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Grange Growth Summit March 25-27 April is Grange Month

Do You Have Plans to Celebrate?

Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Director, will be at Sunnyside Grange, Friday evening March 25 through noon Sunday March 27 for Oregon's Grange Growth Summit.

It is hoped that each Grange will consider sending a representative(s) to this weekend event. Details will be mailed to each Grange but we are looking for leaders and "leaders on the horizon" to take part. Growing the Grange doesn't just mean bringing in new members, it means growing in all ways, through leadership, through activities and through education. It means taking care of the members we have and the members we want to join. It means learning to articulate what is important in our Grange and what we can or should let go of. A healthy Grange is not just one who brings in new members it is one where all members can grow and flourish to their best potential.

The fee for the Summit will be: \$25 per member or \$40 for two members from the same Grange, additional members from a Grange will be charged \$15 each.

The Oregon State Grange Executive Committee has authorized reimbursement of two nights lodging up to \$115 per night for those who need to stay in the area. Reimbursement will be made from the State Grange upon presentation of hotel receipts.

Five meals will be served by Sunnyside Grange – Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast.

Friday will start with dinner at 5:30 with conference to start at 6:30, it will be wrapped up by noon on Sunday.



Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Director

Nearby Hotels

- Clarion Inn and Suites
9717 SE Sunnyside Rd.
503-654-1699
- Sunnyside Inn and Suites
12855 SE 97th Ave.
503-652-1500
- Monarch Hotel and Conference Center
12566 SE 93rd Ave.
503-652-1515
- Hampton Inn
9040 SE Adams
503-655-7900
- Comfort Suites
15929 SE McKinley Ave.
503-723-3450

Conference Topics

- * Member Appreciation and cultivating a positive environment.
- * Generational differences and how to use them to our advantage.
- * How to tell your Grange story to others.
- * The roots of our success and how to teach the values of the Grange and live them out loud.
- * Civility and conflict resolution.

Registration form on page 2

The 2022-2023 Grange theme is:
Raised Right Here

The theme, similar to Cultivating Connections, which was used the last two years, can be interpreted in several ways. Broken into pieces or emphasizing different words allows various applications. For example, emphasizing "Here" to mean "with-in the Grange" says that Juniors and Youth or individuals who are part of Grange family or the organization as whole have been raised or brought up with good values such as civility and developing to our highest potential.

Emphasizing "Right Here" allows us to call attention to local products or farm items being sold at craft fairs or vendor events. Granges are encouraged to recognize local entrepreneurs and products through a "Raised Right Here" program – offering window clings or hold events to celebrate these items that are made and bring money back to local companies or individuals.

Emphasizing "Raised" allows Granges to highlight farms and farm families in their communities and the products they produce. They can celebrate restaurants that have a farm-to-fork model and encourage eating and buying local at farmers markets they host or take part in. They can also celebrate local heroes by emphasizing the values learned in that community that helped prepare them for life's challenges.

Generally, the theme can also be used to celebrate communities and build pride; pursue and highlight advocacy that would result in benefits to local communities or individuals in them; and so much more. I encourage you to think outside the box and create or brand already established events, outreach and programs with this theme in mind.



2022 Oregon State Grange Convention Returns to Talent

Once again, the Oregon State Grange Convention will be held in Talent, Oregon at the Talent Middle School.

Convention dates are Saturday June 18 through Thursday June 23. It is expected that the schedule will be similar to last year. Highlights include Kickoff Banquet and Talent contest on Saturday evening, opening in the Sixth Degree Sunday morning, and exemplification of the Fifth and Sixth Degrees on Sunday evening. 2022 is an election year and the new State Grange officers

will be installed on Thursday, the last day of the convention.

Elsewhere in the paper you will find a list of local hotels. Hotel rooms and RV spaces are in short supply so make your reservations as soon as possible.

The April/May issue of the Bulletin will have information on meal tickets. The same information will be mailed to the Granges in the Delegate packet. The June/July Bulletin will include election results and a tentative convention schedule.

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for the
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March 10, 2022



The President's Column

Susan Noah
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 President - Oregon State Grange

Granges should all be receiving a visit either in February or March from someone on the State Grange leadership team. Due to the pandemic, we sat out last year, but this year we hope to connect with all of the Granges around the state. Each visit will include some updates and outcomes from the listening sessions we did in 2020 and a new tri-fold display for your Grange to use at events or for your own hall. We also have a selection of new brochures for your Grange. These are to be used in conjunction with the membership applications currently in use, but give more information about the Grange and what new members can expect.

Grange Growth Summit

I also want to call attention to the *Grange Growth Summit* scheduled for March 25, 26 & 27th at Sunnyside Grange in Clackamas County. Amanda Brozana Rios, our National Membership Director will be the main presenter at this event and has been working to set up a conference that I'm sure will be beneficial to each and every Grange in the State. Topics to be covered include:

- * What is your Grange's Purpose and how do you use it to build capacity?
- * Member Appreciation and cultivating a positive environment. Generational differences and how to use them to our advantage.
- * How to tell your Grange story to others. The roots of our success and how to teach the values of the Grange and live them out loud.
- * Civility and conflict resolution.

Each of these topics cover some aspect of what the listening sessions generated so I am confident that each member in attendance will go back to their Grange with new knowledge and enthusiasm.

Amanda would like to see each Grange in attendance send at least two members, one who is a current leader, and one who would like to

take on a leadership role in your Grange. Sunnyside Grange will be serving Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, and breakfast on Sunday. There will be a registration fee of \$25 per member, or \$40 for two members from one Grange. Additional members from a Grange will be charged \$15 each.

I know that members who are traveling from a distance will need to stay in the area, so the Executive Committee has authorized reimbursement of two nights lodging up to \$115 per night for those who need to stay in the area. Elsewhere in the paper there is a registration form and a listing of nearby hotels. I hope that your Grange will consider sending a couple of members to this event. Amanda has traveled across the United States, listening to members and building programs to address the needs she hears expressed. I am excited by the prospects that this opens up for our Granges and hope that I will see someone from your Grange in Sunnyside!

In Person vs Virtual

Generally, I try to keep my columns pointed towards all the positive things our Granges do, but lately I have seen a trend that I feel needs to be addressed. While the State of Oregon was shut down through the Governor's orders I know our Granges went into enforced hibernation. For some Granges that meant that they turned to Zoom meetings, for others conference calls, and others still had no way to communicate as a group, but stayed in touch by email or phone calls between members. Executive Committees stepped up to keep the business of the Grange ongoing, while members stayed separated.

As of last June, the Governor ended all restrictions for meetings, except for the mask mandate meaning that there is no governmental restriction in place keeping our Grangers from meeting in their halls.

I understand that some members are still concerned, especially with the Omicron variant that has been spreading quickly around the world, so I know that some members will not be coming back as quickly as others, and I know that each member will have to make their own determination about whether they are ready for in-person meetings or not. However, I am still anxious about those Granges who are not having in-person meetings at all. First and foremost, the Grange is a Fraternal organization and our face-to-face meetings are what give us so much of our value. But beyond the wonderful benefits we gain from our fellowship together, we must also recognize the business part of this equation. Currently Granges are tax exempt and property tax exempt, but that could change. A Grange in Washington recently lost their tax-exempt status due to some of their activities, and I'm sure that many of our members remember the bills introduced in the Oregon legislature that would require all non-profits to have to apply for their property tax exempt status each year. These bills were not adopted by the state legislature, but they have been back in at least two sessions, so I think that our property tax exempt status may still be at risk. If we are seen as an organization that utilizes our halls for rentals, but not for 'Grange' we will not be doing ourselves any favors.

There is no easy answer here, as health concerns should always come first, but I want to urge each Grange to do everything you can to get back in your halls. Hybrid meetings can work, my own Grange is an example of that. We meet at the hall, but several members connect via Zoom. Our set up could use some better technology, but it works and we are able to include people who cannot be there in person.

I do want to conclude with some very good news, currently we are showing a net gain of about 70 members! Not large, but much better than a net loss! If we can gain new members during a pandemic, just think what our Granges can accomplish in a normal year! Keep up the good work and plan to "Come Together at the Grange"!

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Grange Growth Summit Registration ~ March 25-27, 2022 ~ Sunnyside Grange

Grange Name & # _____

Person #1 Name _____ @ \$25.00
 Email _____ Phone _____

Person #2 _____ @ \$15.00
 Email _____ Phone _____

Person #3 _____ @ \$15.00
 Email _____ Phone _____

Person #4 _____ @ \$15.00
 Email _____ Phone _____

Total _____

Registration deadline: March 15

Enclose check made out to the Oregon State Grange to reserve your spots. Preregistration required.

Mail to: OSG, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301



2022 VIRTUAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

4 Divisions

- Agriculture
- Sky
- Trucks
- Water

Everyone can enter up to 3 photos!

WINNERS WILL BE INCLUDED IN A 2023 PROMOTIONAL ITEM FROM THE LECTURER'S DEPARTMENT

Submit using the link bit.ly/22grangephoto

PLEASE NOTE NEW DEADLINE June 30, 2022

Design the 150th Anniversary Logo

Know someone who is a designer, has graphic skills and would like to earn some money? The Oregon State Grange is looking for a logo to celebrate the organization's 150th anniversary. In order to engage our current members, Oregon State Grange is announcing a competition to design a new logo. The new logo may be used on the Oregon State Grange website, social media sites, business cards, letterhead, posters, souvenir trinkets and gifts, or anywhere else the Grange so chooses. This article describes the official requirements and rules of the competition.

By entering, participants agree to be bound by these contest rules. Violating any rule or not following instructions may eliminate participants' eligibility. Oregon State Grange has the right to disqualify any entrant at any time at its sole discretion.

Eligibility

1. Contest is open to **Grange members and non-members**.
2. The contest is not open to members of the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Grange, OSG Directors or OSG 150th Celebration Committee
3. Contestants are permitted to work in groups; however, only one (1) prize will be awarded regardless of group size.

Logo Design Guidelines and Parameters

- The purpose of this contest is to design a logo to be used by the Oregon State Grange.
- The logo's design should reflect the values of Oregon State Grange.
- The logo should incorporate the Oregon State Grange name, Grange seven-sided logo, and a reference to 150 years, anniversary, etc.
- The logo must be appropriate for a professional business setting.

Entries must be submitted as JPEG files. For quality reproduction purposes, the winning entry must later be submitted in scalable vector graphic format (EPS). Color must be CMYK, though the logo may

also be produced in black and white. Contestants are advised to avoid gradients and half-tones. The logo must be easy to use, handle, resize, and manipulate for all reproduction purposes. It should be visually appealing on both small (as small as 2 cm x 2 cm) and large scales -- so please avoid small illustrations within the logo.

Grange Design Guidance

While these need not be the only colors, should you choose to use the blue and gold of the Grange, the colors are BLUE Pantone 2756 (C 100 M 90 Y 12 B 11) and GOLD Pantone 103 (C 31 M 26 Y 75 B 4).

Intellectual Property

1. Entrants affirm their submissions are their own original work, have not been copied from others or from previous designs, including their own, and do not violate the intellectual property rights of any other person or entity.
2. Submissions become the sole property of Oregon State Grange and may be used for any Oregon State Grange purposes, including, but not limited to, display on websites, business cards, letterhead, posters, and other materials.
3. Oregon State Grange shall have the right to adapt, edit, modify, or otherwise use the winning submission in part or in its entirety in whatever manner it deems appropriate.
4. Oregon State Grange reserves the right to choose not to use the winning entry as described in these contest guidelines.
5. Oregon State Grange reserves the right to use any other entry for promotional purposes in the future.

- *Deadline is May 1st. All entries must arrive by 11:59 p.m. or be postmarked by May 1, 2022*
- *Designs shall be submitted digitally to the Oregon State Grange President master@orgrange.org or 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301*
- *1st Prize is \$1,000.*
- *Selection will be made by the 150th Celebration Committee and the Program Directors of the Oregon State Grange*



The Lecturer's Column

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 Lecturer - Oregon State Grange

Hello 2022,

I wanted to start out the year by introducing the new contests we have added for the upcoming 2022 State Convention in Southern Oregon.

NEW Photo Entry with Caption

Rules:

- One entry per person
- Entry must have been submitted in one of the photography categories
- Caption limited to 20 words or less

Awards:

- 1st Place \$20
- 2nd Place \$15
- 3rd Place \$10

Judging will be done by daily "People's Choice" votes at convention.

Prize will be awarded Tuesday before dinner break.

