kristina had two minutes to express their own personal concerns and read a portion of the State resolution. They were both thrilled when the room erupted with thunderous silent applause (ALS sign for applause) following their testimony!

Comments to the DSL were due by February 3. Hopefully, by the time you read this, the DSL will have issued their decision to stop the pipeline.

### Oregon State Grange Policy on the Jordan Cove LNG Facility/Pacific Connector Pipeline

Resolved: The Oregon State Grange stands in support of land-owners, ranchers, farmers, and concerned citizens of Oregon who are opposing the permitting and acquisition of private property by eminent domain for construction of the Jordan Cove LNG Facility/Pacific Connector Pipeline.

And be it further Resolved: The Oregon State Grange opposes the invocation of eminent domain for construction of the Jordan Cove LNG Facility/Pacific Connector Pipeline in Oregon.



Pictured l-r: Five of the fifteen plus Bellview Grange members who attended the DSL hearing on January 8<sup>th</sup> were Charlotte Nuessle, Tom Doolittle, Julie Caldwell (whose scarf was blue and gold for the Grange), Kristina Lefever and Karen Potts. Other Bellview Grange members present at the hearing were Wabi Bell, Lorraine Cook, Ines Diez, Chris Hardy, Bill Kauth, Helga Motley, Diane Nichols, Susan Sullivan, Danny Gregg, J. Belle Bell and others.



## Government Affairs

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Hello Grangers

I hope you and yours had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. I have been meeting with State Legislators and their folks on the upcoming session 2019. I have met with Sen. James Manning, of Eugene, who has been appointed by Oregon Senate President Peter Courtney, to serve on the Senate Judiciary and Joint Ways and Means committees. He also will co-chair the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Business and Economic Development, for the 80th Legislative Assembly.

I have also met with Sen. Rob Wagner, of Lake Oswego, who has built a career on advocating for Oregon's teachers, academic support professionals and students. Now, he's taking another step in that work by

leading the Senate Committee on Education.

I am looking forward to a very active legislative session. Also, I look forward to seeing many of you at the Grange Day at the Legislature is planned for Friday March 29 and the Oregon State Grange Salute to Oregon Agriculture BBQ on Friday May 17.

As always it is a pleasure to serve as your Lobbyist for the State Grange. I also look forward to reaching out to you and your local Granges this new year. So, do take care and we will chat soon. If you have the need to contact me please send email to the address above or contact me by phone at 503-706-2499.

Happy Trails

## National Grange Legislative Fly-In April 28 - May 1



Set your 2019 travel schedule to include a trip to Washington, D.C., for the National Grange Legislative Fly-In. Join Brothers and Sisters from around the nation to promote Grange policy priorities and get advocacy training so you can better present your community's concerns to elected officials and their staff.

### Schedule

Sunday, April, 28  
Arrival and check-in  
Evening mix and mingle dessert social at the hotel  
Monday, April 29  
Issue briefings and speakers at the National Grange  
Agency visits  
Congressional Capitol Hill appointments  
Tuesday, April, 30  
Congressional Capitol Hill appointments  
Late day/evening departures for some  
Wednesday, May 1  
Finish Congressional Capitol Hill appointments  
Return home

### Hotel

The hotel is the Quality Inn, 1587 Spring Hill Road, Vienna, VA 22182. Phone is 703-448-8020. The National Grange group rate is \$79 + 12% sales tax per night. The cut-off date to make a reservation is April 1, 2019. The Quality Inn is located just northwest of the Capital Beltway (I-495) in Vienna, VA. The hotel provides free parking and is just one block from the Metro's Silver Line for travel to downtown Washington, D.C. The hotel also provides a complimentary full breakfast Monday-Friday 6:30am - 9:30am and 7:00am - 10:00am on Saturday and Sunday.

Please make your reservations directly with the hotel and mention that you would like to book with the National Grange's block of rooms \*\* Please note - The National Grange WILL release any un-booked rooms on April 1st and you WILL be on your own for housing.

### Metro Transit System

The Washington area metro subway system operates the Silver Line directly between the Spring Hill station to all points in downtown Washington, D.C. For travel to the National Grange building, take the Silver Line to Farragut West Station at 17th Street. The Grange is a block away at 1616 H Street, N.W. overlooking the White House.