- **Sponsored by Lecturer's Committee**

NEW Rock Painting Contest

Rules:

- Open to members and non-members
- All entries must be original work
- Entries must be secured on solid base/platform
- Entries must have been completed after June of the previous year
- Entries cannot have been entered prior to this year
- Financial award plus ribbon will be given in each category

Awards:

- 1st Place \$15
- 2nd Place \$10
- 3rd Place \$7

Categories:

- A. Single Painted Rock
 - **Sponsored by Sam Keator**
- B. Grouping more than one Painted Rock
 - **Sponsored by Sam Keator**

Thank you for participating in Lecturers Contests. I look forward to seeing all your entries. Sharing your projects and photos really adds a fun element to State Session.



2022 PUBLICITY ITEM CONTEST

2 Divisions

- In-House
- Professional (Paid/In-Kind)

Granges can enter multiple publicity items!

WINNING ENTRIES MAY BE USED BY THE NATIONAL GRANGE AND DISTRIBUTED TO OTHER GRANGES

Submit using the link bit.ly/22grangePR

PLEASE NOTE NEW DEADLINE June 30, 2022

Lane County Play Festival Returns

Homegrown theater will appear on Grange stages all over Lane County in April 2022 after two years in the dark. The annual play festival is back! Granges present short plays once at their home hall and two more times at other Granges, so three plays are scheduled for each event. A host Grange may offer refreshments during or after the three plays, and of course that's going to depend on the state of public health come April.

Many of the Granges write their own plays for the festival, and all of them put their own spin on the script, sometimes just by accident. The majority of players must be Grangers and roles for children are encouraged. This year Pomona Lecturer Elizabeth Dehne has asked that plays be no more than 20 minutes in length to help minimize re-

hearsal and performance time spent indoors in groups. We all hope that by April issues of carpooling and refreshments are no longer dictated by the pandemic.

Festival registration information is available from Lane Pomona at lanepomona14@gmail.com or on the Lane Pomona Facebook page. Deadline for signing up is February 28.



The Chaplain's Corner



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Chaplain - Oregon State Grange

I've been struggling with the question of knowing when to walk away from activities that seem to no longer seem to serve my life.

The New Year is always a time to reflect and redirect our energies. One of our watch words as Grangers is "Perseverance". How do we know "when to hold 'em and when to fold 'em"?

This is excerpted from a website "Ministry Pass".

At some point, we are tempted to quit something.

Why?

Because we're human, and when things get difficult, many of us want to pack up and go home. But what if on the other side of that difficulty is what we have longed for all along? I think many times when we quit, we miss out on what God has for us.

Why do we quit? Sacrifice. It is hard. Difficult. I think what often sets people apart is their ability to persevere in something when it is difficult. What is on the other side of that difficulty or hardship? Very likely the breakthrough you've been waiting for.

But how do you know? How do you know if you should quit or keep moving?

Here are some things that I ask myself or encourage others to ask themselves:

Am I getting enough sleep? Often, but not always, the reason we are in a difficult season or want to quit is related to our sleep. When we are tired, we make poor eating choices, cut things out of our life that could be beneficial, have a short fuse with people and have a fogginess when it comes to our choices and thinking. This is why we often make better decisions in the morning instead of later in the afternoon.

Do I have enough outlets for stress? We need outlets for stress – things that recharge them and help them keep going. Things like sleeping, sabbath, eating well, working out, community. All of these are incredibly important to staying the course.

What led up to this season or desire to quit? A desire to quit often comes when we don't know what else to do, but looking backward can be a helpful thing. Was there a change, a hire, a new launch that led to this season?

Sometimes, we want to quit because we are running from something and a new opportunity or throwing in the towel is easier.

Whenever a pastor calls me and says he's thinking about leaving his church, the first question I ask

Lane Pomona Remembers Members

Lane Pomona Grange held their annual Memorial Service for 22 members of Lane County Granges that have passed on to the great Grange above during 2021. The Service was held as the first order of business

after lunch at the Pomona meeting at Walterville Grange on January 8, 2022. Courtney Croy, Priscilla Phillips, Alice Nowicki, Jeff Dehne, and Mark Noah participated in the ceremony.



L-r: Jeff Dehne, Walterville Grange; Alice Nowicki, London Grange; Priscilla Phillips, Goshen Grange and Courtney Croy, Spencer Creek Grange helping decorate the alter during the Memorial Service.

In Memoriam

Betty Gallucci
Abernethy #346

Wilma Bauer
Mt Vernon #659

Doris Ashbaugh
Beavercreek #276

Elva Davis
Riversdale #731

Mary Van Agtmael
Lacomb #907

William Gauer
Riversdale#731

Arlinda Slagel
Mapleton #584

Lee Svarverud
Riversdale #731

Larry Morris
Missouri Flat #612

David Gardelius
Springwater #263

Ernest Stillwell
Mosier #234

Anita Miles
Warner #117

Charlotte Gray
Willamette #52



*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.*

him is, "What about your church is difficult right now?" Often, we are running from difficulty.

What does my community look like? It is easier to throw in the towel when we're alone. Community has a way of shining the light into places it needs to be. Many folks leave a place because of isolation and loneliness.

Lastly, what is your relationship with God like? "God told me to leave" is hard to argue with. God may have called you to leave, but may be

telling you to endure as well. I can tell you that one is easier. Only you know if you should quit something.

You know what led to that season and choice, but you don't know what's on the other side of it.

I'm sure in all of our lives there have been many times that leaving a situation would've been the easier choice. But what if we first stopped to ask ourselves these questions and others then listened to "that still, small voice"? Might the answer be to "Persevere"?



The OSG Foundation continues to have two opportunities for members and friends to support the Foundation as they go about their daily life; the Fred Meyer Community Awards



AmazonSmile

Start your shopping on the Foundation page of the OSG website so your purchases benefit the foundation.

Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program

www.fredmeyer.com/account/communityrewards/

and the Amazon Smile Program.

In 2021 We received \$49.62 from the Amazon program and \$29.33 from the Fred Meyer program. Money raised from these two programs is used to support the general activities of the foundation.

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the OSG Convention in Talent in June. We will have our annual meeting at the convention.



Sign Up to Serve as a Volunteer at the 2022 National Convention

National Grange Convention 2022 is coming to Sparks, Nevada November 15-19. Volunteers are needed to help put on one high-kicking party. Please see the link below to find the form on the web to sign up. You can volunteer as many places as you want to. Meetings will be held by Zoom to coordinate and make plans. This is a great opportunity to be involved with and meet Grange members from other States in the Western Region. Come and be Grange: Making A Difference.

2022 National Grange Host Volunteer Sign up - www.cognitoforms.com/CaliforniaStateGrange1/NationalGrangeHostCommitteeVolunteerSignUp

Opportunities include but are not limited to:

- Registration - Greeting/Information/Name Badges and Packets
- Grange Showcase - set up/take down displays, security, greeters
- Session Room Doors - Checking badges of members attending, security
- 7th Degree Costumes - unpack, launder, iron, pack up
- Flowers - coordinate corsage/boutonnieres orders and assist where needed.
- Hospitality Room - Each State takes one day. Set up, Clean up, Snack Wagon
- "Post Office" - Packaging materials for Outgoing shipments and delivery to post office
- National Grange Supply Store - set up, make sales, track inventory, pack up
- Host Office - Coordinate volunteers/assignments, special services, supplies for Host States,



general help

- Host Banquet - (Mon 11/14) set up and take down decorations
- Salute to Ag Luncheon (Tues 11/15) Set up and take down decorations, table favors
- Session Room - Assist National Steward where necessary with Grange paraphernalia
- Grange Tours (General, Junior, Youth) - work with Tour coordinator to check in and track attendees on each leg of the tour
- Transportation - Assist with coordinating arrival & departure to and from hotel to airport or railway.
- Youth Activities - Assist with snacks, general assistance for Youth Team
- Junior Activities - Chaperones (must have background check), assist with Tour, activities, snacks as needed by National Grange Jr. Director
- National Grange Production Room - skilled clerical personnel to help with Word documents, uploading, copying (if necessary)



The Agricultural Report

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Agriculture Co-Directors - Oregon State Grange

Last week, a friend gave me an old fall issue of Country Living. The theme was County Porches, and the photos showed pumpkin and corn shock decorated stoops with wicker furniture sporting cushions of orange and brown leaf patterns.

Everything was so clean and pretty that I was reminded of a running joke I have with a woman friend who raised pigs and worked on a local seed potato farm. We wanted to start a magazine called "Real Country Living". Our fall issue would take the reader out into the country during potato harvest, or during calving and lambing seasons. We imagined the focus article on the farm wife discussing her hobbies and her daily life.

"Betty enjoys getting up at 4:00 am to make breakfast for the potato harvest crew. Her favorite country meal of fried potatoes, scrambled eggs, homemade bread, and endless coffee must be ready by 5:30 for the eight crew members who wear their dirty boots into the dining room and shovel in the food without comment in a quick ten minutes before they stack their dirty dishes in the sink as they leave. Because she will be driving the unheated harvest truck alongside the digger, she has left

the unmatched plastic dishes to deal with later, just before she makes the crews' lunch."

Along side the article will be photos of her farm house. Her porch would feature old plastic buckets full of dirty squash she rescued from the garden before the hard fall frost, and the various work boots and coats that have been pushed around and on the old peeling wooden bench. Inside the door, would be a large cardboard box that has a sick piglet with a heat lamp hovering over it. Her living room would feature a huge pile of firewood stacked against a wall near the wood stove, and a desk area that is covered with papers and coffee cups. No matching pillows or modern sofa is to be found under the pile of clean laundry waiting to be folded and put away.

I know what real country living looks like. I laugh about those imagined images of country life as I comfort the weak lamb I currently have in a large cardboard box decorating my entry porch, or as I dodge the wrapped deer carcass hanging from the porch beam as I make my way out through the icy snow covered ground to the haystack to feed my sheep.



Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

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| March 1 | Candidate acceptance and statements for Oregon State Grange Officers must arrive at the state office by 5pm |
| March 1 | Deadline for first 2022 Matching Grange applications. Must be post marked by March 1 or if emailing, completed application must arrive by March 1. |
| March 25 - 27 | Grange Growth Summit Presented by Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Director at Sunnyside Grange |
| April 30 | 1st Quarter Reports Due to the State Grange office |
| May 1 | Deadline to submit 150th logo entries |
| May 5 | Ballots for Oregon State Grange Officers must arrive at the state office by 5pm |
| June 18-23 | Oregon State Grange Annual Convention - Talent Middle School ~ Talent, Oregon |
| August 5-7 | Western Region Youth & Leadership Conference - Oregon |
| November 15-19 | 156th Annual National Grange Convention - Sparks, Nevada |



Volunteers Needed

**2022 Ag Fest
April 23 & 24**

**Saturday April 23 - Sunday April 24
Oregon State Fairgrounds**

Volunteers needed to work in the State Grange Activity Booth.
Help visitors transplant vegetable and flower starts.
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.



Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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OSG Deaf Awareness and Family Health Director

Use the Benefits of Research to Help You Reach Your Goals

As this issue of The Bulletin hits our mailboxes many of us may be folding up our New Year's resolutions and putting them in a drawer for safe keeping. I'd like to make an argument for dusting off those resolutions, making some slight adjustments and giving them another try. In my last column I talked about the importance of regular physical activity, even among those of us who work physically demanding jobs.

The reason for this need is simple. Chronic disease (conditions like, arthritis, cancer, COPD, coronary heart disease, asthma, diabetes, hypertension, and stroke just to name a few) continues to be the number one barrier to health and wellbeing in our country. In 2018, 51.8% of U.S. adults had at least one chronic condition and 27% had multiple chronic conditions.¹ Prevalence was highest among women, adults 65 or older and those living in rural areas.¹ Fortunately, chronic disease can be slowed, stopped and in many cases, even reversed by making lifestyle changes.

Also fortunately, there are tried-and-true techniques that we use in the health promotion fields to help people succeed with their health goals. First, make reasonable, what we call SMART goals. SMART goals have certain guidelines that help guide you in your efforts to lead a healthier life, beginning with being specific. Just saying to yourself "I really need to lose weight" is not the same as "I want to improve my body mass index (BMI) and so I need to lose 30 lbs and two inches off my waist in 9 months. S = specific. The first statement is vague, easy to wiggle out of, and difficult to make a strategy for. The second statement is specific and lays down a gameplan that is easy to see and follow.

The next step in setting SMART goals is to choose activities that you can measure and record. M = measurable. By choosing measurable goals we give ourselves mileposts so we can measure our progress. The goal of "getting in shape" is vague, but the goal of being able to walk briskly for 20 minutes without stopping is very specific and can be broken into workable chunks.