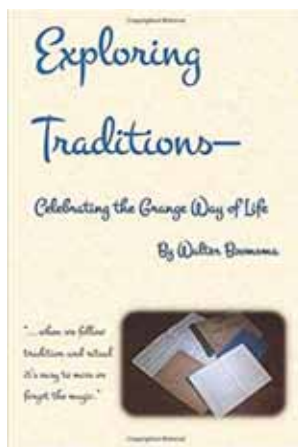
## Membership Matters

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OSG Membership Director

The Oregon State Grange 2019 Membership Campaign "Come Together at the Grange" is underway. Each Grange in the state should be visited to receive a box of items to use in Grange promotion, and information about awards that are being offered for membership increases during 2019. The campaign has ideas about bringing your community together to understand the Grange, using the Grange as a platform to discuss relevant issues, and applying the principles of the Grange to produce positive resolutions. The Grange motto is very appropriately included in the logo of this year's campaign: *In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; and in all things charity.*

While this column will rarely recommend books, there is one that explains this year's theme quite well. Walter Boomsma has written a great book entitled, *Exploring Traditions - Celebrating the Grange Way of Life*. The book is a series of articles Mr. Boomsma wrote while serving as the Maine State Grange Communications Director. The book provides excellent insight in to Grange traditions and the lessons these traditions and rituals can teach about how Grangers interact. It is a great resource to aid in developing your Grange and your community. The book is offered through Amazon and through the National Grange online store, [www.grangestore.org](http://www.grangestore.org).

The campaign theme of "Come Together at the Grange" can be derived



from the Specific Objectives of the National Grange Declaration of Purposes. One of those objectives reads: *We propose meeting together, talking together, working together, and in general, acting together for our mutual protection and advancement. We shall constantly strive to secure harmony, good will, and brotherhood, and to make our Order perpetual. We shall earnestly endeavor to suppress personal, local, sectional, and national prejudices, all unhealthy rivalry and all selfish ambition. Faithful adherence to these principles will insure our mental, moral, social and material advancement.*

Striving to continue meeting this objective will serve to enhance our Grange membership.

## Getting Off The Elevator; The Next Step For Membership

By Joe Stefanoni National Grange Membership Director

120 million. By itself is a large enough number to make people pay attention, but when you apply it to organizations (like the Grange) it takes on a whole new meaning. In her book *The End of Membership As We Know It* (2015) Sarah Sladek emphasizes organizations need to connect with the 120 million people in the U.S. who are members of generations X (ages 53 to 37) and Y (ages 36 to 23).

In America, there are currently about 78 million members of the Baby Boomer generation. These 78 million have been, for years, the generation of doers and joiners supporting numerous causes and community organizations. However, as successive years pass, more and more Baby Boomers are leaving our community organizations, leaving the mantle of responsibility to the next generations.

Community organizations and associations have faced a challenge reaching out to, recruiting and retaining members of generations X, Y and Z (post-millennials). How often have we heard that "we can't get new young members into our Grange?"

Sladek argues that this is not because generations X and Y are disinterested in joining organizations, but they are not like their parents and grandparents when it comes to allocating their time and scarce financial resources. Members of the Baby Boomer generation joined community associations because it was "the right thing to do." Members of generations X and Y are more likely to ask "what's in it for me?" Younger generations seek a return on their investment (membership) that includes tangible member benefits, high levels of accountability, a sense

of community and opportunities to serve in associations.

Connecting with generations X and Y is going to require a shift in the way we approach membership from top to bottom. In terms of our narrative as an organization, we will need to reconsider some engrained habits we have practiced over the previous few decades. When we promote our organization, we have become used to talking about the various activities we participate in as a Grange. While it is important to talk about Grange activities, younger generations want to know how you as an organization and how they as a member can make a difference in their community.

For years we have focused on the features of membership instead of the outcomes, generations X and Y are much more interested and attracted by the outcomes of joining your Grange. Another major shift in our narrative will be in how we invite non-members to become part of our Grange family. Sladek emphasizes that Gen X'ers and Millennials hate to be sold things. They are the generation of instant information from Google to Yelp. They don't even go out to dinner without looking up other people's experiences. We cannot push membership applications into the hands of potential new members; it will most likely backfire on you.

Sladek also identifies three major objectives of generations X and Y; the ability to lead, the opportunity to learn, and the opportunity to make a difference. These are all core features of the Grange, and have been throughout our entire history. The responsibility is on our shoulders as the current leaders of the organization to mentor and support the next generation of leaders for our organization.



## Volunteers Needed

**2019 Ag Fest  
April 27 & 28**

**Saturday April 27 & Sunday April 28  
Oregon State Fairgrounds**

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

### Saturday Shifts:

8:30am to 11:30am  
11:30am to 2:30pm  
2:30 to 5:00pm.

### Sunday Shifts:

10am to 12:30pm  
12:30 to 3pm  
3:00pm- 5:30pm\*  
(\*includes help with cleanup).

### To Volunteer

8 or more people needed per shift

Contact: Jay Sexton

hexagon@exchangenet.net ~ 541-929-5452

**This is a family affair. Juniors, Youth and Young Adults are encouraged to volunteer and bring your family.**

## Employment Opportunity Work for the Oregon State Grange

The Oregon State Grange is looking for a part-time employee/16 hours per week.

The job entails:

- Some accounting functions (A/R & A/P)
- Periodic office projects, such as the annual Proceedings, the Roster, and annual updates to other documents
- Strong keyboarding and computer skills desired

Please send resume to:

Attn: State Master  
Oregon State Grange  
643 Union St. NE  
Salem OR 97301







Top row l-r: Veterans Joe Salus, Terry Stanfill, Ralph Vanderzanden, Dale Andearsen, Marsha Restorff, Ralph Boden, Ed Thurston (former Grange Master), Steve Cone, Fred Clements, Bob Smith and Lucky. Bottom row l-r: Joe Bachter, Dennis Brutke, Terry Davis, and Grange Master Wayne Clemmer. "Thank you for your service."

## McMinnville Grange Dancers Remember All Veterans - And Recall Pearl Harbor Day - Dec. 7, 1941


Dancers at the McMinnville Grange #31, Yamhill County, took the time on Friday evening, December 7<sup>th</sup>, to honor fifteen veterans who were present at the dance, and who served in various branches of the service. Grange Master, Wayne Clemmer, the only Marine present, said that it was time to honor the 77<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, a day that lasts in infamy.

Those veterans present served in the US Army, US Marine Corps, US Navy and US Air Force. The

"Country Gents Band", who have played at McMinnville Grange for many years, are proud to have two of the veterans in their band, Dennis Brutke and Bob Smith. The "Country Gents" play every Friday at 7:30pm at the Grange hall.

At break time a picture was taken of all the Veterans present. Then it was time to head down stairs for a 50/50 drawing, followed by the usual potluck. Then old-time country music resumed until 10:30pm.

**Join Clackamas Pomona Grange at Springwater Grange as they say Farewell to Don and Barbara MacKinnon as they return to Alaska.**



**CLACKAMAS POMONA GRANGE**  
**SOCIAL NIGHT**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2019**  
**DESSERT POTLUCK AT 7 P.M.**  
**COME JOIN US FOR FUN EVENING**  
**WITH THE CHARLIE BOWSER**  
**SCHOLARSHIP DESSERT AUCTION**  
**AT 8 P.M.**  
**WE WILL BE WISHING DON & BARBARA**  
**MACKINNON A FOND FAREWELL. PLEASE**  
**COME SHARE SOME OF YOUR STORIES**

## Veterans

Jim Clute  
 james\_clute@yahoo.com  
 Oregon State Grange Veterans Director



To start out, I just want to say a big thank you to our editor, Suzy, for the wonderful spread in the last bulletin about all of the Veterans' activities Granges around the state are involved in.

### Memorial Day

Just a short reminder that Memorial Day is on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May this year. Even though that is several months away, successful programs require advance planning and now is the time to start. Find out what other organizations in your community are planning and how your Grange can help or participate. That will give your Grange time to discuss involvement at your next meeting and even prepare a program for your May meeting.

With a new year comes new laws and regulations. Many new federal and state-specific regulations and laws impact military members and veterans.

On Jan. 1, 2019, the **Oregon Equal Pay Act** became effective. It guarantees that people receive equal pay regardless of age, disability, heritage, race, color, sexual orientation and veteran or marital status.

A provision of the **Forever GI Bill** that provides more benefits for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs will become effective Aug. 1, 2019.

The VA will provide up to nine additional months of **Post-9/11 GI Bill** coverage to certain eligible individuals who are enrolled in a STEM program and use up all their GI Bill benefits. This applies only to veterans who already have completed at least 60 semester or 90 quarter hours and are in a STEM program that requires more than the standard 128 semester or 192 quarter hours for a degree. The VA can pay up to nine additional months of GI Bill benefits or \$30,000, whichever is less. Those using the Yellow Ribbon program and dependents using transferred benefits are not eligible.