Remember as you plan your health strategy that in order to be successful your plan needs to be flexible and something you can realistically achieve. A = achievable. Regain-

ing or achieving your best physical health is very individual and getting there without injury is your goal, so start small, and use your successes as a stairway to your next goal. Which brings us to our next point, that of relevance. R = Relevant. If you wake up every morning sore and stiff and your goal is to increase your muscle flexibility, then your goals need to focus on stretching exercises and activities not extreme body building.

And finally, remember to give yourself some deadlines. T = timebound. Our lives are busy and hectic, and a deadline gives you some accountability and an endpoint to focus on. It isn't the end of the world if you miss a deadline, you simply adjust your plan, but research has shown that having that plan and a start and end date in place improves your chances of reaching your goal.

In addition to creating SMART goals, there are other strategies that can help you maintain healthy life changes.

1. If you have a few days where your behavior has veered off course, don't worry. The key to long-term healthy behavior is built one day at a time. Continue to make small steps forward and be kind to your mind. This is a long-distance goal not a sprint.
2. Reward yourself with small gifts of achievement. The old adage of attracting more bees with honey holds true, even when you are dealing with yourself.
3. Remember that there's comfort in numbers. Look for opportunities to reach out to others with your goals. Find a walking partner, take a healthy cooking class, join a meditation group. Companionship can make all the difference in the world, and one of the founding principles of our organization.
4. Finally, there is great power in journaling. Write down your goals and record your progress. This doesn't have to be a huge time drain. For me, my journaling is as simple as "30/30" in the corner of the daily calendar. My current lifestyle goals are to move more, so I have a plan to walk my dog for 30 minutes and then perform at least 30 minutes of another physical activity each day. The notation of

APPLY FOR A DEAF AWARENESS GRANT

DEADLINE: MAY 1
AWARDS NOW UP TO \$1,000!

All details and application available at grangefoundation.org/deaf

National Grange Deaf Awareness Grant

The National Grange Foundation has developed a fund for the purpose of supporting deaf activities within the Grange. Funds are still available. This grant program is being offered to assist states with funding various deaf awareness activities. In the past, these grants helped Granges in Idaho, Iowa, Michigan, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Washington.

Recipient programs have included:

- **Idaho Grange – Project Vote.** Project Vote intends to increase accessibility to the electoral process by increasing awareness of city clerks and poll workers to issues encountered by individuals who are deaf or have a hearing impairment.
- **New Jersey – SmartBoard for Petway Elementary School**
- **Michigan – Ear Plugs for Ashley Trading Days**

To read about these projects check out the National Grange Foundation at <https://grangefoundation.org/deaf-awareness-fund-projects/>

Eligibility

Any State Grange is eligible to apply for a grant to assist with a worthwhile project that may be planned within the state. Community Granges can apply through their State Grange.

Timeline

Grant applications will be due on May 1st to the National Grange Foundation. If you are mailing it,

please send to National Grange Foundation, Attn: Deaf Grant, 1616 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20006 or email it to info@grangefoundation.org.

Guidelines

Grants up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to each approved application, and will be awarded to the State Grange. The State Grange will have the option of transferring those funds to the Community or Pomona Grange conducting the deaf activity included in the grant application.

A maximum of two grants will be awarded each year.

Grants may be awarded for any project that enhances deaf education. Preference will be given to high-quality activities that involve significant numbers of individuals. Creativity and uniqueness of the projects will also be factored into the selection process.

Applications

The application should be in document form and include the following information:

- Name of State Grange Name and Address of Contact Person
- Date of Application
- Name of the Project
- Description of the Project
- Anticipated number of people involved
- Anticipated impact on the Grange (State and/or Local)
- Anticipated impact on the Community or State
- Other anticipated results of the project

February is Puppy Love Month

Join in Celebrating your LOVE for Puppies during the Month of February with Puppy Love! Dogs for Better Lives (DBL) Assistance Dogs start their training journey with a dedicated team of volunteer breeder caretakers and puppy raisers. These volunteers are instrumental in helping the puppies learn about the world, develop basic skills and grow up ready to change the life of someone in need. DBL volunteers are paid handsomely in Puppy Love- kisses, snuggles and laughs.

Puppy Raisers provide a safe, loving home environment for DBL puppies and provide early training and care

for these future Assistance Dogs.

Breeder Caretakers provide daily care for a DBL breeder dog, and help to care for her litter of puppies until they are eight weeks old.

Learn more about these puppy-loving volunteer opportunities at dogforbetterlives.org/puppylove.

They currently place puppies with volunteer raisers in the following areas:

- Southern Oregon
- Greater Seattle, Washington
- Northern California
- Massachusetts
- New Hampshire

References

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30/10 tells me I didn't reach my daily goal. Create your own shorthand; it will take less than 10 seconds a day to do, and vastly increase your chance for success.

Talent Hotels and RV Information For State Grange Convention

The 2022 Oregon State Grange Convention will be held in Talent, Oregon June 18-23 at the Talent Middle School.

Hotel rooms and RV spaces are in short supply so make your reservations as soon as possible. Room costs are for guidance only. Please contact individual hotels for the most current prices.

Ashland Exit 19

Comfort Inn and Suites
\$122+ tax per night

Phoenix Exit 24

America's Best Value Inn
\$120+ tax per night
2 queen beds
2 queen beds with single pull-out couch
1 king
All sinks outside of bathroom

RV PARK behind hotel
\$60 per night

Holiday RV Park
\$47 per night
\$285 for 6 nights (7th night free)
\$7 dump fees if dry camp elsewhere

Medford Exit 27

Best Western
1154 E Barnett Rd
Next door to Black Bear Diner call for prices

Dry camping is available at the Talent Elementary School for \$22 per day. Showers at Talent Middle School across the street.

Another option is house rentals through airbnb.com, vrbo.com or other vacation rentals websites.

By-laws Changes Notices

Clackamas Co. Pomona Grange #1

Clackamas County Pomona Grange #1 in accordance with their By-laws hereby publishes the required notice that we will vote at our next meeting at 10:00 am on April 23, 2022, at Boring-Damascus Grange, 27861 SE Grange St, Boring, on the revised By-laws as presented at the January 22, 2022 meeting.

The revisions include bringing the by-laws in compliance with the State and National Grange as far as Purpose, Membership, Meetings, Fees and Dues, Standing Committees and the Executive Committee. Passage of the revised By-laws requires a two-thirds vote of the members then present.

Goshen Grange #561

Goshen Grange #561 in accordance with its By-Laws hereby publishes the required 30-day notice of the below proposed amendment to its By-Laws. The proposed amendment was duly presented at a prior regular meeting. The proposed amendment will again be presented to the membership for action and vote during the second meeting of the month on March 21, 2022. Meeting to be held at 7 pm at the Grange Hall located at 85628 Dillard Access Rd, Eugene, OR 97405

hen Grange #561 are the first and third Mondays at 7 pm.

We will be voting to amend it to read:

The meeting date of the first meeting of the month will be on the First Monday at 7 pm. and if the first meeting falls on a holiday (4th of July or Labor Day) that it will be on the third Monday.

Change to the by-laws may only be voted on after all the members have been notified 30 days in advance and a vote of two-thirds majority be held and passed

Article 1 section 2 currently states The regular meeting dates of Gos-

Does Your Grange Want Copies of the Bulletin?

Now that Granges are opening back up, requests for copies of the paper are also increasing. We have come up with a couple options for Granges to get copies of the papers.

- **Option one** is 5-10 copies of every issue which will be mailed in the name of the Grange for the Grange to use at their monthly events, i.e., breakfasts, dinners, Bingo or the like. The Grange name will be added to the mailing list and the Bulletin will arrive like clockwork every couple of months. Currently Hurricane Creek, Warren, Wickiup, Illinois Valley and Siletz Valley Granges are taking advantage of this plan. It is significantly less expensive to have them mailed from the printer than from the office.
- **Option two** is copies for individual events like an open house or your county fair. Let the office know by the deadline for the issue you want and numbers needed and they will be added to the count being printed. Once they arrive back from the printer they can be picked up or shipped to you.

Please let the Bulletin Editor know if you want to take advantage of either of these options.

The Education Committee



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OSG Education Director

Greetings and Happy New Year! We have a new year ahead of us. What is your Grange doing? Any new projects?

I'm always amazed at the questions I'm asked. Many do not have a clue where their food comes from. It's important for our children to grow up to know the importance of agriculture in their life.

How about participating in the Literacy Project through Ag in the Classroom. The Oregon State Grange is a proud sponsor of the Literacy project. It's as easy as reading a book to K-4th graders and then doing a short craft project. The reading and craft take about 45 minutes. This project is helping students grow in their knowledge of agriculture, the environment, and natural resources.

Let's get involved with this project. It starts the first of March. Please call 541-741-1046 or email me at vpjbears@q.com for more information.



As many of you know my husband and I have farmed for 40 years and

2022 Grange Scholarships

OSG Foundation Scholarships

Marcel "Muzzy" Mandel Memorial Scholarship

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

Mary Helen Sauter Ramm Memorial Scholarship

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

Oregon State Grange Scholarships

Charles E. Spence Memorial

An applicant must have been a Grange member in Oregon for at least two years. Scholarship can be used at applicant's choice of school. Value \$1000.

Grange Workers Activities (GWA)

Goes to an Oregon Grange member, who by September 1 will have completed at least one year of college, business school, nurses training, or vocational education. Check will be mailed to the school. You must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours fall term. One \$1000 scholarship.

For all of the above scholarships: The application forms were mailed

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

Grange Insurance Association Scholarship

Applicants must meet one of the following:

- A current GIA policyholder or the dependent of a GIA policyholder living in Oregon, California, Colorado, Idaho, Washington, or Wyoming.
- The dependent of current a GIA company employee, but not the child or legal ward of officers, directors or agents of GIA.
- The previous recipient of a GIA scholarship.

Deadline is March 1st. For more information and application www.orgrange.org/scholarships/ Value of scholarships range \$1000 to \$2500.

National GROW Club Scholarship

A Grange member in good standing who is a full-time student enrolled in a college, university, community college, technical institution or trade school. Value \$500 Deadline September 1

For all of the above scholarships: additional information is available in the 2022 Awards, Contests and Scholarship booklet which was mailed to each Grange household in January. The information is also available on the Oregon State Grange website: www.orgrange.org/scholarships/



GWA

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A Brief Snapshot of the History of Crocheting and Knitting

Many of our contests are for crocheted or knitted items. But, how did we get here?

Traditions are passed down through the ages, some are kept, some are lost, and others become a worldwide sensation. Some examples of these hobbies would be needlework and woodcraft.

This craft called needlework, includes many different subjects such as embroidery, knitting, crocheting, and weaving. All these were used by our Ancestors, the Pioneers, as they needed to make their own clothing. But where did some of these beautiful skills come from? And how can they influence our world today.

Crocheting is a thoroughly enjoyed hobby used to make an assortment of items; from scarves and blankets, to dresses and toys, the skill has been passed down through generations and kept alive in American culture. And even though the origins are a mystery, there are some clues that archaeologists have uncovered in Europe. These clues led to another set of finger-prints that led to China's ancient embroidery craft called Tambour. It is said that crochet originated from Tambour, however there are many other claims including that claim that crochet originated from Peru almost 2000 years ago. Others argue that it came from Ireland, still archaeologists are unsure.

And even though its origin is unknown, through some miraculous way the craft of Crochet made it to Americas where the colonists learned the close cousin to knitting.

Knitting is a technique of making fabric with yarn on two or more needles. The word "knitting" comes from the word "knot". Knitting is made of wool, silk, and other fibers. The first pieces of clothing made in the technique similar to knitting were socks. These socks were done with Nålebinding which is a technique that uses single needle and thread. There are ideas that knitting began in Middle East, from there came to Europe through Mediterranean trade routes and then to the Americas from Europe.

The oldest knitted items have been found in Egypt and are dated between the 11th and 14th centuries AD. Spanish Christian royal families employed Muslim knitters and their

works are the earliest known knitted items in Europe. They were very skillful and made many different items like cushion covers and gloves. Archaeological findings from the many cities of Europe show that knitting spread throughout Europe in the 14th century. During 16th century, knitting spreads through Britain. On the Scottish Isles, during the 17th and 18th centuries, knitting becomes preoccupation of many. There were cases of whole families who did knitting as a form of a job and it became an important source of their income. Sweaters were one of the major items that were knitted because they proved useful to the local fishermen of these islands. In time, many elaborate designs were developed.