**Space-A Travel:** Disabled veterans with a 100-percent disability rating are now eligible for Space-A travel.

**New UCMJ Article:** Article 128b will be added to the Uniform Code of Military Justice, addressing domestic violence. It includes assault, intimidation, violation of a protective order, and damaging property or injuring animals in a domestic-assault situation.

**High-Deployment Allowance for Reservists:** A new law adds re-

servists mobilized under Section 1104(b) to those eligible for the high-deployment allowance of up to \$1,000 per month.

**New Tricare Retiree Dental Program:** The big news in Tricare coverage is the replacement of the Tricare Retiree Dental Plan (TRDP) with the FEDVIP program. Also, family members of active-duty personnel are now eligible for vision insurance through FEDVIP.

### Veteran AG Careers

Are you a veteran with an interest in an agricultural career? Being a farmer or rancher means you'll get the opportunity to be your own boss, an entrepreneur, equipment repair specialist, soil scientist, veterinarian, and land steward all rolled into one. If you have thought about an agricultural career you know that the startup costs can be really high, and there are a lot of things to learn before you get started. However there are several free government resources available specifically for veterans that can make it a lot easier begin an agricultural career.

**Financial Resources:** For beginning veteran farmers and ranchers Loans for Veterans; Farm Service Agency Direct Farm Ownership Loans; Department of Veteran Affairs Farm Loans/ Home Loans for Rural Residents; Educational and training resources for beginning veteran farmers and ranchers; Farmer Veteran Coalition Education; Veterans To Farmers; Business Planning Resources For Beginning Veteran Farmers and Ranchers; Land Stewardship Project: Farm Beginnings Class; Beginning Farmers: Military Veteran Farmer Training.

The USDA has also developed a New Farmers website that provides a variety of additional educational resources that can help you access market news, weather and commodity projections, produce safety guides, and more.

Assistance is also available locally through your state, regional, and county Cooperative Extension offices. These offices also conduct workshops and educational events for the agricultural community and can offer personalized service to you.

### Stay On Top Of Your Benefits

Military benefits are always changing -- keep up with everything from pay to health care by signing up for a free Military.com membership, which will send all the latest benefits straight to your inbox.



## Grange Youth & Young Adults

Connie Suing  
csuing@hotmail.com  
OSG Youth Director



It's already that time of year to start gearing up towards our annual Oregon State Grange convention. I'm always so excited to see old friends and make new acquaintances. Some of the fun things for our Youth and Young Adults to look forward to are reconnecting with their Grange friends, early morning practices, a fun outdoor community service project, and a BBQ and Disc golf dinner outing to name a few activities.

Before that event we would like any and all Youth and Young Adults to come to Terrebonne Grange on Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup>. Starting at 10 am we will be going to Smith Rock State park to go hiking, geo-caching and other activities while the Pomona Task Force Training is going on. We'll probably do a sack lunch, but I'll let you know that closer to the actual day. We'll be back around 4pm and go home from there. It'll be fun! You don't want to miss it and don't let transportation be a problem. Catch a ride with the members from your Pomona (or the one next door) coming to the training.

Your Youth committee is always looking for new ideas for activities and projects for the group to do, so please let us know, either by email or on our Facebook page.

The Youth officer application is on this page. I am anxiously waiting for many of you to fill it out and turn it in by March 31<sup>st</sup>. We will let you know your position by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

We are also "Keeping Oregon Warm" again this year. This is truly a wonderful and worthwhile community service project and this year District #4 will benefit from it, being able to distribute many warm items to people in need. So please keep making, purchasing gloves or otherwise collecting hats, scarves, mittens, and socks and help out our neighbors in need.

We had a lot of fun visiting with Grangers at the Trade Show during State Grange convention last year in Astoria. This year we are requesting some of you to participate during the show by visiting with others about your Grange experiences. Please let me know if you are willing and able to do this.

Remember to look through the 2019 OSG Awards, Contests and Scholarship booklet that you should have recently received or will be arriving in the mail any day now. Pick something that interests you and enter. There are many different things to choose from in the Youth and Young Adults department as well as baking, canning, woodworking, art, and photography, just to name a few in the Lecturer's and GWA departments.

Until next time, remember to ask our Youth and Young Adults to help out with whatever is going on in your Grange and around your community. I know they will "Be Delighted."