Before Industrial revolution there were mechanical ideas for faster knitting but they didn't spread too far. When the revolution started, machines appeared that did wool spinning, cloth manufacturing and even for knitting lace. After the war knitting again became popular because many new colors appeared along with new designs and patterns for knitting. Children were also taught knitting in schools. In 1980s machine-knitted items became so cheap comparing to handmade that interest for and popularity of hand-knitting started to decline.

With the beginning of the 21st century knitting starts to be popular again. Reason for this popularity is "Handmade Revolution" and ease of finding information on the internet. The more exotic natural fibers from animals, such as alpaca, angora, and merino and plant fibers have become easier and less costly to find in this day as well as designs and patterns thanks, again, to internet. Knitters can also connect easier over the internet and exchange experiences. In 2007, Ravelry, the knitting, crochet, and fiber arts forum, was created. Crochet and social media merge, becoming very popular and causing the creation of crochet blogs and communities.

There you go, the history of crochet. Hopefully, this satisfied your curiosity, and you discovered something interesting about this wonderful hobby.



2022 National Grange Quilt Block Contest

Pattern, Size & Colors

- 12 1/4" unfinished Wonky Star (pattern available, courtesy of Scissortail Quilting Company at <https://bit.ly/22wonkystar>)
- Background color white or light gray; star color monochromatic (print or solid)

Rules

- The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to both members and prospective members.
- All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by June 30, 2022. Send entries to:
Ann Bercher, National Lecturer
377 Excelsior Blvd. #310
Excelsior, MN 55331
- Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 156th National Grange convention in Sparks, Nevada.
- 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 will be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity. You will receive

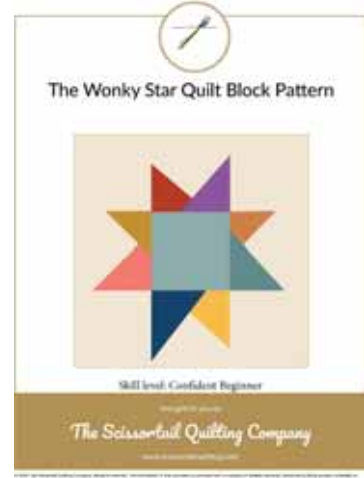
- a donation letter from the Grange Foundation acknowledging your donation.
- A 2022 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged. Entry forms are available on the National Grange website. <https://www.nationalgrange.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/2022-Quilt-Block-Contest-Entry-Form.pdf>

Groups

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

Prizes

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



The Wonky Star Quilt Block Pattern

This block is a great way to get your feet wet with improv patchwork!

You will need a background fabric and some colored rectangular scraps. The scrap you use for your central square needs to be as large as all the other squares you cut. Your other scraps need to be about 2/3rds the width of your squares and a few inches longer.

REMEMBER: Even when you're "finished" making the block, we call it an "unfinished" block until it is sewn into a quilt.

NOTE: For all seams, you should use a scant 1/4" seam and a 2.0 mm stitch length. Your unfinished block should measure 1/2" more than the finished size you are making. (i.e. For a 6" finished block, your block should measure 6.5")

NOTE: Try to experiment with different angles as you make your "wonky" units so that no two are alike.

NOTE: Arrange the four units you just made and your remaining squares as shown in the exploded diagram at the top of the page. This can now be assembled like a 9-patch: simply sew the blocks in each row together and then sew all the rows together, being careful to nest your seams.

Cutting Chart:

| | Block | Scrap | FINISHED UNIT | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|---------------|------|------|------|
| | | | 6" | 6" | 4.5" | 4.5" |
| Unit 9 Background | 1 sq | 1 sq | 2.5" | 3.5" | 4.5" | 4.5" |
| Unit 1 Center Square | 1 sq | 1 sq | 2.5" | 3.5" | 4.5" | 4.5" |

Block Construction:

- Take one of your background squares and place a rectangular scrap over its right side (together) as shown in the image below. Sew a seam 1/4" from the edge of the scrap. Trim the excess seam and press open. Trim again so that the unit is square again.
- Using the square you just made, take another strip and lay it over the other side of the unit, right sides together, as shown below. Again, sew a seam 1/4" from the edge of the scrap. Trim the seam, press open and then square it up again. Repeat steps 1 and 2 until you have made four units.
- Arrange the four units you just made and your remaining squares as shown in the exploded diagram at the top of the page. This can now be assembled like a 9-patch: simply sew the blocks in each row together and then sew all the rows together, being careful to nest your seams.

Beaver Creek Grange Fundraiser



St Patrick's Celebration Dinner

Saturday, March 19, 2022 4:00-7:00

In Person (masks required until eating) or To Go

Corned Beef & Cabbage (optional Chicken),
Red Potatoes, Carrots, Salad,
Irish Soda Bread (GF biscuit option),
Beverages & Dessert

\$15.00 adults \$3.00 extra serving of meat
Kids 5 & under free \$10.00 kids 12 & under

www.beavercreekgrange.org

Advance TO GO orders, please call or text 503.320.2245

\$10.00

Swiss steak Dinner
at Lacomb Grange
5:00 to 7:00
Saturday Feb. 19-2022

Door Prizes
including Dessert

Enjoy a old time meal in
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TASTY

Remember
State Community
Service Reports must be
postmarked by March 31.
Mail to:
Oregon State Grange
643 Union St NE ~
Salem OR 97301



Community Service Involvement



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Our motto: *Making a Difference in the Community*

Sisters and Brothers, we find ourselves entering a second year of wearing masks and isolation. Nationally we are called upon to work together and make sacrifices. At home we continue to seek out ways we can help our neighbors. Granges have responded overwhelmingly to the challenge and are doing their best to help their community. Make a note: the Community Service Report (not the notebook) should be submitted to the Oregon State Office no later than **MARCH 31, 2022**.

Please send in your report and let me know how and what your Grange did during this tough times. You might be able to help inspire some Granges with your report and ideas.

We will still be judging Community Service Yearbooks and awarding prizes, so after you have sent in your report then put together your book to illustrate what you did last year. Community Service Yearbooks must be entered for judging at the State Grange Convention by **noon on Sunday of convention**. If no one from your Grange is attending the convention, you may mail your book to the Community Ser-

vice Director postmarked no later than **June 1**. **Forms and instructions are available on the Oregon State Grange Website.**

One of the many benefits of doing Community Service is it gets you out and involved in your neighborhood. This allows you to discover what is needed and how you can fill that need by living the Grange mission. You will meet new friends as well as gaining new members.

Remember:
For the month of February make Valentine Cards for the Vets and the homebound and those in assisted living facilities.

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.

Everything counts as volunteer hours when a Grange member works with another group for a common cause in partnership with the Grange and hours count when two or more Granges work together on a community service project.

It's Pie Auction and Social at Goshen

Goshen Grange will resume their Annual Pie Auction and Social in 2022. The date to remember is Saturday, March 12, 2022. The auction will start at 2pm and continue until all the pies are sold. After the auction we will have the Pie Social and all the pie you can eat with some left over. Usually there are more than 25 pies to bid on. Many choices to choose from. This is Goshen's biggest fundraiser all year. Plan on attending and bring some friends who like pie. It's Fun.



Goshen Grange Hall - 85628 Dillard Access Rd. Eugene, 97405.

Siletz Valley Grange to Raffle Quilt

The Siletz Valley Grange #558, Lincoln County, were gifted with two handmade quilts from the Veterans Quilt Project of Lincoln County which meets in their hall to assemble the quilts. This summer the Grange will be selling raffle tickets for the larger of the two quilts as a fundraiser and the smaller one will be on display in the Grange Hall.



L-r: Pictured with both quilts are Michelle Schaffer, Grange President and Betty Wilson a member of the Grange and the Quilting project.

Oregon Granges Serving Their Communities

Siletz Supports Christmas Stockings

Siletz Valley Grange #558, Lincoln County, presented the Siletz Valley Volunteer Fire Fighters with a check for \$200 for their annual Christmas Basket Program. The money is used for Christmas Stocking for the children and food boxes for the families.



R: Arnold Schaffer, Siletz Valley Grange Member, presented the check to the newly appointed Fire Chief David Lapof and Volunteer Firefighter Gail Johnson.



L-r: Oak Grove Grange Master Jency Rosasco and Community Service Chairman Carol Harris show off the Little Library

Lane Pomona Collects Food In 2022

Lane Pomona Grange #14 is starting 2022 with a new Community Service project. The hosting Grange of the Pomona meetings will be receiving food donations from attending Granges and Grangers. The donations will include non-perishable foods, paper products, soaps and other household items that are useable.

The hosting Grange can use these donations as they like; food boxes, food supplies, food pantries, or wherever using the donations will be valuable to them. Four Granges in Lane County will benefit from this project in 2022.

Walterville Grange #496, who hosted the January Pomona meeting, has already received a good amount of food and products. They were very happy about the donations.

April Pomona meeting will be at Mohawk McKenzie Grange. July Pomona meeting will be at Triangle Grange, and October meeting will be at Spencer Creek Grange. Lane County Grangers remember to bring your donations to the Pomona meetings. For more information on Pomona Community Service Projects contact Linda Wetzell, Lane Pomona Community Service Chairman at wetzells@aol.com.



Above: Liz and Jeff Dehne with the items brought to the January Lane Pomona meeting. Liz is the Community Service chairman for Walterville Grange.



L: Brenda Hassler works on a pinecone tree.

Oak Grove Grange's Little Library

In the past year Carol Harris, a member of Oak Grove Grange #198 Polk County, had seen several Little Free Libraries around the Dallas and Salem areas.

She researched Little Libraries online and came up with measurements and the directions to build one. This became her pet project.

During one of Oak Grove's meetings, she asked if the Little Library could be placed on the Grange property, in the hopes of bringing more people in the Community to the Grange hall. Carol wanted it to be a replica of the Oak Grove one room grade school located across the street.

Carol began gathering the necessary supplies, most of which were donated. She then collaborated with Carl Capps, a member of the Community. The project took a few months of work to complete the Little Oak Grove School Library.

On Sunday, July 25th a ribbon cutting, and a dedication ceremony was held at the Grange hall. There were thirty community members present. There were also approximately 2,500 books and magazines donated, which included children's books.

The Little Library is open to anyone who likes to read. The Grange is located at 2670 Oak Grove, Rickreall, OR 97371.

It has been several months since the dedication ceremony, which has given the Grange time to see how the people in the community would react to having the Little Library. They are elated to say the least. The people have been bringing book in and taking books home to read. The Little Library is full, and they have a big cooler full of all kinds of books to add to it.

If you would like more information on creating your own Little Free Library, you may contact Carol Harris at 503-363-5667.



L-r: Linda Wetzell, Dorothy Key, and Brenda Hassler delivering the pinecone trees to the Lebanon Veterans Home.

Veterans Receive Trees for Christmas

Goshen Grange #561, Lane County, members made 150 miniature pinecone Christmas trees. Members then delivered the gifts to the Lebanon Veterans Home on December 16, 2021.

It took about twenty minutes to decorate a pinecone with beads. They turned out very cute and the Veterans love having their very own Christmas Tree.

Oregon Granges Serving Their Communities

Crow Holds Benefit Breakfast

Crow Grange #450, Lane County, held the 2nd annual Steve Boehringer Memorial Breakfast on Sunday November 21st. They had a nice crowd of friends and neighbors who came and picked up their carry out breakfast and also donated a little extra to the event.

On Monday January 3rd the annual Steve Boehringer wrestling tournament was held at Crow High school and Connie Suing, Crow President, presented the Cougar Mat Club with a check for \$760,



Above: Dan Suing flipping pancakes for the breakfast

Morning Star Hosts Children's Party

A family fun event was held on October 9th by Morning Star Grange #311, Linn County, for members of their community. The Children's Halloween Party was setup as a "walk through" event. Four tables



L: Peggy Jillson delivered the hundreds of pounds of cat and dog food.

the proceeds from the breakfast.

Steve Boehringer had a huge passion for life. He was a very active member of Crow Grange #450, Lane County, starting as a Junior in 1967 up until his untimely passing at the age of 23 in 1985.

He held many offices at Crow including President in 1984. He was also part of many drill and degree teams that came out of Lane County in the late 1970's and early 1980's. Steve loved playing sports. In high school he played football, baseball, and wrestled. Wrestling became his passion and after high school while attending the University of Oregon, he became the wrestling coach at Crow High School. One of his wrestlers, Troy Jentsch, is the current wrestling coach at Crow High and contributes a lot of his drive and commitment for the sport to the values he learned from Steve.

Crow Grange appreciated everything Steve did for the Crow Grange and the Crow community and are so happy to help support his passion for sport, school, and community in this way. They plan to continue to make this an annual event.

were set up to be stations where an activity occurred.

At station #1 each child was provided with a Halloween-themed small tote bag. Station #2 featured a game with prizes to be added to the tote bag. Station #3 allowed the children to have their picture taken in their costumes against a spooky background. (The parents liked this.) Stations #4 and #5 also had games with the prizes. Station #6 provided pumpkin decoration materials and Station #7 free pumpkins which were donated by Bill Case Farms.

Approximately thirty-five children from the neighborhood attended. There was no food available this year but bags of treats were available. A good time was had by all the children and family members.



Above: The wrestling mat purchased after years of fund raising in honor of Steve Boehringer.



L-r: Connie Suing, President of Crow Grange presenting the check to the Cougar Mat Club during the tournament. Above is current coach and former wrestling student of Steve's, Troy Jentsch, and Keri Boehringer-Lutje, Steve's younger sister.

Lane Pomona Grange Quarterly Community Service Projects

Lane Pomona Grange had four quarterly Community Service Projects and one year long project for 2021.

The first quarter project was Valentines for Veterans. 750 Valentines were delivered to the Eugene Veterans Clinic and the Lebanon Veterans Center. There were fifteen Granges in Lane County that participated in this project.

The second quarter project was donations to LOVEfirst a Disaster Relief Center in Springfield. Monetary donations came to \$380, along with hundreds of pounds of animal, cat, and dog food as requested by the organization. There were sixteen Granges in Lane County that participated in this project.

The third quarter project was collecting and recycling eyeglasses. Seven Granges participated and donated over 250 pair of glasses and accessories. Most of the glasses were de-

L: The Valentines for Veterans were delivered to the Eugene Veterans Clinic and the Lebanon Veterans Center

livered to The Oregon Eye Institute.

The fourth quarter project was collecting gloves, hats, and socks (GHS) to keep Veterans, the homeless, and others warm for the Winter. Eight Granges collected items. The items were given to several places that distributed clothing and other supplies for those in need.

Ada Grange specifically gave a large donation to the Siuslaw Outreach Services in Florence.

The yearlong project was collecting sandwich bags and Ziplocs for the Hope House Soup Kitchen in Springfield. The bags are used for sandwiches in Lane County that participated in giving over 50 boxes of bags to the soup kitchen.

Overall, nineteen Lane County Granges participated in the projects. The Granges that participated in all projects were: Ada, Creswell, Goshen, Lowell, Mohawk McKenzie, Thurston, and Watterville. Thank you to all the Granges that participated.

2022-2024 Oregon State Grange Officer Nominations

The Oregon State Grange elects officers in even years. Below are the **names of the members** who were nominated for offices by Subordinate/Community Granges followed by **their primary Grange and number** and the **Granges who nominated them**. To accept a nomination for an office, nominees must file a written statement (and optionally a current photograph) with the State Grange office no later than 5 pm on March 1. No member may be a candidate for more than one office. Statements and pictures will be published in a special election issue of the Grange Bulletin that will be mailed in mid-March. Subordinate/Community Granges shall vote on State Officers at any regular meeting in April and send their results to the State Grange office no later than May 5. An Election Committee will tabulate the votes, and the results will be published in the June Bulletin.

Master/President

Jay Sexton - Marys River #685, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beaver Creek #276, Clarkes #261, Crow #450, Fairmount #252, Irving #377, Lake Creek #697, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Skyline #894, Springwater #263, Waltherville #416, Warner #117, Warren #536, Willamette #52

Sam Keator - Winona #271, Boulevard #389, Hurricane Creek #608, Riversdale #731

John Fine - Riversdale #731, Creswell #496

David McBride - Hurricane Creek #608, White Eagle #683

Susan Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Molalla #310

Overseer/Vice President

Celia Fox - Boring-Damascus #260, Beaver Creek #276, Skyline #894, Waltherville #416

Phillip Van Buren - Midland #781, Boulevard #389, Midland #781, White Eagle #683

Jeff Dehne - Waltherville #416, Marys River #685, Willamette #52

Jeanie Force - Sunnyside #842, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Springwater #263

Teresa Cernac - Warren #536, Riversdale #731

Sonny Hays - Eberts - Marys River #685, Warren #536

Carol Everman - Beaver Valley #306, Irving #377

Mark Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Creswell #496

David McBride - Hurricane Creek #608, Abernethy #346

Don Sether - Molalla #310, Hurricane Creek #608

Don Kingsborough - Warner #117, Crow #450

Lecturer

Cookie Trupp - Spencer Creek #855, Abernethy #346, Beaver Creek #276, Boulevard #389, Crow #450, Forest Grove #282, Hurricane Creek #608, Irving #377, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Molalla #310, Riversdale #731, Santiam Valley #828, Waltherville #416, Warren #536, Willamette #52

Courtney Croy - Spencer Creek #855, White Eagle #683

Tim Dehne - Lacombe #907, Lacombe #907

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Springwater #263, Skyline #894

Susan Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Creswell #496

Steward

Phil Van Buren - Midland #781,

Abernethy #346, Beaver Creek #276, Creswell #496, Hurricane Creek #608, Irving #377, Marys River #685, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Riversdale #731, Santiam Valley #828, Skyline #894, Waltherville #416, Willamette #52

Christy Dumolt - Clarkes #261, Crow #450, Forest Grove #282, Midland #781, Molalla #310, Springwater #263

Mark Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Boulevard #389, White Eagle #683

Terry Elliot - Ada #570, Warren #536

Lyle Utt - Fairmount #252, Fairmount #252

Assistant Steward

Wayne Cabler - Central Point #698, Beaver Creek #276, Creswell #496, Hurricane Creek #608, Midland #781, Santiam Valley #828, White Eagle #683

Jeff Dehne - Waltherville #416, Boulevard #389, Crow #450, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Skyline #894, Waltherville #416

Lexie Suing - Crow #450, Marys River #685, Willamette #52

Jim J. Dumolt - Clarkes #261, Warren #536

Bob Ludi - Sunnyside #842, Abernethy #346

Austin VanHouten - Riversdale #731, Riversdale #731

Lady Assistant Steward

Connie Suing - Crow #450, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Hurricane Creek #608, Irving #377, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Skyline #894, Waltherville #416, Warren #536, White Eagle #683, Willamette #52

Liz Dehne - Waltherville #416, Boulevard #389

Christy Dumolt - Clarkes #261, Abernethy #346

Linda Helm - Phoenix #779, Beaver Creek #276

JC Junkman - Clarkes #261, Forest Grove #282

Aurianna VanHouten - Riversdale #731, Riversdale #731

Chaplain

Paula Herrick - Waltherville #416, Boulevard #389, Marys River #685, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Skyline #894, Willamette #52

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Springwater #263, Hurricane Creek #608, Warren #536, Washington #313, White Eagle #683

Randi Embree - Macleay #293, Abernethy #346, Creswell #496, Waltherville #416,

Stacy Brown - Forest Grove #282, Riversdale #731

Celia Fox - Boring Damascus #260, Clarkes #261

Don Furlan - Beaver Creek #276, Beaver Creek #276

Pricilla Phillips - Goshen #561, Crow #450

Phillip Van Buren - Midland #781, Midland #781

Treasurer

Sonny Hays-Eberts - Marys River #685, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beaver Creek #276, Clarkes #261, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Santiam Valley #828, Skyline #894, Springwater #263, Waltherville #416, Willamette #52

Christy Dumolt - Clarkes #261 - Boulevard #389

Sarah Kingsborough-Jenkins - Warner #117, Hurricane Creek #608

Mark Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Forest Grove #282

Susan Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Warren #536

Cat Thomas - Harding #122, White Eagle #683

Secretary

Sarah Kingsborough-Jenkins - Warner #117, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beaver Creek #276, Boulevard #389, Clarkes #261, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Forest Grove #282, Irving #377, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Molalla #310, Riversdale #731, Skyline #894, Springwater #263, Waltherville #416, Warner #117, Warren #536, White Eagle #683, Willamette #52

Teresa Cernac - Warren #536, Hurricane Creek #608

Gatekeeper

Orrin Schnetzky - Tigard #148, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beaver Creek #276, Molalla #310, White Eagle #683

Riley Reynolds - Santiam Valley, Marys River #685, Skyline #894, Warren #536, Willamette #52

Patrick Dearth - Creswell #496, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Forest Grove #282

Mark Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Waltherville #416

Sonny Hays Eberts - Marys River #685, Boulevard #389

David McBride - Hurricane Creek #608, Hurricane Creek #608

Richard McDonnell - Little Deschutes, #939 Little Deschutes #939

Jesse O'Dell - Santiam Valley #828, Riversdale #731

Ceres

Linda Pugh - Ada #570, Abernethy #346, Beaver Creek #276, Boulevard #389, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Hurricane Creek #608, Irving #377, Midland #781, Riversdale #731, Waltherville #416

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Springwater #263, Ada #570, Creswell #496, Molalla #310, Springwater #263

Linda Helm - Phoenix #779, Santiam Valley #828, Skyline #894

Brianna Herrick - Waltherville #416, Warren #536, White Eagle #683

Liz Dehne - Waltherville #416, Fairmount #252

Alissa Jenkins - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Mohawk-McKenzie #747

Carmel Valencia - Phoenix #779, Marys River #685

Pomona

Linda Helm - Phoenix #779, Abernethy #346, Boulevard #389, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Riversdale #731, Willamette #52

Courtney Croy - Spencer Creek #855, Skyline #894,

Liz Dehne - Waltherville #416, Waltherville #416

Leila Dumolt - Beaver Creek #276, Santiam Valley #828

Lois Ensinger - Hurricane Creek #608, Hurricane Creek #608

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Springwater #263, Beaver Creek #276

Sandi Ludi - Sunnyside #842, Molalla #310

Breanna McKay - Abernethy #346, Warren #536

Peyton Miller - Waltherville #416, White Eagle #683

Flora

Sandi Ludi - Sunnyside #842, Abernethy #346, Beaver Creek #276, Boulevard #389, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Riversdale #731, Skyline #894, Waltherville #416, White Eagle #683, Willamette #52

Courtney Croy - Spencer Creek #855 - Warren #536

Eva Frost - Warren #536, Hurricane Creek #608

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John Fine - Riversdale #731, Ada #570, Beaver Creek #276, Boulevard #389, Hurricane Creek #608, Lacombe #907, Midland #781, Riversdale #731, Santiam Valley #828, Warren #536, White Eagle #683

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How to Prevent Package Theft All Year Long

By Insurance Blog
December 3, 2021



Whether you're still trying to limit your risk of catching COVID-19 or you just love browsing for gifts online, it's hard to beat the convenience of online shopping. But with that convenience comes some risk. Here's to how to prevent package theft all year long!

Arrange Deliveries Around Your Schedule

Are you at home and able to quickly bring in packages a few days a week? It may be easier than you think to schedule your deliveries to arrive when you're able to retrieve them. Apps like FedEx Delivery Manager® and UPS My Choice® aren't free, but they do allow you to delay or re-route packages to avoid potential porch pirates.

Send Your Packages to a Secure Location

Wondering how to prevent package theft when you're too busy to reasonably schedule your packages at home? It may make sense to send your more expensive items to a secure location. In fact, FedEx allows you to pick up packages from nearby Walgreens, while Amazon Hub features special lockers and locations where you can send packages. You might even consider sending packages straight to your office where there will always be someone to receive them. Just make sure there are no policies against it before you click "purchase."

Provide Delivery Instructions

Have you ever noticed the box that asks for "delivery instructions" when ordering something online? One of our favorite package theft prevention tips is to notate where the delivery person should place your package when it's delivered. If, for example, you have a large column or a bulky chair on your porch, you can request they place the item behind these obstructions, making the packages harder to see from the road. If it's easily accessible, you can even request they place items on your back porch.

Invest in a Video Doorbell or Security Cameras

It's no secret that security cameras can deter burglars and prevent package theft. While video doorbells and security cameras aren't cheap, if you're ordering expensive items throughout the year, it may be the financially responsible decision. Just remember, while these items may deter porch pirates, they aren't a guarantee that your items won't be stolen.

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Oregon Junior Grangers



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OSG Junior Director



What's A State Grange Director?

Do you ever wonder why the *Bulletin* has all these director columns? Our State Grange has the same roster of officers as a local Grange. We elect them every two years at the state convention. Then the state President appoints committee directors to lead our work across the state. Those committees include Agriculture, Community Service, Education, Juniors, Youth & Young Adults, and Veterans. The OSG Lecturer has a committee too, that does the same kind of work. Altogether, there are 12 committees, and each one should have at least six more people, one for each of the six districts in the state. (*This year we'll be considering changing our six districts to five, and that would mean only five people per committee.*)

I've been a director for a little over three years, and I'm still trying to find my six district representatives. If you are interested in promoting Grange for kids, please talk to me! I think anyone who's served on a statewide committee will tell you the best part was making friends and visiting new places across the state. Now that we're good at Zoom, we don't travel so much for meetings, but we still get together in person a couple of times a year. You will have to give a bit of your time, but most expenses can be reimbursed.