## Youth and Young Adult Fun Day ~ March 9<sup>th</sup>

- Meet at Terrebonne Grange @ 10am  
8286 11th St, Terrebonne
- A day of hiking, geo-caching and other activities
- Plan to bring a sack lunch and your friends
- Return to Grange Hall by 4pm

*You don't want to miss the fun and don't let transportation be a problem. Catch a ride with the members from your Pomona (or the one next door) coming to the training.*



## Oregon State Grange Youth Officer Application

*Postmarked to the State Office by March 31<sup>st</sup>*

643 Union St NE ~ Salem OR 97301 ~ csuing@hotmail.com

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age (on Jan. 1, 2019) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Grange: \_\_\_\_\_ Pomona: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

What, if any, financial aid do you request from the Oregon Youth Activity Fund?? (Depends upon the availability of funds. Any financial aid acceptance implies you will participate in ALL youth activities)

Will you need banquet meal tickets? ☐ Yes ☐ No

At this time, have you been designated as a delegate by your Grange?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you available to help install the Junior Officers on Sunday?

☐ Yes ☐ No

To assist the state youth team in making youth officer assignments, please share your preference for which offices you wish to be considered for

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain your first choice \_\_\_\_\_

List current Grange Office(s) or Committee(s) held. Includes Subordinate and Pomona, please acknowledge any committee chairs.

List previous Grange Office(s) or Committee(s) held. Includes Subordinate and Pomona, please acknowledge any committee chairs.

What Grange contest/activities have you or do you plan to participate in?

What National Achievement Awards have you or are you planning to accomplish? (Applications submitted with a completed National Trivia Challenge or two national achievement awards will receive preference in office assignments. OSG financially supports the youth officers and, in turn, youth need to support the program at large.)

*I agree that if I am selected to be a Youth Officer, I will attend all scheduled practice sessions and be prepared to open State Grange Convention on Wednesday morning. I further agree that if I have a speaking part, I will have it fully committed to memory UPON ARRIVAL AT THE State Grange Convention. I will also wear the proper attire for the opening of the Oregon State Grange on Wednesday morning. Dress code for the men include: slacks, button-up shirt, jacket, tie and dress shoes. Dress code for women include: floor length dress with straps or sleeves and dress shoes. (Military dress uniform is allowed/encouraged if serving on active duty.) If you need help finding these items, please contact the Youth Director. You are expected to participate in the youth activities (delegate work is the priority) and lend a helping hand to any task requested.*

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I affirm the first four degrees or welcoming ceremony had been received when this application was signed (initials) \_\_\_\_\_



## Maryssa is a Grange Hero

At the December meeting of Warner Grange #117 in Clackamas County, Maryssa Yager was presented with the National Grange Youth Community Service Award for her leadership of the Grange's Cuddle Cot Project. This award is given jointly by the National Grange Community Service and Youth & Young Adult departments and recognizes a Grange youth or young adult between the ages of 14 and 35, who has performed outstanding service in their community.

Many Grangers and community leaders attended the presentation. State Master Susan Noah presented Maryssa with her plaque and Oregon Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge draped her with a Grange Heroes cape. Suzy Ramm, who worked with Warner to surprise Maryssa with the nomination, explained a little about the award itself

and what went into the nomination.

Along with Grangers and members of Maryssa's family attending were several Clackamas County Commissioners, the Mayor of the City of Canby and the Canby Council President.



*L-r Maryssa Yager with her plaque and wearing her Grange Hero cape with Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge and State Master Susan Noah*



*Left: Maryssa with (l) Canby Council President Tim Dale and (r) Canby Mayor Brian Hodson.*

*Below: Maryssa with (l-r) Clackamas County Commission Chair Jim Bernard, Commissioner Paul Savas and Commissioner Ken Humberston who is also a member of Beavercreek Grange.*



*Elizabeth and Kegan Williams received their plaque from National Grange Ex. Committee member and Oregon State Grange Master Susan Noah with the help of State Youth Director Connie Suing and Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge.*



# 2019

## Keeping Oregon Warm

A part of the "Keeping the West Warm" a project of the Grange Youth and Young Adults in the Western Region

**The Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adults are collecting stocking caps, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, etc... both purchased and homemade for distribution to the less fortunate in District 4**

Items are to be brought to the Oregon State Grange Convention in Molalla June 22-27, where they will be displayed before being sorted for distribution.

For More information contact:  
Connie Suing, State Youth & Young Adult Director  
541-556-2609  
csuing@hotmail.com

## Elizabeth and Kegan Williams Join the Ranks of Grange Heroes

During the January meeting of Fairmount Grange, Benton County, Elizabeth and Kegan Williams were presented with the National Grange Junior Mentor Award for their work with the Junior Grangers both at Fairmount Grange and as the Oregon State Grange Junior Directors. This award is given jointly by the NG Junior and Youth/Young Adult programs and recognizes Grange youth or young

adult between the ages of 14 and 35, who go above and beyond to guide and mentor Junior Grangers.