My committee works (and plays) really hard at the convention because we do Juniors all week long. During the rest of the year there are Granges holding Junior events that we love to attend. Sometimes we

are able to send cool things out to Juniors and their leaders. Our State Grange would love to sponsor a Junior camp every year, and there's scholarship help available if you're able to go to Grange camp in other states. The National Grange has Junior contests and special events like the Washington DC Experience that we can help Juniors participate in. We help adults who work with Juniors get background checks and program information.

The Junior Grange has badges and passports that you can earn by going through steps of learning about everything from weather to Grange history to postage stamps. We encourage Juniors to stretch their talents in public speaking and artistic performance, with contests and awards for excellence and enthusiastic Grange audiences wherever you go.

A little bit about me: I live in Eugene and I have one daughter who is married and lives in Corvallis. Right now, I have four permanent grandchildren and two more who are spending time as part of our family. We belong to Irving Grange #377 in Eugene where I am the Treasurer. I'm President of Lane Pomona Grange. I love going to fairs. Every year I try to visit my family in Canada during their fair, which has been held since 1906. I grew up on a farm and raised turkeys in 4H. I joined the Grange in 1997 when I needed a meeting place for my Girl Scout troop. The Girl Scouts grew up and moved on, but by then Grange had become a part of my life.

Washington DC Experience 2022

Grange Youth, Young Adults, and Juniors are invited to join the National Grange in Washington, DC on March 12-15, 2022 for the Washington DC Experience.

The purpose of the Washington DC Experience is for Young Grangers from across the country to learn about how the Grange functions on the legislative side.

Youth and Juniors will receive instruction on the ways in which Grangers can advocate on the issues they feel important to shape public policy and their communities. They will have the opportunity to get a behind-the-scenes look at what government is and how it operates in Washington, DC, attend briefings on issues important to the Grange Legislative Department and meeting with governmental departments (such as the Department of Agriculture or Department of Education), meet with their Congressmen

and Senators and tour DC.

Travel and lodging costs are the responsibility of the attendees with a \$150 registration fee to cover some meal costs and tours. Potomac Grange #1 of Washington DC offers a scholarship to attend the event - please see the application for the Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship opportunity in the National Youth and Junior Grange Program books.

The tentative schedule will include:

- Saturday: Meet and Greet at Hotel
- Sunday: Travel to National Grange Headquarters - Learn about the NG Legislative department, mock Interviews and tour the city
- Monday: Briefings at National Headquarters - Department visits
- Tuesday: Meetings with Representatives and wrap up dinner





Government Affairs

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Hello Grangers, hope all is well. This is to keep you informed as to what the Covid 19 doing in our State. Please stay informed and stay Safe.

Oregon Could Ration

Medical Care as Largest Wave of Pandemic Hits The State

Oregon is on a "red alert" for the growing wave of the omicron variant of COVID-19 that has pushed the daily new case count to 10,451 as of Friday January 6, eclipsing the records set over the past four days.

The current omicron wave is forecast to peak on Jan. 27 with 1,650 people in the hospital, according to the latest forecast released Thursday by the Oregon Health & Science University. If the forecast is correct, the top mark will be 30% higher than the peak of the delta variant wave that crested at the beginning of September.

Seeing the omicron cases that are sweeping across states to the east, the Oregon Health Authority on Friday January 6 issued a "crisis care" protocol to guide doctors faced with prioritizing possibly life-or-death care. Based on a model already used by Washington and other states, patients who would not survive if discharged have top priority. Patients already under care take precedence over newly arriving cases of the same level. If a choice needs to be made between two patients in similar medical situations, the decision will be made at random using a "triage algorithm" provided by OHA.

"This is a very difficult topic to consider and work on," said Dana Hargunani, Oregon Health Authority chief medical officer. OHA said the protocol was "interim" because it is being implemented without the normal level of review and public comment. Revisions will be considered in the future. The protocol requires hospitals to inform OHA when they need to implement the system and also post in public view at hospital entrances that it is being used.

Omicron spreads twice as fast as the delta variant that swamped Oregon hospitals, peaking in September. Early studies show omicron more easily infects fully vaccinated people compared to earlier versions of COVID-19. But people who have received the two-shot Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and also had the recently added booster shot are unlikely to suffer the worst outcomes.

In so-called "breakthrough" cases, people who have had the maximum number of shots make up about 4% of those needing hospital care and

1% of deaths. The average age of death for that group is 81.

Dr. Dean Sidelinger, the state chief epidemiologist said omicron was a "red alert" for unvaccinated people, who make up the vast majority of severe cases requiring hospitalization, intensive care unit beds, ventilators and whose infections prove fatal. But the severity of omicron will be largely offset by the sheer number of people who will be infected. "That doesn't help with the kind of all-at-once impact on hospital capacity that we're going to see here, and hopefully prevent," said Peter Graven, the chief medical forecaster for Oregon Health & Science University.

The unvaccinated who fall severely ill will require high levels of care that will make it more difficult for already overstretched and exhausted medical personnel to care for people with heart attacks, strokes, and injuries from vehicle accidents.

Gov. Kate Brown also ordered the Oregon National Guard to deploy what Sidelinger called 500 "non-clinically trained" members to help relieve hospital staff around the state whose staff are depleted by infections among their own ranks. Which hospitals will receive aid from the National Guard is under consideration and won't likely be announced until Monday, according to Brown Press Secretary Liz Merah.

Under recent state guidelines following recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, anyone vaccinated who tests positive for COVID-19 should isolate for five days, then wear a mask in all places for another five days.

Keeping Oregon schools open with in-classroom teaching is the "North Star" guiding state policy, said Colt Gill, director of the Oregon Department of Education. But the virus is having an impact on schools that is likely to rise in coming weeks. "I'm not saying students and staff won't be exposed," Gill said.

Sidelinger said that he understood people are fatigued by what are now six waves of the virus since the pandemic reached Oregon in February 2020. But dropping masking, social distancing or not getting as many vaccinations as recommended will only extend the time before new infections get low enough for a return to some pre-COVID-19 conditions. "We're all tired of the virus, but the virus is not tired of us," he said.



"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world."
 Margaret Mead



IN-PERSON & ONLINE | APRIL 24-27

National Grange Legislative Fly-In

Every Grange member is invited to attend the 2022 National Grange Legislative Fly-In April 24-27 in person in Washington, DC or on Zoom.

Join your Grange Brothers and Sisters from around the country in promoting Grange policy priorities and participating in advocacy training. Then, put your training to use as you present your community's concerns to elected officials and their staff.

The Virtual Option is available on Monday, April 25 and includes access to issues briefings and speakers.

The Fly-In is one of the greatest ways members can engage in Grange advocacy and remind legislators and regulators of the unique grassroots way in which our policy is developed. Participants will help to tell the story of an organization that is relevant, vibrant, and speaks from and for the heart of America.

Register: bit.ly/flyin2022
Registration is FREE!

In-person attendees will have a full schedule Sunday evening through Wednesday morning plus the chance to attend the National Grange Champions of Rural America reception on Tuesday evening.

There are currently COVID-19 mandates in place throughout the DC area, please review the city requirements prior to registration.

Virtual attendees will be linked to Monday's issues briefings and speaker presentations through zoom. A zoom link will be sent out to virtual attendees one week prior to the event.

Speakers will be addressing these areas of interest and more:

- We are heading into the second year of the Biden White House and their Administration; find out what their priorities are heading into the 2022 midterm elections?
- Now that we have a once-in-a-couple-generations opportunity to deploy broadband, how will we actually connect the last mile of rural America?
- Even after COVID, health care issues will be paramount; what are they and what can

we do about them?

- The infrastructure package is now law; will it actually help agriculture, rural residents, and small-town America?
- Congress will begin hearings this year on a new farm bill – commodity supports, conservation, carbon capture, farm loans, rural development, and more; where is farm policy headed?

Here's your chance to get the latest scoop on what's happening in Washington and learn what you, the grassroots citizen, can do about it. Your grassroots input to Congress and the federal agencies has never been more important. Join the National Grange to become a Grange grassroots advocate.

Schedule

Sunday, April 24 - Welcome reception at the hotel

Monday, April 25 - Overview of Washington, Congress and Federal Agencies. How to best work with elected officials and staff. Issue briefings. Speakers.

Tuesday, April 26 - Capitol Hill appointments and Champions of Rural America Awards Reception

Wednesday, April 27 - Complete Capitol Hill appointments

More information on speakers, specific issues briefings, etc. will be released in the coming weeks!

Hotel

The Quality Inn
 1587 Spring Hill Road
 Vienna, VA 22182
 703-448-8020

Group rate is \$79 + 12% sales tax per night. The cut-off date to make a reservation is April 1, 2022. Located just one block from the Metro's Silver Line for travel to downtown Washington, D.C. The hotel also provides a complimentary full breakfast. Make your reservations directly with the hotel and mention that you would like to book with the National Grange's block of rooms

Additional information on recommended dress, links to registration, hotel reservations and Washington, DC's COVID-19 mandates are available on the National Grange website: www.national-grange.org/national-grange-legislative-fly-in-2022/

Legislative Update

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It is January and we are lulled to inactivity by wet chilly weather and muddy backyards, and by the thought that the new year has just started and there is plenty of time to finish all those projects on our list in time for sun-kissed summer fun. But in terms of our Oregon State Grange calendar the year is more than half over. Remember, several years ago the deadline for submitting resolutions to the annual convention was moved to 60 days prior to the session, so this year we have only until Wednesday April 20 to consider resolutions in our subordinate/community Granges and still get them to OSG in time. Many Granges are only meeting monthly and could have just two more meetings before that deadline. Late resolutions are only accepted for consideration if the delegates vote to allow them in, and there have been times when late resolutions were excluded from consideration. Don't take any chances, get your resolutions in on time.

The shorter timelines of both state and national Grange sessions can sometimes leave little or no time to research a question thoroughly. Here's an example of a resolution that would have benefited from a little more research before submitting it to state and national Grange. Last year one of Oregon's resolutions calling for professional certification of service animals made it all the way to the 2021 National Grange session but at National in Wichita Kansas it was ultimately given an unfavorable recommendation and voted down. The committee noted that they considered this a state issue. However, federal law (the Americans with Disabilities Act or ADA) governs service animals and states cannot enact laws to the contrary. If this resolution had included appropriate references to the ADA, it would have been obvious that it addressed an issue of national scope. The resolution might also have noted as a 'Whereas' that a disabled parking placard doesn't specify the disability of the bearer, but misuse or falsification of the placard are subject to criminal penalty. It seems only logical that similar parameters could be developed for ADA-recognized service animals, maintaining the individual's right to keep disability information confidential but still providing for some formal documentation regarding the legal status of their service animal.

Some Granges have encountered issues regarding service animals, therapy animals or emotional support animals so I did a little research into the matter. According to the le-

gal resources website NOLO.com, neither the ADA nor Oregon's service animal law includes Emotional Support or Therapy animals. The following is excerpted from the website ADA.gov, https://www.ada.gov/service_animals_2010.htm (emphasis added)

"The Department of Justice published revised final regulations implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for *title II (State and local government services)* and *title III (public accommodations and commercial facilities)*, on September 15, 2010, in the Federal Register. These requirements, or rules, contain updated requirements, including the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design (2010 Standards)." (I've included several of their bullet points below)

- Beginning on March 15, 2011, only dogs are recognized as service animals under titles II and III of the ADA.
- A service animal is a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for a person with a disability.
- Generally, title II and title III entities must permit service animals to accompany people with disabilities in all areas where members of the public are allowed to go.
- When it is not obvious what service an animal provides, only limited inquiries are allowed. Staff may ask two questions: (1) is the dog a service animal required because of a disability, and (2) what work or task has the dog been trained to perform. Staff cannot ask about the person's disability, require medical documentation, require a special identification card or training documentation for the dog, or ask that the dog demonstrate its ability to perform the work or task. (emphasis added)

Note that our Subordinate/Community Grange meetings are not public accommodations but some of our activities might be. Though non-members may observe our subordinate/community Grange meetings, they are only present by permission. However, a bingo event, public dinner or other fundraising event at your Grange hall would probably be considered a public accommodation and could be subject to ADA rules regarding service dogs.

Many animals are referred to as 'service' or 'therapy' and undoubtedly provide comfort, therapy or

Providing Testimony During the 2022 Legislative Session

The Oregon State legislature is holding their 2022 session February 1 – March 7. If you are interested in testifying remotely before one of the committees, submitting written testimony on a bill or finding and following a bill through the legislative process, Oregon State Grange lobbyist John DeHaas has put together this list of links to help you out.

How to testify at the Oregon State Capital during the upcoming Mini Session of the State Legislative Session.

- 1) **How to Testify**
www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/How-to-Testify.aspx
- 2) **How to submit testimony**
www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/Submit-Exhibits.aspx
- 3) **How to find a bill.**
www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/Find-a-Bill.aspx



All Grangers are invited

OSG Legislative Forum Zoom Meeting

When: Wednesday, February 23 @ 7 pm PST
Wednesday, March 30 @ 7 pm PDT

Where: Zoom

The OSG Legislative Committee will lead a discussion on proposed measures and petitions we are following, answer questions about resolution writing and deadlines, and talk about issues of interest.

Resolution deadline for Subordinate/Community Granges for the 2022 OSG Convention is April 20th.

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other benefits to their owner, but as stated above only dogs that have been trained to perform a specific function are considered 'service dogs' with rights and protections under ADA.

One more brief item, our most recent Legislative Zoom centered on the shrinking pharmacy options available to some of our rural cit-

izens, whether Oregon's gross receipts tax, implemented in 2020, is causing local pharmacies to close and if so, the potential for them to be exempted. We're researching the situation and hope to have more info at our next Zoom meeting on 2/23 at 7pm. Email me at marknoah00@gmail.com or the OSG office if you'd like to receive the Zoom invitation.

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS

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

| Pomona | Date | Time | Meeting Place |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|------------------------|
| Baker #24 | May 7 | 10:30 AM | New Bridge Grange |
| Benton #36 | Apr 16 | 10:30 AM | Summit Grange |
| Clackamas #1 | Feb 26 | 7:00 PM | Redland Grange |
| Columbia #18 | May 7 | 10:00 AM | Fern Hill |
| Deschutes #25 | May 14 | 11:30 AM | TBA |
| Douglas #13 | Apr 23 | 6:00 PM | TBA |
| Jackson #27 | Apr 23 | | TBA |
| Josephine #20 | Apr 30 | 10:00 AM | Illinois Valley Grange |
| Lane #14 | Apr 9 | 10:00 AM | Mohawk-McKenzie Gr. |
| Lincoln #10 | May 21 | 10:30 AM | Siletz Valley Grange |
| Linn #12 | Apr 9 | 10:00 AM | Lacomb Grange |
| Polk #3 | Apr 10 | 11:00 AM | Oak Grove Grange |
| Tillamook #9 | | | TBA |
| Umatilla-Morrow #26 | Apr 23 | 10:00 AM | TBA |
| Wallowa #22 | Apr 9 | 10:00 AM | Liberty Grange |
| Washington-Yamhill #2 | Feb 19 | 10:00 AM | Aloha Grange |



Membership Matters

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OSG Membership Director

Our January Community Grange meeting this year began with the installation of officers for the next two years. Many of you serving as Installing Officers have memorized the opening address. The traditional address is a great summary of the core values and the basis for the rituals of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry. One thing I always remember is that we are all interested in agriculture at least as consumers. These words from the installation address are very important for us to remember, and can serve to invite others to join. Please read excerpts from the Installing Officer's address.

"Since God placed man on earth, agriculture has existed. There is no occupation that precedes it, no order or association that can rank with the tillers of the soil. Before literature existed, before governments were known, agriculture was the calling of man. And all the fruits of social progress since then grew from the brown soil. Agricultural toilers, therefore, 'claim this precedence over royal dynasties and titles of nobility - that they represent the oldest and most indisputable

lineage, and hold a patent that issues from the ancient gates of Eden.'

"These teachings are the loftiest that man can seek. Nor does our Order interfere with his political or religious views, but in morality it seeks the highest standard. Honesty is inculcated, education nurtured, temperance supported, brotherly love cultivated, and charity made an essential characteristic. Thus, our Order binds us together in fraternity, by encouraging education, will advance to a higher state of perfection the science of agriculture.

"We ask none to join us who cannot see good in their fellow human beings; but to all interested in Agriculture, who have generous hearts and open hands to feed the needy, raise the fallen, and aid in making the labors of this life cheerful, we say, 'Welcome to the Grange.'

This address not only reminds us of who we are as Brothers and Sisters in the Grange, but also can serve as an informative invitation to potential new members.



Grangers vs. Patrons Facebook Fun Fact Friday Mifflin Grange #1725 December 3, 2021

If you are familiar with, or a member of our Order, you have undoubtedly heard the term "Granger" applied to our members. It is interesting to note, that the proper nomenclature is "Patrons," and that while we often use these terms interchangeably, there was a point in our history where the former was used as a derogatory remark!

During the strained years of the struggle between farmers and monopolies, the term "Grangers," emerged as a term of ridicule, as the opponents of our farming organization sought to belittle both our position and our organization.

To quote Rev. A. B. Gross, one of our founders, on the subject: "As to deriving the name for our members from the place where they meet, instead of using the correct name of Patrons, it is just as improper as it would be to call

Masons, Odd Fellows and Good Templars, Lodgers; or Sons of Temperance, Divisioners; or Rechabites and Sons of Jonadab, Tenters. Propriety and justice demand that each organization have its own chosen name, whatever that may be: In this case the chosen chartered name is Patrons; in full, Patrons of Husbandry."

Despite the earnest efforts of Mr. Gross, as well as others, the use of the term "Granger" not only persists, but has stood the test of our Patrons and in many ways become quite our own. Time has healed the original slur so fully, that we no longer realize it was ever a point of contention. We are proud of our rich history in this, our Country, and equally proud to hold the title of Patron...or Granger, whichever association and title links us in your minds with the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry.

Union Hill Celebrates Their Five Nonagenarian Members

Can you beat this record of "90-year-old" as active members of your Grange? Union Hill Grange #728, Marian County, near Sublimity, Oregon, has five active members over 90 years of age regularly attending the meeting.

They came from near and far to become Union Hill members.

MaryAnn Scott has lived one mile from the Union Hill Grange since 1951. She has held various offices and was Master for seventeen consecutive years - a record at Union Hill and was Matron of Junior Grange for many years. She grew up outside Shaw, Oregon on a small prune farm and held many other jobs with animals, gardens and berries. She walked two miles to grade school at Shaw for all eight grades. Then attended Aumsville High School. Took some college classes at Chemeketa and was bookkeeper, etc., for Scotts Farms trucking business for over 50 years. Now managing the family sequential farm with daughters Connie and Judy.

Joye Wymer-Patten was born and raised in Newport, Washington where she attended grade school. Then moved to McMinnville, Oregon where she attended high school. She met her husband, Richard Patten there and they moved to the Victor Point area. Joye was a librarian at Willamette University and held various other jobs. They had four children. Lorie, Judy, Morgan & Dickie. They joined Grange in 2004.

William "Bill" Cecil Williams was born and raised in Nova Scotia, Canada. As a young boy, he helped his father build fishing boats to catch lobster and spent many days with his father out on the water. He played ice hockey growing up and then professionally in Canada, then signed up to play at Toledo,

Ohio when he was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was stationed on the East coast at Fort Eustis, Virginia, where he met his friend Guy Scott. After the war ended, he returned to Michigan where he lost his wife during the birth of their son. He then moved to Sacramento, California to have family available to help with his baby boy. After retirement, he moved to Sublimity to be near his Army buddy, Guy. Bill now resides at a 55 and over park in Salem. He had two sons, Billy (deceased) and Jimmy.

Marjorie Tate-White was born at the farm home where she now lives near Sublimity. She was a Junior Grange member at age 6 in 1934 and now a regular member. She remembers walking to school at Oak Grove about a half mile, which is now attached to the Union Hill Grange as a Junior Grange building. She attended Victor Point, Rocky Point and Union Hill, skipping 2 grades. Moved to an aunt's home in Salem where she attended North Salem High then on to Oregon State University. She remembers the government "military" took the school buses away from the districts as they were needed in World War II. She has three children, Kathy, Marianne and Jimmy Brazil who is also a Grange member.

Carol Madsen-Smith was born in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. She recently moved to Sublimity to be near her daughter and joined the Union Hill Grange in 2020 where they are members. She and her late husband raised five boys and a girl. She traveled with him to various states as he was involved with Montgomery Ward. They retired in Salem then moved near their daughter Diane and son-in-law Matt in Sublimity. Carol was employed by the Oregon State Agriculture Department. She loves gardening and fishing.



L-r: MaryAnn Germond-Scott b. 1931; Joye Wymer-Patten b. 1929; William Cecil Williams b. 1928; Marjorie Tate-White b. 1928; and Carol Madsen-Smith b. 1929.

Clackamas Pomona Plans Degree Day

Clackamas County Pomona Grange #1 invites all Grangers to witness the exemplification of the first Five Degrees of the order on Saturday February 26, 2022 at Redland Grange 18131 S Fischers Mill Rd, Oregon City, Oregon.

The first Four Degrees will be exemplified in the afternoon with potluck finger food refreshments during the break between the Second and Third Degrees.

The Fifth Degree will be conferred in the evening. A chicken dinner

will be provided for \$5.00 by Redland Grange followed by the Lecturer's program and dessert auction.

While we encourage all members to witness the first Four Degrees, those wishing to attend only the Fifth Degree conferral must have received the first Four Degrees, Welcoming Ceremony or Official Obligation before observing the Fifth Degree and have the current password.

Questions? Contact Pomona Master Joyce Parker, 503-502-6188, jerp0323@gmail.com

Schedule for the day:

- 1:45 - 2:15 p.m. Candidates for the first Four Degrees must arrive
- 2:30 p.m. Degree work will begin promptly
- 5:30 p.m. Redland Grange will serve dinner - \$5.00 per person
- 7:00 p.m. Lecturer Program and dessert auction
- 8:00 p.m. Conferral of the Fifth Degree (Degree of Pomona)

2022-2024 Oregon State Grange Officer Nominations

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Ex Com Position #1 - continued

Susan Noah - Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Crow #450, Irving #377, Marys River #685, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Skyline #894, Walterville #416, Willamette #52

Jeff Dehne - Walterville #416, Abernethy #346, Fairmount #252, Springwater #263

Ken Schweiger - London #937, Creswell #496

***Louise Holst - Midland #781**, Molalla #310

Ex Com Position #2

Sam Keator #271 - Winona #271, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beavercreek #276, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Forest Grove #282, Midland #781, Walterville #416, Washington #313, White Eagle #683

Celia Fox - Boring-Damascus #260, Marys River #685, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Willamette #52

Jeanie Force - Sunnyside #842, Molalla #310, Springwater #263

Christy Dumolt - Clarkes, #261 Warren #536

***Sonny Hays Eberts - Marys River #685**, Hurricane Creek #608

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Springwater #263, Boulevard #389

Annette Naylor - Clarkes #261, Skyline #894

Ex Com Position #3

Louise Holst - Midland #781, Abernethy #346, Ada #570, Beavercreek #276, Boulevard #389, Creswell #496, Crow #450, Hurricane Creek #608, Marys River #685, Midland #781, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Riversdale #731, Santiam Valley #828, Walterville #416, Warren #536, White Eagle #683, Willamette #52

David McBride- Hurricane Creek, North End #820, Springwater #263

***Carmel Valencia- Phoenix #779**, Skyline #894

**These members are ineligible due to not living in the area of the state that position represents.*

Impart Grange Lessons at Every Meeting With the Heirloom Program

By Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Development Director



The Grange's many lessons are found in our cornerstone documents – our Declaration of Purposes, the Opening and Closing of our meetings and our Degree work, especially in the First Four. However, they are easily overshadowed by the business of the Grange and hampered when spoken by short attention spans and language that is beautiful but uncommon.

New members often wait years to see or hear all of these words of wisdom. More seasoned members may recall the words but have not taken the time to think about them and apply them to daily life in some time. For that reason, the National Grange has released the Heirloom Program, and encouraged every Grange to take just a few quick moments at one meeting each month to introduce a key lesson and reflect upon it – thereby passing on part of our heritage and making meaningful to daily life in the 21st century words mostly written more than a century-and-a-half ago.

The program is designed to introduce these lessons through short readings – similar to a liturgy at a church service. These bite-sized pieces help connect members to the most essential ideals of Grange without overwhelming. The schedule of readings allows members to experience reflection on the lesson together and potentially share with one another, across Granges, ideas of how these can be applied today.