State Master Susan Noah presented Elizabeth and Kegan with their plaque and Oregon Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge along with Oregon State Youth Director Connie Suing draped them with Grange Hero capes.



*Left: Elizabeth Williams and Kegan Williams show off their Grange Hero capes with the help of their son, Wyatt.*

*Left: Four generations of the Utt family were in attendance to see Elizabeth and Kegan receive their award.*

*L-r: In back – Ethan Utt, Lyle Utt, Kegan Williams holding Wyatt Williams, Elizabeth Utt Williams and David Utt.*

*In front: Laura Utt and Anastasia Williams.*



# OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - October 10, 2018

Call to Order at 9:15am by Master Susan Noah. Members present were Jay Sexton, Sarah Kingsborough, Louise Holst, John Fine, and Sam Keator.

Prior meeting minutes from July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

## Financial Reports

- Celia – January to June book-keeping reports were reviewed.
- Grange quarterly membership reports were discussed. We hope to see membership growth in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter reports to finish 2018 with another net gain. Granges with late reports and payments were also reviewed.
- Scott Barker with Barker Wealth Investments provided us with an overview of our current portfolio. He referenced the OSG investment policy and how our current portfolio is diversified.
- Moss Adams Accounting Firm: Wendy Campos, Ashley Osten, and Kelly Purdy provided us with our audit results for 2017. We received an Unmodified Opinion which is a positive report with no significant findings. Best practices for financial statements, tax code changes, and exempt status reporting were discussed.

## Unfinished Business

- North Howell – An offer was received and approved via email by the Executive Committee. The potential buyer is putting together his presentation for Marion County to determine if the property can be re-zoned.
- Pomona Task Force – New training date is set for March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Terrebonne.
- Fernwood Grange in Newberg is still of interest by different parties in the community. There has been some discussion regarding property sale and reorganization.

Lunch break from 12:30pm – 1pm.

## Unfinished Business, continued

- Wendell Berry Film – Mark Schnetzky shared that Tigard Grange is planning to purchase rights to this movie and show it in their community. We discussed the benefits of showing this biography film about a man who advocated for rural life in a way similar to the Grange.
  - Jay moved that we purchase the showing rights for the “Look and See” film at \$250 if it is allowed for multiple showings. Louise seconded. Jay amended the motion

to ensure the showings can extend over a period of at least 1 year and the funds would come out of the Leadership/Membership fund. Louise seconded, the amendment passed and the motion passed.

- Discussion resumed regarding Fernwood Grange.
  - Jay moved that we ask Buzi Nelson to provide a value on the property and inform the VFW that we’re not interested in selling at this time, and to set a date for a reorganization effort. John seconded. Sam moved to amend to strike the first part of the motion obtaining a valuation on the property at this time. Jay seconded the amendment and it passed. The motion passed.
- The Conference room table has been replaced and the chair arms have been recovered. Our conference room is starting to look more professional.
- The new checking account is almost ready for signing; we hope to get the account opened shortly and start transitioning to the new bank.
- The new Bulletin software previously approved will be ordered this week. Suzy will spend the next few months becoming familiar with the new software and start to use it for the Grange Bulletin.
- A letter was sent to Goshen Grange regarding cemetery property rights in response to a letter from the Grange.

## New Business

- Our State Grange Secretary is unable to attend the State Grange Convention in 2019, and we are looking for a substitute to take Sarah’s place (not that we could ever find a substitute for her!).
- The State Grange Directors met in September and discussed a membership program for 2019 to carry on the momentum of GrangeUp in 2017 and Grange Connections in 2018. The theme will focus on our Grange motto and a theme of “Come Together at the Grange”.
  - Louise moved that the Executive Committee support the 2019 membership program with a budget of \$10,000 from the Leadership/Membership fund. John seconded and the motion passed.
- Oregon Farm to School submitted a request to us for sponsorship.
  - John moved to postpone responding to the request until we have further in-

formation about our Education committee’s plans with the Ag in the Classroom program. Louise seconded the motion. After discussion regarding our desire to support both programs the motion failed. Jay moved to contribute a \$500 sponsorship to the Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network from the Leadership/Membership fund. Sarah seconded. The motion passed. We will encourage the Education committee to determine options for sponsoring Ag in the Classroom while working on getting the Grange involved in that program as well.

- The National Grange has submitted a request for donations to the building fund.
  - Jay moved and Louise seconded that we take no action on the donation request from the National Grange. Motion passed.
- State Fair Log Cabin recap – funding ideas, new activities outside, agriculture organization passport, and possible changes for next year were brainstormed by the directors. A facelift of the building signage is a good idea and we encourage more demonstrations and activities outside that catch people’s attention. Paula Herrick is compiling recipes for a cookbook to sell at next year’s fair.
- The Honor Grange Program will be revised in 2019 and a new tracking form will come out in March after the 2018 deadline. We discussed publicity for Granges that earn awards to promote the good acts tracked by Granges.
  - Jay moved to make funds available to contract someone to write press releases honoring each Honor Grange recipient and send them to appropriate news outlets. Sarah seconded and the motion passed.
- Applegate Valley Grange – a neighbor is interested in the property if we are not going to reorganize the Grange since it closed nearly 2 years ago.
  - Jay moved to respond to the email that we are not currently interested in selling the property as we are still within a time frame for reorganization. John seconded. The motion passed.
- High Desert Grange – The neighbor has requested a lot line adjustment since the property line goes through the building. We had discussion

regarding the proposal and resources for surveyors in the local area.

- John moved to go ahead with what is necessary to make the lot line adjustment for High Desert Grange. Jay seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Mohawk-McKenzie Grange has submitted a request to acquire the former Willakenzie Grange property which they have been using for the last few years.
  - John moved that we grant the request to turn over the former Historic Willakenzie Grange property to Mohawk-McKenzie Grange. Sam seconded. The motion passed and Master Susan Noah abstained from voting.
- Holidays – The office will be closed on the upcoming legal holidays that fall within regular office hours of Tuesday-Thursday including Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year’s Day.
- Investment Funds
  - Sam moved to transfer \$75,000 from investments to checking to cover expenses. Jay seconded and the motion passed.

## Decisions made via email

Sarah moved to ratify the decisions made via email since our last meeting. Jay seconded and the motion passed.

- Agreement to allow Columbia to withdraw \$4,122 from custodial funds for furnace.
- Agreement to loan \$200,000 to the National Grange for 1-year term, at 3% interest, interest only payments with a balloon at the end of the year.
- Agreement to allow Woodburn to withdraw \$2,500 from custodial funds to clean and upgrade parking lot.
- Agreement to allow Springwater Grange to withdraw \$1,666 from custodial funds for the Springwater fair and to replace stair steps
- Agreement to allow South Fork to withdraw \$6,047 from custodial funds to upgrade kitchen and bathroom work.
- Agreement to allow Fruitdale to withdraw \$1,590 from custodial funds for work on storage unit.
- Agreement to accept the counter offer on North Howell of \$10,000 to be placed in earnest money if he continues to go forward following the attempt to change the zoning. This was a change from our suggestion of an additional \$14,000.
- Agreement to allow Little Deschutes to withdraw



## DAFFODIL DRIVE FESTIVAL

~ our 47<sup>TH</sup> YEAR

**MARCH**  
**16 ~ 17**  
**10 AM ~ 4 PM**  
**Long Tom Grange**  
*with parking at:*  
**CONSER QUARRY**  
**27387 FERGUSON ROAD**  
**JUNCTION CITY**  
*Free Shuttle ~ Free Admission*

See & Do  
Wagon Rides  
Flower Sales  
Vendor  
Daffodils  
Cinnamon Rolls  
Full City Coffee

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Guaranty Outfit

100% Volunteer with proceeds benefiting local schools, JC Local clubs, youth groups, senior center and more.  
More info? Facebook.com/DaffodilDriveFestival or pacificnwadvent@yahoo.com

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS				
<i>Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date, time, and location are determined and/or changed.</i>				
Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place	
Baker #24	May 4	10:30 AM	New Bridge Grange	
Benton #36	April 20	10:30 AM	Fairmount Grange	
Clackamas #1	April 27	10:00 AM	Clarks Grange	
Columbia #18	May 4	10:00 AM	Vernonia Grange	
Deschutes #25	May 11	11:30 AM	Pine Forest Grange	
Douglas #13	April 27	6:00 PM	Riversdale Grange	
Jackson #27	April 27	2:00 PM	Roxy Ann Grange	
Josephine #20	March 30	10:00 AM	Illinois Valley Grange	
Lane #14	April 13	10:00 AM	Walterville Grange	
Lincoln #10	February 16	10:30 AM	Salmon River	
Linn #12	April 13	10:00 AM	Lacomb Grange	
Polk #3	April 11	10:00 AM	Oak Grove Grange	
Tillamook #9		10:00 AM	TBA	
Umatilla-Morrow #26	February 23	10:30 AM	Columbia Grange #867	
Wallowa #22	April 13	10:00 AM	Liberty Grange	
Washington-Yamhill #2	April 27	10:00 AM	Leedy Grange	



## OSG Ex. Comm. Minutes, *continued*

- \$30,000 from their custodial funds for new windows and new siding.