Additional materials, such as social media posts, ads, posters and more will be released with each lesson, allowing Granges to share with not just their members but with their community the central concepts taught in Grange. A few sample activities are also available – ciphers and coloring pages that lead members to discover the lesson or interact with it – and more will be

released as the program moves forward.

This is not limited to a Lecturer's program – in fact, Granges are highly encouraged to have different officers or members present the monthly lesson and lead the short reflection or activity related to the lesson during the "conferral of degrees" portion of the meeting (*unless, of course, you are conferring degrees at that meeting*).

Over the course of five years, 60 total lessons will be introduced. While it does not take the place of providing new members with a Declaration of Purposes or conferring degrees, it certainly will allow new members a taste of what they would see or hear when interacting with these Grange texts and events and make them less foreign.

This program officially kicks off in March, as the season of Spring is upon us. The "Year A" readings (March 2022 through February 2023) are available online and all the resources related to them will be available by the beginning of March. The entire program, including a full description and further details can be found at www.nationalgrange.org/heirloom-program/.

Each month, a preview of the following month's lesson will be provided in the Patron's Chain, including a printable letter-sized poster. Starting on the first of the month, you'll find the related image of the lesson on our Facebook Page and our website. We encourage you to share the image and start the conversation with your friends – both members of the Grange and those who have not yet joined – and see how these lessons resonate with others.

Membership Matters

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Above: In March, we look forward to the coming of spring! Spring means planting season for farmers nationwide! This is the March – "Year A" header for your Facebook page with a charge from the Chaplain's part in the First Degree. Each month one will be available for downloading from the National Grange.



GROW Club

"Go Right On Working"



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Go Right On Working. That is the meaning of G.R.O.W.

As I mentioned in the December/January issue of the Bulletin members of this 'club' have earned the right to membership through the honor of representing Oregon as Ambassadors of the Grange through different programs throughout the decades. Although the programs have changed over the years, the privilege and honor is only achieved by earning it.

In this issue I ask Jessie Jo Guttridge to interview her grandmother for this column.

Wilma (Shibley) Guttridge is 93 years old, and believed to be the oldest living member of Oregon State Grange's GROW Club. Wilma is a fourth-generation Granger, whose great grandfather and grandfather were charter members of Springwater Grange #263. She recalled that when she was eight years old, she watched her older cousins go upstairs and get voted in as members. At the time, she was upset that she couldn't be a Granger yet.

In 1942, Wilma Shibley was able to become a Granger, a year after a young man named Joe Guttridge had joined at Springwater Grange. Wilma was active both in the Grange, school, and until VJ Day, volunteering in the Aircraft Warning Service, logging 254 total hours. She attended Springwater's school and graduated in 1947, one of the last classes to do so before Springwater was consolidated with the Estacada School District.

In 1948, Wilma Shibley was recognized as Oregon's Outstanding Young Granger. At that time the contest had Granges nominating a single male or female 14-20 years of age and the winner was selected based on their application and activities since becoming a subordinate member. The top three in the contest received transportation to and lodging at the state convention and \$2.50 a day for meals. There was no national contest as there is today so she didn't attend the National Grange convention that year. When asked about attending the National Sessions, Wilma struggled to recall specifics about nationals. The only national session she could confirm she attended was in Spokane in 1954, although she recalls attending at least one other as a youth.

Over the years, the far more numerous state sessions she attended made up more of her memories. She

told Jessie Jo about giving a speech at the State Session one year, and the National Master telling her she was bringing that speech to another event. She also recalled taking a drive, potentially at the same state session, with the State Master and his wife, as well as the National Master and his wife.

Most of the memories Wilma wanted to share with her granddaughter revolved around state sessions, and Joe's time as state deputy. Joe and Wilma married in 1949 and at the 1955 State Grange Convention in June it was announced that Joe would be the east side state Deputy starting September 1. Previously he had served as the Oregon State Grange Youth Superintendent (Committee Director) from Fall of 1950 - June 1951 and she got called on to represent him and present some of his state youth conferences when he couldn't make the trip.

Joe was one of two state deputies, working with Granges in central and eastern Oregon. That fall the couple moved to Hermiston with their two sons Rob and Alan, and soon, their third son, Gary. On the day Gary was born at the Hermiston hospital, one other boy was born in the same hospital. He was the son of a school superintendent who would later work for the Estacada School District, and hired Wilma as a teacher's aide in the late sixties.

Wilma also recalls they were nominated by their Grange in the first contest for Oregon's Young Couple of the Year in 1956 where they finished as one of three runner-up couples. There were 12 couples in the contest. The contest was sponsored by the Lecturer's department, and at that time the state winner's application was sent to National and the only the National winner was invited to attend National convention.

Wilma held numerous offices in Springwater and Clackamas Pomona over the years, including Clackamas Pomona's Flora and a brief time as Secretary, and frequently being an attendant for the fifth degree. She was Master of Springwater Grange in 1994, and spent many years as the membership chair of Springwater Grange. She also participated with her daughter-in-law Tami and granddaughter Jessie Jo in the 2019 multi generational Rosebud team for state convention.

Today all five of Wilma and Joe's sons are members of Springwater Grange along with several grandchildren.

L-r Wilma Guttridge, Oregon's 1948 Outstanding Young Granger with her granddaughter, Jessie Jo Guttridge, the 2018 Oregon Outstanding Young Granger who interviewed her grandmother for this article.



DOES YOUR GRANGE NEED HELP?

Installation of Officers Degrees (1-4 and/or 5th)
Draping the Charter Presenting the Flag
The Oregon GROW Club offers these and more.

Contact one of the GROW Club board members to get information.

- Teresa Cernac, President 971.291.7619
- John Fine, Dist. 1 - 541.673.0369
- Susan Noah, Dist. 2 - 541.953.6724
- Orrin Schnetzky, Dist. 3 - 971.998.4781
- Suzy Ramm, Dist. 4 - 503.502.3188
- Vickie High, Dist. 5 - 541.591.1019
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Oregon State Grange Youth Officer Application
Emailed or Postmarked to the State Office by March 31
osg.youth@gmail.com
643 Union St NE ~ Salem OR 97301

Name: _____
Age (on Jan. 1, 2022) _____

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 accept banquet meal tickets? Yes No
At this time, have you been designated as a delegate by your Grange? 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 Community and Pomona, please acknowledge any committee chairs. _____

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

What Grange contests/activities have you or are you planning to participate in? _____

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. 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 4 degrees or welcoming ceremony had been received when this application was signed. (initials) _____



Grange Youth & Young Adults



Christy Dumolt & JC Junkman
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OSG Youth/Young Adult Co-Directors



We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and were able to spend time with family. With the New Year upon us it is time to start planning what you are going to do this upcoming year. We have many contests available to those that are youth age as well as some that can be entered by the young at heart. The full list of contests is available in the contest handbook that is coming out. Here are a few that we want to highlight.

One of the newest National Contests is the Pillar Program. We know that many of you are already doing most of what is required of this contest. It's just a matter of keeping track of what you are doing. All the information is available on the National Grange Youth website at <https://nationalgrangeyouth.org/g-r-a-n-g-e-youth-pillar-projects/>. Here is an excerpt from the National Youth page.

An individual or a group, up to three youth/young adults, are challenged to put together an event or project within their Subordinate, Pomona, or State Grange that aligns with one of the six pillars of G.R.A.N.G.E Youth and track that project throughout the event's time frame. The event or project must take place between October 1 and September 30th. Once the event or project has concluded (and throughout) youth will put together a project portfolio to show their beginning, during, and end progress. Youth will have to complete a planning guide summary to be included in their portfolio.

The Pillar Project is to hone in on the passions, creativity and leadership abilities of Grange Youth and Young Adults. The pillars are

meant to be vague because, like many Granges, everything we do is unique and fits for our State, Pomona and Subordinate Granges needs. The pillars serve as the six main things that we should be striving to live by as G.R.A.N.G.E. youth.

A Planning Guide Summary will need to be submitted to the National Youth Director by September 1. Portfolios will need to be brought to National Session by State Presidents or State Youth directors by the opening of session to be put on display in the showcase.

Oregon State Grange Youth has a contest that was new just last year. It is the Grange Ritual Contest. All you have to do is to say a favorite passage from memory. It could be the Chaplain's prayer from the opening, the President's charge from closing the Grange or any part in the degree work. The passage should be 100 words or more, but you can put a few parts together to bring it up to that. The competition is held at State Convention and you need to let the Youth Directors know before the first day of State convention. The complete set of rules and information will be in the contest handbook.

It is also time to be thinking about which State Youth Officer you will want to be at the State Convention in Talent. You will need to be at state convention from Saturday June 18, 2022 through Wednesday June 22, 2022. We will be opening the state convention on Wednesday morning, June 22, 2022 at the Talent Middle School. The applications need to be postmarked by March 31, 2022. Look for the application in this bulletin.

Keeping Oregon Warm

The OSG Y/YA are collecting stocking, caps, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, etc... both purchased and homemade for distribution to the less fortunate in District 1. Please bring the items to the Oregon State Grange Convention in Talent, June 18-23.

For More information contact:
JC Junkman & Christy Dumolt
State Youth & Young Adult Co-Directors
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Oregon Granges Celebrated the Holidays

Silverton Holds MLK Observance

On January 17, the Silverton Grange #748, Marion County, held its 19th annual Martin Luther King Day Observance virtually attended on Zoom by over 50 Grangers and community members. Instead of a potluck with MLK favorites like macaroni and cheese, collard greens, red beans and rice and fried chicken, folks gathered online. Some cooked appropriate food at home.

The keynote speaker was Ahjamu Umi, an international social justice organizer who has developed and conducted anti-racism workshops for many years. Umi holds a Master's Degree in Economics and Social Science and is the author of three fiction novels as well as a study on mass incarceration.

After a selection of civil rights music and several of Martin Luther King's speeches on video, Grange President Cayla Catino and Silverton People for Peace member Rose Hope kicked off the event welcoming the community to the virtual gathering. Then Umi was introduced whose speech was

timely, passionate and engaging. He shared a power point outlining the history of colonialism and slavery, pointing out how these were the foundations of the wealth of our current industrialized societies, as well as white supremacy, which remains a challenge in our country.

Umi also emphasized, like Martin Luther King would have, that life is about struggle, so that advocates for civil rights in this country must "run to trouble, not from it" referring to the "good trouble" of the civil rights movement.

After a Q and A session, a spokesperson for a local affiliate of Showing Up For Racial Justice (SURJ) spoke about their activities in Silverton. Other groups talked about ways to get involved with social justice issues in the community.



Lane County Grangers at the Springfield Christmas Parade

There were "Grange Heroes" this year in the Springfield Christmas Parade on December 4, 2021. The parade with its Super Heroes theme was the perfect place to recognize Grange Heroes. The float was sponsored by Lane Pomona Grange and more than a dozen Lane County Granges had members in attendance.



L: Goshen Grangers, Dorothy Key, Brenda Hassler, and Linda Wetzell visited with Lifetime member Gary Prichard, after taking him out to dinner. He resides in the Lebanon Veterans Home at present. He loves to hear from Grangers and enjoys visiting with them when possible. His address is: Gary Prichard, Bravo # 206, 600 North 5th Street, Lebanon, OR. 97355

Above: State Grange President Susan Noah and her husband Mark with Roxy walking in the parade in their Grange Hero capes.



Above: Thurston Grange #853, Lane County, held their annual Christmas party on December 17th. Fifteen Grangers and guests attended with gifts and door prizes given out during the dinner. A coffee and tea gift basket was won by Lifetime member Karen Lemanquais. Special guests for the evening included Jeff and Liz Dehne, who spoke briefly on member encouragement.



Above: Goshen Grange #561, Lane County, celebrated the holiday season with a Christmas Party on December 6th. Ham was the center of the potluck and all the trimmings were included. Sixteen Grangers attended and were rewarded with prizes from the games played and door prizes. There was also a fun Christmas Ornament Exchange for everyone.

Redland's Santa Howard Miller



L: Many of the Redland Grange #796, Clackamas County, members are movers and shakers as they are not only active in their Grange activities but volunteer at many community events. One of those is Grange Chaplain, Howard Miller who after retirement has devoted much of his time to a variety of community projects as well as Grange. This year at the Molalla's Christmas parade he rode the Fire Department engine playing Santa and at the tree lighting ceremony he played Santa's Elf.

Your Name: _____ Moving? Let Us Know.

Old Address: _____ New Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Grange Name/Number: _____

Please provide name of any Subordinate/Community Grange office/Committee Chairman positions currently held.

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