### Grange Reports

- Master Susan provided a report of a number of Granges that are working with the state office or state deputy to improve membership and Grange relations. She is excited about the recent activity with Jackson County Pomona reorganizing their efforts to support the Granges in their county.
- Grange Grant Committee report was reviewed. The proposal of \$54,067 is over the \$50,000 budget but came recommended due to last year's grants being nearly \$10,000 under budget.
  - John moved to approve the grant committee proposal to allow grants totaling \$54,067. Louise seconded and the motion passed. Jay and Sarah

abstained from the vote since they are members of Granges with proposals.

- Warner - \$5000
- Brownsmead - \$300
- Beavercreek - \$5000
- Eagle Point - \$2500
- Maplewood - \$3022
- Netel - \$400
- Garfield - \$5000
- North Bayside - \$5000
- Scholls - \$5000
- South Fork - \$945
- Marys River - \$5000
- Spencer Creek - \$5000
- Junction City - \$1900
- Union Hill - \$5000
- Mount Vernon - \$5000

### Next Meetings

January 12<sup>th</sup>  
March 30<sup>th</sup>  
May 27<sup>th</sup>

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary  
Oregon State Grange

## Grange Sign Gets A Face Lift

The sign for Lake Creek Grange #697, Jackson County, needed a face lift so their Lecturer Regina Hoffman stepped up and took the project. A lot of sand paper and hours went into the project. It was well worth it.

Regina had the sign back up before the Sunday morning breakfast on August 12, in time for the kitchen crew to get a photo taken before their customers started arriving at 8 am.

With Lake Creek Grange community service comes first on the list. Second, as it is with many of the Granges is keeping the old building in good order. The Grange hopes to put a new roof on next and has been saving for that project.



Above: Lake Creek Grange Lecturer Regina Hoffman with refurbished sign.



Breakfast kitchen crew gets photo with sign before serving starts.

## Lacomb to Hold Swiss Steak Dinner

Lacomb Grange #907, Linn County will be holding their annual Swiss Steak Dinner on Saturday, February 16th from 5 - 7 pm, adults \$8.00, children under twelve \$5.00 and

children under six free. Please join them for this Annual Event in their hall at 34100 E. Lacomb Road, across from the school.

## Upcoming Dates

March 1	GIA Scholarship deadline – details in December bulletin
March 9	Youth/Young Adult Fun Day – meet at Terrebonne Grange
March 29	Grange Day at the Legislature
March 31	Honor Grange Application deadline
March 31	State Youth Officer application deadline
April 1	Recipe submittal deadline
April 27 & 28	Oregon Ag Fest – Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem
April 30	Junior Officer Application deadline
April 30-May 1	National Grange Legislative Fly-in – Washington, DC
May 17	OSG Salute to Oregon Agriculture BBQ – State Capital, Salem
June 22-27	Oregon State Grange Convention - Molalla
November 5-9	153rd Annual National Grange Convention – Minneapolis, Minnesota

## Oregon at the 152nd National Grange Convention ~ Stowe, Vermont

### *"As Unique as a Snowflake"*



Mark and Susan Noah at the Celebration Banquet



2018 National Junior Ambassador Riley Reynolds with 2019 National Junior Ambassador Billy Greer of Colorado



National Master Betsy Huber with Oregon Youth Ambassador Jessie Jo Guttridge



Joanne and David McBride at the Celebration Banquet



Connie Suing and Suzy Ramm at the Celebration Banquet



L-r: Oregon State picture - David McBride, Joanne McBride, Tina Reynolds, Riley Reynolds, Connie Suing, Mark Noah, Susan Noah, Maggie Swartzendruber, Suzy Ramm, Lexie Suing and Ed Luttrell - missing Jessie Jo Guttridge



Maggie Swartzendruber with Willy the Grange Sheep, the herd animal for the NG Communications Department



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Lexie Suing NG Youth Steward